



Middle school
students dish
out the scoop
at St. Charles
Borromeo
School!



Check out the
Class of 2023
Spotlights!



Where are they
going to high
school?

8th graders create
Odes, lyrical poems
dedicated to some-
one or something
praising and/or
celebrating a
person, event or
object.

Don't miss some
talented works of
art and poetry in our
Creative Corner!

Special thanks to our
sponsors of this
special Graduation
Edition:

Hilsee Family

Crowley Family

"Catie, you are so loved
and we are so proud of
you. Good luck in
Camden Catholic! You
will do awesome.
Love, Mommy and
Jimmy"

Beta Club Update

This year the Beta Club had many fundraisers. Some included dress down days, raffles, and bake sales.

Our dress down days were all for amazing causes such as breast cancer awareness and children's cancer awareness. The raffles we held were for different holidays. We created baskets with treats and activities, and we also held "guess-the-number of treats in a jar." Our bake sales have been so much fun for everyone. We are very thankful to all those who contributed by bringing in baked goods, and we hope the students enjoyed getting additional treats at lunch.

The Beta Club officers have had so much fun this year with all these activities. We are going to miss planning events and working with our student body. But most of all, we are going to miss all the support from the students and teachers.

Finally, we would like to thank our advisers, Mrs. Culp and Mrs. Drumm, for their guidance, and our principal, Mr. Johnson, for his continuous support this school year.

Thank you.

The Beta Club Officers

- Laura Sherlock, Gina DiGiovanni, Alexa Mammola, and Cole Williams





By: Walter Nicgorski - 6A

As the Carnival Approaches

As the carnival approaches,
construction is ready to start.
We see food tents, games, and rides,
and every single part.

What makes the carnival special
is the family time we love.
Just ride on the ferris wheel,
and see it all from up above!

By: Kate O'Connor - 6A



By: Andrew Costa - 7A

Spending Time with Friends

Spending times with friends
Up late
Melting ice cream
Memories with family
Eating junk food
Riding bikes near the ocean

By: Zoe Flaton - 7A

Interviews with St. Charles Staff Members

AN INTERVIEW WITH MR. JOHNSON

By: Catie Crowley 8A, Madison Monaghan 8A, and Zoe Flaton 7A

Q - Where did you teach before St. Charles?

A - I taught Religion to all grades at St. John Vianney High School.

Q - Why did you want to become a principal?

A - I had a vision of how a school should be.

Q - Why did you choose to be a principal here since you live far away?

A - I knew Fr. Dan and we worked together so when I heard there was a job opening, I was excited to work with him again.

Q - Describe your leadership style.

A - Collaborative and empowering

Q - What was your proudest moment at St. Charles this year?

A - Catholic Schools Week because of how involved everyone was.

Q - When you were a kid, how did you feel about school?

A - I didn't like school until I was in college.

Q - What would you tell your younger self, now that you're a principal at St. Charles?

A - Be aware of your decisions because they can impact your future.

Q - Where do you see yourself in 5 years?

A - Here at SCB.

Q - What motivates you?

A - What motivates me is the desire to make life better for others.

Q - What is your #1 goal for the 2023-24 school year?

A - To bring us closer as a community

Q - What is your favorite sport?

A - I like to watch football and play golf.

Q - What is your favorite thing to do over the weekends?

A - Play with my kids, outdoor activities, and cooking

AN INTERVIEW WITH MRS. GLASS

By: Ele Appolo and Kate O'Connor - 6A

Q - How many years have you been at St. Charles?

A - I have been here 10 years.

Q - Why did you come to St. Charles?

A - I love God, his children, and Catholic education.

Q - What is your degree in?

A - My degree is in Education.

Q - What grade school did you attend?

A - I went to St. Denis in Manasquan, NJ, but later switched to Our Lady Star of the Sea in Cape May, NJ.

Q - What did you want to be when you grew up?

A - I always wanted to be a mom.

Q - What was your first job?

A - I was an employee at the Pomona snack bar.

Q - Do you have any pets?

A - No, but in loving memory of Ollie, our beloved family dog for six years.

