



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Weekly Update 10 ~ November 12, 2015

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TH . NOV 12	Give to the MAX Day https://givemn.org/organization/410706912-7799507
FR . NOV 13	8:00 AM School Mass 5:00 PM Wolf Ridge Trip Returns
SA . NOV 14	9:30 AM Chess Club (Cafeteria)
MO . NOV 16	Out-of-Uniform Pass Day Cornerstone Alert Notice Testing
TU . NOV 17	6:30 PM School Advisory Council Mtg (room 104)
TH . NOV 19	Spirit Wear Day
FR . NOV 20	8:00 AM School Mass 10:00 AM Physics Force All School Assembly (Gym) End of Trimester 1
SA . NOV 21	9:30 AM Chess Club (Cafeteria)
TU . NOV 24	8:00 AM School Mass of Thanksgiving
WE . NOV 25	SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION ~ Thanksgiving Break
TH . NOV 26	SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION ~ Thanksgiving Break
FR . NOV 27	SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION ~ Thanksgiving Break

Dear St. Charles Community,

The K-4 students made so many of our local senior citizens happy in the last week. In fact, 77 fantastic Chargers visited two local nursing homes to put on musical performances in appreciation of America and our Veterans. They put on a final show last Tuesday in Doran Hall for our St. Charles VIPs who also expressed great appreciation. The woman behind it all ~ Mrs. Jane Malone-Miller!!! A big thank you to Mrs. Malone-Miller along with the teachers and parents who — supported the trip. Mrs. Malone-Miller doesn't sleep, she rests (humorous musical pun).

Today is Give to the Max Day in Minnesota! If you celebrate this day, St. Charles would love to be on the receiving end. To donate simply follow the link provided and enter any number followed by a bunch of zeros as a donation. This year's Give to the Max funds will help us purchase new science resources. We currently have a team of extremely hard-working teachers who are reviewing our science standards and examining new resources to enliven our science curriculum! Your Give to the Max donations will get us off to a great start! Thank you for any contribution you can make:

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Chess Club is beginning this Saturday and we're excited to offer this at St. Charles. I have spoken to a few parents who are concerned that times may conflict with intramural basketball. This is a legitimate concern and as it looks today, there may be some conflicts between the two sports. Please know that we are working on ways to limit this. A couple thing to consider: both activities are very reasonably priced, so if you miss a session or two, you're only out a couple bucks. In addition, if participating in both is not working out for you, you may request a refund and withdraw from one. Please turn in all Chess Club registration forms by Friday November 14th!

*God bless you,
Danny Kieffer, Principal of St. Charles School*

Give to the MAX - Help St. Charles School raise funds for new Science resources!

See Principal Kieffer's article above for more details. God bless!

This link will take you to our school donation site:

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Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive/Turkey Raffle - November 13 & 20

It is that time of year again for the Thanksgiving Food Drive sponsored by our fourth graders! **We will be collecting nonperishable food from Pre-K - 8th grade classrooms through the third week of November.** Remaining collection dates are Fridays, November 13 & 20. Fourth grade parent volunteers bring the food to the Franciscan Brothers of Peace and another organization who both distribute the food to those in need.

A raffle ticket is given to students for every item they bring in. One grand prize will be raffled off in grades Pre-K - 4, and one grand prize will be raffled off in grades 5-8. There will also be other prizes drawn for students who bring in food items. The homeroom with the most donated food will win a pop and popcorn party.

Thank you for making the Thanksgiving Food Drive so successful.

One Week to Order Spirit Wear - The online spirit shop closes at Midnight, November 18

Winter is upon us, Christmas is around the corner, and you need something warm and fun for gift ideas. Think fleece, winter hats, long sleeve shirts...aahh! We've got just the thing. Visit the St. Charles online spirit shop to view the store and check out the new items now available.

