# St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School Newsletter



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Our Mission: To Teach, Love, Live and Learn as Jesus Did Our Vision: Share Faith, Serve Others, Seek Knowledge

During the month of January, we 'press on' As God's Temple. Related to this is the cardinal virtue of temperance and the fruits of the Holy Spirit, especially self-control, modesty, and chastity. The liturgical season of Christmas ends with the feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. With this feast we also think of our own baptisms when we became children of God and temples of the Holy Spirit. We can take care of this sacred temple through purity of heart in action, especially in regards to dress and speech, practicing the virtue of modesty. We recognize the dignity of each human being as a person, as a child of God as we **Press On As God's Temple**.

"Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for the temple of God, which you are, is holy." 1 Corinthians 3:16-17

# **Upcoming Schedule Changes**

Tuesday, January 12th 2-Hour Delay Teacher Inservice. Students should be in class by 9:50 a.m. Childcare is available & will be open at 6:30 a.m. as normal.

Friday, January 15th, Out of Uniform Day for all Students & Staff! By decree of Mr. Hoersten! Neat, clean, & modest always.

Monday, January 18th No School Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Observed

Monday, February 8th 2-Hour Delay **Teacher Inservice** 

Monday, February 15th No School Presidents' Day Observed

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year and Welcome Back! I will be brief with just a few reminders. Stay healthy and remember from the reflection above, you are a temple of God and the Spirit of God dwells in you! Please keep in prayer our President, Congressmen & Women, law enforcement personnel, and all Americans as we work through our transition of leadership. It is nice to have the students back. -Rob S.

- 1. Remember, if someone in the family is sick (parents, siblings, etc.) and you suspect possible Covid-19, please do not send the children to school until either testing is conducted or consultation with Nurse Tippman. nurse@stcharlesschoolfw.org
- 2. There will be a 2 hr. Delay on Tuesday, January 12th. Students should be in their classrooms by 9:50 a.m. Childcare is available and will open as normal at 6:30 a.m.
- 3. I wanted to thank Mrs. Joyce Till, our long-time Music teacher, for her years of service within our community. Mrs. Till has decided to step away from teaching at this time and I wanted to express my/our appreciation for her work in the classroom, and her direction of the choir, hand chimes, musicals, and more. Mrs. Till has been an integral part of our Fine Arts Program for over 13 years, and we all wish her well as she begins a new journey!
- 4. Yearbook Activities Photos On Monday, January 11, photographers from Inter-State Studio will be at school to take group pictures and roving pictures for our annual school yearbook. Students involved in any of our scouting programs are encouraged to wear their scout uniforms for group pictures of their specific troop. Students involved in orchestra and band should have their instruments for their group pictures. Coaches on an ongoing basis submit athletic team photos so these students will not have pictures taken on Monday.
- 5. I copied most of the kindness quotes from the bulletin board outside Mrs. Robinson's office. Kindness changes everything!

Kindness Changes Everything	Acts of Kindness	Kindness Matters	
Ask someone how their day is going.	Hold the door open for someone.	Say "Hi" to someone new.	
Invite someone new to play with you.	Pray for someone in need.	Pick up trash when you see it.	
Play a game everyone can play.	Give encouragement to a classmate.	Stand up for others in need of support.	

#### LOOKING AHEAD - ST. CHARLES SCHOOL CALENDAR 2021-2022

First Day of School Grades PreK-8:

Labor Day (No School):

Catholic School Mission Day

8th Grade Mass of Confirmation w/Bishop Rhoades

Thanksgiving Vacation:

Christmas Vacation:

Spring Break:

Good Friday (No School)

Easter Sunday

Grade 8 Graduation (tentative): School Ends Grades K-8 (tentative):

Wednesday, August 11 September 6

September TBD

November 4, 7:00 pm

Wed, Nov. 24-Fri., Nov. 26

December 20 - January 3 (Return Tues. Jan. 4th)

April 1-8

April 15

April 17

Tuesday, May 24

Friday, May 27

#### Calendar Update

January 8	Report Cards go home
January 10	Feast of the Baptism of our Lord
January 11	Yearbook photos
January 12	2-hr delay (teacher meeting)
January 15	Grade Level Spelling Bees for grades 3 & 4
-	Out of Uniform Day
January 18	Martin Luther King Jr Day - NO SCHOOL

