

Weekly Update 22 ~ February 27, 2025

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FR.FEB	28	School not in session - Staff Work Day				
		Deadline for Aim Higher scholarship applications				
SA.MAR	01	Last day to get Bash tickets at a discounted price				
		Cinnamon rolls for sale after all weekend Masses				
MO.MAR	03	Out-of-Uniform Passes can be used				
		10:30 AM 7th & 8th grade presentation: Jason Evert (church)				
TU.MAR	04	6:00 PM School Advisory Meeting (room 104)				
WE.MAR	05	Ash Wednesday 8:00 AM K-8 Mass (church)				
		Floor hockey begins after school (gym)				
TH.MAR	06	Spirit Wear Day				
FR.MAR	07	Last day of 2nd trimester				
		8:00 AM K-8 Mass (church)				
	6:00 PM Soup Supper, 6:30 Virtual Pilgrimage & 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (church)					
TU.MAR 11-TH.MAR 13 Parish Mission (Mission priest will also preach the weekend of March 8 & 9)						

Looking Ahead

TU.MAR 18 & TH.MAR 20 Spring Conferences

MO.MAR 24-MO.MAR 31 No School: Spring Break & Staff Development Day

Dear St. Charles Parents,

I've been at a conference all day, so I don't have much time to write! The faculty and I will be attending Catalyst Approach training tomorrow. Over the past two years, this has been an ongoing professional development for our school. It is some of the best classroom management and instructional strategy training I've seen.

Financial aid is open for applications. The last chance to be considered for Aim Higher scholarships is tomorrow, February 28th. If financial aid is important for your family, please make the deadline.

Early Bird pricing on the Bash goes away quickly! If you want me to make goofy videos for you in the future, make your purchase today (or tomorrow)!

Finally, if you have not contacted your local senator about nonpublic pupil aid, please do so this week or next week at the latest. I have an appointment to meet our school's local senator on March 12th at 2:00 PM at the Capitol! Education is a public service funded by the public, and our kids are included in that public. Here's the link.

Jason Evert is going to be in town, and he's coming to St. Charles to speak with our 7th and 8th graders for about an hour and a half on Monday about the virtue of chastity. What a great opportunity for our kids! Seven other Catholic schools will be joining us.

We have Ash Wednesday coming up this week. Our kids will be able to attend the 8:00 AM Mass on that day.

Floor Hockey also begins Wednesday. The schedule is attached. No food in the gym again!

God bless you,

Danny Kieffer

St. Charles Principal

2025-26 School Year Aim Higher Scholarships - Deadline TOMORROW

Aim Higher is a non-profit organization that assists parents in making sure that each and every child is able to attend Catholic School. They give out scholarships all across our diocese. Students from St. Charles have received them each year. Again this year, they have invited everyone in our diocese to apply for Aim Higher Scholarships through TADS. Click on the following link to find a flier that includes details about how to apply for this scholarship: Aim Higher Scholarship Flyer in English and Aim Higher Scholarship in Spanish. We encourage you to apply if you already receive financial aid or think you may be eligible. The deadline is February 28, 2025.

All CURRENT families receiving an AlM Higher Scholarship for this school year must complete their application by February 28, 2025, in order to be eligible for the scholarship to continue into the next school year.

Middle School Floor Hockey Begins Next Week!

St. Charles School has a long-standing tradition of intramural middle school floor hockey. Students in grades 5-8 may participate with a signed permission form. Games start directly after school and go until 4:30 PM.

Parents and students are welcome to come and watch the games; however, **all parents not accompanying their students in K-2 must arrange supervision of their child.** We encourage supervision for 3rd-4th grade students. All K-4 students who come to watch are required to stay in the gym and concession area and have a signed permission form.

See attached forms for the season schedule, middle school participation registration, and K-4 spectator permission

Please note that the concession stands will be open for students during these games except on Wednesday, March 5 (Ash Wednesday). Concessions may be enjoyed in the concessions area. No food in the gym.

Floor Hockey Concessions ~ Help Needed!

Please consider volunteering at the concession stand for the upcoming FUN floor hockey days in early March! We need YOU! This is a great time for 7th/8th grade students and their parents to get in any necessary service hours for the year. Remember, the VIRTUS volunteer requirements are <u>NOT</u> needed when volunteering for concessions. Available shifts can be found by accessing the following Sign Up Genius link <u>HERE</u>.

Spring Group Piano Lessons

Sign up for Spring Group Piano Lessons! Lessons will begin on Tuesday, April 1. There will be 15 lessons for the spring session. Levels 1, 2, and 3 will be available.

Level 1 3:00 - 3:45

Level 2 or Level 3 4:00 - 4:45

Please email grouplessons@stchbs.org to sign up or to get more information. There are 10 spots available for each level!

St. Charles SUMMER CAMPS ~ School & Church

Check <u>summer camps</u> for all the details and registration information

2024 Education Tax Information

2024 subtraction-credit-info

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

Spread the word! Apply Now

Borromeo Bash ~ May 3

Save the date: 5/3/2025, for this year's Borromeo Bash at the Hollywood Theater!

Get *early bird pricing* on tickets now until March 1st! We anticipate that we will sell out again this year, so please get your tickets asap!

Visit the QR code below or visit the Bash website for all the details of this amazing night at Bash 2025.

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.

Questions? Please reach out to BorromeoBash@stchbs.org



Parish Corner

Youth Ministry Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser ~ March 1 & 2

Get your cinnamon rolls after the Masses on March 1st and 2nd. All proceeds go directly to students to help them attend our summer retreats. Thank you for your generosity!

Parish Mission ~ Living A Eucharistic Life ~ March 11, 12, 13

Have you ever wondered what it was like for Mary to receive the Eucharist or to go to Adoration? Father Cassian Sama, OP, a Dominican priest, will be talking about "Mary and the Eucharist" during our parish mission. The same talk will be given in the morning and the evening March 11-13. The morning talks will begin at 9:00 AM with a continental breakfast, and in the evening, dinner will be at 5:30 PM in Doran Hall, followed by the talk at 6:30 PM. Confession will be available each night at 7:10 PM. Childcare will be provided every night from 6:30-7:10 for 1st graders and under. Please RSVP for dinners here.

Did You Know the Parish has a YouTube channel?

Learn about the Mass in Father and Deacon's new series "What Happens at Mass" and view Formation Night speakers if you missed the monthly Wednesday night formation https://www.youtube.com/stchb.

See below the Prayer Corner for helpful St. Charles links and 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 a speedy recovery for Harold, sibling of students Louis, Jude, and Layla.
- For peace for Ron Blomquist, grandpa of Estelle, as he approaches death and comfort for his family.
- For a return to good health for student Alijah's grandfather.
- For the repose of the soul of Audrey Sheppard, cousin to student Alaya, and for the comfort of her family.
- 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, in his deployment 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.

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 ~ facebook
- Spirit Wear orders ~ Schoolbelles Questions? Josie at jasalzbrun@gmail.com
- St. Charles Intramural Basketball Schedule ~ I-M Basketball
- St. Charles Borromeo Church ~ <u>St Charles Church</u>
- St. Anthony Boosters Softball for a series of winter clinics ~ Clinic registration
- St. Anthony Boosters Baseball clinics ~ St. Anthony Baseball Clinics
- St. Anthony Boosters In-House Baseball registration ~ Baseball Registration

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