AN INTERVIEW WITH MR. THOMAS

By: Bebe Felices and Connor Williams - 6A

Q - Where did you grow up?

A - Africa

Q - How many siblings do you have?

A - 7

Q - What school did you go to?

A - I went to a school in Africa.

Q - Who was your favorite teacher?

A - My history teacher

Q - What did you want to be when you grew up?

A - A mechanic

Q - How long have you worked at SCB?

A - 20 years

Q - When is your birthday?

A - July 23

Q - What town do you live in?

A - Edgewater Park

Q - What are your favorite colors?

A - blue, red

Q - What was your favorite food growing up?

A - rice

Q - What is your favorite sport?

A - soccer

Q - What is your favorite soccer team?

A - Liverpool

Where are the 8th graders going to high school?

Jaylen Banks

I chose to attend Holy Cross because I really like the school, the environment, and their sports programs. I heard that the teachers are very nice and their block scheduling is great.



Carissa Garofalo

I chose to attend Holy Cross Prep Academy because my brother attends there and my sister graduated from there. Another reason I chose Holy Cross is because it's not that far away from my house so we won't have to leave so early in the morning. Holy Cross is also affordable and it doesn't cost much so I am able to save up for college.



Madison Monaghan

I chose to attend Nazareth Academy High School because I instantly felt connected to the welcoming atmosphere. I attended so many events, and all of the girls were so kind. Nazareth provides many extracurriculars, clubs, and athletics for everyone to participate in.



Gina DiGiovanni

I chose to attend Holy Cross Preparatory Academy because I liked it when I shadowed and because my brother goes there.



Tripp Richards

I chose to attend Cinnaminson High School because a lot of my friends are going there and it's not too far from my house.



Caitlyn Crowley

I chose to attend Camden Catholic High School because my brother goes there, and I already have so many friends there. The curriculum

at Camden Catholic is also very challenging.



Cole Williams

I chose to attend Holy Cross Preparatory Academy because it offers a great curriculum. I was also offered a scholarship, and I will have many opportunities in sports.

Andrew Morton

I chose to attend Paul VI High School because they have exceptional academics, a great sports program, and many electives and clubs.



Laina Craig

I chose to attend Bishop Eustace Preparatory Academy because after my shadow day I really enjoyed the school and atmosphere. I could see myself being a student there which is

why I chose Bishop Eustace.



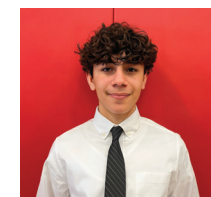
Alexa Mammola

I chose to attend Delran High School because they have a great academic curriculum. I am also going to try out for their cheerleading team because I have been cheering my whole life. My friends from Delran Middle School will also be attending next year, but I am so excited to make new friends.



Dominic DeMarco

I chose to attend Bishop Eustace Preparatory Academy because I feel like it will have the best education for me. I also feel like it will get me into any college that I want.



Andrew Hill

I chose to attend Bishop Eustace because I liked the school and its environment. It seems like it is a great place to go to have an excellent school experience.



Erick Ordonez

I chose to attend Moorestown High School because the school is closest to the house I'm moving into.

Andre Blalock

I chose to attend Cherry Hill West High School because it has a great athletic program for basketball, and many of my friends are going to the same high school. Another reason is because it's right around the corner from my house.



Charles Layne

I chose to attend Holy Cross Preparatory Academy because of the teachers as well as the very respectable curriculum.



Laura Sherlock

I chose to attend Holy Cross Preparatory Academy because I have a lot of friends there, and when I shadowed everyone was so welcoming. I also chose to go there because of their wide variety of classes as well as extracurricular activities.



Gavin Robinson

I chose to attend Cinnaminson High School because they have a good athletic program and because I live in Cinnaminson.



Michael Gross

I chose to attend Holy Cross Preparatory Academy because I would like to play football and basketball with my brother.

