



# SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Attendance Line: 612-787-1199 option 1

## Weekly Update 2 ~ September 13, 2018

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- TH. SEP 13** 6:00 PM 5th Grade Parent Wolf Ridge Mtg (MSC)  
**FR. SEP 14** 8:00 AM School Mass (Church)  
**SU. SEP 16** Donut Sunday (Church and Doran Hall)  
**MO. SEP 17** NWEA Testing begins  
Out-of-Uniform Passes May Be Used  
**TU. SEP 18** 6:30 PM School Advisory Meeting (Rm 104)  
**WE. SEP 19** 6:30 PM 2nd Grade Parents Holy Family Info Mtg (Cafeteria)  
**FR. SEP 20** 8:00 AM School Mass (Church)  
**TH. SEP 27** **5:30 PM K-8 Parent Information Night (Please Note Time Change)**  
**SA. OCT 06** **ST. CHARLES SCHOOL MARATHON & Parish Fall Festival**

Dear Charger Parents,

Thank you for your support and patience as we get this school year going. It is a time of transition, excitement, and challenge for all. Last weekend I accepted the "Commitment to Excellence" award from Peacemaker Minnesota on behalf of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School. On Monday, I was able to visit all the classes and congratulate our students for receiving the award. After congratulating them on improving on 8 of the 10 indicators last year, I told them I want to see improvement on 10 out of 10 this year. Go Chargers!

This year we're going to "flex" Parent Information Night into an earlier time slot. We'll begin at 5:30 PM, which I realize is early for families. I ask for understanding with consideration that you have 2 weeks to plan for an early dinner, and it is only one night. Last year we completed at about 9 PM, which is on the late side for families. This year we will complete by 7:15 PM. The schedule will go as follows:

- 5:30- Middle School Session in the cafeteria (If you don't have a middle schooler, come at 6:00 PM)
- 6:00- All School Session in the cafeteria
- 6:35- K-4 Session 1 in classrooms
- 7:00- K-4 Session 2 in classrooms (If you only have 1 elementary student you don't need to go to this session)

The middle school session will include large group information for all middle school parents. Elementary sessions will include information from the classroom teacher, there are two sessions for families who have more than one child in K-4. These sessions will include information about homework, communication, behavior management, events unique to each grade level, and more. We look forward to connecting with you on this evening!

Marathon money has begun to trickle in; today's Pep Rally should turn that into a fire hose burst! If you're looking for some conversation at the dinner table tonight, ask your kids about the Pep Rally. It really was fantastic, and I've never seen a Pastor who can moonwalk before!

NWEA MAP testing is coming up next week. Please support your children by having them in bed on time, feeding them a good breakfast, and dropping them off at school on time! These tests go on for about 2 weeks. Each test takes approximately 50 minutes, but they are not timed. Students in grades 2-8 take a test in math, language, and reading. Students in grades K-1 take tests in reading and math.

Making Disciples,  
Danny Kieffer  
St. Charles Principal

## **5th Grade Parents Wolf Ridge Trip Meeting ~ TONIGHT! September 13**

The 5th grade students will be heading to Wolf Ridge Environmental Camp in early November. All parents of 5th grade students are encouraged to attend the meeting tonight at 6:00 PM in Middle School Commons (MSC) to get more information, pick up forms, find out how you can be a part of this momentous week, purchase Wolf Ridge calendars to help get the fundraising started (bring your checkbook), and more. **Forms are due Thursday, September 27.**

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## **Get Out and Shout About the MARATHON!**

The St. Charles Annual School Marathon is HERE, and our students were shouting about it at the Marathon Pep Fest today!

We hope you will mark your calendar for this family-fun event on Saturday, October 6. Fundraising for the Marathon is in full swing, and there have been a few students who already handed in their donations. We hope everyone will work hard to reach their goal.

The Marathon packet and sponsor log was given at Back to School night, but you can also find all the information online here: [marathon](#).

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 meet our school goal. Students who meet this goal will be given an Out-of-Uniform pass, a prize from the hallway display, and a chance to win one of our fabulous Grand Prizes at our Final Assembly in October.

And 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!

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## Interested in Karate?

Karate begins on Tuesday, September 18. Check out this link to learn more about Karate opportunities at St. Charles School. [Sterling Karate](#)

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## Holy Family Info Meeting for Parents of 2nd Grade Students ~ Wed, September 19

The Holy Family Information Meeting for parents of second grade students preparing to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will be on Wednesday, September 19, at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria.

