



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Health Office & Attendance Line: 612-787-1131

Weekly Update 20 ~ February 8, 2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 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)
- TH. FEB 15** **NPH Sponsorship Day** - for \$1 or more, students may wear spirit wear or orange
- FR. FEB 16** 8:00 AM K-8 Mass (church)
- SU. FEB 18** Lenten Family Event: after the 10AM Mass (Doran Hall)
- 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)
- TU. FEB 20** 1:50 PM K-8 Stations of the Cross (church)

Looking Ahead

- FR. FEB 23** End of 2nd Trimester
Deadline for Aim Higher scholarship applications
- SA. FEB 24** Liz Hickman/Sue McSherry Basketball Fundraiser Day

Dear St. Charles Parents,

I am writing to you from a break at the CSCOE (Catholic School Center for Excellence) conference for principals at the Viking Omni Hotel. It is about 1 mile from my house which is great, but I had to drop my kids off at school and then head back to this southern destination. The main topic of the conference is looking at how we, as Catholic schools, can serve students who have special needs more effectively and...more. The main presenter is Michael Boyle who has a passion for Catholic education and serving students with special needs. He runs an organization called Inclusion Solution which supports faith-based schools in meeting the needs of all learners. It has been really valuable to hear from Mike and all of the other principals as we discuss challenges and opportunities.

Be sure to mark your calendars for our parish retreat beginning at the weekend Masses on February 17 & 18 (more details in the Parish Corner below) and for our Liz Hickman & Sue McSherry Basketball Blast on Saturday, February 24.

I'm keeping my article brief this week and signing off by thanking you, our parents, for your partnership and support!

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/>

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

All 5th - 8th graders are invited to participate in the 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](#)

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, Sue McSherry.

Schedule for the Day:

Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1 for those under 18

10:00 Boys 5th vs St. Rose

11:00 Girls Green vs ICS

12:15 Girls White vs Holy Family

1:15 Girls 6th vs Holy Family

2:15 Boys vs ICS

3:30 Girls 7th vs St. Raphael's

4:45 Girls 8th vs Holy Family

6:00 Boys 8th vs TBD

Ways to donate:

- **Needed this week:** Items for the Silent Auction: Sports tickets, themed baskets, wine/liquor packages, etc. Contact Barb Hickman at 612-709-6445 with questions. Items may be dropped off at the school office.

- The 41 Club: Liz was 14 when she passed, so we flipped the numbers and created the 41 Club. Donate \$41 (or more) and get your name on a star to be hung in the gym. Cash or checks made out to St Charles School (memo line - Sue McSherry Scholarship Fund or Make-A-Wish)

NEW: Register Now for Summer Camps at St. Charles School & Parish

Art Camps for current K-8th graders (6/10- 6/13)

Basketball Camps for current 3rd-8th graders (6/10- 6/13)

Floor Hockey Camp for current 4th-8th graders (6/10- 6/13)

Volleyball Camps for current 3rd-8th graders (6/17- 6/20)

School camps information and registration forms [HERE](#)

Parish camps: <https://www.stchb.org/youth>

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.

The Borromeo Bash is just around the corner!

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

Please email 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>

We are also collecting full wine bottles as part of our Wine Pull Game. If you have any wine you want to donate valued at (at least) \$15+, we would love to use it for the game at the 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;

Feel free to 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!

2023 Education Tax Information

[2023 tax subtraction info](#)

Parish Corner

Parish Mission ~Living A Eucharistic Life ~ 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, 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!

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 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.

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!

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

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

- ❖ For comfort and healing for Linda, sister of staff member Jeanne Sharp, who is hospitalized with kidney and intestinal problems.
- ❖ For healing for Annette, mother-in-law of staff member Mary Kate Calhoun.
- ❖ 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 comfort and peace in this time of hospice care 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.

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](#)

Kids heart Challenge: [REGISTER HERE](#) and Click "Sign Up"

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

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

St. Anthony Soccer Club for traveling soccer: <https://www.savsoccerclub.com/>

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