



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Attendance Line: 612-787-1199 option 1

Weekly Update 3 ~ September 21, 2017

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- TH. SEP 21** 6:30 Catholic Watchmen (Doran Hall)
- FR. SEP 22** 8:00 AM School Mass (Church)
Marathon Prize Drawing
- SU. SEP 24** Pancake Breakfast (Doran Hall)
- MO. SEP 25** NWEA Testing Continues
Last Day to Order Spirit Wear
Out-of-Uniform Pass Day
- TU. SEP 26** Marathon \$ Collection Day
- WE. SEP 27** School Pictures (out-of-uniform day)
Band Lessons
Art Club (6th - 8th)
- TH. SEP 28** **6:30 PM K - 8 PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT**
- FR. SEP 29** 8:00 AM School Mass (Church)
Marathon Prize Drawing
- TU. OCT 03** 7:00 PM Living Rosary (Doran Hall)
- SA. OCT 07** **ST. CHARLES SCHOOL MARATHON & PARISH FALL FESTIVAL**
- WE. OCT 25** **6:00 PM VIRTUS Training Session** (Doran Hall)

Dear St. Charles Parents,

I have a couple of part-time employment opportunities that I'd like to share with you in case you, or someone you know, is interested in working in a positive environment where you experience making a difference each day!

Cafeteria Aide - We are looking for people who are interested in working as a substitute in the kitchen. When things come up for our crew, the kids still need to eat lunch. Applicants must be inspired by the opportunity to feed the hungry, and be willing to do dishes afterwards.

After Care Aide - This position is for people who love kids and want to be that smiling face they meet right after school to give them a snack, provide some homework time, and of course, make time to play! This position is approximately 3 hours per day from 2:45-5:45 and is ideal for older high school or college students, or someone who might be looking for a short work day that does not require arriving early. **Please refer applicants to dkieffer@stchbs.org**

Parent Information Night

The staff and I are really looking forward to Parent Night next Thursday! We have changed the structure of the evening to make it easier for parents to meet with all of their children's teachers and form a partnership that will support our kids throughout the year! The schedule for the evening is as follows:

- 6:30 – K-4 Session 1 (In your child's classroom)**
- 6:50 –Traveling Time**
- 6:55– K-4 Session 2 (In your child's classroom)**
- 7:15- Traveling Time**
- 7:20 – All (K-8) School Session (School Cafeteria)**
- 7:50 – Parents who only have K-4 students may depart**
- 7:55 – Middle School Session (School Cafeteria)**
- 8:35 – Evening is Complete**

K-4 Session – An opportunity for the teachers to give parents a sense of what their child's experience will be this year. Teachers will cover classroom procedures, homework policies, expectations, and management of student behavior. This session is repeated (Session 1 & Session 2) to provide opportunities for parents with more than 1 child in grades K-4. If you only have 1 child in grades K-4, your evening will begin with Session 2.

All School Session - An opportunity for me to be with our entire parent body, talk about where we are at as a school, where we are going, and what we need from you, the parents. We will also hear from Home & School. There will be a volunteer blitz - opportunities to sign up and then go home with student out-of-uniform passes and be a hero!

Middle School Session – An chance for our middle school coordinator, Mr. Kenney, to communicate procedures, expectations, and practices that apply to all middle school teachers and students. Each middle school teacher will have the floor for a short period of time to address practices and procedures specific to their classroom. f you do not have any children in grades 5-8 you do not need to attend this session, but are certainly welcome.

If you have questions about how this evening will go, please call the school office for clarification. If you are wondering if this evening is important and worth your time, yes, yes it is.

God bless you,

Danny Kieffer
St. Charles Principal

It's MARATHON time!

The St. Charles Annual School Marathon is Saturday, October 7. Mark your calendar for this family-fun event

The Marathon packet and sponsor log was given at Back to School night, but you can also find all the information online here: <http://stchbschool.org/activities/school-events/>.

