



# SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Health Office & Attendance Line: 612-787-1131

## Weekly Update 32 ~ May 11, 2023

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- TH . MAY 11** 6:30 PM K-4 Concert Honoring Our Blessed Mother (church)
- FR . MAY 12** 8:00 AM Mass & May Crowning (church)  
After Mass: Volunteer Appreciation (school)
- SU . MAY 14** Happy Mothers Day
- MO . MAY 15** **School not in session:** Staff Development Day
- TU . MAY 16** Lemonade Stand at recess  
6:30 PM School Advisory Meeting (104)
- WE . MAY 17** Lemonade Stand at recess  
6:00 PM Ignite: 4th-8th grade (youth room)  
7:30 PM Ablaze: 8th-12th grades (youth room)
- TH . MAY 18** **Spirit Wear Day**  
Lemonade Stand at recess  
2:40 PM 6th-8th grade after school youth group (youth room)
- FR . MAY 19** **St Charles Summer Camp registrations due**  
8:00 AM K-8 Mass (church)  
Lemonade Stand at recess

### Looking ahead

- TH . MAY 25** 6:30 PM 5-8 grade Band & Choir Concert

Dear St. Charles Parents,

Tonight is the night of our K-4 concert in honor of Mary, the mother of Jesus and our spiritual mother. We look forward to another great May gathering to praise our Lord Jesus and honor the contributions of his mother who said 'yes' to our Lord.

Tomorrow continues on that same theme with the 8:00 Mass and May Crowning. The 2nd graders, who just received 1st Communion, will be crowning Our Blessed Mother and bringing her flowers. For those not familiar with Catholic tradition, Mary is not adored or worshiped as God, but she holds the highest place as a human because of who she was for our Lord Jesus and the role she played in our salvation.

After Mass, we have the Volunteer Appreciation Reception in the school cafeteria. We will have coffee, donuts, and a chance to toast our volunteers with light or dark roast. In a Catholic community, if everyone only does their part, we fall short of what we are out to accomplish. The staff and I are so grateful for you parents who step in to do more than your part so that we, as a village, can deliver our mission.

Grades K-4 had JA in a Day today. This is the Junior Achievement curriculum facilitated by volunteers from Earnst and Young. We're very grateful for the donated materials and service by Earnst & Young to deliver this program. The kids learn about basic economics, entrepreneurship, commerce, and finances. They're ready to take on the world!

There will be no school on Monday as the staff and I finish up some of the strategic plan work for 2022-2023 and begin preparing for 2023-2024. We will be creating homerooms, traveling groups, and preparing to order the multitude of resources needed the next school year. Please keep our work in your prayers.

Tomorrow closes the window for this year's NWEA MAP testing. The teachers and I will be going through the data on Monday to help us understand how our kids grew this year. It also will help us prepare for the year ahead. We send out individual student MAP results with report cards at the end of the school year.

I had a lot more to say than I thought when I sat down! The year moves pretty fast from here on out, so hang on tight, and enjoy the ride.

God bless you,  
Danny Kieffer  
St. Charles Principal

#### **Tonight: K-4 Elementary Concert Honoring the Blessed Mother ~ 6:30 PM**

The concert will be in the church at 6:30 PM. All are welcome. K-4 students are to meet in Doran Hall at 6:10 PM dressed in their Easter best.

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#### **Bus Applications for 2023-24 School Year ~ due May 17**

Please complete the following form by May 17, 2023 if you are interested in bus service (through the district) for your K-8 student(s) for the 2023-24 school year. All students **MUST** apply in order to receive bus service for the 2023-24 school year. Every request will be reviewed, but there are no guarantees of out-of-district service or where stops will be located. [2023-24 Bus Application](#)

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#### **Lemonade Stand for Charity May 16-19**

Back by popular demand! May 16-19, the 4th grade students will be running a Lemonade Stand for Charity. An 8 oz cup of yellow lemonade will be sold for \$1. **Change for \$5 can be made at the stand.** **Please do not send more than a \$5 bill to school because teachers will not be able to take responsibility for lost money.** Proceeds will be donated to the charity chosen by the 4th grade students. Thank you in advance for supporting our Lemonade Stand for Charity!

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## Home & School

Thank you to all who are helping make this Staff Appreciation Week such a success!!

There are still several other volunteer opportunities on [Sign Up Genius](#). Check it out to volunteer for graduation activities and beyond!

