



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Health Office & Attendance Line: 612-787-1131

Weekly Update 6 ~ October 12, 2023

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FR. OCT 13** 8:00 AM K-8 Mass (church)
Last Marathon collection day to qualify for a prize
Wolf Ridge paperwork due to Mrs Schiltz
- MO. OCT 16** Out-of-uniform passes may be used
3:30 PM - 8:00 PM **Conferences**
- TU. OCT 17** 3:30 PM - 8:00 PM **Conferences**
- WE-FR. OCT 18-20** **School not in session - Fall Break**
- WE. OCT 18** 6:00 PM Ignite 4th-8th grades (youth room)
- MO. OCT 23** Out-of-uniform passes may be used
- TU. OCT 24** Wolf Ridge Chaperone Meeting (B-5)
- WE. OCT 25** 6:00 PM Ignite 4th-8th grades (youth room)
- TH. OCT 26** **Picture Day**

Looking Ahead

- FR. OCT 27** 8:00 AM Mass w/music followed by K-8 outdoor rosary procession
- FR. OCT 27** Middle School Open Gym

Dear St. Charles Parents,

The first thing on my mind today is the Marathon money deadline tomorrow! Marathon Day was probably the best attended Marathon since I've been at St. Charles. Thank you for making it a great day! Many of us parents wait until the deadline; let's just not miss it! Our goal of \$60,000 is within striking distance. As of this morning our total was at \$51,016, tomorrow is the last day that the money turned in counts toward the incentives and prizes for the kids (we won't stop accepting money). Our closing Marathon ceremony will be Tuesday, October 17 at 10:30 AM in the gymnasium.

If you have pictures of your family service projects, please send them to Angie Johnson at ajohnson@stchbs.org. We will be doing a few drawings including the students whose families have submitted pictures of their service projects! We will accept service project pictures through the weekend!

Next week, we have a short week for students, and what I call a short/full week for the faculty. Conferences are on Monday and Tuesday from 3:30 PM-8:00 PM after the students leave. If you have not signed up, please follow the link provided below in this Weekly Update.

After a lot of discussion, we are trying a new company to run our school pictures. The company is called Slow Road Photo. Most of their photographers own their own photography businesses but are available during the school day. We believe that this change will result in better quality school pictures. Ordering pictures will be different and will probably be completely online. There will be a Picture Day, a Make-Up Day for those not here on Picture Day, AND a Retake Day. Slow Road Photo will be in contact with you via emails. Picture Day is late this year on Thursday, October 26, with Make-Up Day on Friday, November 3. Retake Day will be December 6th. We are looking forward to picture day – watch for more information!

On October 27, after Mass, we will have an all-school rosary procession, October is the month of the rosary! Around 9:15, we'll gather in the parking lot and make our way around the campus together, stopping at 5 points to pray a decade of the rosary. We'll be led by Fr. Pryzibilla, 3 altar servers, and the 8th graders who will be carrying our statue of Mary. As part of the preparation for receiving their sacraments, our 2nd graders do the planning for this procession with the help of their teachers. You are invited to join us!

When our new playground went in, our basketball hoop had to come down. We are making plans to put it back up and are seeking the help of our construction-handy parents! If you have tools and expertise that would help us auger a hole, place, plumb, level the standard, and concrete it into place, we want to hear from you! Please email me if you would like to be a part of this effort or lead it.

My staff and I look forward to meeting with you next week at conferences. We are a community that works hard and works together for the good of our kids. Feel good about that, Chargers!

God bless you,
Danny Kieffer
St. Charles Principal

Marathon Update and Thank-You!

A big thank you to all of the families who attended the annual St. Charles School Marathon on October 7th! We started with Mass, prayed the rosary with Father Przybilla, and ran Charger-spirited laps around the Marathon route! The Knights of Columbus served us hot dogs donated by CKC foods to refuel. We told some jokes and had the big bike drawing generously donated by CARS Bike Shop. Many thanks to the KOC, CARS Bikes, CKC foods, Johnny Pops, and our student joke contributors!! A special thank you to the continued generosity of Steve and Peggy Sauer for all the prize donations!!

We will have one more all school prize drawing this Friday. Next Tuesday the students will have an assembly to celebrate the marathon's success. All students who met their individual goal of \$190 will be part of the grand prize drawing!

We are very close to our goal of \$60,000! As of today, we are at \$51,016. There is still time to turn in pledges. Go Chargers!!!

Schedule Your Conferences Today for October 16 & 17, 3:30 PM - 8:00 PM

To schedule conferences visit [http://www.ptcfast.com/schools/St Charles Borromeo School](http://www.ptcfast.com/schools/St_Ch Charles_Borromeo_School).

