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**. The virtue of modesty means being comfortable with yourself. It is knowing you have special gifts and that others do as well. The virtue of self-control means observing our feelings and thoughts, then deciding how we are going to act. When practicing self-control, we are controlling our own behavior so others don't have to. Self-control brings us freedom. As we **Press On As God's Temple**, we are respectful of ourselves and others and with self-control, life is more peaceful.

 "For we are the temple of the living God; as God said: 'I will live with them and move among them, and I will be their God and they shall be my people." 2 Corinthians 6:16b
"Like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." 1 Peter 2:5

Upcoming Schedule Changes [New changes are in blue]

Monday, January 18th	<mark>No School</mark>	Celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	
Friday, February 5th	Early Dismissal	Students dismiss at 1:00 p.m. Aftercare will be open.	
Monday, February 8th	2-Hour Delay	Teacher Inservice	
Monday, February 15th	No School	Presidents' Day Observed	
Thursday, April 1st	No School	eLearning Day - Holy Thursday	
Friday, April 2nd	No School	Good Friday	
Mon., April 5th - Fri. April 9th	No School	Spring Break	

Dear Parents and Students,

On Monday, our great nation recognizes Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. This year we are giving our students, teachers, and staff the Dr. King's Day, and also Presidents' Day, off school so that everyone may have planned breaks to help everyone keep up their mental and physical spirits as we 'press on' through this school year. We would normally have school on these days and discuss Dr. King's contributions as a Christian Minister and the great leader of the Civil Rights Movement. We will be discussing Dr. King over the next few school days, but I wanted to share some of the resources and reflections our school uses each year. There are a few faith-related quotes below and more extensive materials shared later in the newsletter with dozens of links for further study.

On Tuesday, we will be holding PreK and Kindergarten registration for next year (details are on page 2-3 of this newsletter). It is very exciting to see returning and new families registering the little people. A school is the lifeblood of a Parish and young families are the lifeblood of a Catholic school. If the school shrinks and is disbanded, the Parish inevitably ages and closes. So, if you know families looking for a school, please encourage them to visit. I am always glad to meet them and answer any questions they may have.

COVID update: Although Allen County is now elevated to Red, we are hoping that a second surge will not be as large as the post-Thanksgiving surge. As of today, we have 2% of our 755 students (15) quarantining and/or isolating, which is a marked improvement from this time last month. Hopefully, we will begin to see light at the end of the pandemic. I sometimes chuckle when thinking about my Dad and his optimism (or just orneriness) when a summer thunderstorm would pass through. We would be experiencing the heart of the storm - thunder, lightning, winds, and sheets of rain - and he would look out and say, "Looks like it's just starting to blow over." So in that same sanguine spirit, I'm proclaiming the same . . . It looks like this pandemic is just starting to blow over! Thank you for your children. They have done a fantastic job throughout all of this year. Let's keep it up! Sincerely - Rob S.

Religious Quotes attributed to the Most Reverend, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

1. Take the first step in faith. You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step.

- 2. I just want to do God's will. And he's allowed me to go to the mountain. And I've looked over, and I've seen the promised land! I may not get there with you, but I want you to know tonight that we as a people will get to the promised land.
- 3. Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.
- 4. I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear.
- 5. Life's most persistent and urgent question is, What are you doing for others?'
- 6. The hottest place in Hell is reserved for those who remain neutral in times of great moral conflict.
- 7. Forgiveness is not an occasional act, it is a constant attitude.
- 8. It is cheerful to God when you rejoice or laugh from the bottom of your heart.
- 9. The end of life is not to be happy, nor to achieve pleasure and avoid pain, but to do the will of God, come what may.
- 10. When I took up the cross I recognized it's meaning. The cross is something that you bear, and ultimately, that you die on.

11. The ultimate measure of a person is not where they stand in moments of comfort and convenience, but where they stand in times of challenge and controversy.

Vision Referral Reminder for Parents of Students who did not pass the Vision Screening - In October, a vision referral was mailed if your child did not satisfactorily pass the vision screening done here at school last fall. If you received a referral, a vision exam was required by an eye doctor of your choice, by December 18, 2020. If you have not done so already, please schedule an appointment as soon as possible. When the vision exam is completed, please send in the completed paperwork to the office Attn: School Nurse. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions: nurse@stcharlesschoolfw.org or by calling the office.

