



# 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**

As a school community, during the month of November we will **Set An Example in Love**. Love is a special feeling that fills your heart. You show love in a smile, a pleasant way of speaking, a thoughtful act or a hug. Love is treating people and things with special care and kindness because they mean so much to you. Love is treating other people just as you would like them to treat you - with care and respect.

"No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us." 1 John 4:12  
"The way we came to know love was that he laid down his life for us; so we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers." 1 John 3:16

### Upcoming Schedule Changes *corrected*

Wed., Thurs., Fri. Nov. 21,22,23 -	No School	Thanksgiving Break
Monday, November 26th -	One Hour Delay	Students report to school by 8:50 a.m. [Diocesan Curriculum Time]
Wednesday, December 19th -	Early Dismissal	Students dismiss at 1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, January 8th -	One Hour Delay	Students report to school by 8:50 a.m. [Diocesan Curriculum Time]
Monday, February 4th -	One Hour Delay	Students report to school by 8:50 a.m. [Diocesan Curriculum Time]

Dear Parents and Students,

**Thank you for attending Parent-Teacher Conferences this past week.** If you were not able to attend and were not able to schedule an alternative time, please do so. We learn so many important details when we have face-to-face communication. Your children are important to us, and working together helps us to best ensure their academic, spiritual, and emotional success.

**A reminder about early morning arrivals.** We post that the cafe doors will be open by 7:20 a.m. each day, and out of decency we usually have them open minutes before that posted time. However, if you are dropping off before 7:15 a.m. every day, then I would suggest utilizing our Before School Care Program. We are trying to strike a balance between helping parents who have to be at work early, and opening at a reasonable time. Help us to maintain that balance by using morning care or dropping off at a reasonable time. Thank you for your understanding.

Finally, I wish you a great week. Remember to send the little (and big) ones with coats and hats as fall is upon us. Also, please read about Mrs. Pittenger, our Light of Learning Award winner for this year. We are very proud to have her on staff! Sincerely - Rob S.

### LIGHT OF LEARNING - CONGRATULATIONS MRS. MARIA PITTENGER OUR 2018-2019 AWARD RECIPIENT!

On behalf of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School, I am very proud to recognize Mrs. Maria Pittenger as our 2018-2019 Light of Learning Award recipient. Mrs. Pittenger has truly been a light for our students, effectively serving as a teacher in our Resource Department for eleven years. In the words of one who nominated Mrs. Pittenger, she is "knowledgeable, patient, enthusiastic, and caring!" Mrs. Pittenger has used her skills to work intimately with our students, providing the academic guidance and encouragement that provides them opportunities to grow and find success. As another parent wrote, "She cares deeply for her students and helps them feel confident and appreciated each day." As you can see, Mrs. Pittenger's dedication and detail on behalf of our students has been a blessing to our children, parents, and fellow teachers. She is a deserving awardee for the Light of Learning!

I asked our recipient to share a little personal information about herself, so that all may know her a bit better. The following is what Mrs. Pittenger shared. "I am very humbled to be honored with the Light of Learning Award this year. My career began with eight years as a third/fourth grade teacher at a local public elementary school followed by eight years working at a Christian preschool. What began as a job as a maternity leave substitute has led to eleven rewarding years in the St. Charles Resource Department. I value all of my teaching experiences and especially love the challenge of working with our middle school students. I am a Roncalli High School graduate from Indianapolis and have degrees from Ball State and IPFW. My husband grew up in this area and we have three grown daughters who all attended St. Charles. Teaching is my vocation and I'm proud to work with such a dedicated and talented staff! Maria Pittenger." Mrs. Pittenger will be formally honored at a Diocesan Light of Learning luncheon during Catholic Schools Week in early February. I thank Mrs. Pittenger for sharing. We are very blessed to have her as part of our faculty! -Rob S.

**2018 CRAFT FAIR** The St. Charles Annual Craft Fair, sponsored by the Fine Arts Boosters, is Saturday, November 3, 2018. Proceeds go towards the arts programs (general music, general art, bands, choir, hand chimes ensemble, orchestra, and assemblies). Please come visit and shop at the 100+ tables 8:00am -3:00pm! Coffee and donuts will be available for purchase early and lunch will be available for purchase by 11:00am.

### AmazonSmile

The holiday season is quickly approaching. Remember you can support St. Charles Borromeo Church & School when you shop on Amazon! Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/30-0957942> when you shop Amazon and when you check out a donation will be made to St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church and School!

