



# 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 this month of August, we **'press on' In His Image**. Along with the Cardinal Virtue of justice we find the virtue or attitude of respect. Respect is an attitude of caring about people and treating them with dignity. Respect is valuing ourselves and others. We show respect by speaking and acting with courtesy. When we remember in our actions and words that all have been created by God in His image, we are showing respect. We continue to **Press On In His Image!**

*"Yet, Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand." isaiah 64:7*

**DATE CHANGE #1: PLEASE PLAN FOR THIS DAY OFF SCHOOL - NO SCHOOL, FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 4, 2020**

COVID-19 has pushed the Diocesan-wide Catholic School Mission Day to Friday, September 4th for all teachers. As teachers will be in meetings all day, there will be no school on this day. I apologize for the late notice. Mon., Sept. 7 is Labor Day! Enjoy time with family

**DATE CHANGE #2: EARLY DISMISSAL FRIDAY, SEPT. 11TH WE WILL DISMISS AT 1:00 P.M. LUNCH WILL BE SERVED**

Apologies again for these late schedule changes. Our teachers are attending another professional development inservice on this day.

**Our Deepest Sympathy and prayers for one of our school parents.** On August 6th, one of our fathers, Mr. Hau Khan Pau lost his life in a tragic car accident. Mr. Hau Khan Pau leaves behind loving wife Cing Deih Nuam, his children at St. Charles, Niang Pau (Kdg), Lian Sang (3rd), Hau Thang-No (4th) and three more children, and his grandson Thang Khan Khual; and his siblings, Laang Lian Khup, Cing Suan Niang, Cing Lun Niang, No Lam Vung, Khup Do Kap and Mang Lian Hau. Please keep Mrs. Nuam and the family in your prayers.

Dear Parents and Students,



**Thank you for working with us** as we meander our way through COVID-19 isolations and quarantines. Even though everyone realizes that safety is the priority for all involved, you have all been very patient and understanding. New COVID rubrics came out Tuesday evening that will help schools maintain a safe, but reasonable balance when determining if a symptom is a seasonal allergy, a migraine, etc., that may not require the automatic quarantine. The process is ever evolving, but we will continue this school year to **'Press On'** in Christ's image, courage, patience, and love.

**Mask Fatigue:** I will confess that yesterday I was having a bit of 'mask fatigue', probably because I got tired of smelling my own Dorito breath for an hour after lunch yesterday. In the scheme of things, however, masks are not that great a sacrifice if it helps us be together as a school community and helps reduce airborne spit swapping. The graphic on the left shows how masks help with breath swap - and it may have saved some from my Dorito breath yesterday.

**Teacher/Staff Heroes:** The new COVID guidelines I mentioned earlier also officially designated school employees as 'Essential Workers' for the first time. We already knew teachers and school staff were essential, but it is nice to put an official seal on it! I cannot convey enough how thankful and proud of our teachers and staff I am. There has been a great deal of anxiety and stress over the past months as we have worked to try to open school this year. Our people have been asked to

adapt, adapt, and adapt some more with short notice, too brief of training sessions, and, yes, sometimes unclear directions from the top, yet they continue to show up and meet every challenge with a solution and a smile. Definitely essential!

**Joker, MAGA, BLM, Biden, etc. - No messaging here at school:** *Jesus told us the following: The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.* One of the reasons I asked for plain masks for school was to avoid 'Joker' faces and the like, and political messaging such as MAGA, BLM, Biden, etc. We are daily saturated with the ongoing social justice issues and the political divisiveness building as we near the November elections. Even family members can't agree on the issues. With all of this going on around us, I need school to be a safe zone free from the fear of the pandemic and the noise of these adult issues. Remember, we are a community of 4-year-olds through 15-year-olds. This year especially, let us focus on the two great commandments and St. Charles Borromeo School togetherness, and let's keep the division off campus. Here at school, any discussions about elections, social justice, etc., will be led by teachers with students of the appropriate age-levels in a respectful and balanced manner. Most of our students just see 'friends' and not color and none are registered to vote. I understand the importance of standing up for this, and supporting that, but moving forward, I ask all students and grown-ups to leave the MAGA, BLM, Biden, etc. apparel and rhetoric at home. I thank everyone for your understanding and for your children. Sincerely - Rob S.

