

Weekly Update 1 ~ September 9, 2021

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FR. SEP 10 8:00 AM Grades 5-8 Mass (church) 2020-21 trimester 3 Honor Roll Assembly following Mass (church)
 SU. SEP 12 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM Parish & School Celebration
 MO. SEP 13 Out-of-uniform passes may be used
 WE. SEP 15 Band lessons begin - students, remember your instruments! 8:00 AM Grades 2-4 Mass (church) 6:00 PM All Things Faith Formation Info Night (Church & Doran Hall)
 TH. SEP 16 Spirit Wear Day
 FR. SEP 17 8:00 AM Grades 5-8 Mass (church) MO. SEP 20 NWEA Testing begins
- TH.SEP 23 5:30 Parent Information Night for parents of K-8 students
- SA. OCT 02 ST. CHARLES SCHOOL MARATHON

Dear St. Charles Parents,

I have so much in my head to share with you and so little time today;-)

This weekend there is a parish festival on September 12th! Please join us for the 10:00 AM Mass in the church followed by a BBQ in the front yard with games for kids and plenty of chances to connect with new and old friends!

The Marathon this year is on October 2nd; our goal is to raise \$190 per student through sponsorships gained by asking new friends, old friends, neighbors, family members, and anyone else you can think of. Information went out in your Back to School packet, and there will be more to come between now and October 2nd.

The first week of school has been fantastic overall. There are some logistical things we are still working the kinks out of, but that is normal, and the staff is extremely motivated to work together on these things. Your prayers and support from home are appreciated as we begin this year and the new adventure it brings. I'll be writing you notes in the Weekly Update once per week; please be in the habit of reading this newsletter each Thursday. It is an essential piece of communication and partnership between the school and our families.

All for now — God bless you, Danny Kieffer St. Charles Principal

Join us for the St. Charles Borromeo Year of Life Kick-off Celebration ~ Sunday, September 12

See flyer for details: Flyer HERE

It's MARATHON time! ~ Saturday, October 2

Mark your calendars for the annual St. Charles **Marathon** on Saturday, October 2nd! Everything you need to know about the **Marathon** was included in your Back-to-School- Night packet. Be sure to check out all the new information and virtual and live opportunities!

Honor Roll Assembly for 2020-21 Trimester 3 ~ Friday, September 10

Following 8:00 AM Mass on Friday, September 10, the current 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students who received honors and high honors in the 3rd trimester of the last school year will be acknowledged. Come to Mass and stay to applaud their accomplishments.

Formation for the whole parish ~ Wednesday, September 15

Formation for the whole parish will be offered this year on the first Wednesday of the month in the Church proper. If you have grade school through middle school children, we ask that you register them so we can ensure that the parish can properly support the formation of children and families. There will be an informational night on all things faith formation on **Wednesday, September 15, at 6:00 PM** in Doran Hall. This will include information for faith formation of all ages, First Communion, Confirmation, and The Holy Family program for parents of First Communicants. Everybody at St. Charles who has children of all ages is highly encouraged to attend.

The Holy Family Program will begin again for all parents of children who will be receiving First Communion this year. Information will be presented on September 15 at 6:00 PM in Doran Hall. The program consists of excellent video presentations and small groups once per month.

Interested in Karate?

Check out the flyer HERE

Meet Our New School Counselor

My name is Becca Gonsior, and I am beyond excited to become a part of the St. Charles community this school year! A little bit about myself, I grew up in Oakdale, Minnesota and went to the University of Minnesota Twin Cities for my Bachelor's degree in Family Social Science and a minor in Leadership. I continued my education at the University of Minnesota Saint Marys, where I received my Master's Degree in Counseling and Psychological Services. For the past four years, I have been working at the Melrose Center as a Mental Health Practitioner. On a personal note, I currently live in Saint Louis Park and have an adventurous and sweet dog named Stella. I enjoy spending time with my friends and family, along with traveling as much as I can! I also enjoy sports, partaking, and watching, go Vikings!

My passion in life is to support and help others with their mental, emotional, and social well-being! As the school counselor, I am here to support and help each student. I may be meeting with students individually, in group settings, or doing presentations in the classroom. I am going to be at St. Charles every Tuesday, along with every other Friday. I am available by email, bgonsior@stchbs.org, if you have any questions, along with if you have a request for me to meet with your child. I am extremely blessed to begin my journey as a St. Charles School Counselor!

School Year Reminders

- Please send a note to school if there is a change in your child's end of the day routine. Any changes communicated after the day begins should include the office email (<u>stchbs@stchbs.org</u>) because while teaching, teachers are not able to check email.
- Please remember that there is **NO PARKING** on Stinson Boulevard in front of the parking lot and school area.
- All children waiting for rides after 3:00 PM will be sent to St. Charles After School Care for safety reasons.

The Spirit Wear Shop

• Schoolbelles. Questions? Contact Mary at urdahl.mary@gmail.com or Kari at karidomeyer@gmail.com

The Meal Train Ministry

This group is comprised of a group of people who make and deliver meals to the home of a person or family during their time of need. An online collaboration site is used to organize the meal calendar and preferences around what works for the person or family receiving the meals. Let us know if you have a short-term need (due to a birth, surgery, illness, etc.) to receive meals delivered to your home, or that you know someone who does, or **if you would like to become a part of the group who provides meals**, please contact Beth Pollard at 612-384-2384 or email: <u>elizabethpollard@comcast.net</u>.

Prayer Corner ~

If you would like to add someone to our prayer corner, please email the information to Danny Kieffer at dkieffer@stchbs.org

- For Liz York who is battling cancer.
- For healing from cancer treatment complications for Dana Huggar's mother.
- For Leanna, grandmother to students Braden ('21), Brett, Hailey, Elena, Tom, Joe, Peter, Grace, and Ava, as she battles cancer.
- For the health of all our students, families, and staff.
- For peace in our families and in our communities.
- Humble heart of Jesus, make our hearts like Yours!!
- Surrender Novena

Additional Links

- St. Charles Website ~ www.stchbschool.org
- St. Charles Google Calendar ~ <u>St. Charles Calendar Link</u>
- St. Charles Lunch Calendar ~ St. Charles Lunch Calendar Link
- St. Charles Google Athletic Calendar ~ St. Charles Athletic Calendar Link
- St Charles Volunteers ~ <u>SignUpGenius St. Charles</u>
- St Charles Facebook ~ <u>https://www.facebook.com/stchbs</u>

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