



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

"Let us then pursue what leads to peace and to building up one another" Romans 14:19

"Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, as indeed you do." 1 Thessalonians 5:11

"In the sight of God we are speaking in Christ and all for building you up, beloved." 2 Corinthians 12:19b

"Everything is lawful, but not everything is beneficial. 'Everything is lawful,' but not everything builds up. No one should seek his own advantage, but that of his neighbor." 1 Corinthians 10:23-24

During the month of December the virtue we focus on is **ENCOURAGEMENT**. A lack of hope pervades our culture. Nothing new, this has been going on for years. When someone experiences discouragement, where can they turn? Though it may not feel like it at times, discouragement and having no hope is a choice. People, you and I, can either allow circumstances to drag us down into depression and despair or one can look for encouragement. Millions of people, young and old alike, are looking for encouragement. Jesus brings us the gift of hope and each one of us can use that gift to encourage all we meet! <https://virtuefirst.org/encouragement/>
The season of Advent which we begin this weekend is a season of hope, a season of promise. What encouragement does God give us but His Son, Love Incarnate!!

Upcoming Schedule Changes

Wednesday, December 20th -	Early Dismissal	Students dismiss at 1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, January 9th -	One Hour Delay	Students report to school by 8:50 a.m. [Teacher ACE Curriculum]
Monday, January 15th -	No School	for students, teachers' staff development day
Monday, February 5th -	One Hour Delay	Students report to school by 8:50 a.m. [Teacher ACE Curriculum]

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. -Isaiah 9:5-6

Dear Parents,

On behalf of Fr. Tom, Fr. James, Fr. Dennis, Sr. Genevieve, Mr. Hoersten, and all of our Teachers and Staff, I would like to wish you and your family a **Merry and Holy Christmas, and a blessed New Year!** Please note (above) that we release early next Wednesday, dismissing at 1:30 p.m. Please plan accordingly.

I also wanted to commend all members of our Orchestra, Band, and Chorus, along with their Directors, for such a dynamic performance at our Winter Concert two weeks ago. I am always proud of our young ladies and gentlemen involved in the musical arts each year. I am already looking forward to our Spring Concert in May!

Kudos to our third, fourth, and fifth grade students and their directors who performed the Christmas musical *In a Galilee, Far, Far Away* last night. Their enthusiastic Christmas spirit was the exact tonic needed to help us refocus this Advent season. Bravo everyone!

Finally, we thank you for sending your children to St. Charles. As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, and we revel in the innocence and beauty of a newborn babe, we must remember that these young people that you entrust to us are not so far removed from infancy themselves. May this Christmas Season bring you God's peace & joy! Sincerely - Rob Sordelet

See you at Mass everyone! Stay safe! Mass times are below:

Christmas Eve Masses on Sunday, December 24	4:00 pm	6:30 pm	12:00 midnight
Christmas Masses on Monday, December 25	9:00 am	11:00 am	

Father Tom reminds us, "A Sunday evening Christmas Mass does not fulfill the Sunday obligation. We need to attend one Mass for Sunday and another Mass for Christmas. Sorry."

CALENDAR UPDATE

December 17 3rd Sunday of Advent
20 2nd Quarter ends
20 Dismissal at 1:30 pm
20 Parish Penance Service 7:00 pm in church
24 4th Sunday of Advent
Dec. 21 - Jan. 3 NO SCHOOL School resumes on Thursday, January 4

January 4 School resumes
5 First Friday all-school Mass
5 Mad Ants' Game
7 Feast of the Epiphany
8 Yearbook group photos
8 Theology of the Body Parent Meeting (grade 8) in Parish Hall 6:45-7:45 pm
8 HASA Board meeting 7:00 pm
9 One-hour delay, school begins at 8:50 am, teacher curriculum planning meeting
10 Grade 4 Beginning Band Instrument Fitting by appointment 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm
12 Report Cards come home
15 No School for students, Teacher's Staff Development Day
16 Beginning Band students meet for first class
16 School Board meeting 7:00 pm
18 Kindergarten Registration 1:15 - 2:30 pm in Hession Center
25 Science Fair projects are judged

BEGINNING BAND - A Beginning Band is being formed. Any grade 4 student, as well as older students, with an interest in music, is invited to learn a band instrument. A parent informational meeting was held recently. If a parent was unable to attend this meeting and the student wishes to be in Beginning Band, please call the school office. There will be instrument fitting on Wednesday, January 10, beginning at 4:00 pm. All students interested in joining the band must have an individual appointment for a fitting on this day. The students in the newly formed Beginning Band will meet on Tuesday, January 16.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Katharine Kawshawng, Maxim Negahban, Jason Kramer, Lauren Campbell, Carson Bogenschutz, Layla Walburn, Audrey Ellinger, Ryan Groves, Juliet Keefer, Gia Bogenschutz, Mateo Baker, Keegan Edwards, Blake Sturges, Miriam Mena, Lily Waldo, Isabel Follrod, Elizabeth Kaufman, Eleanor Coomer, Genevieve Smith, Emilee Vandever, Ava Maxwell, Scarlett Bird, Eli Faulkner, Elijah Prado.