## Calendar Update

August 28-29-30 Knights of Columbus sponsor *Men's Tool and Toys* garage sale  
September 3 School IS IN SESSION  
September 4 Virtual Plant Show entries due (*see info later in this newsletter*)  
September 4 **No School** - Teachers attend diocesan meeting  
September 7 **No School** - Labor Day Holiday  
September 11 Interim Period ends  
**Early Dismissal at 1:00 pm for Staff Development**  
September 14 School Picture Day  
September 15 School Board meeting, 7:00 pm, room C  
September 18 Interim Reports go home

## Girl Scouts

First, thank you to Girl Scouts of Northeast Indiana for donation of cookies to our Catholic School teachers in the diocese!!  
Second, Girl Scouts want to invite you to a Robot Building Party and/or an Animal Dance Party! See upcoming dates at [gsnim.com](http://gsnim.com).  
Parents are invited too. Get more information and RSVP at [gsnim.org/join](http://gsnim.org/join), call 800-283-4812, or email [frontdesk@gsnim.org](mailto:frontdesk@gsnim.org).

## Join Girl Scouts

For girls interested in joining girl scouts at St. Charles this year, please contact Sydney Wilder at [swilder2@gmail.com](mailto:swilder2@gmail.com) or 260-413-9585 to sign up. Meetings will be held Mondays in the parish office basement after school until 4:30. Due to social distancing and group gathering rules, the schedule will be as follows: Juniors (4th grade) the first Monday of the month, Brownies (2nd and 3rd grade) the 2nd Monday of the month. Daisies (K and 1st grade) the 3rd Monday of the month. The entire troop (all levels) the 4th Monday of the month. Detailed calendar will be sent to all interested. Meetings begin in September. Hope to see her there!

## ANNUAL MAGAZINE SALE, no Yankee Candle Sale this year

The St. Charles Borromeo School annual magazine sale begins today, Friday, August 28 and continues through Friday, September 11. All students in grades K-8 will receive a flyer with information. New and renewal magazine subscriptions may be placed by parents, friends, and families. These orders are to be placed only ONLINE.

We are not going to be having the sale of Yankee Candle items this year. Yankee Candle has cut back on their fundraising and we also don't want to put the burden of trying to have a fundraiser on families at this time. We are going to continue with the Magazine Sale as we know many look to renew their subscriptions.

Magazine subscriptions may be purchased new or renewed on-line by September 11 as well. Go to American Publishers Hearst website at <http://www.apmags.com>. Click on "Shop Now", type in the St. Charles School code: WA4972, click on "Check Code" and follow online directions. Students will receive credit for sales and receive incentive prizes if the student seller's name is typed in the appropriate space online. We thank you for supporting this program. Online ordering information is available on our school website under the tab "Support Us". Thank you!

## Box Tops

For over 20 years, Box tops has made it easy for families to earn cash for schools and help teachers get supplies they need. Here at St. Charles the Box Top program supports our Fine Arts Department from which all students benefit. Box Tops are now digital! If you have not done so please get the Box Top app so you can scan receipts and earn money for the school. Right now there are several bonus box tops available. You can earn an extra 5 box tops for using Walmart pick up and an extra 25 for buying 4 participating General Mills, Lysol, or Nestle Pure Life Water Box Tops products. At Kroger, you can earn 50 Bonus Box Tops when you buy 5 General Mills products. If you shop at [boxed.com](http://boxed.com) you can earn up to 200 bonus box tops! But hurry because these expire soon. There's more offers on the app so be sure to check it out. You have 2 weeks to scan your receipts. Walmart pick up receipts can be forwarded to [receipts@boxtops4education.com](mailto:receipts@boxtops4education.com).

