



# SAINT CHARLES

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Health Office & Attendance Line: 612-787-1131

### Weekly Update 19 ~ February 1, 2024

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FR. FEB 02** 8:00 AM K-8 Mass with music (church)  
1:45 PM Student/staff basketball game (gym)
- MO. FEB 05** Out-of-uniform passes can be used  
K-4 Kids Heart Challenge begins
- TU. FEB 06** Cana Dinner
- WE. FEB 07** 6:00 PM Ignite: 4th-8th grades (youth room)
- TH. FEB 08** **Spirit Wear Day**
- FR. FEB 09** **School not in session** - Staff Development
- MO. FEB 12** Out-of-uniform passes can be used
- WE. FEB 14** **Ash Wednesday** 8:00 AM K-8 Mass (church)

#### Looking Ahead

- MO. FEB 19** **School not in session** - Presidents Day
- MO. FEB 19-WE FEB 21** Parish Mission (in the AM and repeated in the PM)
- SA. FEB 24** Liz Hickman/Sue McSherry Basketball Fundraiser Day

Dear St. Charles Parents,

The 2nd graders are fresh off their First Reconciliation last Thursday! Please keep them in your prayers. The Learning Festival was successful, with possibly the most people I've ever seen in our little old school. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for hosting the pancake breakfast and donating all the proceeds to the school! The Knights come through each year to reliably and cheerfully feed the hungry during the Learning Festival.

Catholic Schools Week is zipping by at a tremendous rate. The Mass of the Holy Spirit at the Excel Center was an amazing experience, and I'm so glad our 6th-8th graders could attend. If you have a younger child, just wait, they will get their turn. This year, CSCOE hosted over 7,000 students plus teachers and chaperones for this phenomenal Catholic school gathering.

A full schedule means a short article today.

God bless you!

Danny Kieffer

St. Charles Principal

## New Student Applications Open for the 2024-25 school year – spread the word!

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

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### Volunteer Opportunities

- Concession stand opportunities: [Concession Stand Signup](#) If you have not helped with concessions before, please note this when signing up so we can make sure someone else is there to assist. Thank you!
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### Thank You for Supporting the Pro-Life Bake Sale!

A big thank you to the bakers, sellers, and buyers of the baked goods during the Learning Festival. We were able to raise \$1175 to benefit PROLIFE Across AMERICA. A job well done!

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### Donald's Uniform Store ~ 15% off through February 3rd

Check out the Donald's Catholic Schools Week discount <https://www.donaldsuniform.com/>

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### St. Charles Borromeo K-4 Families - *Kids Heart Challenge™ is Coming!*

Celebrate the American Heart Association's 100th Anniversary and celebrate heart health with the Heart Heroes! K-4th is kicking off a service-learning program, Kids Heart Challenge on Monday, Feb.5, 2024. This is something we will be participating in during P.E. classes from Feb. 5 - Feb. 16.

1. **Download the AHA Schools APP** and Register.

*(click on the preferred Play Store below)*



2. Click "Send a Message" and **TEXT 10 Friends and Family** asking for support.
3. Be a Heart Hero and **Complete Finn's Mission** and learn TWO lifesaving skills as a family TONIGHT!

or [REGISTER HERE](#) and Click "Sign Up"

Some Fun Incentives:

- \*If we reach our school goal Mr. C will get "slimed" at the end of the year!
- \*The top participating class (most registered) earn an extra day of P.E.!
- \*The top fundraising class will also earn an extra day of P.E.!
- \*If 50% or more of our students register we earn \$500 in new P.E. equipment!

Please contact Mr. Carpenter [tcarpenter@stchbs.org](mailto:tcarpenter@stchbs.org) with any questions.

Thank you so much for supporting our school and the American Heart Association!

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### STEM CLUB ~ Calling 5th- 8th Graders, February 17- March 16

All 5th - 8th graders are invited to participate in STEM Club. This is an opportunity for those who excel in math and science and have the desire to go deeper and focus on math, science, and engineering projects. Saturdays from 9:00 AM - noon, February 17th through March 16th. The cost is \$40/student.