Congratulations to Nora Foltz, grade 8, our St. Charles Borromeo Spelling Bee Champion! Second year in a row!!

Twenty-four students from grades fifth through eighth rigorously competed on Tuesday afternoon for the school crown. Nora held off a tough challenge from runner-up Brady Meyer in 6th grade. Her winning word was boisterously. [adverb; rowdily; The first part of this word is from a word that is perhaps from French and the second part is an English combining form. *The students reacted boisterously when their teacher announced that recess would be inside that day.*] Nora will represent our school in the Allen County Spelling Bee on Thursday evening, February 8, 2018 starting at 6:00pm at IPFW.

Geography Bee - Congratulations to the following students in grades 5-8 who competed in the school Geography Bee after winning their grade level competitions: Grade 5 – Gavin Wirt and Grant Pikel; Grade 6 – Max Redman and Jake Tippmann; Grade 7 – AJ Ley, Kyle Eddy, and Sam Weir; and Grade 8 –Nick Krouse, Gavin Groves, and Ellen Hartzog. These students competed in the school bee on Wednesday morning. The school winner was Ellen Hartzog! Ellen will take a qualifying exam in January to determine if she will be one of a hundred participants at the state level Geography Bee held in April in Indianapolis. The state champions compete in the National Geography Bee in May in Washington, D.C. Congratulations to Gavin Groves for second place!

Grade 8 Students and Parents It is imperative that students get their **registration** card with the \$100 fee, application, birth certificate and most recent report card to Bishop Dwenger by the January 15th deadline. (If a report card is not available, a copy of a current grade printout is acceptable.) Due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday on the 15th, **paperwork** will need to reach BDHS **by January 12** to meet the January 15 deadline. Registration packets were mailed out to all 8th graders over a week ago. An additional packet was mailed to each school as well. Last year, Dwenger already had a waiting list on January 16th! The deadline is crucial for families to secure their place in the freshman class. We want to be sure that all of our students who wish to attend Bishop Dwenger are able to do so.

Tiffany Albertson / Assistant Principal / Curriculum Director talbertson@bishopdwenger.com

SCRIP NEWS

3rd Sunday of Advent! – This year that means there are only 8 more days until Christmas. If you still have shopping to do, check out SCRIP. Gift cards make great gifts! Don't forget gas cards if you are traveling and extra grocery cards for all your holiday party needs. Check out our schedule for the final days before Christmas.

Important Reminder – If you were waiting for gift cards that were back ordered or special ordered and indicated that you would pick them up at the Parish Office, be sure to pick them up before the office closes on Friday, December 22 at 4:30. Please don't wait until the last minute to ensure you receive your order.

SCRIP's Holiday Schedule

***Sat., December 16** – After the 5 pm Mass

***Sun., December 17** – After the 7:30 and 9 am Masses and before the 11 am Mass
(drop your order off before the 9 am Mass; pick it up after the 9 am Mass)

***Mon. December 18** – School orders collected & filled; phone orders accepted and will be ready for pickup by 1:30 pm;
walk in orders filled after we balance the school orders, approx. 11am

***Tue., December 19** – Scrip Office open 8:30 am 'til noon

***Wed., December 20** – Scrip Sales in the Hession Center 8-9 am; phone orders will be filled and ready for pickup by noon;
walk in orders filled after we balance the morning sales – approx. 11 am

***Thu., December 21** – Scrip Office open 8:30 am 'til noon

***Fri., December 22** – Scrip Office open 8:30 am 'til noon

***Sat., December 23** – Scrip Office closed – Merry Christmas!

Holiday Wishes - This is our last SCRIP news in the school newsletter before the Christmas break. Refer to the church bulletin for additional updates. Hopefully, the SCRIP office was able to help you with your holiday shopping and preparations. We will be in the office next week for any of your last-minute needs. If we don't see you, our wish is that each of you and your families will enjoy a very blessed and Merry Christmas – safe travels to those traveling, joyful celebrations to those attending parties and a time of peace and tranquility to reflect on the meaning of the season to all. We hope to see ALL of you in the New Year.

VOLUNTEERS: A special thank you to all our wonderful volunteers this month. This can be a hectic time and we appreciate that you made time in your busy schedule to help the SCRIP program.

