



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Attendance Line: 612-787-1131

Weekly Update 13 ~ December 9, 2021

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- TH. DEC 09 6:30 PM K-4 Advent Service**
- FR. DEC 10** 8:00 AM Mass: rooms 206 & 208 & grades 5-8 (church)
Trimester 1 middle school honors following 8:00 Mass (church)
Staff Christmas lunch
- SA. DEC 11** 10:00 AM Penance Service (church)
- MO. DEC 13** Out-of-uniform passes may be used
- TU. DEC 14** 2nd grade in-school retreat
6:30 PM School Advisory meeting
- WE. DEC 15** 8:00 AM Mass: 2nd grade, rooms 205 & 209
9:00 AM Picture Retake Day
6:00 PM Middle school Ignite (youth room)
- TH. DEC 16** Students May Wear **RED & GREEN or Christmas Attire**
No extended day available for preschool and prek
6:30 PM Middle School Christmas Band & Choir Concert (Gym)
- FR. DEC 17** 8:00 AM Mass: rooms 206 & 208 & grades 5-8 (church)
6:00 PM Friday Night Live for 5th & 6th grades
7:30 PM Friday Night Live for 7th & 8th grades
- MO. DEC 20** School Not in Session ~ Christmas Break
- MO. JAN 03** School Resumes

Dear St. Charles Parents,

I'm looking forward to seeing the K-4 students and their families tonight at the Advent Service. This kicks off our season of Advent and Christmas celebrations with the Middle School Band & Choir Concert and the Preschool Christmas Programs coming next week.

God bless you,
Danny Kieffer
St. Charles Principal



St Charles School COVID-19 Tracker

	11/18 – 12/1	12/2 – 12/8
New positive student & staff cases during time period	6	5
Number of households with new lab-confirmed cases during time period	5	4
Cumulative positive student & staff cases	55	60

NEW: Trimester 1 Honor Roll Assembly ~ tomorrow, Friday, December 10

Following the 8:00 AM Mass tomorrow, the 5th-8th grade students who received honors in the first trimester will be recognized. Come to Mass and stay to acknowledge them for their accomplishments.

NEW: Please return your student's report card envelope

Just a reminder to sign your student's report card envelope and return the empty envelope to school with your student before Christmas vacation.

Thank you for your generosity!!

The 4th Grade Thanksgiving Food Drive was a smashing success - thanks to *YOU!* Together, in a few short weeks, our school sent over 3,000 food and hygiene items to the Franciscan Brothers of Peace in St. Paul and to the Missionaries of Charity in Minneapolis!! Our brothers and sisters in St. Paul and Minneapolis will be far less in need this winter because of your extreme generosity. May God kindly bless you for performing this beautiful Corporal Work of Mercy of feeding the hungry. A big THANK YOU to all parents and especially to those that took the time to drive the food to our charity sites. THANK YOU ALL!

St Charles basketball updates

4th-8th grade December basketball schedule link below:

<https://www.stchbschool.org/activities/athletic-calendar/>

2nd & 3rd grade basketball opportunity - **Due today!!**

In-house Intramural Basketball for our 2nd & 3rd graders will begin in the new year! Please see the information flier and consent form attached. **Registration is due today, December 9.** Please scan and email to Mr. Carpenter: tcarpenter@stchbs.org

Home & School Corner

A message from H&S president:

If you are wondering how you might show your appreciation at this time of year for our teachers and staff, please consider a voluntary donation, in any amount, to the Staff Christmas Appreciation Fund. All collected funds will be distributed among the entire staff (teachers, assistants, office personnel, maintenance crew, and administration). What a wonderful gift! There are 2 ways you can contribute.

1. You can donate through TADS. Please email Angela Bollensen (abollensen@stchbs.org) with the dollar amount you'd like to donate and the names of your children.
2. Send a check (made payable to St. Charles School) in an envelope marked, "Staff Christmas Appreciation Fund" along with your student to school or turn directly into the school office.

Please contribute by Tuesday, December 14, 2021. Thank you so much for your generosity!!

Volunteers Still Needed for Tonight and Tomorrow!

To check out the volunteer opportunities this month and to sign up: [SignupGenius](#) Volunteers are needed to help with the Advent Service and the Teacher & Staff Christmas Lunch. Questions? klstein@mmm.com or 612-807-5599. THANK YOU!!

