

## Weekly Update 16 ~ January 16, 2025

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- FR.JAN 17 8:00 AM K-8 Mass (church)
- MO. JAN 20 School not in session Martin Luther King Day
- TU.JAN 21 No bus service
  - Parkway Pizza Fundraiser Night
- WE.JAN 226:00 PM Ignite 5th-8th grade youth (youth room)6:00 PM Spark, 2nd-4th grade youth (MSC in the school)
- TH. JAN 23 \$1 Mustard Seed Communities Charity Spirit Wear Day
- FR. JAN 24 School not in session Staff Work Day
- SA. JAN 25 6:00 PM Evening to Affirm Life (Doran Hall)
- SU. JAN 26
   10:00 AM Mass to begin Catholic Schools Week

   Learning Festival & Pancake Breakfast 11:30 AM-1:00 PM (school)
- SU.JAN 26-FR.JAN 31 Catholic Schools Week

#### Looking Ahead

- FR.FEB 14 Cana Dinner
- MO.FEB 17 School not in session President's Day

#### Dear St. Charles Parents,

Congratulations to all our 2nd graders who had the opportunity on Saturday to meet Jesus in a new way in the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time! What a gift that will now be able to be a part of their lives forever. Thank you to our 2nd grade teachers, Abby Hitti and Anita Juntilla, and to our Director of Catholic Family Life, Andrew Wagenbach, for all their work with our 2nd graders.

Thanks to all of you who helped to make our Liz Hickman - Sue McSherry Basketball Blast such a success. We are grateful for your support and generosity.

Enrollment season continues. If you have not enrolled your children for next year, I suggest you do that today. We will have a couple of \$100 off tuition voucher drawings coming up soon. Anyone who has completed enrollment at that point will be entered into the drawings.

Just a reminder that next week is a short week for your students. Monday is Martin Luther King Day and Friday, the 24th, is a staff development day.

We are looking forward to the St. Charles Learning Festival on Sunday, January 26. This is the first day of Catholic Schools Week. We will start with 10:00 AM Mass in the church and then head over to the school for a pancake breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and for the Learning Festival where your children will get to show off all their hard work.

More information coming soon about all the special activities planned for Catholic Schools Week.

God bless you, Danny Kieffer St. Charles Principal

## Thank YOU for your generosity!

Please see the attached thank you message from the staff and faculty.

#### 2025-26 New Student Applications Open for the 2025-26 School Year!

Spread the word! Apply Now

## Liz Hickman - Sue McSherry Basketball Blast:

Thank you to everyone who contributed and supported the 20th Annual Liz Hickman - Sue McSherry Basketball Blast this past weekend. The event raised over \$19,000 for the Sue McSherry Scholarship Fund here at St. Charles and Make-A-Wish of Minnesota. Special thanks to the Hickman and McSherry families for their continued kindness and generosity.

#### **Concession Stand Opportunities**

Sign up <u>here</u> for a volunteer shift at the concession stand. This is a great opportunity to meet other St. Charles families. Concessions are always popular at games and a great fundraiser for the Home and School Council. If you've never volunteered at the concession stand or would like a refresher training, please leave a comment when you sign up, and we'll be sure to have a seasoned team member there to train you and work with you.

\*\* 7th and 8th grade students can get service hours for volunteering with an adult.

#### Borromeo Bash ~ May 3

Save the date **5/3/2025** for this year's Borromeo Bash returning to the Hollywood Theater! Thank you Andrew Volna for the donation of this beautiful space!

We anticipate this year to be the best Bash yet! Get *early bird pricing* on tickets now until March 1<sup>st</sup>! Get your tickets at this lower cost today!

Become a Bash sponsor now using the QR code below or visit the Bash website for all the details of this amazing night at <u>Bash 2025</u>.

We are starting to collect auction items! Please visit our <u>amazon wish list</u> if you need some ideas of what we need. If you are interested in donating items to the Bash, please drop them off at the school front office between 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM. Would you like to help our committee in the planning process or on the day of the event? Please reach out to BorromeoBash@stchbs.org.





## **Parish Corner**

January Family Formation resources: <u>https://www.stchb.org/family</u>

## **Evening to Affirm Life - Pasta Dinner**

The Annual Evening to Affirm Life will be held on Saturday, January 25th, starting with Mass at 5:00 PM and a free Spaghetti Dinner to follow. Patrick Bayle, the Community Engagement Director at Twin Cities Catholic Charities, will be the speaker. A free-will offering will be taken up for the Twin Cities Catholic Charities during the event. You can click <u>HERE</u> to register for the event.

# See below the Prayer Corner for helpful St Charles links and for links for events beyond the St. Charles community

#### **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 healing for student Alijah's grandpa.
- For peace and health for Richard and his family as he battles cancer. He is the grandfather of students June and Robert.
- For healing for 6-year-old Margaret and for guidance for her family. Margaret is a cousin to students Adriana, Robbie, Adeline, and Raina.
- For Ann, grandmother of students Eleni, John, and Andrew. Prayers for healing, success of the cancer treatment, and for the doctors and nurses caring for her.
- For Gregory, father of St. Charles student, Liam, as he is deployed to the Middle East to care for wounded and ill service members - for safety and safe return for him and his unit.

- For healing for Bob, grandpa of Emily, as he continues fighting a serious infection.
- For healing from a 3rd cancer diagnosis for Jody Hilgert, grandmother to students, Torin and Brody.
- For comfort and hope for all in our community who are grieving.

#### **Additional Links**

St. Charles School Website ~ www.stchbschool.org
St. Charles School Google Calendar ~ St. Charles Calendar Link
St. Charles School Lunch Calendar ~ St. Charles Lunch Calendar Link
St. Charles Google Athletic Calendar ~ St. Charles Athletic Calendar Link
St Charles School Volunteers ~ Sign-up genius
St Charles School Facebook ~ https://www.facebook.com/stchbs
Spirit Wear orders ~ Schoolbelles Questions? Josie at jasalzbrun@gmail.com
St. Charles Borromeo Church ~ St Charles Church
St. Anthony Boosters Softball for a series of winter clinics ~ Clinic registration
St. Anthony Boosters In-House Baseball registration ~ https://www.saboosters.org/baseballregistration
Totino-Grace High School February 11 Open House ~T-G Open House

★Weekly Update article deadline: Wednesday 9:00 AM - Send submissions to <u>mwappes@stchbs.org</u>