



St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School News

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

Dear Parents and Students,

The Miracle of Hope! Thank you for your prayers for Hope Salzer and her heart transplant operation. Hope's surgery went very well, and she is recovering nicely. She has even gotten out of bed and walked a bit. Her dad says that she is doing AWESOME and the family is thankful to everyone for their continued prayers. This is a photo of Hope sitting and reading the paper hearts from St. Charles.



Congratulations to our 7th and 8th Grade Girls Basketball Teams - CYO Champions! Our grade 7 girls defeated a tough St. Vincent's team in a nailbiter early Saturday morning, winning the championship by a basket with 18 seconds left in the game. Our grade 8 girls followed that performance at the noon game on Saturday, holding off a determined St. John New Haven team to win by 8 points. We are very proud of both of our Lady Cardinal Teams, and we thank the coaches, parents, and team members for working so hard and representing our school so well! Great job ladies!

What is **Temperance**? Isn't that a prawn served in Japanese restaurants? Oh, yeah. That's tempura - seafood or vegetables dipped in batter and fried in deep fat. So back to *temperance*. The Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines *temperance* as

1: moderation in action, thought, or feeling : Restraint

2a: habitual moderation in the indulgence of the appetites or passions **b:** moderation in or abstinence from the use of alcohol

Ok, you have the general secular idea, but how does that relate to the Cardinal Virtue of *Temperance*? What does it mean spiritually? Well, *temperance* is the cardinal virtue that crowns our decisions and joys with a holy balance and right discipline. By practicing *temperance* we all win the "prize" of self-control and true peace. I encourage you to take a picture of the following questions and review them daily during this month of March. If you can answer these questions in a positive manner, then you are growing in your faith through the development of the virtue of *temperance*!

- Do I know where to turn for help when I need it?
- Do I use prayer and coping strategies to help me maintain and improve my self-control?
- Do I choose caring words to express my feelings, thoughts, and ideas?
- Do I refrain from instigating or repeating gossip?
- Do I make excuses for my mistakes or poor choices?
- Do I take full responsibility for my words and actions?
- Do I exercise the freedom to say 'no' to my wants and desires?
- Do I use moderation in my use of things and created goods?
- Do I work to overcome my challenges, face new situations with courage and confidence, and ask God for help when I need it?

In closing, the Pre-K surveys are coming in very positive towards the prospect of opening a new program. As the information gathering is preliminary, and the odds are that we are a year away, at best, of opening a Pre-K program, but we will monitor the Kindergarten enrollment over the next month and keep everyone updated as to the prospects of opening a pilot classroom for Pre-K 4 next year. Thank you for your input on the matter, and you are still welcome to take the survey online through the school website if you have not had the chance to do so already. Thank you for your children!
Sincerely - Rob S.

CYBER SAFETY FOR KIDS PRESENTATIONS

Cathie Bledsoe, ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children) Youth Educator, Indiana State Police, will be speaking to students in grades 3-8 on March 16th about important rules of Internet safety. Her presentations are age appropriate and will address the safe use of all devices, gadgets, apps and websites. Technology changes all the time and kids are always finding the latest websites and apps. It is truly hard to keep up! Therefore, there will also be a presentation for parents in the Parish Hall that evening.

Grades 3 and 4 9:15-10:15

Grades 5 and 6 10:30-11:30

Grades 7 and 8 12:15-1:15

Parents 6:30-7:45

If you have questions or want more information, please call Sarah Robinson at 969-4036.

March Virtue - **Temperance** (The Fourth Cardinal Virtue)

From *Disciple of Christ Educator Guide*: **Temperance**, represented by an olive wreath, is the cardinal virtue that crowns our decisions and joys with a holy balance and right discipline. Another word for the olive wreath is the *kotinos*, with which winning athletes in ancient Greece were presented. By temperance we all win the "prize" of self-control and true peace.



Scripture: 1 Corinthians 9:25 "Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable one."