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## CSCOE presents Dr. Jules Norton: May Webinar for Parents ~ May 30

Making the Most of Summer Break [making-the-most-of-summer-brea](#)

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## Summer Camps at St. Charles School & Parish

Art Camp for students entering K-9th graders (6/12- 6/15) - Deadline to register: Friday, May 19th

Basketball Camps for current 3rd-8th graders (6/12- 6/15) - Deadline to register: Friday, May 19th

Floor Hockey Camp for current 4th-8th graders (6/12- 6/15) - Deadline to register: Friday, May 19th

Volleyball Camps for current 3rd-8th graders (6/19- 6/22) - Deadline to register: Friday, May 19th

Registration forms: [Summer Camp](#)

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**Camp I Can for Girls** and **Camp I Can for Boys** through Phoenix School Counseling is open for Summer 2023 registration! Camp is run by our school counselor, Becca Gonsior, and other Phoenix school counselors. To learn more, find dates and locations, and register, please visit [campicanforgirls.com](http://campicanforgirls.com).

**Camp I Can for Girls** is an emotional, behavioral, and relationship skills camp for girls going into grades 1st through 9th.

**Camp I Can for Boys** is an emotional, behavioral, and relationship skills camp for boys going into grades 1st through 6th.

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## 2023-24 School Applications Open: Spread the Word!

<https://www.stchbschool.org/admissions/apply-now/>

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## The Meal Train Ministry Update

The meal train ministry supports our school & parish community by providing meals to individuals and families in a time of need. Providing meals after events like the birth of a child, adoption, or while recovering from an illness or injury is especially helpful. Volunteer members of the meal train sign up to prepare and deliver meals to others. Would you like to provide a meal for another family? Would it be helpful to have meals delivered to your home during a special time of need? Please email [stchbmealtrain@gmail.com](mailto:stchbmealtrain@gmail.com) to volunteer to serve on the meal train or request meals.

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## Parish Corner

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

Please sign up for our Flocknote to get the most updated information regarding youth group dates by going to [www.stchb.org](http://www.stchb.org) and clicking the little sheep in the upper right hand corner.

### **After School Youth Group**

All 4-8th grade students are invited to join us on Thursdays for After School Youth Group from 2:40-4:00 PM! Please see the dates below. Contact Katie at [kwalker@stchb.org](mailto:kwalker@stchb.org) with any questions or if you are interested in chaperoning this event, so that we can offer this every week to every student! **Please note no after school youth group on May 11.**

May 11: No group, May 18: 6-8th grades, May 25: 4-5th grades, June 1: 6-8th grades

### **Extreme Faith Camp— REGISTRATION DUE MAY 18**

Registration for EFC is filling up! If you would like your child to participate in EFC this year, please visit the link below to sign them up! Please reach out to Katie with any questions.

[www.stchb.org/efc](http://www.stchb.org/efc)

**Ignite:** All 4-8th grade students are invited to attend Ignite on Wednesdays from 6-7:30 PM in the youth room. There will be games, fun, time with friends, and more! Please reach out to Katie with any questions!

**Ablaze:** 8th grade students are also invited to attend Ablaze on Wednesdays from 7:30-9pm in the youth room! This is our high school youth group, and they can attend this instead of Ignite if they would prefer! Please reach out to Katie at [kwalker@stchb.org](mailto:kwalker@stchb.org) with any 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 Brasel family (from a neighboring Catholic school) who are dealing with unspeakable tragedy. And for the repose of the soul of Michael Brasel and for the comfort of his family and friends.
- ❖ For the repose of the soul of Dr. Joseph Gasik, father of St Charles coach Jon Gasik and father-in-law of staff member Jen Gasik, and for the comfort of his family.
- ❖ For a quick and speedy recovery from knee surgery for Kristian, father to student Warren.
- ❖ For a quick and speedy recovery from knee surgery for staff member Dayton.
- ❖ For successful cancer treatment for Merl, grandfather to students Torin and Brody, and father-in-law to staff member Dayton.
- ❖ For the repose of the soul of Bernie, grandmother to staff member Megan Waldorf, and for the comfort of her family.
- ❖ For healing for Kathy, staff member Dana Huggar's mother.
- ❖ For Aaron, father to student Aleric, who is battling cancer.
- ❖ For healing for Jauna, grandmother to students Aidan and Adrian.
- ❖ For healing for Mr. Kenney's cousin Molly who was recently diagnosed with stage 4 cancer.
- ❖ For healing for 2-year-old Elliot diagnosed with cancer. He has a close connection to a former student.
- ❖ For Joe, great uncle to students Aleeyah and Alijah, who is going through some health issues
- ❖ For healing for Blanca, grandmother to student Camila..