This is the most important school fundraising event of the year! Please remind donors that ALL donations raised through the Marathon go directly to our school to support many programs and are a part of our operating budget.

This year our overall school fundraising goal is \$43,000. Each student in kindergarten through 8th grade is asked to meet a minimum fundraising goal of \$185 to help us reach our school goal. Students who meet this goal will be awarded a prize, an out-of-uniform pass, and a chance to win one of our Grand Prizes.

Remember to check with your employer to see if they have a Matching Fund Program. This is a great way to help us reach our goal. Thank you!

Parish Fall Festival ~ October 7

Start the day with the Marathon and end the day on the St. Charles front lawn with games, music, food, beverages, and prizes at the Parish Fall Festival from 4:00 - 7:00 PM. Be sure to bring your family and friends – it will be a great night at St. Charles!

Fall Festival Volunteers Needed!

We are in need of volunteers for the St. Charles Fall Festival – and we are hoping you will jump in to help! Help is primarily needed for the kids games areas – although there are some other areas to help as well! Below is a link to the Signup Genius – simply plug yourself into a one-hour time slot – thank you! Any questions – call Tom Harrington at 612-787-1189 or email at tharrington@stchb.org.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4aa4ae22a3f58-stcharles>

Calling All Men ~ Tonight, September 21

Attend the first Catholic Watchmen Night of the season for FREE! The 2017-18 CW season kicks off on Thursday, September 21 at 6:30 PM. Events are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month during the school year, 6:30-9 PM (sharp) in Doran Hall. These men-only monthly events feature social time, a fine “manly” meal and beverages, a short presentation, group discussion, and time for confession and adoration. Each evening is a stand-alone event—no long-term financial or time commitment, no “group” to join. This year’s kickoff features a special new mystery dish, local brews, and FREE admission (waived \$10 suggested donation)! Now is the time to check it out and bring a son, father, brother, or pal! See www.stchb.org/CatholicWatchmen for full details and materials from past events.

Online Spirit Wear Orders Only 4 DAYS LEFT

From now through Monday, September 25th Spirit Wear is on sale. Don't miss your chance to order St. Charles items for the entire family! Online you will find t-shirts, sweatshirt, short, sweat pant, and fleece options featuring our Chargers logo. Sample items are available in the school office for sizing. Ordering instructions and a link to the online store can be found on our website at

<http://stchbschool.org/for-parents/related-links/>. Please contact Maura Kalaitzakis (612-860-4710) with any questions.

School Picture Day ~ Wednesday, September 27

- **Picture order envelopes are being sent home this week!**
 - A separate envelope and payment must be used for each student (payable to Lifetouch).
 - If you are purchasing photos, be sure to return your picture envelope with your student(s).
 - A few extra picture envelopes will be available in the school office.
 - Young children, who are not yet in St. Charles School, may have their picture taken from 8:30 - 9:00 AM or 11:15 -11:30 AM
 - Picture Day is an out-of-uniform day — see the out of uniform policy in the [Parent & Student Handbook](#) on page 9.
 - Picture Retake Day is Thursday, October 26.
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Band Program for 5th - 8th Grade Students

There is still time to sign up for the 2017-18 band program. The first lesson was Wednesday, September 13, but there is always room for another band member! See the link below for more details.

[Band Registration Information Link](#)

Art Club (6th - 8th Grades) ~ Wednesday, September 20

Art Club for 6th - 8th graders started on September 20. If your 6th-8th grade student is interested but missed the deadline, there is still room available. Art Club will run for five more Wednesdays from 2:45 PM - 4:00 PM. Students who miss a Wednesday evening class can make up the time during recess on the following Thursday. Registration forms: [ArtClub](#)

Soccer and Volleyball

Our athletic calendar on our school website is the best way to keep up to date on practices and games. <http://stchbschool.org/activities/athletic-calendar/>

Thank you for your patience as we get the schedules set for the season.

