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## News Release

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### Auto Burglaries Increasing

Probably the most common (and most preventable) crime seems to be on the increase again in St. Charles Parish, which is automobile break-ins, stated Sheriff Greg Champagne.

Typically a thief will enter an area or neighborhood and go on foot searching for unlocked vehicles. Once found, thieves will rummage through the vehicle looking for any valuables. Almost every car burglary which occurs in St. Charles Parish happens with an unlocked vehicle.

These vehicle burglaries, which usually occur around 2 AM . 4 AM are spread out throughout St. Charles Parish. This crime is easy to prevent. Citizens need to remember to remove all valuables from their vehicles and to lock their vehicles. Sheriff Champagne states, These simple precautions could all but eliminate auto burglary as a crime we face.