



SCB Newsletter December 2, 2024

"It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness and thus to open doors of hope."
– Pope Benedict XVI

SCB Families,

This first week of Advent is beginning and today we had so much fun putting our wreaths together to get them blessed at mass on Wednesday. Everyone looks a little rested and ready for our Christmas season. When you walk by the music room, you hear carols and sweet little voices, and the bulletin boards are filling with Christmas art and other special creations.



December is a busy month at SCB and it's hard to believe we only have 14 days to Christmas break. I look forward to sharing time at all our school masses (we have 3 in December!) and at our pageant and Advent tree celebrations.

As we progress through December, the weather is going to continue to worsen. Please take extra caution in the parking lot. When the asphalt is wet, it is slippery, and we are seeing cars going too fast. We had our first fender-bender in Zone 1 and we don't want more to occur! When the ice hits it will just get worse, so please take caution for the safety of all.

Until we see each other next, I wish you all a blessed December and an Advent full of hope.

Blessings and prayers to you and yours,

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us.

Beth O'Reilly
Principal, SCB

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Upcoming Events:

December:

December 3 - #iGiveCatholic - Giving Tuesday Giving Day

December 3 - SCOPE Movie Night @ Blue Mouse Theater

December 4 - All School Mass & Blessing of the Advent

Wreaths NEW DATE!

December 6 - First Trimester Ends

December 6 - Shoe Liturgy @ 1:45 PM

December 6 - Yule Ball (7th & 8th grade students)

December 9 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception - All School Mass NEW DATE!

December 11 - Middle School Mass NEW DATE!

December 11 - Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal @ 1:30PM

December 12 - Christmas Pageant and Advent Tree Festival @ 7PM

December 13 - Christmas Sweater Day

December 14 - Choir sings at the Grotto in Portland, OR

December 19 - School Commission Meeting @ 5PM

December 20 - All School Mass

December 20 - Noon Dismissal - No After School Care

December 23 - January 3 - Christmas Break - No School

December 31 - Financial Aid Applications Due



Please see the following link for the detailed school calendar:

['24-'25 Detailed School Calendar](#)

#iGiveCatholic on Giving Tuesday!
Spread Joy, Give Hope Annual Fund Campaign

**Spread Joy,
Give Hope-**

Supporting our St. Charles Students
EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION ANNUAL FUND 2024-2025

#iGiveCatholic on Giving Tuesday
Tomorrow, December 3rd!

#iGiveCatholic is a giving day to unite Catholic communities and donors throughout the country to express their generosity in support of the organizations that have helped to shape our lives of faith: our parishes, schools, and ministries.

#iGiveCatholic inspires faithful stewards to "*Give Back and Give Catholic*" on GivingTuesday, a Global Day of Generosity and kindness!

#iGIVECATHOLIC
on

**GIVING
TUESDAY**

December 3rd

to support



ST. CHARLES
BORROMEO
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Donate to our #iGiveCatholic Campaign to support our Annual Fund

More SCB News and Information



Quick Notes:

Santa Grams:

Send your friends Santa Grams! All Santa Grams are due Wednesday, December 11th. Forms went home in Friday Folders before the Thanksgiving Break.

Lunch Menu:

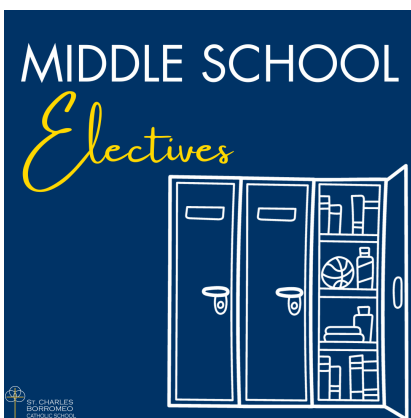
Please see the lunch menu online: [December Lunch Menu](#)

Virtus (Safe Environment) Training:

In order to volunteer on campus, you must have completed the Virtus Training. If you have completed the initial training, be sure to log into your account to make sure you are up to date with the background check and all modules! Please visit the following link to get started: [Virtus Training](#)

SCB Social:

Please also send us your photos/videos of your child participating in any school related events, extra-curricular activities or on an adventure to scbsocial@stcharlesb.org We love highlighting our students!



