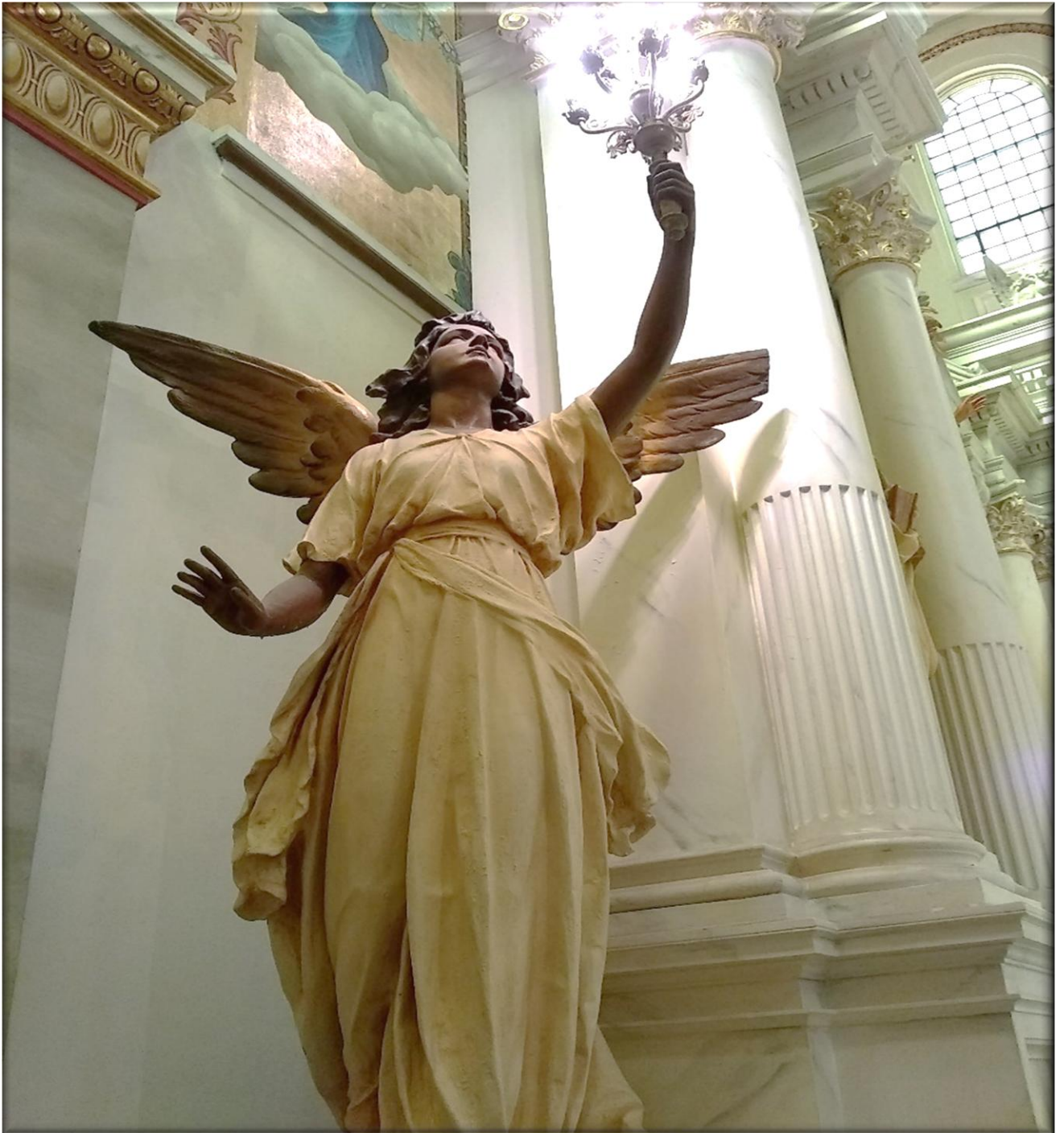

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

THE VIGIL

Sunday, November 09, 2025 (Year C)

The Dedication of the Lanteran Basilica



Thoughts for Today's Readings "With a Prayer..."