Spirit Wear

\$10 youth t-shirts (all sizes) are now available for purchase in the school office. We also have adult medium, large, & XL t-shirts as well. Items featuring our Chargers logo are available for purchase online year-round at schoolbelles.com and will be shipped directly to you. Questions? Contact Mary at urdahl.mary@gmail.com or Kari at karidomeyer@gmail.com.

Picture Retake Day ~ Wednesday, December 15

my.lifetouch.com and use code: EVTBW2T89

Advent Sock & Mitten Collection: through December 17

The annual Advent collection for new warm gloves, mittens, and socks is just around the corner. These items will be donated to Catholic Charities where they will be distributed to the homeless in the community and to the children at St. Joseph's Home for Children. Students should bring their donations to their homeroom, where the items will be collected by the 8th grade Charge to Serve students. Thank you for your generosity!

Wolf Ridge calendars make great gifts!

Wolf Ridge calendars are still available for purchase for \$17. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

Calling 4th-8th Graders ~ Shine Your Talent!! Deadline extended to December 12

The Catholic Schools Center of Excellence (CSCOE) is hosting a talent show in March. Performing arts virtual auditions need to be submitted by December 12. Visual arts submissions are due January 1-30. Click here for more information: <https://www.cscoe-mn.org/shine-on/>

Math Corps ~ tutors needed

Math Corps Tutors are wanted for 35, 25, or 18 hours a week starting in January for 4th-8th grade students who need additional skill-building in math. No experience is needed! Minnesota Math Corps tutors earn a stipend every two weeks, receive up to an additional \$2417.14 for tuition or student loans, and gain experience working in a school environment. Here are two ways you can help:

1. Become a tutor. 2. Help get the word out, to ensure our students have the extra help they need to be successful.

For more information contact Sarah Loquasto at 952-960-4901 or sarah.loquasto@servetogrow.org. Apply at: [St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School Math Tutor Application](#).

The Meal Train Ministry

Would you like to help provide meals for a person or family in their time of need?

OR do you or someone you know have a short-term need (due to a birth, surgery, illness, etc.) for meals to be delivered to your home? Contact Beth at 612-384-2384 or email elizabethpollard@comcast.net.

Check the school and community links below the Prayer Corner for more information

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 the repose of the soul of James Miller, father-in-law of staff member Jane Malone-Miller and for the comfort of his family
- ❖ For staff member Kim: for the repose of the soul of her father and for the comfort of all the family.
- ❖ For a full and speedy recovery from knee surgery for St. Charles student Ray.
- ❖ For a full recovery for Grandma Nancy from covid (grandma to students Cecilia, Paul, and Stella) and in thanksgiving for her being able to go home from the hospital.
- ❖ For a complete recovery from a stroke for Ben, father of students Brooks and Luke, and for his family during this recovery time.
- ❖ For student JJ's great-uncle, who is in the hospital recovering from a stem-cell transplant; for continued healing and his ability to return home soon.
- ❖ For a successful course of radiation treatments for Liz, mother to students Mary, Julia, Ray, and graduate Nathaniel.
- ❖ For Henry R's Great Uncle Ken who is battling stage 4 cancer and his Great Aunt Elede who cares for him.
- ❖ For healing for staff member Glenn Kaslow's nephew Todd.
- ❖ 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, and for peace in our families and communities.
 - ❖ Humble heart of Jesus, make our hearts like Yours!!
 - ❖ [Surrender Novena](#)
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Additional Links

St. Charles Website ~ www.stchbschool.org

St. Charles Google Calendar ~ [St. Charles Calendar Link](#)

St. Charles Lunch Calendar ~ [St. Charles Lunch Calendar Link](#)

St. Charles Google Athletic Calendar ~ [St. Charles Athletic Calendar Link](#)

St Charles Volunteers ~ [SignUpGenius- St. Charles](#)

St Charles Facebook ~ <https://www.facebook.com/stchbs>

Sterling Karate Tuesday After School Program ~ SterlingKarate.com/about-us

NEW: TG Youth Wrestling Club: [Totino-Grace Youth Wrestling Club](#)

**★Weekly Update article deadline: Wednesday 9:00 AM - Send submissions to
mwappes@stchbs.org.★**