



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

Please Note:

1. **Monday, March 6th, will be an Out-of-Uniform Day** in celebration of the 7th/8th boys & girls basketball championships. Please follow the out-of-uniform guidelines in the student handbook. Clean, neat, and modest!
2. There will be **No School, Monday, April 10th**. Barring horrible weather between now and Spring Break, we will be using one of our built-in snow days to take Monday, April 10th, as a day off. Plan accordingly and enjoy the day.
3. **We will have a 2-Hr. Delay on Monday, April 17th**, for faculty NWEA Inservice. Plan accordingly. Thank you.

Dear Parents and Students - Remember We Are Dust, and to Dust We Shall Return!

May we have a holy, humble, and inspiring Lenten journey. Let us work to make peace wherever possible, and have humble hearts towards those around us. "When we look at a crucifix, we see a man who is humble and who is not about himself. We see a man who is for others. May we imitate that humility so that we can experience God in his fullness."

The students and staff have been working hard to complete the first round of ISTEP+ testing this week. We will continue with make-up testing throughout this week. We appreciate the efforts all have given this week. The Lenten journey begins! + Rob S.

Congratulations to our 7th & 8th boys basketball teams. Our 8th grade boys team concluded an undefeated CYO season by defeating St. Vincent's 8th for the CYO Championship. They defeated St. Vincent's for the fifth time this season, which is difficult to do against a strong opponent. Our grade 7 boys team lost a tough one in the championship game and finished as the runner-up in the league and runner-up in the tournament. We are very proud of both teams for their efforts, and we thank their coaches and parents for guiding and supporting them. Overall this basketball season, we won 7 of the 8 CYO basketball championships, which is probably the most in Cardinal history. Great job everyone!

A Note from Amy O'Boyle, Director of Special Education, Regarding March - Disability Awareness Month

March is Disability Awareness Month so I thought I would share a word with you about people with disabilities and their inclusion into our community. We have taken big steps as a school community to welcome those students with more severe disabilities into our classrooms. Our teachers and staff have done some amazing work with the students. Mrs. Jansen has created a curriculum and an environment that fosters growth for our students, and they have made leaps and bounds academically! I am so grateful for Mrs. Jansen and our entire Resource Staff for all the great work they do with the students they see. We have worked hard to build an individualized program for each of our more needy students and we all are reaping the benefits! We want to 'include' our students in the daily culture of the school. A recent article on inclusion explains the hope this way:

"Inclusion" does not simply mean the placement of students with disabilities in general education classes. This process must incorporate fundamental change in the way a school community supports and addresses the individual needs of each child. As such, effective models of inclusive education not only benefit students with disabilities, but also create an environment in which every student, including those who do not have disabilities, has the opportunity to flourish.

Finally, if you have any questions about our Resource program offerings, or if you are interested in assisting in our department, please feel free to contact me. I can be contacted at amyoboyle@stcharlesschoolfw.org. I leave you with a few words from Pope Francis about people with disabilities. Thank you! -Amy O'Boyle

"The only path to happiness is love. How many disabled and suffering persons open their hearts to life again as soon as they realize they are loved?! How much love can well up in a heart simply with a smile?! We all have the same possibility of growing, moving forward, loving the Lord, doing good things." -Pope Francis

Reflecting on 'Humility' to Begin Lent: Saint Teresa's 15 Tips on Becoming More Humble

An article by [Patti Armstrong](#) National Catholic Register 11/21/16

The world does not value or understand the power of humility but we do, because it was what Jesus used to save us. Good self-esteem is confidence in one's worth or abilities. Think about Mother Teresa. That little nun had good self-esteem. She even dared to speak against abortion at the [National Prayer Breakfast in 1993](#) before her invited hosts President Bill Clinton, and Vice President Al Gore, and their spouses. That's guts. That's self-confidence. And that's humility. All the saints understood that humility is the way to

nail down positive self-esteem by depending on God rather than oneself. It's the understanding that everything comes from God and that God is everything. Mother Teresa called humility the mother of all virtues. She said: "Humility is the mother of all virtues; purity, charity, and obedience. It is in being humble that our love becomes real, devoted, and ardent. If you are humble nothing will touch you, neither praise nor disgrace, because you know what you are. If you are blamed you will not be discouraged. If they call you a saint you will not put yourself on a pedestal."

3 Myths About Humility

Humility, however, is often misunderstood. Some think it is synonymous with self-deprecation. In a recent Sunday homily, Fr. Jared Johnson, associate pastor of Cathedral of the Holy Spirit in Bismarck identified three myths about humility.