Week	Scripture Reflection	Saint Focus -Bl. Charles de Foucauld, St. Josemaria Escriva, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Anthony of Egypt,, St. Andre Bessette	Challenge and/or Goal
Feb. 27	<i>"Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable one."</i> 1 Corinthians 9:25	Bl. Charles de Foucauld (1858-1916) was a wily child who got into his share of trouble. He grew up to become an officer of the French Army, then underwent a conversion and began to live a life marked by self-control. After being ordained to the priesthood, he went to the Sahara Desert to pursue a solitary life of prayer. Because of his great self-control, his charity, and his faith, he was beatified in 2005 and is listed as a martyr.	Do I know where to turn for help when I need it? Do I use prayer and coping strategies to help me maintain and improve my self-control?
Mar. 6	<i>"I have the strength for everything through him who empowers me."</i> Philippians 4:13	St. Kateri Tekakwitha (1656-1680) was a Mohawk Indiana who became a Christian when Jesuit missionaries visited her tribe's village in what is now New York. She loved the Christians so much that she went back with them to their mission in Canada. There she lived simply and worked hard to provide for herself and those with whom she lived.	Do I choose caring words to express my feelings, thoughts, and ideas? Do I refrain from instigating or repeating gossip?
Mar. 13	<i>"Rely not on your strength in following the desires of your heart, ... Be consistent in your thoughts; steadfast be your words. Be swift to hear, but slow to answer..."</i> Sirach 5:2, 12-13	St. Anthony of Egypt (251-356) went to Mass one day and heard the gospel: "Go, sell all you have, and give to the poor. Then come, follow me" (Mt 18:22). Immediately he decided to obey the gospel. After selling all his goods, he went to the desert to live in silence and prayer. St. Anthony worked hard to master his passions: he fasted, he had a regular schedule, and he prayed constantly. He taught others to focus only on God.	Do I make excuses for my mistakes or poor choices? Do I take full responsibility for my words and actions?
Mar. 20	<i>"Go not after your lusts, but keep your desires in check...Have no joy in the pleasures of a moment..."</i> Sirach 18:30, 32	St. Josemaria Escriva (1902-1975) was a priest from Spain. He taught that everyone is called to holiness by God and that ordinary life can result in sanctity. When he was a child, his parents and grandparents taught him short, simple prayers to say. He never forgot them. He said these for the rest of his life.	Do I exercise the freedom to say 'no' to my wants and desires? Do I use moderation in my use of things and created goods?
Mar. 27	<i>"For the grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age..."</i> Titus 2:11-12	St. Andre Bessette (1845-1937) was known as the miracle worker at St. Joseph's Oratory in Canada. Many people with illnesses or injuries came to this doorkeeper of his community for help. He prayed for them to St. Joseph, and many were healed. Although God's grace was evidently working through him, Brother Andre never took credit for the healings. He insisted that they were all due to St. Joseph's intercession.	Do I work to overcome my challenges, face new situations with courage and confidence, and ask God for help when I need it?

ISTEP+ testing begins this week. We ask that students get plenty of sleep and that they eat a bit of breakfast in the morning before school. This first part, which is paper & pencil response, is the open-ended applied skills portion of the exam. Students are scored using rubrics from 0-3 with each point of the rubric worth anywhere from 9 to 15 score points. In math, we have been emphasizing that students show all work in the math portion of the test as the correct answer is only part of the score rubric, while showing the math processes that led to the answer are the other scorable areas. In language arts, we have also been emphasizing that students show detailed written work. This means writing answers in complete sentences that are full of supporting details. When you realize that 2-3 additional correct score points will translate into an additional 18-45 points on a student's final score, then you understand why following directions, answering fully, showing all work, and rechecking answers before closing your test booklet become so important on these tests. Please share with your children these tips as hearing encouragement from mom or dad will only help to reinforce what their teachers have been talking about for months. Your child may need a new #2 pencil for the event (no mechanical pencils are permitted) as well.

Monday morning, all students gr. 3-8 will take the Math session. Monday afternoon, all students gr. 3-8 will take the Language Arts session 1. Tuesday morning, all students gr. 3-8 will take the Language Arts session 2. Grades 3 and 8 will then be finished with part 1. Wednesday morning, students gr. 4 & 6 will take the Science session and students gr. 5 & 7 will take the Social Studies session. These students will then be finished with part 1.

Part 2 of ISTEP will be April 18 - 28 and will be completed online using iPads, Chromebooks, and computers.

