



*St. Charles Catholic School  
Wednesday Newsletter*

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*"The great thing in this world is not so much where we are, but in what direction we are moving."*

*-- Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.*

Dear Parent(s),

Recently at a meeting the topic came up about children needing to follow their conscience. Perhaps there is a more global message for all of us.

In essence, the message is quite simple yet profound. When faced with our day to day decisions, dilemmas ..... *Just do what's right.* It doesn't matter what others are doing or what others may think as long as you are honest, sincere and true to your own conscience.

Some may ask, what is right? For the most part we know. We all know. Sure our interpretations of situations and circumstances may differ but we all basically understand what the right thing to do is. It really is an easy concept...be true to the truth and do the right thing. Often the most important thing is not our action but our motivation behind our action.

We must all listen to our hearts and be guided by truth and the concept doing what is right. That doesn't mean that everything will always turn out right but it clearly adds consistency and a sense focus to our lives. A wonderful guiding principle for all: Do what is right. Don't be afraid to stand alone; don't be as concerned with the reactions of others as you are with the righteousness of your path. It is never the wrong time to what is right. The time is now, today and every tomorrow.

**"Take heart, when people do what is right, God remembers."**

This may be a good dinner table discussion. Have you taken a stand lately for what is right?

God Bless.

Michael Halstead  
Principal

<b>OFFICE NOTES/PARENT REMINDERS</b>
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**HOT LUNCH**

When a student is going to be late and they would like a hot lunch for the day, you will need to call us and let us know their hot lunch choice for that day. This needs to be done by 9:00a.m. If you need to, you can leave a message on the school answering machine.

Thursday, October 1, 2009

## Treat Day with Taher's Chef Brian

Chef Brian will be coming to school during the kid's lunch periods to make Caramel Apple Sundaes for all of our students and staff.

Parents there will be many types of condiment choices for the sundaes. Please let your children know if they will be able to participate in the sundae eating.

## FREE / REDUCED LUNCH PROGRAM

Registration forms were sent home with the last school brown envelope, if this is a program you would like to participate in, please complete the form and return it to school.

If you have any questions, please call the school office.

## STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

We sent home the information with our last brown envelope. If this is something you are interested in participating in, please let us know here at the school office.

Thank you.

## FAMILY DIRECTORY

### Corrections / Updates

Phone number not listed - Giles, Troy & Peggy 262-369-7876

## REMINDER

### Students Checking In / Out

When students are going to be late, please remember when you drop them off to have them stop at the school office and sign in, in addition to letting the office staff know they have arrived. If we do not know this, the students will be marked absent for the day.

Thanks for your help.

## HEALTH ROOM NEWS

### H1N1 Update

Recently Mr. Halstead attended a H1N1 Summit sponsored by the City of Milwaukee Health Department and the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. Be assured St. Charles Parish and School is following recommendations on exposure control.

A bit of great advice.....

We all know the virus is circulating. You are to **assume that your children will be exposed** to the virus. This is consistent with the concept of "Universal Precaution". Wash your hand often, cover your cough, and stay home when you are sick.

Everyone should approach this flu season as if they have never been exposed to the flu before. You are encouraged to get both the seasonal flu vaccine now and the H1N1 vaccine when it is released.

## IMMUNIZATION RECORDS

We would like to thank everyone who has had to complete and update their child's health records. We are required by the state of Wisconsin to have every child notified of the immunization program and to have all their records up to date. Thank you for all your time and effort; we appreciate your understating and our need to meet the States requirements.

## **NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

### St. Charles Day at Country Springs Water Park Thursday, October 8, 2009

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Join us for a fun day off of school. All St. Charles families and friends are invited.

Cost is \$12.50 per person. All spectators need a wristband.

Children 23 months and younger are free.

Make your checks payable to St. Charles School and return to the school office by this Friday - October 2. Please put your money in an envelope with "Country Springs" written on it.

If you have questions, contact Lynn Rose [lrose@wi.rr.com](mailto:lrose@wi.rr.com) 367-1109  
All children 15 years and younger must have adult supervision.

### MAGAZINE DRIVE

Congratulations to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade class.

They won the magazine drive contest with over 100% of their goal collected.

They are the big winners of a field trip to a spring Brewer's Game in 2010.

Congratulation to the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class, they are our 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner with 94% of its goal.

Please keep the orders coming. Remember you can still order on-line at anytime of the year.  
We appreciate all your support.

## **COMMITTEE NEWS/Fundraising**

### SCRIP

Enclosed in the envelope this week is our new QUICK SCRIP order form. With this form, you can purchase any items of Scrip that are in stock at the church office - and get the SCRIP right away! The school will get credit for the sale, but you MUST use this form in order for the school to get the credit. These forms are NOT available in the church office. Extra forms will be on the table outside the school office. You may use this form at the church office during the week, and before and after weekend masses.