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Jaylen Banks

**High School Attending
 Holy Cross Preparatory
 Academy**

**What activities were you
 involved in throughout
 your years at St. Charles?
 CYO Basketball, Track Team**

**What are some of your
 favorite memories at
 St. Charles?
 Catholic Schools Week,
 carnival**

**What will you miss about
 St. Charles?
 recess, playing football
 outside every day, Field Day,
 friends**

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Andre Blalock

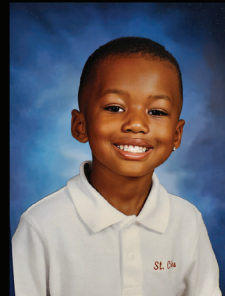
**High School Attending
 Cherry Hill West High School**

**What activities were you
 involved in throughout your
 years at St. Charles?
 CYO Basketball, Track Team**

**What are some of your
 favorite memories at
 St. Charles?
 Winning 3 CYO Basketball
 championships with my
 teammates, Science projects,
 running track, Catholic
 Schools Week, school plays,
 class trips, Field Day**

**What will you miss about
 St. Charles?
 teachers, my buddy, friends**

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Laina Craig

**High School Attending
 Bishop Eustace Preparatory**

**What activities were you
 involved in throughout your
 years at St. Charles?
 CYO Basketball, Religious Ed
 Aide, Mission Rep 6th - 8th,
 Track, Pre-K Lunch Helper,
 BETA Club, Living Stations,
 Yearbook**

**What are some of your favorite
 memories at St. Charles?
 teachers vs. students volleyball
 game, helping the first graders
 in Religious Ed, carnival,
 fundraisers, making lifelong
 friends**

**What will you miss about
 St. Charles?
 Field Day, Catholic Schools
 Week, teachers, friends**

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Caitlyn Crowley

**High School Attending
 Camden Catholic High School**

**What activities were you
 involved in throughout your
 years at St. Charles?
 BETA Club Member, Altar Server,
 Afternoon Prayers, Pre-K Lunches,
 Lunch Helper, CYO Basketball,
 Theater Club, Yearbook**

**What are some of your favorite
 memories at St. Charles?
 Mr. Clingerman's 7th grade
 Religion class, second grade play,
 teachers vs. 8th grade volleyball
 game, Field Day, remote learning,
 fundraisers, Catholic Schools
 Week, class trips**

**What will you miss about
 St. Charles?
 staff, little kids, friends**

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Gina DiGiovanni

**High School Attending
Holy Cross Preparatory Academy**

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

CYO Basketball, Track, Bus Safety, BETA Club, BETA Club Vice President, Pre-K Lunch Helper, plays, Living Stations, Mrs. Phillips Cart Helper

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

Fun Fridays with Mrs. Elliott, Buddy Bear Mixer, winning CYO Championships, 6th Grade Social Studies, class parties, Catholic Schools Week, volleyball vs. the teachers, Mrs. Phillips gym classes, Reindeer Dance, Field Day

What will you miss about St. Charles?

friends, teachers, buddies, 8th grade lunch, recess

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Dominic DeMarco

**High School Attending
Bishop Eustace Preparatory**

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

Live Stream Operator, Bus Safety, CYO Basketball, Lunchroom Helper, BETA Club

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

field trips with the class, 8th grade vs. parents volleyball game

What will you miss about St. Charles?

Field Day, hanging with buddies

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Carissa Garofalo

**High School Attending
Holy Cross Preparatory Academy**

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

BETA Club, CYO Basketball, Track, Religious Ed Aide, Pre-K Lunches, Yearbook

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

teachers vs. students volleyball game, Mr. Clingerman's class, meeting new friends, fundraisers, Mrs. Hudson's and Mrs. Martino's gym classes, field trips, Carnival, Walk-A-thon, holiday parties with room moms, Reindeer Dance, Father Daughter Dance, remote learning, helping with Religious Ed, Catholic Schools Week

What will you miss about St. Charles?