Living Rosary ~ Tuesday, October 3

The St. Charles Women's Council cordially invites you to participate in a Living Rosary. Moms, dads, children, grandparents, neighbors. Everyone is invited. What is a Living Rosary? It is a rosary prayed

together where the people present make up the beads of the rosary. Each person will lead one of the prayers that represents the bead where they are sitting. They will light a candle when it is their bead. Copies of the prayers will be provided. When we are finished we will have lit candles in the shape of the rosary.

Please plan to come to Doran Hall on Tuesday, October 3 at 7:00 PM. The evening will begin with Deacon Peter Ly, our summer deacon, providing a short explanation of what the rosary is, and why it is important to pray it. We will then pray together. The rosary will be followed by light refreshments. For safety reasons we will be using "candles" with batteries.

This is a special way to pray and reflect on the rosary in this 100th year since the apparitions at Fatima. For questions contact Katie at 612-789-0172

Virtus Training Opportunity for New Volunteers

If you are new to volunteering at St. Charles and would like to volunteer in the classroom, chaperone a field trip or the 5th grade Wolf Ridge Trip, help out at concessions, etc, please sign up for your required VIRTUS training session. **St. Charles will host our last VIRTUS Training session of the school year on Wednesday, October 25th from 6 - 9 PM.** (Other sessions are held throughout the diocese)

There are other volunteer requirements, but this is the only one that cannot be completed online. **Please check [virtus info](#) for instructions, registration, and other requirement details.**

Only one live training session is required and will cover your requirement anywhere in this Archdiocese and in most dioceses in the United States.

If you have already completed a live VIRTUS training, you will not need to attend another training. All of the volunteer requirements need to be updated online every three years. Please contact Angela Bollensen if you have questions (abollensen@stchbs.org).

Advanced registration is required for the VIRTUS Training sessions at www.virtus.org.

Thanks for your service to St. Charles School!

Wolf Ridge Calendars and Coffee Fundraiser

Contact a fifth grade student or the school office to purchase beautiful Wolf Ridge calendars for \$17 and delicious coffee for \$10 each. All proceeds will go towards the fifth grade trip to Wolf Ridge this November.

Piano Lessons

Mrs. Mary Ann Zabinski has a few openings at school for piano students . Please contact her if you are interested at (612) 781-6340 or makzabinski@gmail.com.

Consider Hosting an Exchange Student from Guatemala

FRIENDLY EXCHANGE 2017! For 35 years our program has been dedicated to promoting and encouraging learning, sharing, and expanding the worldview of many American families through hosting a Guatemalan student.

For 11 weeks, you could host a Guatemalan STUDENT, (11-16 years old) as a member of your family; which means he/she will join in your daily activities and go to school. Through him/her, you can learn about a new country and culture, while you experience firsthand the beauty of diversity as seen from a child's eyes. The group arrives September 22 and returns December 9. If you would like to know more, contact us to find out the location and time of the next meeting near your area, or if you prefer, to set up a personal visit at a convenient time. Please also share with your friends or relatives that might be interested in this fabulous experience! Teresita Pawlyshyn (651) 283-3451

friendlyexchangemn@feexchange.com or info@feexchange.com or www.feexchange.com

Prayer Corner ~

If you would like to add someone to our prayer corner, please email the information to Danny Kieffer at dkieffer@stchbs.org

- ❖ Lawrence and Valerie Anderson, parents of staff member Teri Wysopal and grandfather of Sophia, for healing after various health complications
 - ❖ For Frankie F., little brother of Dominic, for quick healing of his broken leg.
 - ❖ For staff member Kelly Beasley for complete healing for her back.
 - ❖ For student Melissa P's mother who continues to battle cancer
 - ❖ For all St. Charles families, new and old, that they may be strengthened by their faith and sheltered in God's loving mercy
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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](#)

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

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