Middle School Electives

Middle School electives for 2nd trimester are out - parents, check your emails.

Fill out the form to register by 12/4.

[Middle School Elective Descriptions](#)
[Middle School Elective Sign Up](#)

SCB Gives Back

Shoes for the Children

The Shoe Liturgy will take place on
Friday, December 6th at 1:45pm

Before and After School and Masses,
members of our community can

purchase shoes before and after school or at weekend Masses.

In addition, because of the new drop-off and pick-up procedures, we will also have a google form to purchase shoes as well. These shoes will be delivered to your student's class each Friday. If you choose to purchase in this way, we will select the shoes for you. Your FACTS account will be charged for your purchase.



To purchase shoes click on the following link: [Shoe Order Form](#)

There is a GREAT need this year. Please prayerfully consider purchasing more than 1 pair of shoes if possible.

Shoes can then be taken home and stuffed with small useful items, such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, socks, pens, pencils, hairbrushes, soap, etc. or brought as-is to the Liturgy.

All shoes that are brought and presented at The Shoe Liturgy are bought specifically for a child in the Pierce County area. Shoes sizes have been sent to us from our Parish, agencies, and counselors who work with families needing assistance. At the beginning of December, we will collectively present the shoes during a Liturgy at the Church.



Snack Bars Donations

We are also collecting snack crackers for the month of December to support the St. Charles' and St. Leo's Food Banks.

Help **St. Charles Borromeo Parish** and **Santa for Seniors** bring JOY to our senior communities through our

Holiday Sock Drive!

We would love to receive soft, cozy socks to add to the holiday gift bags we share with isolated seniors!

Socks that work best are:



Unisex Sized

Cozy and Stretchy

Non-Slip



**Help us reach our goal of
1,000 donated socks!**

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ST. CHARLES BORROMEO
CATHOLIC PARISH

For more information about supporting isolated seniors
in the Puget Sound, email: SantaforSeniorsNW.org



SCB Goes Gatsby Information

Presented by Patriot Fire Protection



The Auction Registry is now LIVE!

It is a great time to mark your auction donation off your list of things to do! With all the Cyber Monday deals, check out our Auction Registry and take care of your auction requirement before the holidays!

SCB Goes Gatsby Auction Registry

Glassybaby Infusion Drinker

Looking for the perfect Christmas gift? This year, the

SCB Goes Gatsby auction is offering the Infusion drinker.

Cost: \$100 (including tax and delivery to SCB)

We currently have 50 Infusion Drinkers available. Purchases will be available for pick-up in early December in the Advancement Office.

Purchase Your Infusion Glassybaby Drinker Here!



Auction Most Wanted Items for December Restaurant Gifts of \$100 value or more

We are looking for restaurant gift cards valued at \$100 or more.

Some ideas include: Anthony's, Bar Bistro, Brix 25, Copper & Salt, El Gaucho, Farm 12, The Koi, Le Sel Bistro, Moctezuma's, The Powder Room, Primo Grill, Stanley & Seaforts

If you are willing to make a donation, please complete our online form here:

Donate an Item or email auction@stcharlesb.org

Sanity Skin

Celebrate the season of giving with Sanity Skin!
You get 15% off your order and Sanity Skin will give 15% to SCB. Orders will be delivered to St. Charles.

This makes a great Christmas gift!

<https://sanityskinproducts.com/>



Thank you to our Auction Sponsors!



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Auction Sponsorships are Available!

Auction Sponsorship Packets were sent home in Friday Folders. We have both Auction Underwriting Sponsorships and Event Night Sponsorships Available.

For more information, you can also visit our sponsorship page on the auction website: [Auction Sponsorship Opportunities](#)

SCOPE

SCOPE is our parent/teacher organization.
SCOPE stands for St. Charles Organization of Parents & Educators.