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 TBD 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

Students of the Week - Congratulations to: Isaac Moga, Ryan O'Keefe, Kaila Anderson, Amelia Williams, Hang Lian, Thomas Danys, Ayla Ijames, Simon Sweigert, James Morris, David Thurber, Zayn Gunter, Neely Danys, Addisyn Rorick, Sophia Sanger, Elena Rottinger, Carson Wulpi, Ailan McCann, Abbie Tippmann, Max Saillant, Harper Purdy

Open Position in St. Charles Maintenance Department - This is a Part-time position possibly leading to full-time. For more information contact Steve Springer, Maintenance Supervisor, 260-969-4029

Calendar Update

January 18	Martin Luther King Jr Day - NO SCHOOL	2 MM
January 19	PreK and Kdg Registration for the 2021-2022 school year (see info below)	Z
-	School Board meeting, 7 pm in art room	
January 22	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children	X
	Grade Level Spelling Bees for grades 1 & 2	
January 24	Knights of Columbus annual Free Throw Contest (registration forms in school office)	Cathol
January 25		Faith. Exce
pm, Hession Center	er C/D	
	Grade 7 Parent Meeting: Theology of the Body and Sacrament of Confirmation, 3:30-4:30 pm, C 31 - Saturday, February 6 Catholic Schools Week celebration <i>(more info next week)</i>	Church
February 3	Eucharistic Adoration 9:00 am - 2:15 pm, Benediction 2:15 pm	
February 5	Interim Period ends &	
,	2nd Trimester ends (junior high)	
February 8	Parent Meeting - First Eucharist, 6:45-7:45 pm, Hession Center C/D	
February 10	Parent Meeting - First Eucharist, 3:30-4:30 pm, in church	

Pre-K4 & Kindergarten Registration Is Here!

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. There will be a new online registration for all students new to St. Charles. There will be information available at registration.

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 \$3,792 (\$316 per month over 12 months) for parishioners, and \$6,552 (\$546 per month over 12 months) for non-parishioners. A \$50 registration fee 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 \$1,896 (\$158 per month over 12 months) per half-day, or \$3,792 (\$316 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 schooloffice@stcharlesschoolfw.org. 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 guidelines. (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 1st. 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 1st. 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.

Catholic Charities Offering Financial Assistance to Families in Need!

Catholic Charities is accepting online applications for financial assistance with basic needs (e.g., rent, mortgage, utilities, food) from households impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through the loss of a job, reduced wages, and illness at https://www.ccfwsb.org/about-financial-assistance. Due to an overwhelming volume of requests, it can take up to 5-7 business days for qualifying applicants to receive an appointment (Gloria Whitcraft, M.S. Ed, LMFT. CEO of Catholic Charities).

Please remember, you can reach Catholic Charities' Clinical Liaison, Chris Nowak at (574) 234-3111, ext. 27 or via email at cnowak@ccfwsb.org. She accepts referrals from priests (primary customer) or priest's designee, such as school principal or parish/school personnel, to navigate the mental health system and connect with our network of vetted therapists.

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*

SCRIP NEWS

We would like to say **thank you** once again for the great participation we saw in December. Many of you took advantage of **SCRIP** being a "one-stop" shopping spot for Christmas gifts in the middle of a pandemic and we were happy to be able to provide that service. Remember that **SCRIP** is available all year. We would love to see more of our seasonal shoppers utilize the benefits and convenience of **SCRIP** year round. Call the **SCRIP** office for all your gift card needs. **969-4027**

After a very busy Christmas season, we are busy closing out the numbers for December as well as all of 2020. The final numbers will be posted on the bulletin board outside the **SCRIP** room as soon as they are available. Despite our best efforts to educate everyone about the amazing potential that **SCRIP** affords the parish as well as everyone who uses it, we have watched the participation decrease over the past several years. The pandemic brought new challenges throughout the past year; consequently, we expect the numbers to reflect that.

The sole purpose of the **SCRIP** program has been to be a supplemental source of funding for the parish needs. With a parish the size of St. Charles, the potential is tremendous. When the numbers are in, imagine what they could be next year if more parishioners got on board.

Schedule Reminder - With no school on Monday, Tuesday, January 19 will be a SCRIP turn in day.

VOLUNTEERS:

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

Jan. 25 – CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Kristina O'Neal

Jan. 29 - Mary Jo Amorini, Tom Neuhaus, Dorla Rice

Jan. 29 – CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Laura Ijames

Jan. 30 - Natalie Jackson, Bernadette Smith, Cindy Stults

Jan. 31 - Angela Bauer, Molly Elsass, Sandy Franke

A look at the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Personal:

Birth date: January 15, 1929 Death date: April 4, 1968 Birth place: Atlanta, Georgia Birth name: Michael Luther King, Jr. Father: Michael "Martin" Luther King, Sr., Baptist minister Mother: Alberta (Williams) King Marriage: Coretta (Scott) King (June 18, 1953 - April 4, 1968, his death) Children: Bernice, March 28, 1963; Dexter, January 30, 1961; Martin III, October 23, 1957; Yolanda, November 17, 1955 - May 15, 2007 Education: Morehouse College, B.A., 1948; Crozer Theological Seminary, B.D., 1951; Boston University, Ph.D., 1955 **Other Facts:** King was called Martin or M.L. from a young age. Youngest person, at the time, to win the Nobel Peace Prize. Author of five books published from 1958 through 1968, works on American race relations and collections of his sermons and lectures. According to the King Center, Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" speech is 17 minutes long. Timeline:

1948 - Is ordained as a Baptist minister

1954 - Becomes minister of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama.