CALENDAR

February 27 - March 1 ISTEP+ test grades 3-4-5-6-7-8

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| March | 1 | Ash Wednesday, all-school Mass 8:15 |
| | 2 | Grade 2 celebrates Dr. Seuss' birthday |
| | 2 | Grade 6 server training part 1, after school |
| | 3 | Grade 6 server training part 2, after school |
| | 6 | Sacrament of Reconciliation for grades 2-3-4-5 |
| | 8 | Hank Fincken presentation of <i>Thomas Edison</i> for grades 5-6-7-8 |
| | 9 | Grade 5 visits J.A.'s BizTown |
| | 10 | End of 3rd Quarter |
| | 10 | Stations of the Cross 2:15 pm |
| | 11 | ISSMA Middle School Band Festival |
| | 13 | Sacrament of Reconciliation for grades 6-7-8 |
| | 13-14 | I-READ assessment - grade 3 |
| | 14 | Grade 7 pilgrimage to Sacred Heart Basilica and grotto at Notre Dame |
| | 16 | Cyber Safety presentations (<i>see article in this newsletter</i>) |
| | 17 | Report Cards go home |
| | 17 | Spring Musical, <i>Princess Whatsername</i> , 7:00 pm in the gym |
| | 18-19 | F.A.M.E. Festival at Grand Wayne Center |
| | 21 | Pueri Cantores with Mass presided by Bishop Rhoades at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception |
| | 24 | Fish Fry |



Desserts for Fish Fry

The annual Fish Fry is Friday, March 24! Sponsorship for the Fish Fry is transferring from Athletics to Knights of Columbus, but Athletics would still like to assist. Help is needed to make the event a success again this year. All athletes (those who play school sports) are asked to help out with the donation of a dessert. We need cookies, cakes, brownies, cupcakes, Rice Krispie treats, or other delicious desserts. ALL donations can be dropped off on Friday, March 24th. Volunteers will be outside the cafeteria doors to collect the goodies at morning drop-off and at afternoon pick-up. In addition, volunteers will be working after lunch in the kitchen if you wish to drop off a dessert earlier in the afternoon. Your help is greatly appreciated. *Sean Digan, Dan Sordelet, Pat Higgins*

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Landon Thomas, Reese Keplinger, Sam Pesa, Logan Thompson, Cadence Rorick, Nem Hau, Maggie Steigmeyer, Sebastian Straw, Marla Cornewell, Jensen Miguel, Aiden Elsass, Connor Tippmann, Alicia Morales, Layla Edwards, Molly Filler, Gabby Beck, Logan Miltner, Isabelle Parker, Annabelle Sweigert, Skylar O'Dell, Colin Lytle, Sydney Thompson, Rocco Ciocca, Lauren Galbraith, Bella Ruden, Onika Davis, Lauren Groves, Savannah Heinze, Isabel Adamson, Nathan Pillie.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Father Gregerson has scheduled altar server training for interested grade 6 students. The two-day training will be held in church on Thursday and Friday, March 2 & 3, after school, 3:00-4:30 pm. Students not going to after-school care should be picked up at church at 4:30. This is a two-day training and students should be present for both days. Questions may be directed to Father Gregerson.

BOX TOPS CONTEST

The spring Box Tops contest is complete, and we collected over 9,000 Box Tops. The first place classroom is Mrs. Weidner's class in K-53, and they will receive a pizza party and a dress down day. This is the first time a kindergarten class has ever won the contest. In second place is Mr. Heimann's class in 7-6, and they will receive an ice cream treat and a dress down day. In third place is Mr. Hoy's class in 2-25, and they will be rewarded with a dress down day. I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped trim and count all those Box Tops: Amy Copeland, Andrea Hensler, Emily Walden, Mandy Thurber, Trisha Benzing, Gina Gray and Nicole Galbraith.

Join Girls on the Run of Northeast Indiana!

It's time to register for the Spring 2017 season! Please visit their website – <http://gotr-nei.org/> for more information, and to register your daughter. Registration is limited to 20 girls, so register early to guarantee a spot. Registration is open to girls in 3rd through 5th grade. The 10-week spring season will begin on March 13th - practices will be held every Monday and Wednesday from 3:00 – 4:15 p.m. The season will conclude with the girls completing the *Girls on the Run 5k* on May 21st. Program fee ranges from \$25-\$110/participant and is based on a sliding scale according to household income. For additional information on the program, please contact Kristina Ledo at 492-6750 or kristinaledo@gmail.com.

SCRIP NEWS

Are you Ready for Lent? - Ash Wednesday is this coming Wednesday, March 1. This is a time for reflection and sacrifice, both personal and obligatory days set forth by the church. Ash Wednesday and all Fridays during Lent, are days that the church asks that you abstain from eating meat. SCRIP has gift cards for lots of places that help to make fulfilling this obligation a little easier.

Spring Break - Are you planning a *vacation* for Spring Break? If you are driving, you will want to be sure to have plenty of gas cards for the trip as well as cards for your favorite dining spots along the way. If you return the same destination every year, are there favorite restaurants you enjoy there? Have you ever checked to see if those places are available at the shopwithscrip.com? With a little planning, you can turn your vacation into a real SCRIP credit opportunity.

