



# SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## Weekly Update 13 ~ December 8, 2022

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FR. DEC 09** 8:00 AM K-8 Mass (church)  
Trimester 1 Middle School Honors following 8:00 Mass (church)  
Friday Night Live for 5th-8th grades (gym)
- SA. DEC 10** 10:00 AM Penance Service (church)
- MO. DEC 12** Out-of-uniform passes may be used
- TU. Dec 13** Staff Christmas lunch  
**6:30 PM K-4th Advent Service Program** (church)
- WE. Dec 14** 5:30 PM Family Formation Night (church)
- TH. DEC 15** 6:00 PM Middle School Choir Concert (Doran Hall)  
7:00 PM Middle School Band Concert (Doran Hall)
- FR. DEC 16** 8:00 AM K-8 Mass with music (church)  
9:00 AM Preschool Concert (cafeteria)  
10:00 AM Pre-K Concert (Doran Hall)  
Audrey Puchtel Charity Basketball Night
- MO. DEC 19** **Christmas Break begins - school not in session**

### Looking ahead

**TU. JAN 03** **School Resumes**

**WE. JAN 11** **2023-24 Enrollment Opens for Current Families & Parishioners**

Dear St. Charles Families,

Today we attended Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. It was good to pray together, and the song Ave Maria has been going through my head ever since. The kids did a great job.

This week has been full of hard work and rehearsals. The week ahead holds performances for Advent and Christmas! I don't know who planned this, but when I find out I'll have some words for them. ;) The K-4 Advent Program is on Tuesday at 6:30 PM, the Middle School Choir and Band Concerts are on Thursday (choir @ 6:00 & band @ 7:00). Family Formation Night begins with dinner at 5:30 PM on Wednesday in Doran Hall with programs starting at 6:00 PM. On Friday, we have the Preschool Concert at 9:00 AM in the cafeteria. The Pre-K Concert is at 10:00 AM in Doran Hall. Friday is also the International Christmas Festival for grades K-8 during the day, and on Friday evening you can put your feet up in our gym to watch the Audrey Puchtel Basketball Evening for Charity. The week ahead will be full – students, staff, and parents will no doubt be ready for the break.

The St. Charles Annual Fund letter is in progress right now; we look forward to launching this year's Annual Fund to support our new playground and the Gary Wilmer Scholarship Fund. Our goal is to raise \$50,000 through the Annual Fund this year.

That's all I have for today. God bless you,  
Danny Kieffer  
St. Charles Principal

### **Trimester 1 Honor Roll Assembly ~ tomorrow, Friday, December 9**

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.

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### **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.

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### **Calling 4th-8th Graders ~ Shine Your Talent!! Deadline December 11**

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 accepted January 1-31. Click here for more information: [shineontalent.org](http://shineontalent.org)

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### **Sock and Mitten Tree Collection ~ through December 16**

The 7th & 8th grade members of *Charge To Serve*, the student leadership group, will be collecting new, warm socks, mittens, and gloves. These donations will be given to Catholic Charities for distribution to those in need. Students may bring donations to their homeroom. Thank you for your generosity!

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## **Home & School**

### **Volunteers Needed for Tuesday and Thursday Next Week!**

To check out the volunteer opportunities this month and to sign up: [Sign Up Genius](#) Volunteers are needed to help with the Teacher & Staff Christmas Lunch and the Advent Service. THANK YOU!!

### **A message from our Home & School president:**

It's the most wonderful time of year, and we certainly have a lot to be thankful for! The exceptional teachers and staff at St. Charles Borromeo School are committed to serve our students and families. If you are wondering how you can show your appreciation this year, 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) to arrange.
2. Send a check (made payable to St. Charles School) in an envelope marked, "Staff Christmas Appreciation Fund" with your student to school or turn directly into the school office.

Please contribute by Tuesday, December 13, 2021. Thank you for your generosity!!

### **Concession Stand Volunteers Needed for Basketball Season!**

Looking for a great opportunity to meet other St. Charles families and be of service at the same time? Sign up for a shift at the concession stand: [concessions sign-up](#). If you are new to concessions and would like a quick in-person training, please contact concessions coordinator Kirsten Kavanaugh, [kkavan@comcast.net](mailto:kkavan@comcast.net).

**\*\*REMINDER\*\*** 7th and 8th grade students get service hours for volunteering with an adult.

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### **Mark Your Calendars for the 4th Annual Borrromeo Bash ~ April 22**

**What?** The Borrromeo Bash is an important school fundraiser to help raise money for various school needs and causes.

**Who?** This is an adult-only night intended for parents, parishioners, and the community - please help us spread the word!