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## St. Charles Catholic Watchmen ~ Thursday, September 20

All men of St. Charles are invited to the 2018 Catholic Watchmen Kickoff on Thursday, September 20, at 6:30 PM in Doran Hall. The Catholic Watchmen is a movement of Catholic men committed to growing closer to Jesus Christ and focused on fostering male spirituality and fraternity. The evening is social and informal, and includes a manly meal and beverages, lively discussion, and opportunities for adoration and confession. No tickets or reservations needed; a freewill offering is requested to cover the cost of the meal. It's a guy's night full of Faith, Food, and Fellowship. Please come join us!

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## The Spirit Wear Shop is Open! Until September 25

The St. Charles online Spirit Wear Shop is now open through Tuesday, September 25. Check out the NEW baseball hats and water bottle, as well as t-shirts, sweatshirts, and more items for the entire family – all featuring our Chargers logo. Ordering instructions and a link to the online store can be found on our website at [Spirit Wear](#). If you have any questions, contact Mary Urdahl at [urdahl.mary@gmail.com](mailto:urdahl.mary@gmail.com) or Kari Domeyer at [karidomeyer@gmail.com](mailto:karidomeyer@gmail.com).

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## September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month ~ Tuesday, September 25

Help support families facing childhood cancer. On Sept 25, Ben Osborn, the dad of a brain tumor survivor is hosting a "flashlovemob" outside Children's MN Hospital on [2525 Chicago Avenue South, Minneapolis](#). No dancing required! Show up at 7PM and bring flashlights (or some other light source) so we can light up the night with love to show those kids and families that they aren't alone in their battle. The event will be 30 minutes with some live music from The Ukuladies. The Osborn family is donating flashlights to the kids in the hospital so they can shine back. It is a small simple gesture of love and support!  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/597364767328389/> [www.totallybraindad.com](http://www.totallybraindad.com)

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## School Picture Day ~ Wednesday, September 26

School pictures will be taken on Wednesday, September 26. This is an out-of-uniform day. (Please refer to page 9 of the Parent & Student Handbook for more details on the out-of-uniform dress code). More details will be available soon about picture orders.

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## NEW to Volunteering at St. Charles?

If you are new to volunteering at St. Charles and would like to volunteer in the classroom, chaperone a field trip, help out at concessions, etc, please sign up for a required VIRTUS training session.

**St. Charles will host one more VIRTUS Training Session this school year on Thursday, October 25, from 6 - 9 PM.** There are only 20 spots available, but other sessions are held throughout the diocese.

There are other volunteer requirements, but this is the only one that cannot be completed online.

Please see the attached Registration Instructions for New Users to complete your VIRTUS training 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. All of the volunteer requirements need to be updated online every three years. Please contact Ann-Marie Magee if you have questions ([amagee@stchbs.org](mailto:amagee@stchbs.org)). Advanced registration is required for the VIRTUS Training sessions at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). Thanks for your service to St. Charles School!

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### **Coming for Lunch with Your Student - order by 9:30AM!**

We are happy to have parents or other guests join their student for lunch. The cost of a hot lunch for each guest is \$4.00 and cannot be taken out of the student's lunch account. Please reserve your lunch through the school office by **9:30AM** at 612-781-2643.

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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.**
  - Please remember that there is **NO PARKING** on Stinson Boulevard in front of the parking lot and school area.
  - All children waiting for rides after 3:00PM will be sent to the St. Charles After School Care for safety reasons.
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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 healing for Jim Montury, father of staff member Angela, grandfather of former students, Nicole ('10), Abby ('13) & Natalie ('18), great grandfather of Leo A.
  - ❖ For healing for diabetic complications for Don Krieger, grandfather of student, Jake K.
  - ❖ For the repose of the soul of Delores Grace Dreher, grandmother of Theresa Thompson, our preschool assistant teacher, and the comfort of her family.
  - ❖ For the repose of the soul of Daryl Ulrich, grandfather of staff member Laura Bilski's husband, and for the comfort of his family.
  - ❖ For the repose of the soul of Gen Lane, grandmother of students Lucia and Clare, and for the comfort of her family.
  - ❖ 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](http://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>

St. Charles Parish ~ <http://www.stchb.org/>

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

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