Field Day, the teachers, younger kids, buddies, one pagers, trying to get the high score in Keep It Up, talking to Mr. Johnson at lunch, watching CYO Championship games, going to school with my sister, working at the carnival, seeing my friends every day

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Michael Gross

**High School Attending
Holy Cross Preparatory Academy**

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

CYO Basketball, Track, Bus Safety

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

playing football with Mr. Thomas and Mr. Clingerman, carnival

What will you miss about St. Charles?

buddies, teachers, friends, principal

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Andrew Hill

High School Attending
Bishop Eustace Preparatory

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

CYO Basketball, Track, Spring/Winter plays, Living Stations, Pre-K lunches, Robotics

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

classes with Mr. Clingerman, 8th grade volleyball game, Fun Fridays with Mrs. Elliott, gym with Mrs. Phillips

What will you miss about St. Charles?

recess, friends, buddies

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Charles Layne

High School Attending
Holy Cross Preparatory Academy

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

Living Stations, Pre-K Lunches, Afternoon Announcements

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

playing football at recess with Mr. Thomas and Mr. Clingerman, playing chess on the chromebooks during indoor recess

What will you miss about St. Charles?

The one thing I will definitely miss about St. Charles will be the teachers and faculty. They always tried their best to offer a great academic environment and tried to prepare us for the future.

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Alexa Mammola

High School Attending
Delran High School

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

CYO Basketball, Track, Choir, Lunchroom Aide, Mission Representative, Bus Safety, BETA Club Secretary, Yearbook

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

Christmas plays, 6th grade Social Studies, projects, Theater, class parties, lunch talks, Living Stations, field trips, teachers vs. students volleyball game, Spelling Bee, Reindeer Dance, Catholic Schools Week, Field Day

What will you miss about St. Charles?

teachers, friends, lunch talks, buddies, BETA Club talks with Mr. Johnson

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Madison Monaghan

High School Attending
Nazareth Academy High School

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

CYO Basketball, BETA Club, Pre-K Lunch Helper, CARES Helper

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

Field Day, Catholic Schools Week, volleyball at recess, making friends in younger grades, lunch helpers

What will you miss about St. Charles?

I will miss the bonds I made, very helpful teachers, interacting with younger kids at CARES, playing volleyball games, Christmas activities, Walk-A-Thon, and Art Class.

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Andrew Morton

**High School Attending
Paul VI High School**

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

Robotics, Christmas/Spring plays, Track, Bus Safety, Altar Server, Announcements, Living Stations, Pre-K Lunches

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

classes with Mr. Clingerman, recess football, 8th grade volleyball game

What will you miss about St. Charles?

Field Day, Mr. Clingerman's classes, friends, Catholic Schools Week, recess

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Erick Ordonez

**High School Attending
Moorestown High School**

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

Band

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

Spelling Bee, volleyball, Buddy Bear Mixer, gym, recess, bingo, Pre-K Lunches, 2nd grade and Pre-K buddies, seeing the high school plays, field trips, Field Day

What will you miss about St. Charles?

friends, teachers, buddies, 8th grade lunch, recess

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Tripp Richards

**High School Attending
Cinnaminson High School**

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

CYO Basketball, Track, Band, Drama Club, After School Art, Bus Safety, helping at lunch, volunteering at the carnival

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

playing football outside, writing books when I was younger, when Mr. Clingerman showed a Spider-Man clip, Mrs. Elliott's Fun Fridays

What will you miss about St. Charles?

friends

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Gavin Robinson

**High School Attending
Cinnaminson High School**

What activities were you involved in throughout your years at St. Charles?

CYO Basketball, Bus Safety, Pre-K Lunches, Living Stations, Christmas/Spring plays, Robotics, 8th grade volleyball game

What are some of your favorite memories at St. Charles?

football with Mr. Thomas and Mr. Clingerman, gym class with Mrs. Phillips, Sink or Swim with Mrs. Elliott, Field Day

What will you miss about St. Charles?


friends, recess, Field Day, Catholic Schools Week, buddies, lunch

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Laura Sherlock

**High School Attending
 Holy Cross Preparatory Academy**

**What activities were you involved
 in throughout your years at
 St. Charles?**

**BETA Club President, CYO Basketball,
 Morning Prayers, Track, Bus Safety,
 Choir, Pre-K Lunch Helper, Library
 Helper, BETA Club Member,
 performing in plays, Mrs. Phillips
 Gym Cart Helper, Theater Club**