If you are planning a *"stay-cation,"* there are lots of SCRIP options to help you have fun and earn SCRIP credit during the break. Whether its gift cards for the movie theaters - *Regal Cinema* or *Cinema Grill*; *UltraZone*; *Georgetown Bowl*; or dinner for any of your favorite local restaurants, SCRIP has lots of options.

How Can you benefit from SCRIP - When SCRIP started nearly 20 years ago, 100% of the profit went to help the parish and the school. Then Msgr. Suelzer decided to share the profit with the families that supported the program by splitting the profit 50/50. School families were particularly excited with this since they could use their share of the profit for tuition credit. If your family spends \$100/week on groceries and \$50/week on gas, you have the potential of earning \$100-156/year in SCRIP credit. That credit can be used toward tuition, lunch accounts, before/after school care, saved for high school or college tuition or even returned to the family in the form of a check. Who would turn down an extra \$100-150 of money in your pocket simply by using SCRIP gift cards to pay for your weekly household expenses?

SCRIP Tip - *When paying for your SCRIP order with a check, please make the check payable to: *St. Charles SCRIP*, use black or blue ink, and take care to write the numbers and words clearly so that the bank scanners can properly read the check.

*When turning an order in with your school child, please remember to designate the name and room number of the child that you want to receive your filled order.

VOLUNTEERS:

Feb. 27 - CLASSROOM DELIVERY - Jenny Perkins

Mar. 3 - Kathy Johns, Val Lankenau, Gerry James, Amy Copeland

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Mar. 4 - Jennifer Hogan, Cindie Rosswurm, Tricia Lilly

Mar. 5 - Angela Bauer, Denette Pearson, Molly Elsass

Mar. 6 - CLASSROOM DELIVERY - Kari Samons

Mar. 10 - Sue Christle, Cindy Horter, Cheryl Morello, Judy Smith

Mar. 10 - CLASSROOM DELIVERY - Lisa Groves

Mar. 11 - Amy Lin, Brian McLaughlin, Audrey Stauffer

Mar. 12 - Mary Jones, Carolyn Tyndall, Mary Rose Lorenc

BISHOP DWENGER DRIVERS EDUCATION

Bishop Dwenger High School offers **Drivers Education** three times a year. The Spring session will run March 13-24, 2017. Registration information can be found on Dwenger’s website at www.bishopdwenger.com/Drivers-Education.

Bishop Dwenger Winter Camps

As we prepare for Spring, the Bishop Dwenger Softball and Baseball teams will be hosting camps within the next few weeks. Visit www.bishopdwenger.com/camps for details and registration information.

BDHS - Saints Alive!

Bishop Dwenger’s annual Saints Alive! is a week away! Join us for one or both of these exciting events: Preview Night - Thursday, March 2, 2017 from 7:00 - 9:30 pm, no RSVP needed. Dinner & Auction – Saturday, March 4, 2017 beginning at 6:00 pm, advanced reservations required. This year’s theme “The Small Screen Comes Alive” will make you feel like you’re on the set of some of your favorite shows! Come witness the fruits of countless hours of work from the Dwenger Family that, year after year, prove that together we can create an event that "Comes Alive." For more information, visit www.bishopdwenger.com/Saints-Alive-2017 or call 496-4804.

Cafeteria Lunch Menu - February/March 2017

27	Corn Dog Fries Green Beans Applesauce Milk	28	Taco Salad w/ Meat Cheese & Black Beans Corn Pineapple Milk	March 1	Fish Sticks Mac & Cheese Salad with Ranch Pears Milk	March 2	Turkey Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Dinner Roll Peas Mixed Fruit Milk	March 3	Pizza Carrots w/dip Pretzels Go Gurt Peaches Milk
6	Pork Patty Green Beans Tater Tots Applesauce Milk	7	Pancake w/syrup Sausage Hash Browns Oranges Milk	8	Chili w/cheese Oyster Crackers Baked Potato Pineapple Milk	9	Turkey & Ham Sub Sandwich Spinach Salad Sun Chips Grapes Milk	10	Bosco Stick w/marinara Broccoli Go Gurt Milk

Students with a negative balance will not be able to order an extra entree.

**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 or by calling 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 account. It is recommended to have a minimum of \$12.50 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 extra of \$6.25 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. Please, also call MealpayPlus at 877-237-0946 if you have any issues or concerns with your MealpayPlus account.

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Last Name	First Name	Grade-Room	Payment
Payment may be used for Meals (\$2.50), Extra entrée (\$1.25), and milk (45¢)			\$
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Total Payment Enclosed			\$