

# The Vigil

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church



**March 22, 2015**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
"The Reward of Faith"

**First Reading:**

Jeremiah 31:31–34  
(The new covenant)

**Second Reading:**

Hebrews 5:7–9  
(Jesus, compassionate high priest)

**Gospel:**

John 12:20–33  
(The coming of Jesus' hour)



## Pastor's Pen



In the Gospel today, we are reminded that we truly live when we give our lives away. Jesus says, "Those who try to save their lives will lose them while those who lose their lives for my sake will find them." In those moments when we become stingy with our stuff, or our time or our love or anything else, that stinginess begins to work on our souls. When we become pre-occupied in protecting our possessions or defending our egos or making sure we have all the leisure time we want, we stop living in the moment. When we stop living in the moments and seeing all the blessings that are present to us right now, we lose our focus and begin to lose our lives. Let's spend this week savoring the time we have with each other and seeing the blessings that are all around us. Let's find new ways to give our love and our lives away this week!

### The Holy Week Schedule for those who don't look beyond the first page:

**Palm Sunday: 8:15am and 11:30am Mass**

**(Procession around the neighborhood at the beginning of the 11:30am Mass).**

**Holy Thursday: 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper**

**Good Friday: 7pm Good Friday Service**

**Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil Service begins at 8:30pm**

**Easter Sunday: 11:30 Mass**

**(There is no 8:15 Mass on Easter but there will be a 9:45 Mass at Nativity)**

**I will be available for the sacrament of Reconciliation after the 11:30 Mass this week and next or call the rectory to make an appointment before Easter.**

### **St. Charles Mission Statement**

St. Charles Borromeo, a diverse urban parish of Detroit, is rooted in Christ's Gospel and Catholic tradition. We strive to build a community of faith through education, worship, and evangelization. We are called to carry on Christ's ministry to our brothers and sisters, especially the sick and their families, the elderly, youth, and the disabled. With Mary as our example of unconditional love, we strive to welcome everyone to share joyfully in the peace, love and salvation of Jesus Christ. We acknowledge that it is the Holy Spirit who calls and empowers us, who strengthens and renews us, and who gives us the will to continue our mission, until Jesus comes again in glory.

## Upcoming Events / Meetings

Ladies Night Out - 04/24/2015  
Black Catholic Women's Conference - 04/18/15  
Annual Grounds Clean-up - 05/02/15  
Annual Street Festival - 07/11/15  
Annual Dinner Dance - 09/18/15  
St. Charles Annual Concert - 11/14/15

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon., March 23:** Daniel 1:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3-4, 5, 6; John 8:1-11

**Tues., March 24:** Numbers 21: 4-9; Psalm 102: 2-3, 16-18, 19-21; John 8:21-30

**Wed., March 25:** Isaiah 7: 10-14, 8: 10; Psalm 40: 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Luke 1: 26-38

**Thurs., March 26:** Genesis 17: 3-9; Psalm 105: 4-5, 6-7, 89; John 8:5-59

**Fri., March 27:** Jeremiah 20: 10-13; Psalm 1: 2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Joh 10: 31-42

**Sat., March 28:** Ezekiel 37: 21-28; Psalm: Jeremiah 31: 10, 11-12abcd, 13; John 11: 45-56

**Sun., March 29:** Mark 11: 1-10; Isaiah 50: 4-7; Psalm 22: 8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Philippians 2: 6-11; Mark 14: 1 – 15: 47

### Rectory Hours: Mon-Thurs, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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### Pastoral Team

Bro. Ray Stadmeyer, OFM, Cap., Pastor  
Stephanie Vujic, Parish Council Chair  
Jessica Taylor, Parish Council Vice-Chair  
Rhonda Gilbert, Secretary  
Thomas Nance, Choir Director  
Priscilla Steenburg, Religious Education Director  
Gayle Koyton, Boulevard Ministry

### Council Members

Mary Ann Andrecovich	Jessica Taylor
Gerry Danielewicz	Stephanie Vujic
Rhonda Gilbert	Mark Wedgeworth
Autumn Hamilton (youth)	Frances Williams
Donna King	Paco Williams
Marcia Lee	Ashley Wilson
Diane Simpkins	Linda Young

### MARCH 2015 MASS INTENTIONS

**March 22**  
Elnora Allen

**March 25**  
Greta Jean Wedgeworth

**March 29**  
Victor Fileccia

### Weekly Collection 03/15/15

Envelopes	\$2,667.50
Loose	\$ 750.57
<u>Maintenance</u>	<u>\$ 186.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,604.07</b>

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

#### School Age Students

First Holy Communion class, today during 11:30 Mass.