**What are some of your favorite
 memories at St. Charles?**

**gym class with Mrs. Phillips,
 volleyball game against teachers,
 Catholic Schools Week, Fun Fridays
 with Mrs. Elliott, silent reading time
 with lollipops, Field Day, winning
 CYO championships, library with
 Mrs. Paglia, Reindeer Dance**

**What will you miss about
 St. Charles?**

**friends, buddies, teachers, 8th
 grade lunch, BETA Club talks with
 Mr. Johnson, younger kids**

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Cole Williams

**High School Attending
 Holy Cross Preparatory
 Academy**

**What activities were you involved
 in throughout your years at
 St. Charles?**

**BETA Club Treasurer, CYO
 Basketball, Choir, Pre-K Lunches,
 Robotics, Track**

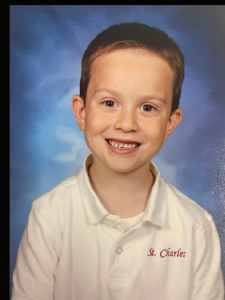
**What are some of your favorite
 memories at St. Charles?**

**recess football with Mr. Clingerman
 and Mr. Thomas, winning the CYO
 Championship, Mr. Clingerman's
 Religion class, Mrs. Elliott's Fun
 Fridays**

**What will you miss about
 St. Charles?**

**I will miss my friends, teachers,
 and coming to school every day.**

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Summer Word Search

V W X M Z G N B T R G M M Q G C S E V A W E W Z
R F X P P E Q V T T V M J T G H O K V D N P K M
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I A S N D X O E A R N M G W W A I U C B Z J C U

tanning lotion

sunburn

waves

tan

bees

vacation

lemonade

ocean

pool

sunscreen

popsicles

ice cream

fun in the sun

carnival

beach

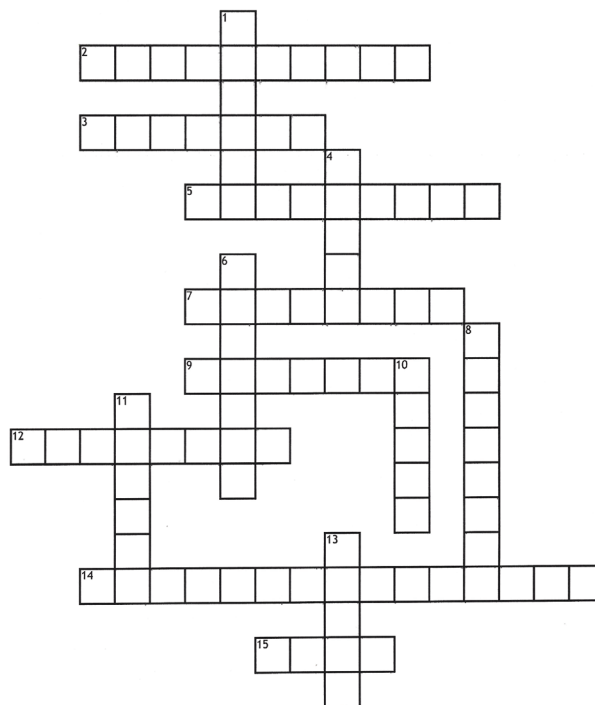
summer

flowers

sun

By: Ava Krumm - 6A

Middle School Crossword



Across

2. 8th Grade Versus Teachers _____ Tournament
3. Our art teacher is Ms. _____
5. A yearly walk around the school _____
7. Our vocabulary books are named Vocabulary _____
9. First name of Mr. Johnson _____