PreK and Kdg Registration for the 2021-2022 school year January 19

School Board meeting, 7 pm in art room

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children January 22

Grade Level Spelling Bees for grades 1 & 2

January 24 Knights of Columbus annual Free Throw Contest (registration forms in school office)

Students of the Week - Congratulations to: Mason Wellman, Colin Koepke, Molly Shively, Cassie Osenga, Carter Lyons, Layla Walburn, Lacey Johnson, Ryan Groves, Bexleigh Bokhart, Trinity McDowell, Ellie Ley, Isabelle Parker, Cameron Koepke, Paige Starkey, Thomas McGillicuddy, Regina Cing, Rebecca Kaufman, Daniel Ade

# ATTENTION 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS: ENROLL TO BE A BDHS SAINT TODAY!

Bishop Dwenger High School is accepting applications for the Class of 2025. The online application may be found at the link below: https://www.bishopdwenger.com/New-Student-Application

> Application deadline is January 15. Questions? Please contact Cindy Johnson, Admissions Coordinator, at cjohnson@bishopdwenger.com or 260.496.4703. Enroll today and become a SAINT!

# **Knights of Columbus annual Free Throw Competition**

The Knights of Columbus Annual Free Throw Competition, Boys & Girls, will be held on Sunday, January 24, in the school gym. Doors will open at 12 Noon for registration and warm ups. Competition will begin at 12:30 p.m., and is open to all members of the parish, ages 9-14. Registration forms are available at the school office. A copy of your birth certificate must accompany the registration.

Due to COVID-19, we must adhere to the following rules:

Temperatures will be taken prior to entering the gym

Spectators will be limited to parents and grandparents of the participant

Spectators will wear a mask at all times

Spectators will practice social distancing at all times

Also due to COVID-19, the competition may be canceled at any time.

## POSTPONED! BORROMEO BASH 2021 Rescheduled for Friday, June 4, 2021

In consultation with Father Tom and Principal Sordelet, the Borromeo Bash Committee has decided to postpone Borromeo Bash to Friday, June 4 th, 2021. We believe this will give us the best opportunity to host a fun-filled evening of fellowship for the St. Charles School and Parish Community. We appreciate your understanding and support, and we look forward to celebrating the successes of a challenging school year at Borromeo Bash 2021 on Friday, June 4 at Ceruti's.

We will continue to accept donations and sponsorships for Borromeo Bash 2021. We realize that many people will still prefer to make their donation during the 2020 Tax/Budget year. Please note that several charitable donation rules were expanded for 2020 only through the CARES Act. Those rule changes may help individuals and corporations in philanthropic support. Further guidance is available at IRS.gov or from your tax professional.

The school and parish community appreciate any support that you might be able to lend during these uncertain times as we continue to prepare for the 2021 event. If there are any concerns or questions regarding Borromeo Bash 2021, please email the committee at borromeobash@gmail.com. Save the Date! Sincerely - The Borromeo Bash Committee

# **Position in St. Charles Maintenance Department**

Part-time (with possible future full-time) employment. For more information contact Steve Springer, Maintenance Supervisor, 260-969-4029

#### Free Tutoring / Homework Help Available Through the Allen County Public Library

**Tutor.com** provides online, on-demand academic tutoring, homework help and test preparation to kindergarten through 12th grade students. Any library user can connect with a highly qualified, expert tutor in a safe and secure online classroom. Tutors are available in a variety of subjects and test prep areas from Noon - 10:00 pm, seven days a week. For more information, check out the ACPL website under the heading **explore**, then **youth**.

# Pre-K4 & Kindergarten Registration Coming Soon!

**January 19, 2021!** 

You are invited to our Kindergarten & Pre-Kindergarten registration day on Tuesday, January 19th. Registration will be held in the afternoon from 1:15-2:30 p.m. in Rooms C & D of the Hession Center, or you may attend the evening session from 6:00-7:00 p.m. All parents are asked to park in the rear of the school in the church parking lot and enter through door # 3 near the gym. Wearing of a mask is required. If experiencing COVID symptoms, please call the school office (484-3392) to arrange for an alternate registration day.

**Kindergarten**: For this coming school year 2021-2022, we will be offering full-day Kindergarten with classroom size limits of 23 students per class with an aide assisting the teacher. Our school day runs from 7:50 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If needed, for an additional fee, Beforecare and Aftercare service is available for all students.