With just a little planning ahead, we can earn extra money for our school. For example: If you are going to the movies this weekend, stop and get a \$25 Marcus gift certificate and the school earns \$ 2.25! Add dinner at Applebees for \$25 and the school earns a total of \$ 4.25. It doesn't cost you any extra - it is a NO COST fundraiser.

## SCRIP

This week orders are due in the office by Wednesday October 7, or online by 5:00 PM on Sunday 10/11.

Pickup will be Friday 10/16 after school.

Due to the short week next week, we have extended the due date for orders.

As always, you can also go online to [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) to place your order and use enrollment code 8F6L51D1476L

## Market Day

Orders Due to School Office by 3:00 <Tuesday, 10/6/09>, or online at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com) by 11:00p.m. <Friday, 10/9/09>

**Pick Up** in Parish Hall on <Tuesday, 10/13/09, from 3:30 – 4:30.

## Life:Style by Market Day

It is not too late to place your order. This is a new fundraiser for our school. Please take a moment to check it out.

## CRUSADER NEWS

### FALLFEST VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to our 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girl's Teams

Gold Team – 1<sup>st</sup> Place

Black Team – 2<sup>nd</sup>s Place

Congratulations Girls!!!

### SUPPORT OUR TEAMS

Our school volleyball program has games almost every weekend here at school. They would really appreciate it if you came to watch them play and give a little support.

Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade boy's team is in a tournament this weekend at St. Mary's School in Menomonee Falls.

We wish them good luck.

## STUDENT SECTION

### PACK THE PANTRY

Student Council - Dress Down Day

Support the Packers

### Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>

If you would like to wear your favorite Packer apparel the student council is asking you to help support our own food pantry here at St. Charles.

You need to bring (2) Non-perishable food items to school on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.

The food pantry is in need of the following items:

shampoo, laundry soap, toilet paper, canned fruit and canned meats.

Wear your favorite Packer clothes and / or Packer team colors. Jeans are allowed but please remember no torn jeans.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Fundraiser

The St. Charles 8<sup>th</sup> grade class is doing a fundraiser for their 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation.

The class is selling Entertainment Books.

The cost is \$35.00 per book.

You may contact an 8<sup>th</sup> grade students as well as the room mothers, Monica Dannenfelser or Dawn McLeod, and they will get one to you.

The books are also available in the school office and the parish office.

Please make your check payable to St. Charles School and note in memo Entertainment Book.

Thanks for all your support.

## St. Charles Graduates Inducted into National Honor Society

This October three St. Charles alumni are being inducted in the National Honor Society. They are current students at Catholic Memorial High School.

Emilia Kihslinger

Diane McLeod

Margaret Moyer

Congratulations on a great job !!!

We wish you the best.

## Catholic Memorial High School

**invites you to join our faculty, staff, students and families at the 2009 Open House on Thursday, October 22<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-9:00 p.m.** The evening will be a wonderful experience for all! Talk to our outstanding teachers, dedicated parents, fantastic students, supportive alumni and visit with student/parent club representatives.

Explore all that Catholic Memorial has to offer and the many opportunities to become involved with our community. **Come and meet our new Principal, Mr. Robert Hall, and talk with our President, Fr. Paul Hartmann, an '84 alumnus.** Take a student/parent guided tour, observe a science lab, learn about fencing, listen to amazing music, and find out more about tuition assistance, the admissions process and transportation.

The list goes on and on.

For more information contact the Office of Admissions at 262.542.7101,

Julie Lindahl ext. 242 or [jlindahl@catholicmemorial.net](mailto:jlindahl@catholicmemorial.net)

Mary Hutchens ext. 204 or [mhutchens@catholicmemorial.net](mailto:mhutchens@catholicmemorial.net).

## LOOKING AHEAD

**October 1, 2009** – Picture Make-up / Re-take Day

If you have not had your school picture taken, please make sure you have it done on this date. We want all students to have their picture taken.

If you are having re-takes done, please bring in your proofs and have your child let their teacher know they need to have their picture taken.

**October 7, 2009** – Early Release at 11:45a.m

**October 8 & 9, 2009** – No School Teacher In-Service Day.

**October 16, 2009** – Kid's Movie Night – Flyer enclosed

**November 14, 2009** – Moonlight Tasting - Flyer enclosed

### Wednesday Brown Envelope Dates

October 14 & 28

November 11 & 18

December 2 & 9 & 16

January 13 & 27

February 10 & 24

March 10 & 24 & 31(if necessary)

April 14 & 28

May 12 & 19 & 26

June 2 & 9