12. The cafeteria is also known as the _____ Hall

14. What someone fills out when someone is absent _____

15. Our school logo is a _____ claw

Down

1. First name of Mrs. Boland _____
4. Our after-school and before-school program is called _____

6. Jesus, yesterday, today, _____, I love you

8. First name of Mrs. Culp _____

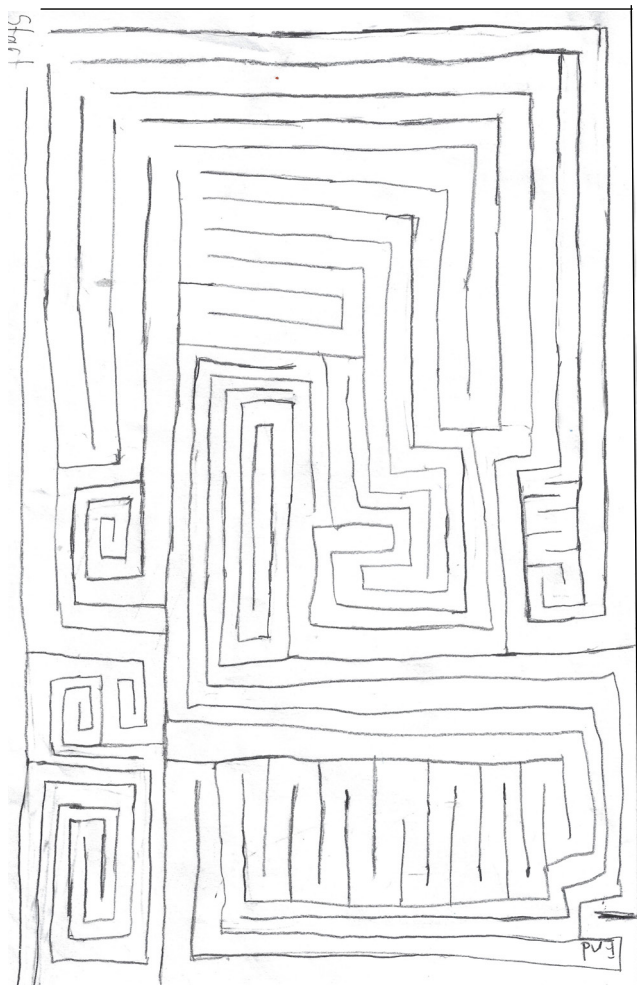
10. This is the place where we can learn, this is the school of our _____

11. First name of Mrs. Plunkett _____

13. First name of Ms. Barkowski _____

See answer key on page 15

By: Noah Nguyen - 7A



Feelings About Starting High School - By: 8A Students

Madison Monaghan

I am very nervous, but excited, to start high school. I am very happy about starting a new chapter in my life and meeting new friends. Leaving St. Charles is bittersweet, but I will always cherish the memories.

Michael Gross

I am excited to go to my new high school because I'm ready to make new friends, and I'm ready to meet my new teachers. I will miss SCB because I will miss my amazing teachers and friends.

Alexa Mammola

Leaving SCB will be hard for me. I have been here with some of my friends since PRE-K 3. Next year, I am looking forward to seeing my friends at Delran High School and making new ones. I can't wait to join the cheerleading team and have fun with the other girls. I'm excited to start high school and learn new things in a new environment.

Dominic DeMarco

I'm excited to leave SCB and start a new life in high school. I'm going to miss everything after I graduate such as the teachers and friends. After eleven years here at SCB, I am ready to face new challenges.

Laina Craig

I am excited to start high school, but I will miss Saint Charles a lot. I am excited to start high school because I will be playing volleyball and I will meet new friends. While I am excited to begin my high school experience, I will miss my teachers, friends, and the St. Charles school community.

Cole Williams

I feel excited about starting high school and can't wait for it to begin. I am sad about leaving SCB because I will be leaving many memories behind and leaving my friends.

Laura Sherlock

I am so excited to begin high school with my friends. But leaving SCB will be so hard for me because I have been here since PreK. I am going to miss everyone, and all the traditions.

Carissa Garofalo

Going to Holy Cross, or just high school, in general, seems a bit scary. But I'm very excited to meet new people, and I'm very excited to get together with some of my friends from my old school that are also attending Holy Cross. I hope I meet a lot of new friends but keep connections with the old friends.

Tripp Richards

I'm kind of nervous about going to high school, but I'm also excited. I'm excited that I'll be hanging out with my friends. But I'm nervous that I'll mess up and do something weird. But overall, I'm excited.

