

PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY UPDATE AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

WALKING THROUGH THE HOLIEST DAYS OF OUR FAITH



As we reach the final days of Lent, we enter into the heart of our Christian story: the **Holy Triduum**—the sacred three days that lead us from the Last Supper to the joy of the Resurrection.

Today, on **Holy Thursday**, we recall the moment when Jesus gathered with His disciples for the Last Supper. He washed their feet, broke bread, and gave us the gift of the Eucharist—a lasting reminder of His love and a call to serve others with humility. Tomorrow, on **Good Friday**, we will pause to reflect on the depth of Christ's sacrifice. In silence and reverence, we remember His suffering and death on the cross—a powerful act of love that brings hope to the world.



On **Holy Saturday**, we wait in stillness and prayer, preparing our hearts for the light of Easter. As the darkness gives way to dawn, we will celebrate the **Resurrection** at the Easter Vigil, rejoicing in the promise of new life.

This week at school, we took time to reflect as a community through a special **Lenten assembly** led by some of our **Grade 7 and 8 students**. Their thoughtful leadership helped guide us through the meaning of these sacred days and reminded us of the importance of prayer, reflection, and preparing our hearts for Easter.

These days invite us to enter fully into the mystery of our faith—together, as a school community, and as families of faith. May this sacred time bring peace to your hearts and homes as we prepare to celebrate the joy of Easter.



TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENED THIS WEEK...

- ✓ Advisory Groups
- ✓ Musical Bake Sale
- ✓ Wednesday Pizza Fundraising Lunch
- ✓ PAC Meeting
- ✓ Musical Practices
- ✓ Lenten Assembly – Stations of the Cross
- ✓ Good Friday – No School, No BASC

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK...

- Happy Easter!
- Easter Monday – No School, No BASC
- Blue and Green Colour Day and Take Pride Winnipeg Assembly in celebration of Earth Day Tuesday, April 22nd
- Enrichment Classes
- Wednesday Subway/Hot Dog Fundraising Lunch
- Musical Practices

LOOK WHAT'S COMING UP...

- ❖ Advisory Groups
- ❖ Badminton Tournament April 29th to May 1st
- ❖ Wednesday Pizza Fundraising Lunch
- ❖ Band & Instrument Picture Day Wednesday, April 30th
- ❖ 230 pm Early Dismissal Thursday, May 1st
- ❖ Uniform Fitting Days Thursday, May 1st and Friday, May 2nd 11 am to 6 pm
- ❖ School Musical "Dot & the Kangaroo Jr." at the WAG Monday, May 5th

SCCS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Save the Date! This year's Golf Tournament is Thursday, May 22, 2025 @ Breezy Bend Golf Course, please mark it in your calendars!

We need help from the entire St Charles community to make this a success.

Golfer Registration Form:
[GolferREGISTRATION2025PDF Document - 197 KB](#)
Sponsorship Form:
[SCCSSponsorshipPACKAGE-2025PDF Document - 193 KB](#)



PARKING Information



Thank you to everyone in our community for following parking protocols and signage to help keep our students safe!

Please remember that only one side of **Augier Avenue** is for stopping. The school side of the road is a no parking, stopping area.

Volunteers Needed! We are always looking for extra hands to support this initiative. As a thank you, FREE BASC (Before and After School Care) is offered to our volunteers. Sign up for Loading Zone Patrol (Monday–Friday) on Parent Zone!

PRIVATE MUSIC LESSON (PML)



We are excited to announce that registration for the SCCS Private Music Lesson (PML) Program is now open for the 2025–2026 school year! This year, registration and payment will be handled conveniently through Permission Click. Lessons are offered during the school day on a variety of instruments, and students will be accepted until program capacity is reached. Once accepted, an

invoice will be issued for payment.

Important:

- Continuing students are guaranteed their spot if registered by May 12th.
- New students are encouraged to register early, as spaces fill quickly.

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Gingrich, PML Coordinator at mgingrich@stccs.ca. Here is the link to sign up: [Permission Click](#)

UNIFORM FITTING DAYS – MAY 1ST & 2ND

Uniform fittings will take place at the school on May 1st and 2nd. Our uniform provider, *Envision*, will be on-site to assist with fittings, take orders, and answer any questions you may have.

Please use the link below to book your appointment:

[BOOK YOUR UNIFORM FITTING Thursday, May 1 or Friday, May 2, 2025 11 AM - 6 PM](#)

We are also looking for volunteers to help out during the fitting days. If you're available, please sign up here:

[VOLUNTEER TO ASSIST WITH UNIFORM FITTING DAYS Thursday, May 1 and Friday, May 2, 2025](#)

Thank you for your support!



We are looking to add more fun and engaging items to our outdoor play areas! If you have any gently used **sandbox toys** or **playhouse toys** that your family no longer needs, we would greatly appreciate your donations. These items help enhance creative play and outdoor learning for our students.

If you would like to contribute, please drop off any donations at the school office. Thank you for your generosity!

BASC

Updates & Reminders

- BLINE is on Wednesday
- Tuesday is Easter Craft
- BLINE demo & testing is Wednesday, April 30th in the gym. Come and check it out.
- May & June programs are almost full (K-2 Baking & K-2 Tennis are full).