**2023 Theme:** Black Tie (Black and White apparel only) so come dressed to impress!

**Needs:** We are looking for committee members and volunteers! Please reach out to Veronica Paulson (612-703-8719) by 12/9 if you are interested in joining our team.

We are also starting to collect *Auction Items* which are crucial to the success of the Bash! If you are aware of someone who wants to donate or would like to yourself, please email [Veronica.Paulson21@gmail.com](mailto:Veronica.Paulson21@gmail.com) or call 612-703-8719. Thank you and let's make this the most successful Bash yet!

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### **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](mailto:elizabethpollard@comcast.net).

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### **Parish Corner**

**Youth Ministry Newsletter** and all youth ministry materials: [www.stchb.org/youth](http://www.stchb.org/youth)

#### **Friday Night Live ~ Tomorrow, December 9**

All 5-8 grade students are invited to join us in the gym for Friday Night Live on Friday, December 9, from 7:00 - 9:00 PM! We'll be playing Real-Life Clue, dodgeball, and more!

We are in need of help from some parents (who up to date with their VIRTUS!) to chaperone the event! Please reach out to Katie if you are able to help! [kwalker@stchb.org](mailto:kwalker@stchb.org)

#### **After School Youth Group ~ December 15**

All 4-8th grade students are invited to join us on Thursdays for after school youth group from 2:40-4:00 PM! Contact Katie at [kwalker@stchb.org](mailto:kwalker@stchb.org) with any questions! Next opportunity: December 15

## Ignite

All 4-8th grade students are invited to attend Ignite on Wednesdays from 6-7:30 PM in the youth room. This is a great opportunity for fun, fellowship, formation, and snacks! Please reach out to Katie with any questions at [kwalker@stchb.org](mailto:kwalker@stchb.org)!

## Ablaze

8th grade students are also invited to attend Ablaze on Wednesdays from 7:30-9 PM in the youth room! This is our high school youth group, and the 8th graders may attend this instead of Ignite if they would prefer! Please reach out to Katie at [kwalker@stchb.org](mailto:kwalker@stchb.org) with questions!

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## Check the links below the Prayer Corner for more information

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### Prayer Corner

If you would like to add someone to our prayer corner, please email the information to Danny Kieffer at [dkieffer@stchbs.org](mailto:dkieffer@stchbs.org)

- ❖ For the repose of the soul of Paul Keating, brother of former staff member Marguerite Keating O'Meara and for the comfort of his family.
- ❖ For Toni Magee, grandma of Elizabeth M., whose cancer has returned.
- ❖ For healing for Felicia, wife of Ken, our CKG cafeteria manager.
- ❖ For the repose of the soul of Peter, son of staff member Sharon Rice, and for the comfort of his family.
- ❖ For Ruby S, teenage cousin to student Kinley, as Ruby battles her 3rd round of cancer in 2 years.
- ❖ For St. Charles student Jasper and his family as they navigate some new health challenges.
- ❖ For healing for Blanca, grandmother to student Camila.
- ❖ For a complete recovery for staff member Cindy Brown-Kasel.
- ❖ For successful cancer treatment for Jody, grandmother to students Torin and Brody, and mother to staff member Dayton Goodmanson.
- ❖ For healing of cancer for Bobbie, great aunt to students Lilly and Leo, and aunt to staff member Sharon McHale.
- ❖ 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.

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### Additional Links

St. Charles School Website ~ [www.stchbschool.org](http://www.stchbschool.org)  
St. Charles Google Calendar ~ [St. Charles Calendar Link](#)  
St. Charles Lunch Calendar ~ [St. Charles Lunch Calendar Link](#)  
St Charles Wellness Policy ~ [School-Wellness-Policy](#)  
St. Charles Google Athletic Calendar ~ [St. Charles Athletic Calendar Link](#)  
St Charles Volunteers ~ [Sign Up Genius](#)  
Concession Stand Sign-up ~ [concession stand sign-up](#)

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

St Charles Spirit Wear ~ [Schoolbelles](#) questions: Mary Urdahl at [urdahl.mary@gmail.com](mailto:urdahl.mary@gmail.com)

St. Charles Borromeo Church: [St Charles Church](#)

**Beyond St Charles**

T-G Youth Wrestling Youth Club ~ [Flier](#) & [Sign Up Here](#)

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[mwappes@stchbs.org](mailto:mwappes@stchbs.org).★