You have one week to order Spirit Wear. The online spirit shop is open until Midnight, November 18

1. Log onto the stchbschool.org website.
2. Click the Spirit Wear link in the middle of the page. This will bring you to the Spirit Wear page with instructions on how to order spirit wear. To skip the instructions & simply browse the store, click on the [Online St. Charles Spirit Wear Store!](#)
3. This will bring you to Dave's Sport Shop site. Click on Associations - the last option found on the blue background.
4. Select St. Charles Spirit Wear from the drop down box.
5. This will bring you to the St. Charles Spirit wear page. All items shown on the page are for sale.
6. New to the selection are the following items:
 - a. The men and women's fleece jacket. The online picture is in black but can be also ordered in gray.
 - b. The green Dri-power (cotton) short and long sleeve basketball tee
 - c. Pukka Hat (pom hat). **(not guaranteed by Christmas)**
 - d. The Bayside beanie in gray

All items will be delivered to St. Charles for Christmas delivery (unless otherwise noted above). Please indicate in the comments section if your item(s) should not be sent home with your child.

For questions, please contact Molly Siroin at 612-803-0781. Happy Browsing!

Chess Club for Grades 1 - 8 (See attached flyer & permission form)

We aren't going to Pawn off the Opening of our chess club any longer. We are excited to Attack this project and blast off our program on Saturday, November 14th in the school cafeteria. Students will learn everything from the basics of opening, middle, and endgame techniques to more intermediate strategy and positional play. Students will engage in group instructional sessions as well as one-on-one combat in the Game of Kings during nine Saturday sessions from November - February. Don't let your child Risk missing this fun opportunity to challenge their minds and promote concentration. Encourage your child to grab a Mate and Check out what this fun game is all about.

Cornerstone Alert Test Message - Monday, November 16 (See attached information)

A test message from our Cornerstone Alert System will be going out on Monday, November 16. The messages will be received by phone, text, email, or any combination of these three based on your choices on your Cornerstone account. Instructions on how to log into Cornerstone and set up your alert preferences are attached and can also be found on our school website.

School Not in Session

School is not in session Wednesday, November 25 - Friday, November 27 for Thanksgiving break. Please note we have added an additional day to our Thanksgiving break this year. This is different from the St. Anthony School schedule.

The Culver's Reading Program

The Culver's reading incentive program will begin this week and run through May 1. During library classes this week, students in grades K-4 received a bookmark for recording the books they have read (or books parents have read to pre-readers). Middle School students may take a bookmark during their book checkout time if they would like to participate. (Fifth graders received their bookmarks last week before going to Wolf Ridge.) When complete, the bookmarks may be returned to the school library (**with a parent signature somewhere on the white portion of the bookmark**) after reading 5 books or you may wait until they finish all 10. Once the bookmark is initialed and stamped by Terry Mac Donald, their completed bookmark becomes their "coupon" for the free Culver's food item(s). Students may get a new bookmark for each month they wish to participate. (The rule is only one completed bookmark per student per month.) Students may record any book that they have read since the start of the school year. For students in grades 2-4, every 150 pages of a longer book counts as a complete book and for students in grades 5-8, every 250 pages counts as a complete book. Please indicate the number of pages read after the title. (Ex. If a 6th grader reads a book with 500 pages, they may write down that title twice with pp.1-250 by the first and pp. 251-500 by the second.) **Thanks for encouraging your children to read!**

Prayer Corner ~

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

- ❖ Connie Nelson — grandmother of Olwyn, Isaiah, Rivers, Eli — recovering from a hemorrhagic stroke
- ❖ Raymond Pearson — father of staff member Beth Pearson — enduring advanced stages of Parkinson's
- ❖ For eternal rest for Michael Welter— brother of Grace and '06 graduate — and for the comfort of his family
- ❖ Ray DeGidio — Great Uncle of Natalie B — fighting lung cancer

- ❖ Andrea “Annie” Mangan (‘92) — battling a very aggressive form of non-Hodgkins Lymphoma
 - ❖ Preston Brandes (‘09) — deployment to Syria with the Marines
 - ❖ Stas Thibault — younger brother of Maggie — battling leukemia
 - ❖ Abby Rodin — older sister of Victoria K — battling Susac syndrome
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Attachments & Links

St. Charles Google Calendar ~ Bookmark it! [St. Charles Calendar Link](#)

St Charles Volunteers: [SignUpGenius - St. Charles](#)

- 1. Chess Club Letter & Permission Form**
- 2. Cornerstone Alert Notification Instructions**
- 3. Weekly Update 10 ~ November 12, 2015**

★**Weekly Update** article deadline: Tuesday 2:00PM - Send submissions to amagee@stchbs.org.★