



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Attendance Line: 612-787-1199 option 1

Weekly Update 6 ~ October 11, 2018

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- TH. OCT 11** 7:00 PM Home & School Meeting (104)
- FR. OCT 12** 8:00 AM School Mass (Church)
Last day to turn in Marathon donations to be entered for grand prize drawings
- MO. OCT 15** Out-of Uniform Passes may be used
3:30 PM-8:00 PM Conferences
- TU. OCT 16** 10:30 AM Marathon Assembly
3:30 PM-8:00 PM Conferences
- WE. OCT 17** **Bonus Out-of-Uniform Day for Marathon**
- TH. OCT 18** **School Not in Session - MEA**
- FR. OCT 19** **School Not in Session - MEA**
- MO. OCT 22** Out-of Uniform Passes may be used
- TU. OCT 23** Middle School October Birthdays Out-of-Uniform Day
6:30 PM School Advisory Council Meeting (104)
- TH. OCT 25** **Picture Retake Day**
6:00 PM Virtus Training Session (Doran Hall)
- FR. OCT 26** 8:00 AM School Mass (Church)
Balloon Rosary (in South parking lot following Mass)

Dear St. Charles Parents,

Yesterday an NPH (Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos) group from El Salvador visited our preschool to grade 3 students. The group was made up of 16-20 year olds from the El Salvador NPH community, much like the students we sponsor from Honduras. They are here in Minnesota for a 2 week visit, performing music from their culture and sharing their experiences. After the performance they stayed for lunch and recess with the kids. You should have heard the roar in the cafeteria when they came in. Our kids were so excited to have them as our guests.

On the same day, students in grades 4-8 traveled to US Bank stadium for the CSCOE sponsored Mass of the Holy Spirit which included 79 Catholic Grade schools from our diocese. There were over 60 priests and 2 bishops at the altar celebrating with about 15,000 in attendance. It was a moving experience, and a reminder that the work we do is making a difference. Our students participated and were respectful which was no surprise to me. I was just impressed with the way all of the students participated and lifted their hearts and voices to the Lord.

Conferences are next week, please sign up if you have not already. We look forward to meeting with you.

Just a reminder about middle school birthday practices. Each month students in grades 5-8 who have a birthday that month have the opportunity to come out of uniform on a specific day to celebrate their birthday. Our middle school students are not allowed to bring treats to school to distribute to their classmates. This is something they sort of graduate from when they become middle schoolers. Thank you for your cooperation.

St. Charles will be purchasing some new banquet tables. We will be parting with approximately twenty 8-foot wooden tables. If you would like one of these tables, please set up a pick-up time with Greg Menzia at gmenzia@stchbschool.org They are in decent shape; they do weigh a country-ton.

Charging,
Danny Kieffer
St. Charles Principal

Marathon Update and Thank YOU!

Thank you to all the families who attended our annual school Marathon on Saturday, October 6. It was a cold morning, but we charged ahead with a few laps around the Marathon route followed by lunch, ice cream, and a Charger-spirited rally including a Joke Contest and bike drawings! The winners were:

- Cars Bike Shop Gift Certificate: Jacob K and Monica B
- Joke Contest Winners: Gina W, Nathaniel Y, and Natalie J

Important: Tomorrow is the LAST day to bring in your Marathon pledges to qualify for the Grand Prize drawings. You can still bring in Marathon donations after this date, but they won't count toward the prize drawings.

Grand Prizes will be drawn at the all-school assembly on Tuesday, October 16. These prizes include an iPad, headphones, drones, and more. We will announce the Top Fundraisers in each grade-level brackets (K-2, 3-5, 6-8) who will get to select the first choice of the Grand Prizes. Then we will randomly draw additional names for all the Grand Prizes as well as 6 more random winners who will get to take a LIMO ride with Mr. Kieffer and Father Przybilla for lunch on October 25.

Finally, we will announce which grades have reached their grade-level goals and earned an extra 45 minutes of recess or gym. Good luck to everyone!

Congratulations to all our students for raising more than \$40,000 so far. Keep turning in those pledges so we can reach our Marathon goal of \$43,000. If we're able to make this goal, there will be a special entertainer for the students to enjoy!