Sunday Food for Your Soul

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THE CHRISTIAN VIEW OF HUMAN DIGNITY: ARE YOU A TRUE DISCIPLE?

From a Christian perspective, human dignity is rooted in the understanding that every human being possesses an irrevocable ontological quality and moral implication that cannot be separated from their humanity. Unlike other creatures, every human being has an intrinsic worth that is an inalienable characteristic of human nature, because human beings are created in the Image of God (Imago Dei). God's breath of the spirit of life into the human person makes human beings unique creatures. Put differently, God's creation of man, used generically, and man's connection with God provides intrinsic dignity to humankind.

There is the recognition of human dignity as a moral principle. That is to say that morally speaking, every human being is entitled to respect. The respect that is the right of every human being is not dependent on money, race, gender, etc. It is the right of every human being as a member of the human species. Generally, therefore, the Christian view of human dignity is rooted in the theological trajectory of Imago Dei. That becomes the origin of the human dignity that every human being shares (Genesis 1:26–27). Consequently, human beings are called to responsibly participate in God's creation because of their unbreakable relationship with God. We participate in God's creation when we live the purpose of our lives here on earth.

Perhaps, it should be emphasized one more time that every human being has an intrinsic and natural value by virtue of just being a human being. The value is not based on external accidents. An individual's skin color, height, personal talents, good looks, social status, etc., for instance, does not increase or decrease the person's human dignity. Human dignity is inherent and intrinsic, obtained at birth because of one's humanness. Thus, there should be no room for discrimination, divisions, cliques, and looking down on others. The Christian God is a communion God, a God of unity not divisions. True disciples of God must be promoters of unity and communion in and of one body of Christ. And surely, true disciples of the Christian God must acknowledge and respect the dignity of every and all human beings because of the image and likeness of God in them. Are you a true disciple of the Christian God?

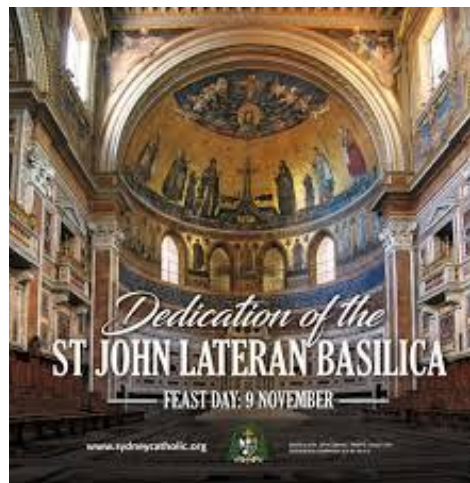
Fr. Francis Amsokase, SSJ

Sunday Community Dinners... As one of our most important ministries to our members and neighbors, we have been blessed. We are in need of more. If you and your group would like to sponsor a meal, please contact Georgia Kingsley via the rectory. **Today Sunday, November 9, 2025: Soup and Chili Potluck Cookoff; November 16, 2025: Villanueva, Bell, and Kaplan Families; November 23, 2025: Pastor Ava; November 30, 2025: NO MEAL (Holiday); December 7, 2025: Joann and George Eder; December 14, 2025: The Corner Table; December 21, 2025: SPONSOR NEEDED; December 28, 2025: NO MEAL (Holiday); January 4, 2026: SPONSOR NEEDED; January 11, 2026: Kim & Steve Llorens; January 18, 2026: Parish Council; January 25, 2026: St. Bonaventure Secular Franciscans**

Nativity Pantry News: We are so grateful for your continued support of the pantry. **This week we need Spaghetti Sauce (Gleaners didn't have any,) Spaghetti Noodles, and any extra staple item you have in your cupboard.** We were asked why just non-sweet cereal, just so you know, the families get a box of non-sweet and a box of sweet cereal. It so happens that we were able to get a great deal on sweet cereal, so we are set for a bit with that kind. Again, we thank you for all you do to help us.

