



2017-2018

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Romans 8:31-39

Greetings!

**Are you returning to Saint Charles School for the 2018-2019 school year?** - We sure hope so, but we need to know by 3:00pm on Wednesday. Send your contract (grades 1-8 for next year) and your re-registration with your fee of only \$25/child (max of \$75 per family) in to the office. We will begin making decisions about classes and teachers at this point. You could be put on a waiting list! No one wants that to happen. Get your paperwork in this week – by Wednesday.

**On behalf of the student council** – thank you for your donations of clothing and blankets.

**Valentines will be delivered** – by our first graders on Tuesday. You can send in a card with 10 cents for the card (or 3 for 25 cents) to be delivered even as late as Tuesday morning. Help our first graders understand Community Helpers.

**Junior/Senior Valentine Mardi Gras Event** – is Tuesday from 4-5:30pm in Lower Parish Hall. There is a work session for this event on Monday from 2:45-4:00pm in Lower Hall. Anyone who is able to send in bakery on Monday, please know it will be appreciated.

**Junior High Living Stations** – Those involved in stations 8-11 AND tech crew will have practice in church on Tuesday from 2:40-4:00pm.

**Lent begins** – this Wednesday (Ash Wednesday). Students in grades 1-8 will participate in 8:30am Mass. No one should dress down on that day – if it is your birthday, dress down on Tuesday or Thursday instead.

**Lego Club for second grade** – will be Wednesday from 2:40-3:30pm.

**Chess Club** – meets on Thursday from 2:40-3:30pm.

**NO SCHOOL** – on Friday of this week or Monday of next week. Friday is a teacher professional day and we will be at Saint Columbkille working with other Catholic school teachers. Monday is Presidents' Day.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word is returning!** - What is **THAT?** During Mass, right after the opening prayer and before the readings begin, students are led out of the main church to a "kid friendly" space to hear the readings and have them explained on their developmental level. For Saint Charles, the kids will be going to a room that has been newly renovated in the church – down some steps in the back. There are at least two adult catechists in the room at all times.

Parents can stay in the church and listen to the readings and homily on an adult level. If you want to stay with your child the first time or two, you certainly may. The children are brought back into the church around the time of the creed/petitions. It is recommended that you sit towards the center aisle so your child can see you easily as he/she returns to the church. All children who are ages 4-7 are invited and welcome to join the Children's liturgy beginning this first Sunday in Lent, February 18 at the 10am Mass. If you have any questions, please call the religious education office at 440-886-5668.

**HELP (from kids) is needed** – at Fish Fry each Friday during Lent. We need 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to help clear tables on Fridays from 3:45-7:00pm. The students will get some instruction at 3:45pm and be in place at 4:00pm. Students may go home and return or if they would like to stay after school until 3:45pm, they can stay in the computer room and/or science lab with Mrs. Updegrove. Of course, this first one we won't be in school, so they will just have to come at 3:45pm to the gym. Following weeks, if they choose to stay at school, they should bring a change of clothes and will be fed pizza in between dismissal and fish fry. If your child is willing to help serve the Saint Charles community in this way, please e-mail Mrs. Peloso at [ppeloso22@gmail.com](mailto:ppeloso22@gmail.com) and let her know which weeks your child will be able to help. Thanks so much!

**CYO SPRING SPORTS SIGN UPS** - All St. Charles Parish children can now register ONLINE ONLY at [stcharlessports.org](http://stcharlessports.org) for CYO Spring Sports which include: Boys Track Intramural Gr 1/2; CYO Gr 3-8, Girls Track Intramural Gr 1/2; CYO Gr 3-8, and Boys Baseball Gr 3 – 8. Valid Sports Physicals are required (dated after 6/1/17 and handed in by March 12<sup>th</sup>). Use the CYO form located on our website. The spring sports fee (\$100) is due in the parish office by March 12<sup>th</sup> with the check made payable to "St. Charles Sports Boosters". Registration runs through March 12<sup>th</sup>. Questions can be directed by emailing Athletic Director Kevin Leigh at [eriekleigh@gmail.com](mailto:eriekleigh@gmail.com) or 440 – 842 -6362 (H) or 440-488-6982(C). GO WILDCATS!

**Hey Moms & Dads! Something NEW just for YOU this Lent.** - "Cup of Joe" on the Go! Specially brewed for moms and dads on the go. Delivered to your smartphone via e-mail each Monday of Lent, listen to this short "spiritual pick-me-up" while driving, waiting to pick the kids up after school and practice, or anytime you have a few moments to catch your breath. Send your e-mail to Brian Pelcin, Pastoral Associate, at [bpelcin@stcharlesonline.org](mailto:bpelcin@stcharlesonline.org) All e-mails will be kept confidential.

**Another e-mail will be coming later today explaining tuition assistance and scholarship opportunities as well as results from the parent survey.**

Peace and Joy –

Eileen M. Updegrove  
Principal