

#### Attendance Line: 612-787-1131

#### Weekly Update 22 ~ February 24, 2022

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

TH.FEB 24	6:30 PM Preschool Parent Information Night
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- FR.FEB 25 8:00 AM Mass: 5th 8th grades, rooms 206 & 208
- MO.FEB 28 Out-of-uniform passes may be used
- WE.MAR 02 1:15 PM K-8 Ash Wednesday Mass
- TH.MAR 03NPH Sponsorship Day for \$1 or more, students may wear spirit wear or orange<br/>2:40 PM 5th & 6th grade After School Youth Group (youth room)
- FR.MAR 04 8:00 AM Mass: 5th 8th grades, rooms 206 & 208
- sa.mar 05 9AM 7PM Liz/Sue Day
- MO.MAR 07 7:00 PM Parish Mission (church)
- TU.MAR 08 7:00 PM Parish Mission (church)
- WE.MAR 09 8:00 AM Mass: 2nd grade, rooms 205 & 209 7:00 PM Parish Mission (church)

#### Looking Ahead

**FR.MAR 11** End of 2nd Trimester **WE.MAR 14-18** Spring Break

Dear St. Charles Parents,

Last week, I met with our School Advisory Council about COVID protocols, and we discussed possibilities for this school year. We discussed a survey to provide the opportunity for parents to give feedback. This survey went out today, and our plan is to close the survey Sunday at 8:00 PM. We are asking each parent to fill this survey out, and we kept the survey brief in hopes of hearing from everyone on a short timeline. Having this data will be valuable as we make plans for the remainder of the school year. If you do it tonight, you won't have to remember to do it!

Tonight is Preschool Information Night in the school cafeteria. We're looking forward to having more new parents see our school and consider partnering with us. The word of mouth advertising has been so great from our current parents. Thank you for sharing with your friends and family the positive experiences your kids are having here.

Next week is already the beginning of Lent, and we will be having a K-8 Mass on Wednesday afternoon. During the Lenten season, students will be going to Stations of the Cross on Tuesday afternoons. We are excited to have new booklets to work from this year. Our Kindergarten students will not be joining us as Tuesdays are one of the days they have Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

There will be a parish mission the week of March 7-11 featuring talks each night at 7:00PM. The mission will be led by the Francician Friars of the Renewal. They will also spend some time with our students while they are here! Look for more to come next week about the parish mission.

The second trimester is coming to an end on March 11th, and spring break is within sight. Thank you for your prayers & partnership! God bless you, Danny Kieffer St. Charles Principal

# **COVID Tracker**

Dates	Feb 10 - 16	Feb 17 - 23
Cases in the building with school exposures	2	0

# **Preschool Parent Information Night Tonight**

Join us for a Preschool Parent Night tonight at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria. Learn about our 3-year-old and 4-year-old programs. This evening is for prospective parents as well as parents who have registered their children and want to know more.

Our Preschool Program offers

- Classes for 3-year-olds and 4-year-olds
- Full-day and half-day options
- Early start and extended day
- Committed, faith-filled staff members
- Flexible offerings and more!

Come to our Parent Night to discover the difference of a faith-based preschool program! Our preschool offers a warm and caring environment with a full range of learning experiences including art, music, physical education, and faith-based stories. This night is designed for adults only. We hope you can join us!

### Kids Heart Challenge Adventure Ends Tomorrow, Friday, February 25

Check out the <u>ELECTRONIC ENVELOPE</u> for more information! Click on our school link today: <u>http://www2.heart.org/goto/stcharlesborromeo</u>

One Last Reminder of our student **BONUS** incentives:

All School Challenge: 50 Students to Register and Take the Challenge – Mr. Carpenter will be SLIMED by top fundraising students. Top Participating Class: *Extra P.E. class!* All donations due tomorrow, Friday, February 25. Thank you for your support!

# 17th Annual Liz Sue Day ~ March 5

The day remembering/honoring Liz Hickman and Sue McSherry is Saturday, March 5, from 9:00 AM -7:00 PM. Elizabeth Hickman, a St. Charles student who lost her life to brain cancer at the age of 14, lived her life with faith, courage, and joyfulness. Sue McSherry, alum, parent, and staff member, was an inspiration to all who were graced to know her or blessed to cross her path. She lost her battle with cancer in October 2019. Her faith, compassion, and kindness touched the heart of each person she encountered, even during her illness. On this day, we raise money for Make-A-Wish Foundation and the Sue McSherry Scholarship Fund (to support St. Charles students in need of tuition assistance). Please come and enjoy a day of basketball, food, fundraising, and fellowship! Admission is \$3.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students. Game times will be posted next week.

Please see the attached flyer for all the ways you can donate and support this event.

### Aim Higher Scholarships for the 2022-23 school year Deadline extended - March 1

Aim Higher is a non-profit organization that assists parents in making sure that each and every child is able to attend Catholic School. They give out scholarships all across our diocese. Students from St. Charles have received them each year. Again this year, they have invited everyone in our diocese to apply for Aim Higher Scholarships through TADS. Click on the following link to find a flyer that includes details about how to apply for this scholarship: <u>AIM Higher Scholarship</u>. **We encourage you to apply if you already receive financial aid, or think that you may be eligible.** The deadline is March 1, 2022.