Why Catholics Celebrate today as The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Catholics celebrate the dedication of the Lateran Basilica to honor the "mother church of all churches," the cathedral of the Bishop of Rome. This feast day symbolizes Catholic unity, reminds people of the Church's origins and history of religious freedom under Emperor Constantine, and serves as a monument to God and the Church's mission. It also encourages the faithful to see themselves as "living stones" of a spiritual temple built on Christ.



Protecting God's Children News

If you have registered for an account on Virtus.com (Protecting God's Children), but haven't logged into your account in the past 24 months, please know that your account may have been marked as "inactive" or "suspended". If you try to login and get a message that your account is inactive or suspended, please contact the parish office for assistance.

**PRAY FOR THE
HEALING PRESENCE**

Jean-Marie Allion
Anderson and Miller Family
Paul Andreovich
Kathy Ayoub
Mary Canaday
Jane Colombo
Kyle Duker
Jim Dutkiewicz
Doris Franklin
Anna Grabowski
Nancy Hayes
Carol Herman
Jim Howard
Joyce Hurley
Bertha Jackson-Hyde
Michelle Koss
Steve Lamendola
Nancy Loring
Michael Martin
Jacqueline Morant
Gloria Parham
Ronald Parham
Vertis Park, Sr.
Earlene Park-Williams
Orlando Richardson
Aaron Scott
Cherise Sweeney
Jonathan Taylor
Tommy Traylor
Anna Tyler
Guillerma Villanueva
Eldora White

Please call the rectory at 313-331-0253 to let us know when a name should be added to or removed from the list. Names will stay on the list for 3 months, but can be continued if we are notified of the wishes to do so.

MASS INTENTIONS

November 09, 2025
Kathy Hartway
November 16, 2025
Joyce Carson
Deceased Members of the Bann Family
November 23, 2025
Patricia Sweeting
Gayle Koyton
Waletha McCrary
November 30, 2025
Keith Carson
Carolyn Carson
Angela McDonald
December 7, 2025
Kyria, Kenyanna and Frank Richardson
December 14, 2025
Kevin Scully
Fred Murphy
Patrick Cunniffe
December 21, 2025
George Zigas
Alexander Grabowski
Elfrieda Samuel
December 28, 2025
Steven and Catherine Bogotaitis
Kevin Scully

TODAY'S READINGS

Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12
(Life-Giving Temple)

Psalm 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9
(God in its Midst)

First Corinthians 3: 9c-11, 16-17
(God's Building)

Second Chronicles 7: 16
(Consecrated House)

John 2: 13-22
(Jesus: Kiving Temple)

**The Holy Father's Intentions
for the Month of
November 2025**

For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Nov. 10: Wisdom 1: 1-7; Psalm 139: 1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Philippians 2: 15d, 16a; Luke 17: 1-6

Tues., Nov. 11: Wisdom 2: 23 – 3: 9; Psalm 34: 2-3, 16-17, 18-19; John 14: 23; Luke 17: 7-10

Wed., Nov. 12: Wisdom 6: 1-11; Psalm 82: 3-4, 6-7; First Thessalonians 5: 18; Luke 17: 11-19

Thurs., Nov. 13: Wisdom 7: 22b – 8: 1; Psalm 119: 89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175; John 15: 5; Luke 17: 20-25

Fri., Nov. 14: Wisdom 13: 1-9; Psalm 19: 2-3, 4-5ab; Luke 21: 28; Luke 17: 26-37

Sat., Nov. 15: Wisdom 18: 14-16; 19: 6-9; Psalm 105: 2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Second Thessalonians 2: 14; Luke 18: 1-8

Sun., Nov. 16: Malachi 4: 1-2a; Psalm 98: 5-6, 7-8, 9; Second Thessalonians 3: 7-12; Luke 21: 28; Luke 21: 5-19

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

Stewardship Spirituality

"Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells within you?" 1 CORINTHIANS 3:16

Remembering that **Stewards** are "temples of the Holy Spirit", should make our daily decision making relatively easy. If we truly want to imitate Jesus, then our words and actions should reflect the love, mercy, and forgiveness that flow from His Sacred Heart. Try it for one week. Try to remember that we temples of the Holy Spirit and see how it affects the way that you live.