Summer Camp applications are due April 30th! Some weeks are already full. If interested, please contact Ms. Furutani:  kfurutani@stccs.ca  **204-880-8245**

CHOCOLATES



We have some chocolates left and are offering them at **50% off!**

- Almond cases – \$50 each
- Variety cases – \$45 each

Plus, when you purchase a case, you'll receive 1 VIP hour!

To get your cases, please visit the office—payment is required at pick-up.

School Musical at the WAG



St. Charles Catholic School is performing Dot & the Kangaroo Jr. at the Winnipeg Art Gallery on May 5th with a matinee and evening show. Tickets are available in the school front office or please contact Ms. Furutani.

There are also 3 gift baskets to win, and tickets can be purchased in the front office and on May 5th.

Thank you for your support!

Help Needed: Prop Transport to the WAG

We need your support in moving props and set pieces from the school to the Winnipeg Art Gallery.

We're looking for one or two trucks to assist with transporting items on

Sunday, May 4th around noon. The actual move to the WAG will take place on Monday, May 5th, 2025.

If you're available and able to help, we'd greatly appreciate it!

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL BAND – DONATE AN INSTRUMENT!

Do you have a band instrument sitting in storage, unused and collecting dust? Put it to good use by donating it to our school! Our music program is always in need of instruments to ensure every student can learn and play. If you have an instrument to donate, please bring it to the school office or contact Mrs. Gregorchuk. Thank you for your support!



WE NEED YOUR INPUT!



As we begin planning our fundraising efforts for next year, we're asking all parents to complete our Fundraising Survey. Your feedback is incredibly important—it helps us understand what works, what doesn't, and where we can improve.

Please take a few minutes to share your insights and help shape the future of fundraising at our school. Here is the link:

[**ST. CHARLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL FUNDRAISING SURVEY**](#)

Band Photos – April 30th at 9:00 AM



Lifetouch will be at the school on Tuesday, April 30th starting at 9:00 AM to take individual and class photos of all students in Grades 6–8 who are part of the band program.

These photos will serve as a keepsake of the students' participation in the music program. They also provide families with a special way to commemorate their child's involvement in band.

All students will receive a photo package with details on how to place an order.



These two concerts mark an exciting new chapter in our school's musical journey, and we cannot wait to showcase the incredible talent and hard work of our students. Over the past few months, they have been diligently preparing under the enthusiastic and skilled direction of Mrs. Christelle Gregorchuk, our K–8 Orff, Choral, and Band Specialist. Her passion and leadership have truly brought these performances to life!

K–8 Spring Concert

Thursday, May 29 at 6:30 p.m.

St. Paul's High School Multiplex 2200 Grant Ave

Students should arrive at 6:00 p.m. in colour clothes and are encouraged to wear their "Sunday Best."

Grade 6–8 Spring Band Concert

Thursday, June 12 at 6:30 p.m.

St. Charles Catholic Parish 320 St. Charles Street

Students should arrive at 6:00 p.m. in their best school uniforms, with their instruments and music.

Percussion instruments will be transported to the church for students.

BURSARY APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

Bursary applications for the 2025-2026 school year are now available on Parent Zone under [Forms & Documents](#). If you require a printed copy, please call the school directly.

The deadline for submission is May 16th at 4:00 PM. Applications should be placed in a sealed envelope addressed to Mrs. Prettie and submitted to the school office. All applications will remain confidential and will be reviewed by the bursary committee.

If you have any questions about the bursary process, please feel free to contact me directly.



40 CANS FOR LENT



Lenten Food Collection – Final Week to Donate

During Lent, we have been collecting canned food donations for Winnipeg Harvest to support those in need in our community.

The final pickup is scheduled for next week, so we invite families to consider making a final contribution if they haven't already.

Please drop off any canned food donations inside the school near the cross by Wednesday, April 23.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

TURF CAMPAIGN

We are asking for your help! So far, we have raised **\$72,095**. Amazing!
You can track our progress on the website.

 Saint Charles Catholic School

From the Ground up

Help us transform our school field where the students and our community can play, learn, and thrive.



Fielding Greatness

Your donation paves the way for a vibrant school community, fostering health, teamwork, and lifelong memories. Together, we can create a dynamic space where every child can thrive. Your support makes a lasting impact. Donate today!

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We Need Your Help

Join us in raising funds for a new school turf field! This much-needed upgrade will provide our students with a safe, durable space for sports and outdoor activities, enhancing their physical health and fostering a stronger school community.

Our Goal

Our goal is to fundraise \$250,000 for a new school turf field! Your donation will create a safe, high-quality space for students to engage in sports and outdoor activities, promoting health, teamwork, and school spirit. Every contribution brings us closer to transforming our students' experiences.

Donate Today



HELP BUILD OUR PLAYGROUND

The turf is our first phase, with plans for further improvements to our space in the future as money allows. The funds from the chocolate and raffle sales as well as the Wednesday Fun Lunch over the next 2 years are earmarked toward this project. We have also developed a turf campaign and sponsorship package as we require additional support to move further on our playground improvements.



PHASE TWO:

Outdoor classroom with seating
Sitting area for recess

FINAL DESIGN MAY VARY

PLEDGE TODAY



**“He humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.
Therefore, God also highly exalted him.”**
Philippians 2:8–9

Have a Blessed Holy weekend - Happy Easter!

Sincerely,



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