This is a great way to get involved in the school and community, find out about events, and meet new families. We would love for you to join us!



Join us for SCOPE Movie Night at Blue Mouse!



Brown Bear Car Wash Tickets are available this Friday!



Join us for SCOPE's Christmas Gathering at Katie Downs!

December 3rd

@ 6 P.M.

Get in the Christmas spirit
with SCOPE!

Admission is provided.
Concessions will be
available for purchase.

Purchase your Berry Clean
Carwash Tickets for your
Stocking Stuffers this
Christmas!

Each ticket costs \$12 and
St. Charles keeps \$9.50!

Order forms will be in this
week's Friday Folders!

Join us Tuesday,
December 17th for our
Annual Christmas
Gathering

This is open to all St.
Charles' parents and
guardians.

Let us know you are
coming by RSVP'ing [here!](#)

Regal Movie Tickets

Get your Regal Movie Ticket Bundles to support St.
Charles Borromeo Catholic School for \$30.00 per order!

Bundle Includes: 2 Movie Tickets redeemable at any
Regal location nationwide.

**Order Regal Movie Ticket Bundles Supporting St.
Charles Borromeo Catholic School!**



SCOPE Volunteer Opportunities

Brown Bear Car Wash Ticket Sales at Mass:

Sell Brown Bear Tickets before and after weekend masses:
Car Wash Ticket Sales

Open Positions for the 2024-2025 School Year:

We have several ways to get involved. If you are interested in serving in any of the
open positions, please sign up here:

SCOPE Open Positions

SCB Athletics



Basketball Season is underway for all!

Middle School boys games are all on [Athletics Schedule](#)

Middle School girls will begin January 6th, 2025. Rosters are closed
and teams are created.

Jamboree for teams for 2nd - 5th grade teams is scheduled on 12/14. Coaches have
game schedules.

2025-2026 Enrollment Open House Information



Enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year is open for new students!

Applications have opened for new students for the 2025-2026 academic year. We will open reenrollment for current students after Christmas.

If you have a new student who you would like to enroll for the 2025-2026 school year, please be sure to fill out an application for them. This includes siblings of current students.

[Apply here!](#)

Open House Information

If you know anyone who is interested in St. Charles, please encourage them to attend one of our Open Houses.

These are for students from Toddler - 8th grade.

| 2024 | 2025 |
|---------------|--------------|
| OCTOBER 15TH | JANUARY 7TH |
| OCTOBER 29TH | JANUARY 21ST |
| NOVEMBER 12TH | FEBRUARY 4TH |
| NOVEMBER 19TH | MARCH 4TH |
| DECEMBER 3RD | MARCH 11TH |
| DECEMBER 10TH | |
| DECEMBER 17TH | |

Join us!

ALL OPEN HOUSES ARE FROM 9AM-11AM.
EVENING TOURS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.



Financial Aid Applications are open for the 2025-2026 School Year

All applicants for tuition scholarships must complete the online **FACTS Grant & Aid** application by December 31, 2024 for the 2025-2026 school year for Fulcrum scholarships.

The application will be posted on the Fulcrum Foundation's website on October 1, 2024. Please

click [here](#) to be directed to the online application.

SCB Volunteer Opportunities

2024-2025 Volunteer Opportunities

- **Playground Help:** Volunteer to Help on the Playground
- **Health Room:** Volunteer to Help in the Health Room
- **Lunch Room:** Volunteer to Help in the Lunch Room

- **Shoes for the Children:** Volunteer to Sell Shoes for the Shoe Liturgy
- **Basketball Scoring:** Volunteer to Help Score Basketball Games
- **Parish Office Help:** If you are interested in helping in the Parish Office, please contact Cathy Lamet at 253-564-5185 ext. 3011

**SCHOOL
VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES**

Counselor Corner



If you would like your student to spend time with Mrs. Nelson, please fill out the [Counseling Request Form](#)

If you are interested in getting a referral through our Care Solace partnership, please contact Mrs. Nelson.



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