Initial tuition costs are projected to be \$3,768 (\$314 per month over 12 months) for parishioners, and \$6,564 (\$547 per month over 12 months) for non-parishioners. The registration fee of \$50 is included in the overall tuition costs and is not a required payment at this time.

**Pre-Kindergarten four-year-old Program**: We will be offering two sections of five-day Pre-Kindergarten classes (A.M., P.M., or Full-day). Our morning program will run from 7:50 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. and our afternoon program will run from 11:50 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. The full-day program is 7:50 am - 3:00 pm.

Initial tuition costs are projected to be \$1,884 (\$157 per month over 12 months) per half-day, or \$3,768 (\$314 per month over 12 months) for the full-day program. A separate \$50 Pre-K registration fee is required.

Our January registration for our Kindergarten and Pre-K 4 Programs is early enough to ensure that parish families of St. Charles Borromeo have a first opportunity to register their children. Please bring to registration:

- 1. A copy of your child's birth certificate and baptismal certificate, even if baptized at St. Charles
- 2. A copy of your child's Social Security card and a copy of your child's immunization record
- 3. The \$50.00 nonrefundable registration fee

This is a very exciting time for our parents and young people. We want to ensure your child's school experience is a faith-filled, engaging, and supportive experience. I thank you for your time, and I look forward to having your child with us next year. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me at the school office (260) 484-3392 or email <a href="mailto:schooloffice@stcharlesschoolfw.org">schooloffice@stcharlesschoolfw.org</a>. Sincerely - Robert Sordelet, Principal

# Order of registration priority will follow the established admissions guidelines as listed below:

#### **ADMISSIONS - SCP 1023**

St. Charles School shall follow and promote an open enrollment policy, accepting students according to Diocesan Policy (4010) and Parish quidelines. (Before acceptance all registration requirements and deadlines must be met.)

# **SPC1023 - Admissions Procedures**

Per Diocesan Policy 4010, all students new to St. Charles Borromeo School must be administered a placement test before beginning school. Diocesan policy allows the use of ILearn test results and various standardized and local assessments to fulfill the placement testing requirements.

#### Classification A:

Families who are registered and actively involved at St. Charles who presently have their baptized Catholic children attending St. Charles School.

#### **Classification B:**

Families who are registered and actively involved at St. Charles in order of parish registration date, who do not currently have children enrolled at St. Charles School. Parents from St. Charles parish would have priority for admittance to St. Charles depending upon their date of parish registration and their active and/or contributing support of their parish church.

Every registered family has a moral obligation to support their parish through the weekly offertory envelopes by donating to the Sunday collection as much as they can afford to cover the actual cost of educating a child. Tuition for St. Charles does not cover the full cost, the balance is subsidized by the parish of St. Charles. In addition, regular Sunday church attendance is required. Families must not only be registered in their parish, but be active members as well as participating in some of the programs of parish life.

#### **Classification C:**

If room permits, students whose parents are actively involved in other parishes may be admitted after March 1<sup>st</sup>. If a family is utilizing an Indiana Choice Scholarship (voucher), the student will be enrolled on the day of the annual voucher lottery if room permits. In the event of a voucher lottery, if there are more students applying than there are available enrollment spaces, then applying students must be enrolled in the order in which they are chosen in the lottery. This is a first-come first-serve system as required by State law.

#### Classification D:

If room permits, non-Catholic students may be admitted after March  $1^{st}$ . If a family is utilizing an Indiana Choice Scholarship (voucher), the student will be enrolled on the day of the annual voucher lottery if room permits. In the event of a voucher lottery, if there are more students applying than there are available enrollment spaces, then applying students must be enrolled in the order in which they are chosen in the lottery. This is a first-come first-serve system as required by State law. Character references from a

minister or a school administrator may be required. If a student in this category is accepted into St. Charles, he/she may continue through graduation. Siblings, however, will be placed in Classification C.

## **SCRIP NEWS**

**Welcome 2021!** — Most everyone was more than happy to turn the calendar to a new year. Hopefully you made some good resolutions; they are often easy to make but hard to keep. It's important to be realistic when making resolutions. One that can be good for you and good for the parish is to make **SCRIP** part of your weekly routine. Using it to pay for your groceries and gas can be a great budgeting tool and generate at least **\$100** each year in rebates for the parish and for you! Let us help you get started this week.

