



# SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Health Office & Attendance Line: 612-787-1131

## Weekly Update 2 ~ September 14, 2023

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- TH. SEP 14** Parent Information Night for parents of K-8 students (see schedule below)
- FR. SEP 15** 8:00 AM Grades K-8 Mass (church)
- MO. SEP 18** Out-of-uniform passes may be used  
Band lessons today - students, remember your instruments!
- TU. SEP 19** 6:00 PM Wolf Ridge 6th Grade Parent Meeting (MSC)  
6:30 PM School Advisory Meeting (104)
- WE. SEP 20** 6:00 PM Family Formation Night - Church (5:15 Dinner in Doran Hall)
- TH. SEP 21** **NPH Sponsorship \$1 Spirit Wear Day**
- FR. SEP 22** 8:00 AM K-8 Mass w/music (church)  
Catholic High School Visits (8th Graders)

### Looking Ahead

- MO. SEP 25** **NO bus service**
- SA. OCT 07** **ST. CHARLES SCHOOL MARATHON**

Dear St. Charles Parents,

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at Parent Information Night tonight! A couple bullet points before I go into Marathon, MAP testing, and tonight's format.

- Please don't park in the bus lane from 7:25-7:45 in the morning or from 2:25-2:45 in the afternoon . We need to keep clear lanes for our buses to pick up and drop off our kids.
- Breakfast tomorrow will be pick-up only from 7:20-7:40. They will eat it at snack time. This is to preserve the fast before 8:00 AM Mass on Fridays. Please have your kids eat something before they leave for school!

This year's **Marathon** season is underway! As a reminder, we ask each of our K-8 students to raise \$190 in sponsorship for the school. Our goal for the whole school is \$60,000. Our Home and School Association runs the Marathon, and our returning leaders are Julie Neumann, Bridget Polsfus, Sarah Gideo, and Kysa Hubbard. If you are new to St. Charles and worried about running 26.2 miles, you can put your mind at ease. The Marathon is a long-time St. Charles and Catholic schools fundraiser that helps us keep tuition down. Students participate in a couple of ways. First, by asking family, friends, and neighbors to sponsor them with a financial donation to the school. Secondly, by picking a service project with their families that will benefit people in our community. This could be yard work for someone who needs help with it, bringing lunches to a homeless shelter, a trip to Feed My Starving Children, picking up trash at a community area like a park – these are just a few ideas. We recommend doing the project before Marathon day. Please take pictures of the service project and email them to Angie Johnson at [ajohnson@stchbs.org](mailto:ajohnson@stchbs.org). Students who have submitted a service photo before the Marathon will be eligible for a special drawing at the closing ceremony of the Marathon.

On the actual Marathon day, we bring prayer intentions from our families, friends, neighbors, and community members, and we pray for those intentions at a 9:00 AM Mass. Immediately after Mass, we say the rosary for those intentions and then proceed to the front yard of the school to kick off the Marathon. This is the part where we get our steps in. We walk around the school and church block two or more times and then settle in for prayer, lunch, a short assembly, and prize drawings. Everyone is on their way by noon. For more details please see your Marathon information included in the packet you picked up on Back to School Night.

In other news, we will not be starting **NWEA MAP testing** next week. It will be the week of September 25th. We hope to get all 3 tests in that week for 2nd - 8th grade. Kindergarten and 1st grade take 2 tests. The tests take about 50 minutes each depending on the child. The Kindergarten and 1st grade tests are shorter.

**Parent Information Night** is tonight! Here is the timeline for the evening:

Your start time depends on what grades your children are in:

- If you have two or more elementary students (Grades K -4), the night starts at 6:30 in one of the grade-level classrooms.
- If you only have one elementary student (Grades K -4), the evening starts at 6:55 in one of the grade-level classrooms.
- If you only have middle school students, (Grades 5 - 8), your night starts at 7:20 in the cafeteria.

**Here is the breakdown of the evening:**

6:30-6:50- K-4 session 1 in classrooms

6:55-7:15 - K-4 session 2 in classrooms

7:20-7:40- All School session in the cafeteria

7:45-8:15- Middle School session in the cafeteria

Everyone should plan to be at the All-School Session at 7:20 and add on elementary classroom sessions and/or the middle school session to suit the grades you have students in this year.

The intention of this evening is to provide you with an overview of the school year, special events or happenings at each grade level, classroom procedures and practices, and a chance to sit in your children's classrooms!

This year is off to a great start, and we appreciate your support from home!

God bless you,

Danny Kieffer

St. Charles Principal

## **It's MARATHON time! ~ Saturday, October 7**

It's almost here!!! **The annual St. Charles School Marathon is Saturday, October 7.** Our weekly prize drawings begin next Friday, September 22. All names will be included!!!

This important fundraiser is vital to our school operations. Please contact Angela at [abollensen@stchbs.org](mailto:abollensen@stchbs.org) if you would like to use TADS to donate through your school account. You can also donate online at: [Marathon donation](#). Please share this link with your family and friends, and don't forget to place your student's name in the comments section. Many companies have matching gift programs that also help us reach our goal. Thank you for your generosity!

Check out the Marathon day volunteer opportunities for parents and 7th & 8th graders at [SignUpGenius](#). Home and School will have Spirit wear available for purchase. a coffee booth! The 6th graders will be hosting a coffee booth with all donations supporting their November Wolf Ridge trip.

Last, but certainly not least, please send in your prayer requests (forms included in Marathon packet) to be read during the 9:00 AM Mass and rosary .Thank you and can't wait to see everyone there!!!

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### **Interested in volunteering in the library?**

Help with check out and shelving books while Mrs. Wysopal leads the class. Volunteers are typically scheduled every three weeks, but this can be flexible. Sign up on the Home & School Council's sign-up genius: [Sign-up Genius](#)

Volunteers are also needed for middle school library times. Contact Kari Domeyer at [karidomeyer@gmail.com](mailto:karidomeyer@gmail.com) if interested.

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### **Interested in Karate on Tuesdays at St Charles?**

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

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## 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](mailto: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.
  - 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

### 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!

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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 a complete and quick recovery for Lynn's daughter. Lynn is a supporter of St Charles School.
  - ❖ For a successful back surgery and complete recovery for a St. Charles parent.
  - ❖ 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](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 ~ [SignUpGenius](#)

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

St Charles Spirit Wear ~ [Schoolbelles](#) questions: Josie at [jasalzbrun@gmail.com](mailto:jasalzbrun@gmail.com)

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

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