**COLLECTION INFO
11-02-2025**

Collection \$3,970.58
Online \$1,642.00

TOTAL \$5,612.58

Black Catholic History Month November 2025

*Come to be known as our history too.
We are most human when we see the humanity in others.
- Author Unknown*

Black Catholic History Facts

1565: Blacks, both slave and free, helped to found this oldest city in the United States, St. Augustine, Florida. In 1693 Spain offers freedom in Florida to slaves who convert to Catholicism. Until 1763, these freed slaves lived in a community northeast of St. Augustine. Gracia Real de Santa Teresa de Mose, or Fort Mose, established in 1738, thus becomes the first free black town in the United States.

1780: The city of Chicago is founded by Jean Baptiste Point du Sable who participated in Catholic sacraments.

1781: Governor Don Felipe de Neve recruits 11 families to settle on the Porciuncula River, which is not Los Angeles. The settlers are all Catholic, a mix of Africans, Spanish, and Native Americans.

1889: Daniel Rudd calls the first Black Catholic Congress in Washington, D.C.

1909: The Knights of Peter Claver are founded in Mobile, AL, and, in 1922 the Ladies Auxiliary is authorized.

1920: The first seminary for Black men to study for priesthood, St. Augustine Seminary, is founded in Greenville, MS, by the Society of the Divine Word Missionaries.

1925: Xavier University of Louisiana is founded by St. Katharine Drexel.

1984: The Black Bishops of the United States release their document, *What We Have Seen and Heard: A Pastoral Letter on Evangelization*, was published.

1989: Servant of God, Sr. Thea Bowman, FSPA, addresses the USCCB about “What Does It Mean to Be Black and Catholic?”

On the Road to Sainthood: Leaders of African Descent

Venerable Pierre Toussaint (1776-1853)

Venerable Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange (1784-1882)

Venerable Henriette Delille (1813-1862)

Venerable Fr. Augustus Tolton (1854-1897)

Servant of God Julia Greeley (1848-1918)

Servant of God Sr. Thea Bowman, FSPA (1937-1990)

Servant of God Friar Martin de Porres Maria Ward (1928-1999)

Parish Nurse Notes and Notes

November is National Diabetes Month

November is National Diabetes Month, a time to raise awareness about diabetes and the importance of prevention, early detection, and healthy living. Diabetes affects millions of Americans, and many more are at risk of developing Type 2 diabetes due to lifestyle factors such as diet, physical inactivity, and excess weight.

This year's focus is on building healthy habits for lasting change. Even small steps can make a big difference! Try to include more fruits, vegetables, and whole grains in your meals, aim for at least 30 minutes of physical activity most days, and schedule regular checkups with your healthcare provider. Monitoring blood sugar levels and maintaining a healthy weight are key to preventing complications and promoting overall well-being.

If you or someone you love is living with diabetes, remember—you're not alone. Support from family, friends, and faith communities can make managing this condition easier and more hopeful.

Let's use this month to renew our commitment for caring for our bodies as God's gift—through awareness, education, and compassion.

**“Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit?”
– 1 Corinthians 6:19**

We are grateful to Corewell Health community dept and Danyielle McGuire-Nelson for leading our Parish in the Diabetes Prevention Program being held here at St Charles on Sundays after church. We have a core group of 15 people in the class. I am very proud of everyone attending and know we will learn a lot about preventing diabetes.

For those interested in more resources re diabetes and other health programs, please let me know and I can give you that info. My number is 313-204-3223.

