



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Weekly Update 1 ~ September 7, 2023

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FR. SEP 08** 8:00 AM Grades K-8 Mass (church)
2022-23 trimester 3 Honor Roll Assembly following Mass (church)
- SU. SEP 10** 10:00 AM Mass: Staff Oath of Fidelity & Profession of Faith
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM Parish & School Celebration
- MO. SEP 11** Out-of-uniform passes may be used
Band lessons begin - students, remember your instruments!
- WE. SEP 13** 6:00 PM Youth Ministry Kick-off Party (church)
- TH. SEP 14** **Spirit Wear Day**
6:30 PM **Parent Information Night** for parents of K-8 students

Looking Ahead

SA. OCT 07 ST. CHARLES SCHOOL MARATHON

Dear St. Charles Parents,

Our **first day of school** was extremely hot, but we made it. We decided to move our kick-off prayer service to the church, and it was a fantastic move. It was so great to begin our year by praying together, hearing from our pastor, Fr. Przybilla, and inviting the Holy Spirit to come into our hearts.

Breakfast is here, and we're adjusting to the new processes. One thing I want to mention about the "free" breakfast and "free" lunch programs is that this is a new program through our state government paid for by tax dollars. Since we work with a non-public food vendor, that means that if a child orders breakfast and takes it, the state pays for it. If a child orders breakfast and does not take it, the school pays for it. In summary, please make sure that your child takes breakfast if they order it. For 1st - 8th grade students having breakfast: as soon as they arrive at the playground, have them report to door #2 where Mr. Hartnett is standing wearing a neon vest. Kindergarten students will go in through door #1. We begin serving at 7:20, so please show up in time for your child to get breakfast. Some may want to take the bagged breakfast, put it in their backpack for snack time, and go back outside. That is fine. The only thing is that students are offered milk. If they choose to take the milk, they need to finish the milk before leaving the cafeteria. Students who ride the bus should report directly to the cafeteria, their time for breakfast will be very limited.

Please make sure that **Parent Information Night** is on your calendar for one week from today. The evening will begin at 6:30 PM for K-4 Parents Only. There will be grade level presentations from the teachers from 6:30 PM to 6:50 PM and then a repeat of the same presentations beginning 7:00 PM until 7:20 PM. We do this for families who have more than one child in grades K-4. If you only have one child in K-4 you only need to arrive for the 7:00

PM presentation. At 7:30 PM I will be leading an all school presentation in the school cafeteria; this will go until about 7:55 PM. At that point, we will break for about 5 minutes and the middle school team will take over presenting to the middle school parents in the cafeteria. Parents who do not have middle school students may depart after the all school presentation. We hope to have this evening complete before 8:45 PM. For parents with multiple children in the elementary and middle school, this is a long evening, but it is an important one. We are laying the groundwork for the year ahead and we are asking for your partnership by being with us this evening!

This **Sunday, September 10th**, our parish is having a **Parish & School Celebration!** The 10:00 Mass will include our teachers, school staff, and parish staff taking the Oath of Fidelity and making a Profession of Faith. After Mass, there will be food, drinks, some sort of dessert, and hundreds of friendly faces. This is a great social gathering that I hope you can attend. If you are new to the parish or school this is a great way to meet new people!

We will be doing our first emergency response drills next week including fire and lockdown drills. We do our best to make these drills effective and important while keeping the students from becoming overly concerned or alarmed.

Tomorrow, we have our first all-school Mass of the year at 8:00 AM. I'm so glad we get to begin the end of our first week in church together celebrating the Mass. This will not be a music Mass, that will be the last Mass of each month (unless there is a conflict). Masses with music are indicated on the calendar on our website (<https://www.stchbschool.org/for-parents/calendar/>).

We look forward to building on a great first week of school!

God bless you,
Danny Kieffer
St. Charles Principal

All Are Invited! St. Charles Borromeo Parish & School Celebration ~ Sunday, September 10

The Parish Festival is this Sunday, September 10, after the 10:00 Mass in the Atrium and then on the front lawn! Come and enjoy games, food, and fellowship!

Middle School Honor Roll Assembly for 2020-21 Trimester 3 ~ tomorrow

Following 8:00 AM Mass on Friday, September 8, 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.

It's MARATHON time! ~ Saturday, October 7

Mark your calendars for the annual St. Charles **Marathon** on Saturday, October 7th! 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!

Interested in Karate on Tuesdays at St Charles?

Find out information and to register go to: <https://sterlingkarate.com/>

School Year Reminders

- **Please send a note to school if there is a change in your child's end of the day routine.** If changes need to be communicated after the day begins, please be sure to include the office in any email communications (stchbs@stchbs.org) because teachers may not have a chance to check email during the day. You may also call the school office at 612-781-2643.
 - Please remember that there is **NO PARKING** on Stinson Boulevard in front of the school area so that all the buses will have plenty of space to drop off students.
 - All children waiting for rides after 3:00 PM will be sent to St. Charles After School Care for safety reasons.
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Parish Corner

Youth Ministry Kick-off Party ~ Wednesday, September 13

Join us for our *Youth Ministry Kick-off Party* from 6-8pm! All students in 4-12th grade are welcome to join us as we celebrate the beginning of a new school year and a great start to youth ministry for the year with treats, games, and an introduction to the theme for the year! ***This will be in place of Ignite and Ablaze for the week.***

Family Formation Night ~ Wednesday, September 20

A note from our youth minister: Families with kids of all ages are invited to join us for our first Family Formation Night of the year! We'll begin with a free supper at 5:15 with the talks starting at 6pm. Childcare for littles is available in the youth room, an age-appropriate talk for 2nd-12th graders with me in Doran Hall, and a talk for parents in the church! Evening will end around 7:15. More information coming soon!

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 Peter Gubash, great-grandfather to students Adriana, Robbie, Adeline, and Raina, and for the comfort of his family.
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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 Facebook ~ <https://www.facebook.com/stchbs>

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

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