All current families receiving an AIM Higher Scholarship for this school year must complete their application by March 1, 2022 in order to be eligible for the scholarship to continue into the next school year.

### Home & School Corner - New Volunteer Opportunities!

- Concession stand volunteers needed for Liz/Sue Day, March 5. Sign-up genius
- Volunteers are needed to help students with book checkout during class visits to the school library. Current openings are with kindergarten, 1st, and 3rd grade. <u>Sign-up genius</u>
- Interested in a rewarding volunteer position with Home & School? We are looking for the next chairperson for the 2022-2023 school year! Share your talents, lean in, and sign up today!! <u>Sign-up genius</u>

Amazon Smile is an easy way to help support our school throughout the year. Click to search for "Church and School of St. Charles Borromeo."

# Order your 2021-22 Yearbook ~ Now through April 8

Yearbooks may be ordered now through Friday, April 8. This is the only time to reserve a copy of our 2021-22 yearbook. All yearbooks need to be pre-ordered online. The price is \$20. The yearbook covers preschool through 8th grade. To order your yearbook go to:

https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/order/LookupJob?jobNumber=1260922. Visa, MasterCard, Discover and

# Save the Date for the Borromeo BASH on Saturday, May 7!

We'll have a roaring good time as we celebrate the twenties! Come as you are or dress to impress; all are welcome. This event is a benefit, and all funds raised go back to St. Charles School. We hope you can make it! More details and tickets will be available online in the upcoming weeks.

# 2022-23 School Enrollment Open for New and Returning Families - Spread the

#### Word! start your application here

Do you know a family who may be interested in learning about St. Charles School? Encourage them to sign up for a tour on our website: **Tour & Information Request Link** 

### St. Charles Annual Fund

The Annual Fund is an opportunity for you to invest in the future of St. Charles School. Your donation is a gift of Faith and Knowledge for Life! You can help support our school through the Annual Fund, which helps maintain and continually redefine excellence while keeping tuition manageable for our current and future families. Please consider a gift and help us reach our goal of \$60,000 to continue building on this tradition. Click here to donate online!

### **2021 Education Tax Information**

2021 tax subtraction credit info.pdf

# Parish Youth & Family Activities

### No Youth Events Wednesday, March 2

No youth events on Wednesday, March 2, due it being Ash Wednesday. We pray that you will have a blessed start to your Lent at home with your families!

### Parish Mission Family Night- Wednesday, March 9

Mark your calendar for the Parish Mission from March 7-9! The last night of the mission, March 9, Katie and volunteers will be offering childcare in Doran Hall so that parents and older children can attend the Parish Mission! Please consider joining us! Reach out to Katie with any questions at kwalker@stchb.org

### Middle School After School Youth Group on Thursdays 2:40-4:00 PM

A time to pray, have snacks, and play games together! Parents, please pick your students up in the circle by the Atrium at 4:00 PM. If your student will be walking home after the youth group, please let Katie know. For questions: kwalker@stchb.org or T: 651-900-3310

March 3: 5th & 6th graders March 10: 7th & 8th graders March 17: Spring Break, No After School Youth Group March 24: 5th & 6th graders March 31: 7th & 8th graders

### **Summer Youth Opportunities**

Please get your registration form and deposit for Extreme Faith Camp or Camp Veritas to Katie ASAP! Spots are filling up quickly and we want to make sure that we have room for your student! 6/20-6/24 Extreme Faith Camp for current 6th-8th graders 7/24-7/28 Camp Veritas for current 8th-12th graders Details: <u>https://www.stchb.org/youth</u>

### Women of St Charles: Save the Date

All women are cordially invited to the Women's Council Lenten Morning of Reflection *Unleashing the Strength of the Holy Spirit: "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me"* Saturday, March 5, 9:00-11:30 AM. Sign up after the weekend Masses, reserve your spot through the parish website, or call the parish office.

### 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 <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 Gary Wilmer, St. Charles principal for 37 years, as he works through some ongoing health issues
- For Toni Magee, grandmother to student Elizabeth, as she battles cancer.
- For the repose of the soul of Richard Jones, father to former staff member Mark Jones, and for the comfort of his family.
- For Roger, husband of piano teacher Mary Ann, for recovery and healing from surgery for a brain tumor.
- For a full recovery from cardiac arrest for Pam, grandmother to students Dalton, Liam, and Isaac.
- For a complete recovery from a stroke for Ben, father of students Brooks and Luke, and for his family during this recovery time.
- For continued healing for Liz, mother to students Mary, Julia, Ray, and graduate Nathaniel.
- 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

#### Links for St. Charles

- St. Charles Website ~ <u>www.stchbschool.org</u>
- 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>

### Links for Outside Activities and Opportunities

Sterling Karate Tuesday After School Program ~ <u>SterlingKarate.com/about-us</u> TG Youth Wrestling Club: <u>Totino-Grace Youth Wrestling Club</u> St Anthony Summer Soccer programs <u>https://www.saboosters.org/programregistration</u> St Anthony baseball: <u>saboosters.baseball-and-clinic-registration</u> NEW: St Thomas Academy Crack Drill Squad performances: <u>cadets.com/drillevents</u> For His Glory (4HG): <u>www.4HG.co/in-the-news</u>.

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