**Passing the Torch** — We'd like to take this opportunity to welcome **Judy Smith** as a new **SCRIP** coordinator. Judy will join Peggy Lehn and together they will run our **SCRIP** program. After more than 20 years of involvement with the program, (7 years as a volunteer and 13 as a coordinator,) Madonna Ryan is stepping down. Stepping down does not mean going away, she will stay involved as a volunteer and working weekends. Judy has proved to be invaluable as a volunteer over the past several years, and her management and organization skills will be a true asset to the program. Welcome aboard, Judy!

**Merchant News** — Remember, if you shopped **Kohl's** for Christmas, you can pay your bill with **SCRIP** gift cards and earn a **5%** rebate. (You can only use the gift cards purchased through **SCRIP**, gift cards purchased at Kohl's are not accepted for bill paying.) **Cinema Grill** announced that the pandemic has forced them to permanently close their doors.

We encourage you to support local businesses during these tough times and a good way to do that is by purchasing gift cards. However, it is also important to use the cards relatively quickly.

**VOLUNTEERS:** Be sure to check your schedule for your upcoming **SCRIP** days. It is also posted in the school newsletter and Sunday bulletin as well as the reminders from *Sign-up Genius*.

- Jan. 11 CLASSROOM DELIVERY Sue Forte
- Jan. 15 Cheryl Morello, Kristina O'Neal, Kara Straessle
- Jan. 15 CLASSROOM DELIVERY Jen Eisaman
- Jan. 16 Jennifer Hogan, Tricia Lilly, Tom Neuhaus
- Jan. 17 Cathy Yaggy, Jennifer Hogan, Roberta Keefer
- Jan. 18 CLASSROOM DELIVERY no school; we need a volunteer to deliver the orders on TUESDAY, JAN. 19
- Jan. 22 Angela Bauer, Sue Christle, Peggy Keefer
- Jan. 22 CLASSROOM DELIVERY Sara Fisher
- Jan. 23 Diane Keefer, Amy Lin, Audrey Stauffer
- Jan. 24 Sue Christle, Brenda Harter, Laurie Amstutz

# January 2021 Cafeteria Lunch Menu

11- MENU CHANGE	12	13	14	15
French Toast Sticks w/Syrup	Pork Patty	Soft Chicken Taco	Cheeseburger	Bread Sticks
Hash Browns	Broccoli	w/Lettuce & Cheese	Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle	w/Cheese Sauce
Sausage	Tater Tots	Refried Beans	Sweet Potato Fries	Veggies & Dip
Mandarin Oranges	Apricots	Corn	Applesauce	Go-Gurt
Dragon Juice	Milk	Grapes	Milk	Mixed Fruit
Milk		Milk		Milk
18	19	20	21	22 Cheese Pizza
No School	Chicken Patty	Grilled Cheese Sandwich	Chicken Caesar Salad	Veggies & Dip
	Baked Beans	Sun Chips	Broccoli	Pretzels
	Fries	Green Beans	Soft Pretzel w/Cheese	Go-Gurt
	Fruit Salad	Mixed Fruit	Pears	Peaches
	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk
25	26	27	28	29 Cheese Omelette
Pasta w/Meat Sauce	Corn Dog	Corn Chips w/Taco Meat	Ham & Turkey Sub	w/Salsa
Salad w/Ranch Dressing	Raspberry Spinach Salad	Cheese, Lettuce	Doritos	Hash Browns
Garlic Cheese Toast	Tater Tots	Refried Beans	Celery w/Peanut Butter	Pancake w/Syrup
Applesauce	Pineapple	Corn	Banana	Dragon Juice
Milk	Milk	Grapes	Milk	Mandarin Oranges
		Milk		Milk

# **Lunch Prices 2020-2021**

Milk Only \$0.45

Extra Entrée \$1.50

# ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNTING FORM

Parents can put money into the student's account through your MyPaymentPlus (formerly MyMealsPlus) online account at <a href="www.mypaymentplus.com">www.mypaymentplus.com</a> or by calling 1-877-237-0946 for a small fee. Or, you may send a check with the Lunch Accounting Form below to the school cafeteria. For example, if you have 3 children, send a check for \$90 payable to St. Charles Cafeteria and designate \$30 to each child's account. Each child who will eat hot lunch needs to have money in their meal account. It is recommended to have a minimum of \$14.00 in this account which will pay for five meals. If the student may want additional portions of the main entree, then it is recommended to have a minimum of \$6.00 in the account as well. if you have questions regarding this, you may call the school cafeteria at 969-4028 on school days 8:00-12:30 or the school office at 484-3392.