Find more information [HERE](#). If you are interested sign up at: [STEM Club registration](#)

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Coming soon: **Liz Hickman & Sue McSherry Basketball Blast Fundraiser ~  
Saturday, February 24**

Plan for a fun day filled with St. Charles basketball, friends, food, and an amazing silent auction. This day honors and celebrates former St Charles student Liz Hickman and former staff member and beloved mother of 8. Silent auction items accepted in the school office. Watch for more details soon.

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**2024-25 School Year Aim Higher - Deadline Feb 23**

Aim Higher is a non-profit organization that assists parents in making sure that each and every child is able to attend Catholic School. They give out scholarships all across our diocese. Students from St. Charles have received them each year. Again this year, they have invited everyone in our diocese to apply for Aim Higher Scholarships through TADS. Click on the following link to find a flier that includes details about how to apply for this scholarship: [Aim Higher Scholarship Flyer in English](#) (and [in Spanish](#)).

**We encourage you to apply if you already receive financial aid, or think you may be eligible.** The deadline is February 23, 2024.

**All current families receiving an AIM Higher Scholarship for this school year must complete their application by February 23, 2024, to be eligible for the scholarship to continue into the next school year.**

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**The Borromeo Bash is just around the corner!**

Buy your tickets [HERE](#) now for the April 20<sup>th</sup> Borromeo Bash as they will sell out!

Please email [BorromeoBash@stchbs.org](mailto:BorromeoBash@stchbs.org) if you have any donation items, if you would like to sponsor the event, or if you have general questions about the Borromeo Bash. Please check out our donation wish list that contains the items we need most at <http://tinyurl.com/Borromeo-Bash>

All items can be dropped off at the St. Charles School office. Thank you for your generosity, gifts, and time!

There is still time to donate if you did not get a chance to last weekend;

Here is our VENMO code for the Borromeo Bash (please scan with the camera on your phone):



Don't have Venmo, a check, or cash on hand? Use this QR code to donate electronically (please scan with the camera on your phone);



Cash or check can be mailed to the school or dropped off in the school's office. Thank you!

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## 2023 Education Tax Information

[2023 tax subtraction info](#)

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### Parish Corner

#### Living A Eucharistic Life ~ Parish Mission ~ February 19, 20, 21

Father James Kubicki, spiritual director at the St. Francis de Sales Seminary will be talking about “Living a Eucharistic Life.” The same talk will be given in the mornings and in the evenings Feb. 19-21. The morning talks will begin at 9:00 AM with a continental breakfast, and in the evening, dinner will be at 5:30 PM in Doran Hall, followed by the talk at 6:30 PM and Confession available at 7:10 PM. Childcare will be provided each night for 1st graders and under. Please follow this [link](#) to RSVP.

#### Eucharistic Themes

Weekend Masses (Feb. 17 & 18) - “The Amazing Gift of the Eucharist.”

Monday, February 19 - “A Mystery to be Believed.”

Tuesday, February 20 - “A Mystery to be Celebrated..”

Wednesday, February 21 - “A Mystery to be Lived.” **Youth Ministry**

If you'd like to receive regular updates about youth ministry events, visit [www.stchb.org](http://www.stchb.org), click on the little sheep in the upper left corner, and sign up for youth ministry Flocknote updates!

#### 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!

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

#### Registration is Now Open for Summer Camps!!

[Extreme Faith Camp](#) registration is now open for current 6-8th graders: June 24-28. [Camp Veritas](#) for current 8th -12th graders is now open: July 21-25! We would love to have your student join us!

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

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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 Lazarus, grandson of former St Charles teacher, Marion Patton, and for the comfort of his family.

- ❖ For comfort and peace in this time of hospice care for Roberta, grandmother of staff member Dana Huggar.
- ❖ For Jody, grandma to students Torin and Brody, for a successful recovery from heart surgery.
- ❖ For healing of cancer for Regun, brother to students Remy and Kahley.
- ❖ For healing of cancer for Roger Zabinski, husband of piano teacher Mary Ann.
- ❖ For Kathy, aunt of the Towle family, as she battles cancer.
- ❖ For Theresa, great-grandma of the Towles as she struggles with depression.
- ❖ 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](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](#)

St. Anthony Boosters Baseball Clinics: [Baseball Clinics & registration](#)

St. Anthony Boosters Softball Clinics: [Softball Clinics & registration](#)

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