This link will bring you to the St. Charles School scheduling page. Select relevant preschool, elementary teacher(s), and/or a middle school time slot, and then register your name and contact info. This creates a registration for each conference and sends you a confirmation email with a link to choose appointment times.

- **Preschool** conferences will be scheduled in 15 minute time slots with your child's teacher.
- **Grade K-4** conferences will be scheduled in 20 minute time slots with your child's teacher.
- **For Middle School** conferences, you will register for one-hour slots. During your hour, you may visit any middle school teacher in any order. If the line is long for a teacher, you may choose to visit another while the line shortens. Middle school grade level teacher lists will be provided in the cafeteria on conference nights.

You may contact the school office with questions at 612-781-2643.

Wolf Ridge Calendars Available Now!

Support our 6th graders as they get ready to go to Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center in November. Purchase a beautiful \$17 Wolf Ridge calendar - available directly from a 6th grader or through the school office. Did you know that Wolf Ridge provides these calendars so that students receive 80% of the sales to help fund their Wolf Ridge adventures?

Home and School

Our first Home & School meeting is at 6:30 pm on Thursday, October 12th at St. Charles in room 104. We will be discussing how the Marathon went, any changes or updates that need to be made, and any future events coming up at school. We would love YOUR input and time! All parents/guardians are welcome to attend!! Contact Andrea Richardson (651-470-5812 or andreamrichardson99@gmail.com) for more information.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Gooooo afternoon St. Charles Chargers!! Are you looking for a(nother) way to give back to our school and have fun doing so!? Volunteer to work the concessions!! We need some help with about 9 volleyball shifts over the next month or so. Don't be scared if you haven't done it... we will train you up on making popcorn, 'nukin hot dogs, slingin' candy, and retrieving' drinks! Sing up here: [Concession Sign Up Genius](#)
 - Hearing & Vision Screening: [Sign-Up Genius](#)
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Middle school library volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed on Wednesdays during the middle school library sessions to help check out and shelf books. Volunteers are typically scheduled every three weeks, but this can be flexible. Contact Kari Domeyer at karidomeyer@gmail.com if interested.

Spirit Wear for Sale

- Check out our Spirit Wear shop hosted by Schoolbelles: [Schoolbelles](#). Items featuring our Chargers logo are available for purchase, including t-shirts, sweatshirts, tote bags, hats, and more! Orders are shipped directly to families.
 - A couple of times a month, St. Charles has designated days when students can wear their Chargers shirts. These t-shirts can also be purchased at the front office for \$14 each. If you have any questions, contact Josie Salzbrun jasalzbrun@gmail.com.
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Parish Corner

Learn more about what our Youth Ministry has to offer - calendar of events, sign up for youth updates, save the dates and more! Bookmark the site at: www.stchb.org/youth.

Prayer Partner Ministry - Volunteers Needed

We are beginning the third year of our Prayer Partner Ministry and looking for volunteers! Prayer partners PRAY for our St. Charles students receiving the Sacrament of First Communion or Confirmation this year. We begin in October. Each prayer partner will be assigned to a particular student. Prayer partners do their best to pray for their assigned student each day, and they also write a brief note of encouragement and support to their student once a month. Shortly before the students receive the Sacraments, they will get a chance to meet the person who has been praying for them! This ministry is a great way to connect our parish and school through the power of prayer. If you would like to be a prayer partner, please email Linda at lm.weiner@gmail.com or call 763-353-5482. You may also simply sign up here: [Prayer Partner Sign-Up](#). Volunteers will receive more information by email before we begin.

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 Roger Zabinski, husband of piano teacher Mary Ann, that his health and balance may return.
 - ❖ For the repose of the soul of Vonnie Strand, great-grandma of preschool student Alex, and for the comfort of her family.
 - ❖ For Mike Towle Sr., grandpa of Michael, James, Sabina, Gemma, Silje, and Kailani, who recently had triple bypass surgery. For blessings while he heals.
 - ❖ For Kathy, aunt of the Towle family, as she battles cancer.
 - ❖ For Theresa, great-grandma of the Towle family, as she struggles with depression.
 - ❖ For a complete and quick recovery from a fall for Joe, father of staff member Anita Juntilla.
 - ❖ For successful medical treatments from now to the end of October for staff member Colleen Pineda's father.
 - ❖ For a complete and quick recovery for Lynn's daughter. Lynn is a supporter of St. Charles School.
 - ❖ For a complete and quick recovery from back surgery for Kersten, mother of students Alijah and Aleeyah.
 - ❖ For a healthy pregnancy for Leah, mother of students Bo, Eleanor, and Theo.
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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 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

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

Totino Grace boys in grades K-8 wrestling ~ totinograce.org/wrestling/youthclub

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