## CALENDAR UPDATE

November 3	Craft Show 8:00am - 3:00pm
4	Feast of St. Charles Borromeo Daylight Saving Time ends
5	All-School Mass 8:15 am celebrating St. Charles Borromeo
6	Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am - 2:15pm, Benediction 2:15pm
7	Grade 4 visits History Center, Courthouse, Cathedral
13	School Board meeting 7:00pm
16	Interim period ends
19	Special Persons' Day celebrated with grades 1 and 2
20	All-School Mass of Thanksgiving 8:15 am
21-22-23	NO SCHOOL

## School Directory

The School Directory is ready! This was given to the youngest student in the family to take home to parents. The Directory either came home yesterday, Thursday, or today. Please check with your child who has brought this newsletter home to you!

## Olweus Bully Prevention Program Survey

During the weeks of November 5<sup>th</sup> and November 12<sup>th</sup> each student in grade 3-8 will be completing an online survey about bullying. Students have been taking the survey for several years. It is an opportunity for them to honestly tell us through an anonymous questionnaire how bullying is being handled in our school. This information helps us improve the program. Any questions, please call Mrs. Robinson at 969-4036. Thanks!

## Ride Needed

After school ride to Sunnybrook for 2 kids, 6<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Text 260-615-9777 if you are able to help.

**St Charles First Annual Borromeo Bash** will be February 2nd!! The planning committee is looking for individual and corporate sponsorships and also donations of items for the Silent and Live Auction that will be that evening. If you have questions you can email [BORROMEOBASH@GMAIL.COM](mailto:BORROMEOBASH@GMAIL.COM) Thanks for your help in making this event a success!

## Thanksgiving Collection

Student Council will be sponsoring a Thanksgiving collection for the Franciscan Center's annual "Turkey Tuesday". On this day, the Franciscan Center provides a frozen turkey for their clients and their families for Thanksgiving. The Franciscan Center relies on donations from the community to make this annual event a reality.

The Student Council is asking the students to make a monetary donation that will be presented to the Franciscan Center for the purchase of turkeys. The collection will begin next week and end Friday, November 16.

A school goal has been set to raise \$700 and if the students reach this they will receive a dress down day on Tuesday, November 20. The Student Council is hoping that each student can donate at least a dollar, but, as we know, not every family will be able to do so. Obviously, the Student Council doesn't want to call out the students who don't donate anything, but wants to try to motivate everyone to meet their goal. Teachers may set mini classroom goals and some students will be motivated to go above and beyond and donate more which will help their classmates who are unable to do so.

The Student Council thanks all students and families for your continued generosity.

## News From the Book Fair

That's a wrap on another successful book fair! Thank you to all who visited and purchased from the book fair. As you know, the proceeds benefit our school library. We will be able to purchase many new books for your students to enjoy in the library. Enough gratitude cannot be given to all of the volunteers who donated their time and energy to help in any way. The book fair simply wouldn't have been possible without your help. The book fair isn't over just yet! Did you miss it? Was there a book that was already sold out? Did you miss the preorder for the new Diary of a Wimpy Kid book? You're in luck! Our SCHOLASTIC ONLINE BOOK FAIR will continue through Sunday, November 4 (recently extended)! Visit our school website, under the "Library" tab to find the link. Take advantage of the outstanding prices (and no tax) to order items that you may have missed.

*Theresa Knox, Librarian*

**Put Jesus First!** This is a blog posting from Pauline Books & Media:

If you're anything like me, you start the Church's different liturgical seasons-especially the penitential ones, Advent and Lent - with all sorts of great plans. This year, I promise myself, will finally be the year I focus on my inner life, my spiritual life.

And then what happens? Life happens! The days seem to accelerate toward Christmas, and there's suddenly so much to do that all my fine plans get left in the dust. And I find myself on Christmas Eve wondering what happened, and feeling strangely unready for the celebration, unready to receive Our Lord.

I know I'm not alone, and that's why Pauline Books & Media has created a special Planning Guide for Advent. We're calling it [Put Jesus First](#), as its goal to get everything done - but do it in such a way that we don't forget why we celebrate Advent and Christmas in the first place.

What the guide does is give you an easy way to plan out what must be done, and when; but it also brings in family activities for each week, suggestions for getting deeper into the season, prayers, readings, and more. Each week is organized around a theme, so there's some cohesion in what you're doing.