God bless Mary Catherine Wright RN

Detroit Lower Eastside and Trinity Family Parish Information

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DETROIT LOWER EAST SIDE FAMILY OF PARISHES MASS TIMES

St Charles Borromeo Detroit

Sunday: 11:30am

Friday: 11am in rectory

Live Stream & YouTube

Nativity of Our Lord

Sunday 9:30am

**Thursday: Holy Hour 8am; Mass
9am**

Live Stream and YouTube

St Augustine / St Monica

Mass Times

Sunday: 10am

Wednesday: 9am

Sacred Heart

Sunday: 8am and 10am

Tuesday: 5pm

Saturday: 5pm

St. Elizabeth

Sunday: 12:00pm

TRINITY FAMILY OF PARISHES MASS TIMES

Our Lady Queen of Heaven

Sunday: 9am

Tuesday: 10:30am

Thursday: 10:30am

Friday: 10:30am

Saturday: 4pm

St. Raymond

Sunday: 10:30am

Tuesday: 8:30am

Thursday: 8:30am

St. Jude

Sunday: 10:30am

Saturday: 4pm

Event You May Be Interested In

DLE  FAMILY OF PARISHES

WEEKLY

BIBLE STUDY

WITH FR. CHARLES
NWAMADI, SSJ

*"If you receive my words
turning your ear to
wisdom,
inclining your heart to
understanding;
the knowledge of God
you will find"
~Proverbs 2:1-5*

STARTING SEPT 22ND

MONDAYS

6 - 7 PM
St. Augustine and
St. Monica
4151 Seminole St

WEDNESDAYS

6 - 7 PM
St. Charles
Borromeo
1491 Baldwin

FRIDAYS

6 - 7 PM
St. Raymond
20103 Joann St

ALL ARE WELCOME

The same uplifting session will be shared weekly at each of the sites listed above - come grow with us and be part of the fellowship at the location that works best for you.

Come as you are to explore the Word of God, grow in faith, and enjoy uplifting fellowship!

Please bring along your Catholic Bible

31TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

MAGNIFY THE LORD

31 STEPS HIGHER

Saturday, November 22, 2025 7PM

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

1491 Baldwin Detroit, MI 48214

Featuring

Minister Kevin Sanders

Magnify Gospel Choir

Nativity/St. Charles Praise Dancers

Tickets \$15/\$20@door

(313) 880-8440



St. Charles Detroit



**NATIVITY
DETROIT**



Tolton Ambassadors of Detroit
presents....

Annual Tolton Prayer Breakfast

"THE JOURNEY OF FAITH & HOPE!"

WITH GUEST SPEAKER

FR. CHARLES NWAMADI, SSJ



Saturday, November 22, 2025

9:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Sacred Heart Activities Building

3451 Rivard St. Detroit, MI 48207

PRAYER

FOOD

PRAISE

Contact ataylor41512@hotmail.com for tickets.

\$30.00
Donation

In light of the upcoming SNAP benefits being paused November 1st, I feel heavily inclined to share just a few resources for the Downriver Michigan/Metro Detroit area - ! hoping this might help any families in need near me !

♀ NW Detroit Blessing Boxes

Located: 11640 W Parkway St. Redford, MI 48239

Hours Vary, check the FB page to ensure they are open & operating

♀ Elmwood Blessing Box

Located: 27543 Joy Rd, Unit A. Westland, MI 48150

Hours Vary, check the FB page to ensure they are open & operating

♀ Cruella Doughville Delano Blessing Box

Located: 11132 Delano St. Romulus, MI 48174

Hours Vary, check the FB page to ensure they are open & operating

♀ Gleaners Community Food Bank

Monthly, Gleaners hosts drive-up food distributions, which are free and open to the public. These are at different locations. Anyone in need of food is encouraged to attend and will receive over 35 pounds of nutritious groceries, like milk, fresh fruit, vegetables, lean protein, and other shelf-stable items while supplies last.

Please check PantryNet, Facebook, or Instagram for more information/cancellations.

♀ Forgotten Harvest Food Pantry

Throughout the month, Forgotten Harvest operates mobile pantries throughout metro Detroit.