Myth #1. The humble souls lacks confidence. "The most humble people out there are some of the most confident and sometimes some of the most prideful people are the most insecure," he said. "Humble souls know their life is dependent on God and know what to value—things lasting not passing. They values the Lord over anything else

Myth #2. Humility is not attractive. "True humility is attractive," he explained. "It is the humble person who listens and cares about others as opposed to the one focused on their self and trying to look good."

Myth #3. Humble people want to be recognized as humble. Father Johnson explained that wanting to look humble is false humility. In reality, he said they simply want to do something because it is right and they are not looking for praise.

"Our greatest block to growing closer to God is when we rely more on us than on him," Father Johnson said. By putting on the virtue of humility, he explained that we grow more confident and allow ourselves to grow closer to God. "When we look at a crucifix, we see a man who is humble and who is not about himself. We see a man who is for others. May we imitate that humility so that we can experience God in his fullness."

Mother Teresa's example proves all three of Fr. Johnson's points. While she was head of the Missionaries of Charity, Mother Teresa kept a list of ways to cultivate humility for the sisters in her care.

Saint Teresa's Ways to Become Humble

1. Speak as little as possible about yourself.
2. Keep busy with your own affairs and not those of others.
3. Avoid curiosity (she is referring to wanting to know things that should not concern you.)
4. Do not interfere in the affairs of others.
5. Accept small irritations with good humor.
6. Do not dwell on the faults of others.
7. Accept censures even if unmerited.
8. Give in to the will of others.
9. Accept insults and injuries.
10. Accept contempt, being forgotten and disregarded.
11. Be courteous and delicate even when provoked by someone.
12. Do not seek to be admired and loved.
13. Do not protect yourself behind your own dignity.
14. Give in, in discussions, even when you are right.
15. Choose always the more difficult task.

Good Luck! Good Prayer! And Good Lenten Journey!

CYBER SAFETY FOR KIDS PRESENTATION - WED., MARCH 16TH, PARENT PRESENTATION 6:30-7:45p.m. PARISH HALL

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.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK Lucy Figel, Trinity McDowell, Maci Cagnet, Hang Lian, Gabby Carlisle, Elijah Prado, Quincy Pearson, Allyce Strack, Maggie Cheever, Julia Broerman, Raegan Murphy, Jackson Wilburn, George Strimmenos, Jay O’Leary, Zach Schubert, Izzie Finn, Maddie Gerard, Cian Lipocky, Kaden Espy, Nolan Hartman, Jayla Staten, Caleb Harrigan.

CALENDAR

- March**
- 6 Sacrament of Reconciliation for grades 2-3-4-5
 - 8 Hank Fincken presentation *Thomas Edison* 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
 - 11 Daylight Savings’ Time begins; move clocks an hour ahead before going to bed
 - 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 (*students during school day; parents in the evening*)
 - 17 Report Cards go home
 - 17 Spring Musical, *Princess Whatsername*, 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
 - 22 Grade 6 visits a synagogue
 - 23 Grade 5 attends the Young People’s Concert at the Embassy Theatre
 - 23 Grade 4 Read-A-Thon to benefit Turnstone
 - 24 Fish Fry

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
Mar. 6	"I have the strength for everything through him who empowers me." <i>Philippians 4:13</i>	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	"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</i>	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	"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</i>	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 hi 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?

Desserts Needed! Fish Fry - March 24th Sponsored by our St. Charles Knights of Columbus & Athletic Department

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*

The Spring Play Is Here!! All are invited to the presentation of **PRINCESS WHATSERNAME** on Friday, March 17, 2017 at 7:00pm in the Hession Center gym. The cast and crew are comprised of students from our 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. Though admission will be taken at the door, you are encouraged to purchase tickets in advance through the school office beginning March 6. Please use the form below to place your request for tickets. Adult tickets are \$4.00 and student tickets are \$2.00 (preschoolers are free). With a classic fairy-tale setting, loads of exciting and hilarious roles, a variety of entertaining musical numbers and a plot of mystery and adventure, this show has it all! Hope to see you there!

F.A.M.E. Festival

The FAME Festival is the centerpiece of public student art celebrations. Held every year during the spring, this two-day Festival features: an average of 200 performing groups, 6,000 student paintings, drawings and sculptures; the FAMEous Imaginarium - a hands-on creative arts center, Scavenger Hunt; performances by Visiting Artists; an interactive Instrument Playground and more. Student performances (piano, vocal, dance, and drama) and student art displays, along with workshops featuring guest musicians, dancers, and visual artists, will all be a part of the Fort Wayne FAME Festival on Saturday, March 18, and Sunday, March 19, at the Grand Wayne Center. This is the 30th year for a festival of this kind in Fort Wayne. Admission to the festival is \$5 for adults and FREE for children 18 and under. Participation in most of the activities is free of charge.