Confirmation classes for 8<sup>th</sup> gr. and above meet in basement from 1-2:15pm

#### Adults & Young Adults

All adults (18 – 99+) who are interested in learning about becoming Catholic; already baptized Catholics who need to complete their sacraments; or those who would like a refresher course on Catholic identity, **are invited to meet with our RCIA director.** Please leave your contact information at the Parish Office at 313-331-0253. We will call you to set up a meeting time. *No obligations, just conversations!*

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE, STEPHANIE CHANG...** is hosting a series of Community Coffee Hours for her constituents. Come and meet Stephanie and let her know your priorities for our neighborhood.

- **Monday, March 30**, from 8-10 a.m. at the Telegram, 10748 W. Jefferson Ave. in River Rouge.
- **Monday, April 13**, from 4-6 p.m. at Red Hook Cafe West Village, 8025 Agnes St. in Detroit.
- **Monday, April 20**, from 5-6:30 p.m. at Cafe con Leche, 4200 Vernor Highway in Detroit.
- **Monday, April 27**, from 4-6 p.m. at the Ecorse Public Library, 4184 W. Jefferson Ave. in Ecorse.

**HOSPITALITY WISH LIST...** Below are some items that the hospitality committee could use. Please see Mary Ann Andrecovich or Suzan Anderson if you wish to donate one or more of the items:

- Large Microwave for the kitchen
- Large 30 cup or larger coffee pot
- Kitchen towels, pot holders, dish cloths
- Rolling cart to transport items from hospitality room to dining area

### Lent and Easter at St. Charles:

Stations of the Cross/Soup/Scripture –

Friday During Lent at 6:30pm (3/20)

*Holy Thursday Mass* – Thursday 4/2 7pm

*Good Friday Mass* – Friday 4/3 7pm

*Easter Vigil Mass* – Saturday 4/4 8:30pm

*Easter Sunday Mass* – Sunday, 4/5 **11:30am ONLY**

# Community

## *We Pray for the Healing Presence for...*

Bobby Allen  
Laura Andrecovich  
Cheryl Cherry  
LaTisha Dearing  
Kyle Duker  
Susanne Fileccia  
Mary Harvey  
Ann Hawthorn  
Ashley Howard  
Sr. Canice Johnson  
Sandra McCool  
Robert Preuss  
Jackie Terrell  
Larry Walker  
Francis Williams

### Questions of the Week

(Please see Today's Readings)

**Key Passage:** *Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.* (John 12:25)

**Adult:** When and in what way have you seen life come from death?

**Child:** When have you felt stronger because you sacrificed something for a friend or member of your family?

### CATHOLIC CORNER: "NO MATTER WHERE YOU GO, THERE YOU ARE"

John Shea offers this insight regarding *John 12:25*: "Those who think of themselves as separate individuals, who don't see themselves as connected to others spiritually or otherwise, will eventually die, i.e. be separated from their true destiny.

"However, for those who view themselves as part of God's beloved creation, as one among many of God's creatures, 'death will not be a loss but a transition into eternal life.'"

Fully human and fully divine Jesus shows us how to surrender our self-hood—that part that insists on "exerting our will to get what we want"—so that we can recognize and accept the love that God is continually pouring into us and which we, in turn, can pour out to others.

### THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS!

A heartfelt **thanks** to the following for their dedicated service to the St. Charles Parish Council for the past 3 years:

Steve Dearing and Pam Setla.

Your commitment was so helpful and so appreciated!