Gavin Robinson

I am excited to go to high school. I know it's going to be a lot of fun, but I am going to miss SCB, my friends, and memories here. I'm excited for what I'm going to do in high school like playing football, going to homecoming, prom, and other things.

Gina DiGiovanni

I am feeling both excited and sad about starting high school. I'm excited because I'm going to meet new people, play sports, and be in a different school than I have been for the past ten years. Although I am excited, I'm also sad because I won't be going to school with my friends anymore. Also, it will be sad because I have been going here my whole life and it won't be the same in another school. So, I think I'm more excited about leaving, but I know how much I'm going to miss St. Charles.

Charles Layne

I am most looking forward to the many classes Holy Cross has to offer. These classes include STEM, CAD, Honors Algebra, and many more. These classes will offer me a much better learning opportunity as well as prepare me for the future and its challenges.

Andre Blalock

I feel a little nervous about attending high school because I feel as if I'm not going to know where my classes are. I will miss SCB because of all my friends and teachers who I won't see every day.

Andrew Morton

I am looking forward to high school sports, different clubs, changing classes, and more freedom.

I am excited about leaving St. Charles and going somewhere new and being surrounded by new people. But it is an odd feeling since I've been at St. Charles most of my life, and it's sad to leave it behind.

Andrew Hill

Caitlyn Crowley

I feel excited to start high school because I am ready to make new friends. I am looking forward to a new place with new teachers and new people. I am also saddened to leave SCB because I have been here since kindergarten so that makes me sad to leave all of the friends I have made.

Jaylen Banks

I'm kind of excited and nervous at the same time because I'll be leaving a school that I have been at for nine years, I'll be excited to start a new school and move on.

Erick Ordonez

I feel excited and scared to be in a completely new school. I think it will be fun to meet new people and make new friends. I'm sad I have to leave SCB, but I'm happy that I get to go to a new school.

Ode to Summer

By: Alexa Mammola



Oh, Summer
Your sunshine is so bright
When I go to the beach
The ocean is in sight
Oh, summer
The breeze so cool
How I love swimming in that
Big blue pool
Oh, Summer
I love you



Ode to Baseball
By: Cole Williams

Oh baseball, the color of
the ball.
The red laces, the white ball.
The crack of the bat, the sound of the mitt,
after throwing the ball back.
I get excited when I have
a tournament
that I rush out of the house,
with all of my bats.
Oh baseball,
Thank you for everything.



Ode to Summer
By: Madison Monaghan

Summer oh Summer,
The sweet smell of the beach,
Dipping your feet in the sand,
The enjoyment of no school,
Tank tops, shorts, and bikinis,
Oh how I love Summer
The never-ending happiness,
The lifetime of friends,
Something I can never live without
The memories you cherish forever,
The sun against your face,
The showers after the beach,
Oh Summer Oh Summer,
How I love you forever

Ode to Rihanna
By: Dominic DeMarco



Oh Rihanna,
You're so loving and sweet,
Your music is my favorite treat,
Oh Rihanna,
You make me smile,
I could stay up late and listen to you for a while,
Oh Rihanna,
your albums make me happy,
I wish you could make another one
for me and my family,
Oh Rihanna,
Your smile is so bright,
Like "yellow diamonds in the light."

Ode to the Beach

By: Catie Crowley

Oh Beach, Oh Beach
You have that salty air smell,
that makes me want to scream
With the sound of waves and seagulls
Night soccer, Fourth of July,
and swimming in the ocean
With the blue sky
And shimmery sand
Oh Beach, Oh Beach
Thank you for your peace



Ode to Summer
By: Laina Craig

Oh Summer,
The sun so bright
The waves crashing on the sand
Oh Summer,
The birds chirping in the morning
As you reach your destination
To have a fun vacation
Oh Summer,
As the breeze blows
I'd be miserable without you
Oh Summer,
I'll always love you



Ode to the shore

By: Gina DiGiovanni

Oh Shore Oh shore
How i love you so much
In the summer and winter
The salty breeze
You are always the best
Oh Shore oh shore
That feeling you give
The sand and ocean
Boardwalks and waterparks
You will never disappoint



Ode to Summer
By: Laura Sherlock

Oh Summer,
Your weather so warm,
Your sun so bright,
How could I live without you?
Swimming in the pool,
Hanging out with friends,
Going to the beach,
Relaxing in the sun.
Oh Summer,
You leave no worry of school,
Put my birthday in sight,
And leaves me thinking of ice cream
Oh Summer,
Waves crashing over,
Sand in your toes,
Burning till red,
How could I live without you?