## Beginning Band: 5th Grade-8th Grade

Due to the school closure last March, we had a very limited time with the beginning band students. Because of the limited time, we will be starting band again with students in grades 5-8. We are extending this opportunity to all students in grades 5-8 who want to learn a band instrument, both those who started band in 4th grade and students who have never played an instrument. All students are invited and encouraged to join. Band is a great way for students to express themselves during the school day and be a part of a team working together to create music. We will be having band three days a week. Our tentative schedule is Tuesdays 11:45-12:15; Thursdays 11:55-12:20; and Fridays 11:10-11:40. If your child is interested in joining the band, we will be having an informational meeting and instrument try-out on **Wednesday, September 9** from **5:30-6:30**. Students do not need to have an instrument, we will have rental options for you. To sign up or get more information about band, please contact Ms. Bassett at [angelabassett@stcharlesschoolfw.org](mailto:angelabassett@stcharlesschoolfw.org).

### **Virtual Plant Show**

Covid-19 has affected many things this year, and the plant show is no exception. Due to the pandemic, the school plant show and the City Blue Ribbon Plant show have been canceled. But we all know you spent your extra free time growing some gorgeous plants, so we're going virtual! Simply send 3-5 photos of your plant, being sure to include top view as well as at least the front and back. Submit your entries to Sydney Wilder via text 260-413-9585 or email [swilder2@gmail.com](mailto:swilder2@gmail.com). Be sure to include student's name, grade, and plant info including how many years they have had it. Just like the usual plant show, this is intended for plants received from the school during previous years or plants grown from seeds purchased through the school plant show association. However, if your child has a replacement or a different plant due to the untimely demise of a school plant, they are welcome to submit that into the category of "my favorite". Please submit all entries no later than Friday September 4th.

### **PowerSchool Note**

St. Charles uses PowerSchool for grade management. Parents and students in grades 4-8 have access to view their PowerSchool grades online. PowerSchool account creation/ login papers were sent home with students in grades 4-8 this week. Please ask your student for this paper. Parent account creation information is in the center of the page and student username and password is located on the bottom of the page. We encourage all parents to create (if they have not already done so) their own PS parent account in order to monitor their student's (or students') grades.

If you have already created a PowerSchool account, but need help accessing the account, please email Pam Bojrab: [pambojrab@stcharlesschoolfw.org](mailto:pambojrab@stcharlesschoolfw.org).

### **Friends of the Poor Walk/Run- Sunday, September 27, 2020- Parkview Field**

What: 3-mile Walk Benefitting the St. Vincent de Paul Society

When: Sunday, September 27, 2020 1pm check-in, 2pm start

Where: Parkview Field 1301 Ewing Street, Fort Wayne

Online Registration: <https://www.fopwalk.org/event/2493>. T-Shirts and prizes available for those who pre-register!

No Entry Fee. Walk to raise awareness of those living in poverty in Northeast Indiana. Ask friends and family to sponsor you!

### **Knights of Columbus**

The St. Charles Knights of Columbus Council is sponsoring a "**Men's Tools and Toys**" garage sale from the Parish Office Garage next to the football field. The sale is today, Friday, tomorrow, Saturday, August 29, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, and Sunday, August 30, noon - 4:00 pm.

### **SCRIP NEWS**

We hope school is going well so far for all our school families in this unconventional year. We are all trying to move forward with masks and social distancing. While these things seem crazy and challenging, science has proven that they DO make a difference so keep up the good work.

The school is doing a great job trying to maintain the safety of the students, teachers and the rest of the school community. In trying to decide whether to communicate with parents strictly in a digital way or in the more conventional printed newsletter, **SCRIP** order forms did not go home last week. We apologize for any inconvenience. We are working through this issue with the office and you should receive an order form with the newsletter this week. Order forms are also available in the back of church, outside the **SCRIP** room and at the sales table during sales on Friday mornings. If that doesn't work, you can always call the **SCRIP** office – **969-4027** – to place an order and send the payment to school in an envelope clearly marked "SCRIP".