Congratulations to our newly selected Parish Council members:

Mary Ann Andrecovich (renewal of membership)

Gerry Danielewicz (renewal of membership)

Rhonda Gilbert

Autumn Hamilton (Youth Representative)

Diane Simpkins

Jessica Taylor (renewal of membership)

Mark Wedgeworth

*"The most difficult thing is the decision to act, the rest is merely tenacity. The fears are paper tigers. You can do anything you decide to do. You can act to change and control your life; and the procedure, the process is its own reward."* – Amelia Earhart

### LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING AT ST. CHARLES

Liturgical Minister roles are divided into three categories:

"Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion" is the formal title of laypeople who distribute the Eucharist during Mass. The Extraordinary Minister may be assigned to distribute either the Blood or the Body. **Training will take place on Sunday, April 19, 2015 at 10am.**

"Table Minister" is the title given to lay people who assist the priest with preparation of the table, dividing the Body among the Communion plates and dividing the Blood among the Communion chalices. **Training will take place on Sunday, May 3, 2015 at 10am.**

The lector is assigned to proclaim the readings from Sacred Scripture, with the exception of the Gospel. Here at St. Charles, one of the Sunday Lectors (usually the proclaimer of the second reading) also announces the General Intentions. **Training will take place on Sunday, May 24, 2015 at 10am.**

If you have been confirmed in the Catholic faith and are interested in serving in any of the above roles, please sign-up for the training (sheets on the back table) and then attend the training session! The sessions will take place in the chapel at 10am (between the Masses). If you have any questions, please see Rhonda Gilbert or Sister Mary Ellen Howard.

**Taste & See Shrine Trip, April 13th - 16th, 2015.** Join Fr. BEN LUEDTKE as we visit 10 Shrines/Basilicas in Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee. Sit in the audience of EWTN Live with Fr. Mitch Pacwa. Phone Rosemary for details and to reserve your spot. (519) 259-3220

**Deadline to avoid tax foreclosure March 31; Workshops are available -- Over 7,500 Detroit homeowners at risk of losing their homes to tax foreclosure have entered into payment agreements with the Wayne County Treasurer.** While that sounds like an impressive number, there are an estimated 10,000 additional owner-occupied homes that could be subject to foreclosure if payment arraignments are not made by March 31, 2015.

People who need to get into a payment arrangement are encouraged to contact the Wayne County Treasurer at 313-224-6105 or email [taxinfo@waynecounty.com](mailto:taxinfo@waynecounty.com). More information also can be found at [www.waynecounty.com/treasurer](http://www.waynecounty.com/treasurer).

A workshops to help people learn what they need to do before March 31 is as follows:

Saturday, March 28 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Hosted by U-Snap-Bac

Samaritan Center 5555 Conner, Detroit, MI 48213

**Solanus Casey Center's Lenten Series: Do You Believe?** Every Wednesday through April 1 During this time of prayer and fasting, we invite you to reflect on our Baptismal Promises in preparation for Easter. We will begin with a Noon Mass followed by a simple meal of soup and bread (\$3) and a Lenten reflection. Held at the Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mount Elliott Street, Detroit. [www.SolanusCenter.org](http://www.SolanusCenter.org)



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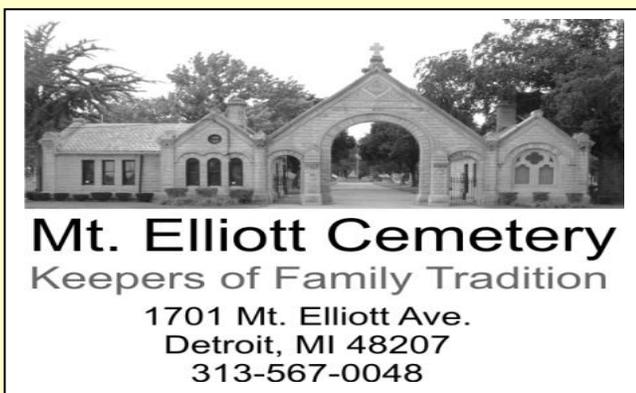
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*"As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony."*

--Colossians 3:12 & 14