Dec. 18 – CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Cindy Miltner

**Wed – Dec. 20 - Cindy Horter, Cheryl Morello, Emily Sylvester, Amy Copeland

**Wed – Dec. 20 – CLASSROOM DELIVERY - Kelly Tippmann

*****Enjoy the rest of the week as you finish your Christmas preparations*****

Jan. 5 – School is back in session. SCRIP sales in the Hession Center from 8-9 am. School orders will be filled.



Spring Musical - Fee, Fi, Fo Fum

We are looking for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students who love to act, sing, create, and collaborate with other students. St. Charles will present *Fee, Fi, Fo Fum* by Vera Morris and Bill Francoeur on Thursday, March 22, 2018. Rehearsals begin Tuesday, January 9 and are scheduled every Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:15-5:00. Look for sign-up sheets posted at school. We hope to see you there!

Mrs. J. Till, Mrs. Pittenger, Mrs. K. Till, and Mrs. Schipper

NEWS NOTES FROM YOUR SCHOOL NURSE

2018/2019 Hepatitis A vaccine is required for grades K-4 (these students should already have this vaccine). It is recommended for grades 7-11. All grades will eventually be caught up.

ATTENTION: Parents of 5th grade students: Three vaccine requirements are becoming due: Tdap vaccine, Meningitis vaccine, and Hepatitis A vaccine are now a requirement for 2018/2019.

Start the Hepatitis A vaccine now. Two doses are given 6 months apart. Both doses must be completed before August. (This means you need to get a first dose of Hepatitis A vaccine started by the end of January. Second dose would then be due in July. Do not delay) Mark your calendars. Tdap and meningitis vaccines may be given as soon as your child is 11 years old. Kindly, turn these vaccination dates into the office as soon as they are given. Also, HPV vaccine is still recommended for incoming 6th grade students.



REMINDER: Turn in your Vision Screening Referral Letter (physician) (parental) responses by next Monday.



MAD ANTS' Allen County Non-Public Schools Night

Mad Ants vs Windy City Bulls on Friday, January 5, 7:00 pm at the Memorial Coliseum

Allen County Non-Public Schools and St. Charles School invite you to the Mad Ants game on **January 5th** against the Chicago Bulls' affiliate, Windy City Bulls! The National Anthem will be performed by a choir comprised of students from all the Catholic, Lutheran, and other non-public schools in Allen County.

Discounted Tickets: Each student receives a FREE ticket. Friends and family can purchase discounted tickets for \$10 or \$15.
All tickets must be purchased in advance in order to receive the discount!!

To receive the discount, please order by phone via credit card. Please call Logan Wiening at the Mad Ants ticket office (260) 222-7944.

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Please mention that this is the Allen County Non-Public Schools Night when placing your order!

Name of Student (Free Ticket): _____

Upper Level Seating – Rows 14-25: # of Tickets _____ X \$10.00 = Total \$ _____

Lower Level Seating – Rows 1-13 # of Tickets _____ X \$ 15.00 = Total \$ _____

December 2017 & January 2018 Cafeteria Lunch Menu

18 Corn Dog Fries Broccoli Pineapple Milk	19 Soft Taco w/Cheese Lettuce & Refried Beans Corn Grapes Milk	20 Bosco Sticks w/Marinara Sauce Carrots & Dip Go-Gurt Pears Milk	Christmas Vacation	School Resumes Thursday, Jan. 4
Jan. 1 No School	2 No School	3 No School	4 Egg Omelet Hashbrowns Pancake w/Syrup Oranges Milk	5 Bread Sticks with Cheese Sauce Celery w/Peanut Butter Go-Gurt Pears Milk
8 Hot Dog Baked Beans Tater Tots Mixed Fruit Milk	9 Pasta w/Meat Sauce Salad w/Ranch Garlic Cheese Toast Applesauce Milk	10 Taco Salad w/Meat, Cheese, Lettuce/Black Beans Corn Grapes Milk	11 Cheeseburger w/Lettuce & Pickle Fries Broccoli Peaches Milk	12 Scoops w/Meat, Cheese, Salsa Lettuce Grapes Milk
15 No School	16 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Green Beans Goldfish Mixed Fruit Milk	17 Chicken Patty Tater Tots Raspberry Spinach Salad Pineapple Milk	18 Chicken Caesar Salad Broccoli Soft Pretzel Oranges Milk	19 Pizza Carrots & Dip Pretzels Go-Gurt Peaches Milk

Lunch Prices 2017-2018

Lunch/Milk \$2.60

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 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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Last Name	First Name	Grade-Room	Lunch ID	Payment
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 \$2.60)				
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			Total Payment Enclosed	

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