We will get through these challenging times with a new degree of patience and understanding.

**SCHEDULE NOTE** – Next week there is **no school** on **Friday, September 4**. Therefore, **SCRIP** sales in the Hession Center that usually take place on Friday mornings will take place on **Thursday, September 3**. You can send in **SCRIP** orders with your students on that Thursday as well. The orders will be collected, filled and sent home with your students on Thursday. We follow this schedule any time that Thursday is the last day of the school week.

**Merchant News** – We are happy to announce that **Black Canyon Restaurant**, located at 1509 W. Dupont Road is joining our program. They will offer **\$50** gift cards with a **10%** rebate. These gift cards will be special order items until the demand for the cards is large enough to justify keeping them in our inventory. The restaurant is parishioner owned; we hope you will support them.

*Remember, **SCRIP** is a fundraising program that supports our parish without asking anyone to make purchases they weren't already planning to make – it is simply a different way of paying for your everyday expenses. The benefits are great and each person that purchases **SCRIP** shares in the profit. Please give us a try!*

## September 2020 Cafeteria Lunch Menu

<b>August 31</b> Pork Patty Baked Beans Tater Tots Peaches Milk	<b>Sept. 1</b> French Toast Sticks Sausage Hash Browns Dragon Juice Oranges Milk	<b>Sept. 2</b> Ham & Turkey Sub Sun Chips Salad w/Ranch Grapes Milk	<b>Sept. 3</b> Bosco Sticks w/marinara Broccoli Go-Gurt Applesauce Milk	<b>Sept. 4</b>  NO SCHOOL
<b>7</b>  NO SCHOOL	<b>8</b>  Corn Dog Fries Baked Beans Watermelon Milk	<b>9</b>  Chicken Caesar Salad Soft Pretzel w/Cheese Broccoli Mixed Fruit Milk	<b>10</b>  Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Sun Chips Veggies w/Dip Cheese Stick Raisins Milk	<b>11</b>  Cheese Pizza Salad w/Ranch Pretzels Go-Gurt Grapes Milk
<b>14</b>  Chicken Patty Raspberry Spinach Salad Tater Tots Scooby Snack Pineapple Milk	<b>15</b>  Sloppy Joe Mac & Cheese Green Beans Applesauce Milk	<b>16</b>  Soft Taco w/Lettuce, Cheese Refried Beans Corn Watermelon Milk	<b>17</b>  Cheeseburger w/Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle Sweet Potato Fries Peaches Milk	<b>18</b>  Cheese Omelette w/Salsa Hash Browns Pancake w/Syrup Dragon Juice Oranges Milk
<b>21</b>  Hot Dog Tater Tots Green Beans Mixed Fruit Milk	<b>22</b>  Scoops w/Taco Meat Cheese, Lettuce Black Beans Corn Grapes Milk	<b>23</b>  Chicken Nuggets Fries Broccoli Pears Milk	<b>24</b>  Pasta w/Meat Sauce Salad w/Ranch Garlic Cheese Bread Applesauce Milk	<b>25</b>  Bosco Stick w/Marinara Veggies w/dip Go-Gurt Apricots Milk
<b>28</b>  Pulled Pork Sandwich Baked Beans Fries Choc Chip Cookie Pineapple Milk	<b>29</b>  French Toast w/Syrup Sausage Hash Browns Dragon Juice Oranges Milk	<b>30</b>  Chicken Caesar Salad Soft Pretzel w/Cheese Broccoli Watermelon Milk	<b>October 1</b>  Ham & Turkey Sub Salad w/Ranch & Grape Tomatoes Sun Chips Banana Milk	<b>October 2</b>  Bread Sticks w/Cheese Carrots & Dip Go-Gurt Grapes Milk

### Lunch Prices 2020-2021

Lunch/Milk \$2.90

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 MyPaymentPlus (formerly MyMealsPlus) online account at [www.mypaymentplus.com](http://www.mypaymentplus.com) 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.

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