**Here's the outline:**

- Week 1 (November 9-11): Planning
- Week 2 (November 16-18): Getting Organized
- Week 3 (November 23-25): Shopping
- Week 4 (December 2): First Sunday of Advent: HOPE
- Week 5 (December 7-9): Second Sunday of Advent: PEACE
- Week 6 (December 14-16): Third Sunday of Advent: JOY
- Week 7 (December 21-23): Fourth Sunday of Advent: LOVE

This planner will help you make decisions around how you invest time. Do we just spend it, mark it, kill it, endure it, run through it without thinking? Or is time a precious commodity, something we treasure and use to the fullest? Honestly, since our "time" is about human life, love, and choices, it can be considered an investment that we make. When we stop and think about it, we want to be fully conscious about how we use this gift from God.

For example, you might think about the way you invest your time and change the way you take on so much this year. So many parties. So much food. So many gifts. If you can be more thoughtful in your planning, then you'll discover the ultimate secret of the season: that when it comes to material things, less is more.

**Put Jesus First** <http://fliphtml5.com/untp/sgsp>

Remember that you don't have to do everything we suggest; but everything you do will help you feel more focused, more engaged with the season, and closer to God.

Want your own copy: Here's your free download of [Put Jesus First!](#) Here's another idea: use the hashtag #PutJesusFirst on social media throughout the Advent season! We'll be posting, too. With a little effort, we can all recover the joy and meaning of the season!

By Jeannette de Beauvoir [Pauline Books & Media](#)

**SCRIP NEWS**

**"New Comer" November** - If you have wondered about SCRIP but haven't tried it, now is the time! Hopefully you will see how easy it is and all the benefits it affords just in time for the holidays. So, each time *new customers* purchase SCRIP during the month of November, they will qualify for a special giveaway to be drawn on *Monday, November 19* – the last sale day before Thanksgiving. *5 winners will be chosen!* It's our way of saying "Thank You" for giving SCRIP a try.

**Veterans Day** – The nation will honor our military veterans on November 11. SCRIP would like to honor our "SCRIP" veterans that weekend as well. You know who you are and we appreciate your loyalty. So, each "*SCRIP vet*" who places an order of *\$100 or more, November 9 – 12*, will be entered into a drawing for a "*Veteran's Giveaway.*"

**SCRIP TIP** – It is important that you take care of your SCRIP gift cards the same way you protect your cash or credit cards. If there is a balance on a gift card after you make a purchase, mark the remaining balance on the card; or, carefully wrap the receipt around the card so you know how much still exists on the card. If there is ever a discrepancy over the balance on a card, make sure you keep the card and the receipt from the transaction. Most cards have a phone number or a website listed on the back that allows you to obtain the balance on the card, and most merchants have a way to obtain the history of transactions on their gift cards. We want you to be sure that you get every penny from the SCRIP gift cards your purchase.

**Congratulations!** - Thanks to everyone who placed an order last weekend! The winner of the *Halloween Giveaway* was *Marlene McKinney*. Congratulations!

**VOLUNTEERS:**

- Nov. 5 – CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Laura Ijames
- Nov. 9 – Mary Ann Quinn, Jenny Perkins, Sue Rohling, Amy Copeland
- Nov. 9 – CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Stephanie Keefer
- Nov. 10 – Mary Jones, Jill Onion, Tom Ryan
- Nov. 11 – Mary Jo Amorini, Mary Rose Lorenc, Carolyn Tyndall
- Nov. 12 – CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Cindy Miltner
- Nov. 16 – Kathy Johns, Val Lankenau, Gerry James, Judy Smith
- Nov. 16 – CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Kristina O'Neal
- Nov. 17 – Jennifer Hogan, Tricia Lilly, Marlene McKinney
- Nov. 18 – Kasey Eckland, Katie Firks, Terri Wallace

### **ST. CHARLES BRACELETS FROM TOTUS TUUS ROSARIES**

The St. Charles bracelets from Totus Tuus Rosaries have arrived! These would make great gifts for moms, grandmas and teachers for Christmas! The custom charm has a Cardinal head on one side with the wording "St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School" on the other side. A red bead and a crucifix lay next to the custom charm. A St. Charles Borromeo Charm sits at the top of the bracelet. Bracelets are available in 3 sizes. Small (6 inches), Medium (7 inches) and Large (8 inches). Every bracelet is silver plated and comes in a velvet pouch for storage when not being worn. \$15 each, the proceeds of this bracelet thru the Spirit Shop go back to the school! Please see the attached order form in this newsletter. Additional order forms are available in the office. Supply is limited, don't wait to get yours! Please contact Mandy Thurber Spirit Shop Coordinator if you have any questions (260)341-9116.