December 1, 1955 - Seamstress and civil rights activist Rosa Parks refuses to give up her seat on a bus to a white man, sparking the year-long Montgomery bus boycott. Within days, the Montgomery Improvement Association is founded to coordinate the boycott. King is elected president of the organization.

January 30, 1956 - King's house is bombed while he is at a meeting. His wife and daughter, home at the time, are uninjured. **1956** - After the U.S. Supreme Court rules that bus segregation laws are unconstitutional, the Montgomery boycott ends. King emerges as a national civil rights leader.

1957 - The Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) is established in Atlanta, with King as president.

1960 - Moves from Montgomery to Atlanta and becomes co-pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church with his father.

April 1963 - King is arrested for leading a march in Birmingham, Alabama. While in solitary confinement he writes an essay entitled "Letter from Birmingham Jail."

August 28, 1963 - During the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, King delivers his famous "I Have a Dream" speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial. The demonstration is attended by more than 250,000 people.

1963 - Is named Time magazine's Man of the Year.

July 2, 1964 - King stands behind President Lyndon B. Johnson as Johnson signs the Civil Rights Act of 1964 into law.

1964 - Wins the Nobel Peace Prize.

1965 - Helps organize civil rights protests in Selma, Alabama.

August 6, 1965 - President Johnson signs the Voting Rights of 1965.

April 4, 1967 - King delivers a speech against the war in Vietnam in New York City.

December 1967 - The Poor People's Campaign is launched.

April 4, 1968 - King is assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee, by James Earl Ray.

1976 - The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities releases a report stating that from 1963-1968 King was the subject of extensive FBI surveillance.

1977 - Is posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, by President Jimmy Carter.

1980 - The Martin Luther King Jr. Historic Site opens in Atlanta. It includes his birthplace, burial crypt, the Eternal Flame and Ebenezer Baptist Church.

1983 - President Ronald Reagan signs a law making King's birthday a federal holiday, to be observed annually on the third Monday in January.

1991 - The National Civil Rights Museum opens at the site of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, where King was assassinated. **April 23, 1998** - King's assassin, James Earl Ray, dies in prison.

June 9, 2000 - The Justice Department announces the conclusion to an 18-month investigation. They find that there is no reliable evidence to support a conspiracy behind King's murder.

January 30, 2006 - Coretta Scott King dies at the age of 78.

June 23, 2006 - An Atlanta coalition pays \$32 million for a collection of King's personal papers, to be stored at Morehouse College. **November 13, 2006** - The groundbreaking ceremony for the Martin Luther King Jr. National Monument in Washington, D.C. takes place. It will be the first monument on the National Mall dedicated to an African-American.

October 16, 2011 - The Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial is dedicated. The statue is located between the Lincoln Memorial and the Jefferson Memorial on the National Mall.

Video Links For Dr. King

https://www.schooltube.com/video/b56c0eaaad8448ba9211/Martin%20Luther%20King,%20Jr.

https://www.brainpop.com/socialstudies/famoushistoricalfigures/martinlutherkingjr/

Luke 10:25-37 The Parable of the Good Samaritan [Gospel reflection which reinforces the message of Dr. King]

And now a lawyer stood up and, to test him, asked, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?'

²⁶ He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What is your reading of it?'

²⁷ He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.'

²⁸ Jesus said to him, 'You have answered right, do this and life is yours.'

²⁹ But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?'

³⁰ In answer Jesus said, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of bandits; they stripped him, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead.

³¹ Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side.

³² In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side.

³³ But a Samaritan traveller who came on him was moved with compassion when he saw him.

³⁴ He went up to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him onto his own mount and took him to an inn and looked after him.

³⁵ Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper and said, "Look after him, and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have."

³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the bandits' hands?'

³⁷ He replied, 'The one who showed pity towards him.' Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same yourself.'

Good Samaritan animated 27 minutes https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8docKL9FaM0

Good Samaritan live actors 12 minutes [created by LDS] https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SY8rVuOUrdA

Good Samaritan live actors 5 minutes [created by LDS] https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=53Pqw20xK10

Good Samaritan video for students – Real life social experiment https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iPehw67L91w

January 2021 Cafeteria Lunch Menu

18 No School	19 Chicken Patty Baked Beans Fries Fruit Salad Milk	20 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Sun Chips Green Beans Mixed Fruit Milk	21 Chicken Caesar Salad Broccoli Soft Pretzel w/Cheese Pears Milk	22 Cheese Pizza Veggies & Dip Pretzels Go-Gurt Peaches 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 <u>www.mypaymentplus.com</u> 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.

Last Name	First Name	Grade-Room	Lunch ID	Payment
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