Ode to Church
By: Andrew Hill

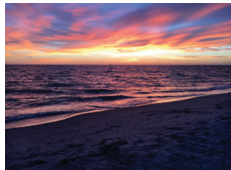
Oh Church,
Your beautiful stained glass
Your faithful community
Your songs of the choir and words from the priest
Oh Church,
Your bells and different prayers
I feel like I'm in heaven
When I walk through your door
Without you oh Church
I'd be spiritually poor



Ode to Holidays

By: Carissa Garofalo

Oh holidays, oh holidays
You fill me with joy
You make my heart happy
While kids get their toys
Oh holidays, oh holidays
With candy and food
Always seeing family
Everyone's in a good mood
Oh holidays, oh holidays
I couldn't live without you
Summer, Winter, Fall
And even Spring too
Oh holidays, oh holidays
I'm so glad that I have you
All year around
I would love you I knew



Ode to God

By: Andrew Morton

Oh God,
Your mysterious being is intriguing
Your three persons are all united
Oh God,
you make me feel safe when I pray to you
Your voice talking to me is so sweet
Oh God,
You are so strong yet so gentle
You are everywhere around me
Oh God,
I love you



Ode to Flowers

By: Erick Ordonez

Oh flowers, your beauty, natural and unique
The color of your blossoms radiate in all different colors
Your sweet, and refreshing scent
You fill mountains and plains with life
An ode to flowers
Who teach us love, and life
Who leave us dazed in their extravaganza
You, for years we have cherished
Flowers, your symbolism
You give us words when there are none to be spoken



Ode to Chess

By: Charles Layne

Oh chess, a board where light and dark converse,
Where ingenious strategies and powerful minds immerse.

Pawns advance, dreams of glory they chase,
While the kings and queens rule with power and grace.

Rooks stand tall, sturdy as castle walls,
while bishops run diagonally, a sense of grace in their arms.
Knights gallop boldly, on journeys anew, for in this ancient game,
many challenges may ensue.

Oh Chess, a battlefield of intellect's might, where many moves unfold,
filling you with pure delight.



Ode to Football
By: Gavin Robinson

Oh football, you make me so happy
With your tackles, passes, and throws

The sound of the crowd,
And coach calling the plays

You bring us together, no matter the score,
And give us memories that we'll always adore

The brown leather,
And the grassy field

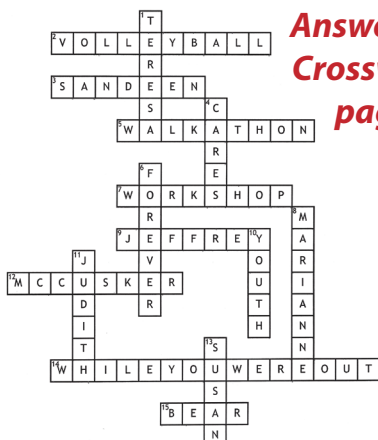
You are the sport that makes our hearts whole,
I will always love you,
with all of my soul.



Ode to Basketball
By: Jaylen Banks

Oh Basketball,
During the game,
Near the bench,
On the three point line,
On the court,
Between his legs,
Around the screen,
Through the defense,
Off the rim,
Swish on the net,
Shot the basketball player.

Middle School Crossword



**Answer key to
Crossword on
page 10**



Ode to Jimmy Butler
By: Michael Gross

Oh Jimmy, you are such a wonderful player
I'm happy you're on the team
this is the place you need to be
hopefully you win us a ring
Oh Jimmy, make your shots like you're Kobe
You have wonderful defense
block the shot like you're Shaq
shoot your 3 like Curry.
Oh Jimmy, make your dunks like you're Jordan
you're the best player I've ever seen.

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