It's been a great Marathon so far this year - let's reach our goal, Chargers!

Parent Teacher Conference Next Week: Sign Up Today!

Conferences will be held on Monday, October 15, and Tuesday, October 16 from 3:30 - 8:00 PM. To schedule conferences visit [ConferenceSignup](#). 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 information. This creates a registration for each conference and sends you a confirmation email with a link to choose appointment times. For more details about conferences, please refer to the email sent on October 2nd or call the school office with your questions. 612-781-264

- Preschool conferences will be scheduled in 15 minute time slots with your child's teacher.
- Grade K-3 conferences will be scheduled in 20 minute time slots with your child's teacher.
- Grade 4 conferences will be scheduled in 15 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.

Raise Money for School just by Shopping with Gift Cards ~ Orders due Monday

For those of you new to St. Charles, SCRIP is a no-selling program that allows our families to raise money for our school while making everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks, or credit cards. For every gift card you purchase at face value, St. Charles receives instant cash! There are hundreds of popular retailers available from, gas and dining to shopping and travel. Best of all, YOU only pay face value! **New for this year, we will be submitting SCRIP orders twice a month. The schedule for the year is forthcoming.**

Information and order forms can be found here - [SCRIP](#). Orders are due on Monday, October 15th. NOW is a great time to buy gift cards for later re-loading with MyScripWallet, ie. Cub!

Sign up for a SCRIP account AND PrestoPay and have access to instant e-cards for hundreds of nationwide retailers, restaurants and more with MyScripWallet. ALL funds earned go directly to our school for projects and improvements - all without costing you anything!!

Instructions can be found online at [SCRIP](#).

Rethink the way you shop!

Calling All Box Tops - Bring in Your Box Tops by Wednesday, October 17

The first shipment of box tops will be mailed next week. Bring your box tops to school or church. There are two drop-off locations for your convenience: in the school near the Lost & Found on the first floor and in the church atrium coatroom. Please note that we cannot redeem expired box tops, and, as always, trimmed box tops are greatly appreciated! Thanks to all of you for supporting this worthwhile program!

Fundraising Update

Cartridge World **no longer accepts ink cartridges for money**; therefore, we are no longer collecting cartridges. Thanks for your past support of this program.

Volunteer Opportunities at St. Charles

Check out all the ways you can get involved at St. Charles School: [signupgenius](#)

****** VIRTUS Training Opportunity for New Volunteers~Thursday, October 25 ******

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 5 spots left**. You can find other sessions throughout the diocese at www.virtus.org. There are other volunteer requirements, but this is the only one that cannot be completed online.

Please see here: [VIRTUS new user guide](#) for registration instructions for new users to complete your VIRTUS training registration and for details about other requirements. 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). Advanced registration is required for the VIRTUS Training sessions at www.virtus.org. Thanks for your service to St. Charles School!

Balloon Rosary ~ Friday, October 26

Please join us for our annual Balloon Rosary launch on Friday, October 26. The second graders will lead us as we offer a rosary for St. Charles alumni who have passed away. All are welcome to join us in the lower parking lot following 8:00 AM Mass on Friday, October 26..

Wolf Ridge Calendars and Coffee Available to Support the 5th Grade Class

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 toward the fifth grade trip to Wolf Ridge this November.

October Opportunities to Support Life

Baby Goods Drive for the Local Life Care Center ~ now through October 14 in the Atrium

Unwrapped baby donations are gladly being accepted for Abria Pregnancy Resources/North Side Life Care Center now through October 14 . [Baby Goods Drive](#)

Feed My Starving Children ~ October 22, 6:00-7:30 PM

Come pack meals in Coon Rapids with other St. Charles families at FMSC on October 22 from 6:00 PM - 7:20 PM in Coon Rapids. Stations fill up, so reservations are required (we have 20 spots reserved).

Contact Teresa (651-697-1344, tdroessler@centurylink.net) if you'd like to participate. We'll also have a signup table in the atrium Oct. 6-7 and 13-14.

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 Lilly M's great, great aunt
- ❖ 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 all St. Charles families, new and old, that they may be strengthened by their faith and sheltered in God's loving mercy.

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>

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

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