### **BDHS Craft Bazaar**

Bishop Dwenger's Annual Music Boosters Craft Bazaar will be held Saturday, November 10, 2018 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm in the school's gymnasium. With over 150 crafters, artisans and vendors, you are sure to get a jump on your holiday gift purchases. The Bishop Dwenger Craft Bazaar is one of Fort Wayne's most popular and longest running craft fairs! Proceeds from this event will benefit the music programs at Bishop Dwenger.

### **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION CONTEST**

The Fine Arts Boosters' Fall 2018 Box Tops Contest concluded last week, and just over 13,000 Box Tops were collected. The first place winner was Mr. Heimann's class in 8-7 and they will be rewarded with a pizza party and dress down day. Mrs. Wagley's class in 4-12 was our second place winner and will receive an ice cream treat and a dress down day. Mrs. Silkworth's class in 6-19 was the third place winner and will receive a dress down day. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the counting and trimming of Box Tops these past 4 weeks: Sydney Wilder, Theresa Cornwell, Christina Wulpi, Nicole Galbraith, Stephanie Keefer, Danielle Meyer, Judy Smith, Mandy Thurber, and Emily Walden. Please continue to clip and save your Box Tops as there will be having another contest beginning in late January. Your efforts support Fine Arts activities for all students of Saint Charles.

Thank you! *Amy Copeland*

### **TEACHER APPRECIATION COMMITTEE**

The Teacher Appreciation Committee would like to thank the following people for assisting with the Parent-Teacher Conference Dinner: Kelly Krouse, Krisi Cavacini, Nancy Federspiel, Beth Schneider, Audrey Stauffer, Jennifer Prado, Lindsay Worrel, Angela Bauer, Vanessa Patino, Suzanne Forte, Rhonda Burch, Angela Hennegan, Julia Eisaman, Camy Rodenbeck, Amanda Scherschel, Camille Smith, Kristina O'Neal, Tina Claycomb, Kelly Tippmann, Jen Eisaman, Stephanie Keefer, Joy Tippmann, Christina Sweigert, Suzanne Stratton, Lori Edwards-Walters, Natalie Tippmann, and Stephanie Bourounis. A big thank you, also, to the maintenance staff. We could not have done it without all of your help! *Jenny Steigmeyer and Emily Walden*

**November 2018 Cafeteria Lunch Menu**

<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Chicken Patty Fries Raspberry Spinach Salad Pineapple Milk</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Pasta w/Meat Sauce Salad w/Ranch Garlic Cheese Toast Pears Milk</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Soft Taco w/Lettuce And Cheese Refried Beans Corn Grapes Milk</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>Cheeseburger Lettuce/Tomato Tater Tots Peaches Milk</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>Bosco Sticks with Marinara Sauce Broccoli Go-Gurt Oranges Milk</p>
<p><b>12</b></p> <p>Port Patty Tater Tots Baked Beans Mixed Fruit Milk</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Goldfish Crackers Green Beans Pears Milk</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>Chicken Caesar Salad Broccoli Soft Pretzel Watermelon Milk</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Dinner Roll Steamed Carrots Applesauce Milk</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Pizza Veggies &amp; Dip Pretzels Go-Gurt Grapes Milk</p>
<p><b>19</b></p> <p>Hot Dog Fries Salad w/Ranch Pineapple Milk</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>Turkey Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Dinner Roll Green Beans Peaches Milk</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>
<p><b>26</b></p> <p>Corn Dog Tater Tots Broccoli Pears Milk</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>Scoops w/Taco Meat Lettuce &amp; Cheese Black Beans Corn Grapes Milk</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>Chili Baked Potato Oyster Crackers Applesauce Milk</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>French Toast Sticks with Syrup Sausage Hashbrowns Oranges Milk</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>Bread Sticks w/Cheese Big Mac Salad Go-Gurt Mixed Fruit Milk</p>

Lunch/Milk \$2.75

Milk Only \$0.45

Extra Entrée \$1.50

## ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNTING FORM

Parents can put money into the student's account through your MealpayPlus online account at [www.mealpayplus.com](http://www.mealpayplus.com) or by calling 866-662-3382 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 \$13.00 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 general 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.

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General-Payments to the General account may be used for Meals, Extra entrée (\$1.50), and milk (45¢)				
Meal-Payments to the Meal account may only be used to pay for a Meal (regular price \$2.75)				
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			<b>Total Payment Enclosed</b>	

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