



It's time for some general reminders as we begin a wonderful new school year.

Be a friend – Make sure other parents have received this e-mail. If they have not, they need to get connected to Gradelink e-mail now. It's our main communication. We rarely print/copy flyers any longer.

Thanks for a great first few days – The opening assembly included a recreation of the Cavaliers and the city of Cleveland being “all in together” – we gathered around a cross in the center of the gym. Be sure to check out the picture on the school website! We listened to the letter of Saint Paul to the Romans that is referenced on our letterhead (Romans 8:31-39). The assembly also included a game of “name the ceiling saint” where Brandon Rukavina and Jeffrey Ungvarsky had to guess which saint from the ceiling of Saint Charles Church was being described. They had a little help – Fr. Carlin and Fr. Ryan were their “phone a friends.” We discussed how we can be ALL IN with our sports, schoolwork, friends, and most importantly, faith. We ended with the Hokey Pokey – where we put our whole selves in. Father Carlin was the celebrant for our first Mass today where he gave an excellent homily about how we need to remain ALL IN for Christ, in our studies, in our sports/activities... and not to forget after a month or so into the school year.

Friday Mass – is attended by students in grades 1-8. Many of our teachers are Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (often referred to as Eucharistic Ministers). However, we need some assistance with this ministry. Are there any parents who attend this Mass with us on a fairly regular basis who are or would be willing to be trained as a Eucharistic Minister? Please contact me (eupdegrove@saintcharlesschool.org) as soon as possible if you are able to help us with this very important part of Mass.

Morning drop off procedures -

1. Students may not arrive until 7:45am unless an adult is standing with the children. Saint Charles is not responsible for the safety of students who arrive before 7:45am. We noticed some students arriving as early as 7:20-7:30am. Those students will be sent to morning care and be charged for the supervision.
2. Everyone must use the crosswalk – it is for the safety of all and it is the law. Consider the example you are setting when you break the law and force your child to break the law as well.
3. The arrival route is attached. Technically, our arrival procedures are for Wilber Ave. only. If you choose to drop off on Charles Ave., the police may ticket you. Charles Ave. is for the bus drop off. If you are thinking about how your child's line is on the Charles Ave. side of the building, consider allowing him/her to get the extra minute of exercise it takes to walk from the front or side of the building to the back. It is good for their health to walk and saves on gas for you. It also helps a person become independent, confident and good problem-solvers.

Congratulations to Sister Patrick Marie – who was recognized at the end of Mass this morning for beginning her 60th year in the field of education! Amazing! Thanks for sharing your time and talents with us Sister.

Speaking of Sister Patrick Marie... right before she and Sr. Katie moved, she had to throw away all her cookie tins and containers that she uses when she bakes (and shares). Sister loves to bake! If you have any extra tins or medium/large plastic containers that you can donate to Sister Patrick Marie, send them into school. I know she would appreciate them!

Extended Day Care could use – some wooden dollhouse furniture (2-5 inches in size). We can certainly order some, but thought we would see if anyone has any extras taking up space and not being used. We would love the donation. We could also use some gently used baby dolls. Feel free to send them in. We appreciate it.

The September calendar – is attached and I will be working on getting everything for the school year on the calendar on the app. (Yes, we have a school app – search Saint Charles Borromeo School – the symbol is a blue icon with a black “S” and a black and white “C”. We are very busy at Saint Charles – there is a lot for me to type! Thanks for your patience.

Sunday e-mails – will continue this year. This Sunday will have some information about a lockdown next week, some PTU reminders, a flyer about a great opportunity just for married couples (Post-Cana), an explanation about Rainbows for All God’s Children and so much more!

Have an excellent weekend – be sure to participate in Mass!

Peace ~
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Principal