Art Projects will be on display in the main exhibit hall of the Grand Wayne Center. Art boards and sculpture garden tables are arranged by school. St. Charles Borromeo School will have a large display of work. The Fine Arts Boosters have paid a school membership fee for us to belong to this organization and the additional fee for our student art work to be displayed. There will not be a separate art fair at school; please attend this festival and see the wonderful work of our students!

The **Imaginarium** is a popular part of the festival. This is a make-it, take-it craft area and features theme related projects. It is located in the center of the main exhibit hall.

Admission \$5 Adults (cash only) - Children under 18 are FREE

Time Saturday, March 18: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Sunday, March 19: 12 noon to 5:00 pm

Parking \$5 at the Civic Parking Garage - across from Hilton Hotel on Calhoun St. or
at the Harrison Square Garage - Harrison St. behind Marriott Hotel

Visiting Artist the Taizhou Luantan Chinese Opera

For more information: <https://famearts.org/>

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.

Join the St. Charles Cardinals Tennis Club

It is time to start thinking about spring sports again! Sign up for the St. Charles Cardinals Tennis Club at cardinalstennis.com! This will be the fifth year for this club. We are limiting the **sign up this year to first 25 students**. The list tends to fill up quickly. This club is open to boys and girls from 5th thru 8th grade. Players of all levels and abilities are welcome. The entire season will last approximately 6 weeks (April 14th thru May 20th). Practices will be held on **Fridays from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm** at the Kreager Park tennis courts. Matches will be played either at Kreager Park, Sweeney Park or other school tennis courts. Most matches take about 2 hours. We will be playing about 5-6 area middle schools on some weeknights and most Saturdays. Please call Natasha Nuerge at 437-9936 if you have any questions.

SCRIP NEWS

Attention Kroger Shoppers - While *Kroger* no longer allows us to buy and sell gift cards, they choose to contribute to our SCRIP program with a quarterly reward check based on the number of shoppers who link their *Kroger Plus Card* to St. Charles Borromeo. If you shop at Kroger, even occasionally, we ask that you take the time to link your *Kroger Plus Card* to our SCRIP program. It's a simple process accomplished by logging onto krogercommunityrewards.com and choosing St. Charles Borromeo, Fort Wayne, IN - Organization Number 10462 as your preferred organization.

If you have already enrolled in the program, remember that *you must re-enroll each year*. Please be sure to do this. Our reward checks have decreased considerably from our first check from Kroger. It could be because more organizations are claiming part of Kroger's reward. However, we are concerned that our number of participants has dropped because our shoppers did not realize that they have to re-enroll every year.

Please stop by the SCRIP sales table or contact the SCRIP office if you need additional assistance - 969-4027.

Merchant News - We have had a nice long run of enjoying *Meijer* with a 6% rebate; however, it will return to 4% with our next purchase. Fortunately, *Meijer* seems to offer this bonus several times a year. We will anxiously wait and watch for the next opportunity to enjoy the 6% bonus and share the profit with you for as long as possible.

SCRIP Tip - We are thankful each year when new families begin using SCRIP. We want to be sure that these new SCRIP patrons learn all the ways to get the most from SCRIP. Do you know that you can pay your *Kohl's* bill with *Kohl's gift cards*? Do you know that several of the area *orthodontists* offer a SCRIP rebate? With the addition of the *Discover* and *Visa* cards, you can earn SCRIP credit with nearly every purchase or expense. Check with the SCRIP coordinators to see if there are ways that you can increase your participation in the program.

Feeling Lucky? - Keep reading the SCRIP news for details of a special *St. Patrick's Day* giveaway. You can't win if you don't buy SCRIP!

VOLUNTEERS:

- 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
- Mar. 13 - CLASSROOM DELIVERY - Beth Schneider
- Mar. 17 - Lisa Madinski, Kelly Tippmann, Kelly Wolf, Amy Copeland
- Mar. 17 - CLASSROOM DELIVERY - Laura Ijames
- Mar. 18 - Berniece Williams, Tricia Lilly, Leslie Schamberg
- Mar. 19 - Kasey Eckland, Mary Firks, Terri Wallace

Cafeteria Lunch Menu - March 2017

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 Brocoli Go Gurt Milk
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Students with a negative balance will not be able to order an extra entree.

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEO 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	\$

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**TICKET REQUEST
PRINCESS WHATSERNAME**

Friday, March 17, 2017 @7:00pm St. Charles Borromeo School Hession Parish Center Gym

_____ number of ADULT tickets @ \$4.00 = \$ _____

_____ number of STUDENT tickets @ \$2.00 = \$ _____

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Tickets should be sent home with _____, Room # _____

PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY MARCH 16