They have set locations depending on the day, so go to their website to find out where they will be & confirm their operating hours -> <https://www.forgottenharvest.org/find-food/>

♀ Fish & Loaves Pantry

Fish & Loaves hosts a "Saturday Fresh Market" with the goal of providing fresh produce to those in need throughout the community. This program is held on Saturday (except the 3rd Saturday of the month) from 9am-12pm.

Individuals or families in need, regardless of residency or income, are able to visit the drive-thru and receive 20-25 pounds of fresh produce and dairy.

Visit their website for more information: <https://www.flcfp.org/freshmarket.html>

These are just a few places I have found, simply hoping to reach the right people who may need the help ♥

Lastly, if you find yourself with the ability to donate to these places PLEASE DO 🙏

Even a small donation can make the biggest difference to supporting those in need, especially as we enter these winter & holiday months

♥ Sending all the love & prayers to those families affected ♥

We are all in this together 🌍

With Blessings to You,

Deacon Joseph

November 2025 – St. Charles Borromeo

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 All Saints' Day OLQH Mass 4pm St. Jude Mass 4pm Sacred Heart Mass 5pm
2 All Soul's Day <u>Alumni Sunday</u> <u>11:30am Mass</u> <i>Community Meal</i> Diabetes Class Black Catholic Gospel Choir Concert – See Vigil	3	4 Choir Rehearsal 7-9pm PGC – In-person at St. Mary of the Hills Parish (Rochester Hills) 6pm	5 Bible Study In Social Hall 6pm – 7pm**	6 Faith & Fellowship 3:30pm – 6pm Minister of Service Installation 6pm	7 11am Mass in Rectory	8 PGC – In-person at St. Hubert Parish (Harrison Twp.) 9am
9 Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica <u>11:30am Mass</u> <i>Community Meal</i> Diabetes Class	10	11 Blvd. Ministry 10am Choir Rehearsal 7-9pm PGC On- Line Session 6pm	12 Bible Study In Social Hall 6pm – 7pm** PGC – In-person at St. Kieran Parish (Shelby Twp.) 6pm	13 Faith & Fellowship Leaders 4pm – 6pm	14 11am Mass in Rectory	15 PGC – In-person at Our Lady of Victory Parish (Northville) 9am PGC – In-person at Sacred Heart (Detroit) 9am
16 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time MOS Meeting 10:30am <u>11:30am Mass</u> <i>Community Meal</i> Diabetes Class Blood Pressure Screening	17	18 Choir Rehearsal 7-9pm PGC On- Line Session 6pm	19 Bible Study In Social Hall 6pm – 7pm**	20 Faith & Fellowship 4:30pm – 7pm	21 11am Mass in Rectory Concert Dress Rehearsal	22 “31 Steps Higher” Dance and Music Concert 7pm
23 Christ the King Sunday <i>Youth Sunday</i> <u>11:30am Mass</u> <i>Community Meal</i> Diabetes Class	24	25 Blvd. Ministry 10am	26 Bible Study In Social Hall 6pm – 7pm**	27 Thanksgiving Day	28 Parish Office Closed	29
30 1 st Sunday of Advent <u>11:30am Mass</u> <i>Community Meal</i> Diabetes Class						

St Charles Borromeo

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St. Charles Office Hours:

Monday, 10am to 3pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9am to 4pm
Friday, 9am to 3pm

Pastoral Team

Fr. Francis Asomkase, SSJ, Priest in Solidum and Moderator
Fr. Richard Baumann, Priest in Solidum
Reverend Charles Nwamadi, SSJ, Priest in Solidum
Fr. David Preuss, OFM, CAP, Priest in Solidum
Deacon Joseph Jones
Edward Cotton – Mission Support Director
Rhonda Gilbert – Pastoral Associate
Joan Jacobs & Angie Kadowaki – Boulevard Ministry Ministers
Mary Catherine Wright – Parish Nurse

Council Members: Naim Edwards (Chairperson), Angela Kadawaki, Dennis Ballard (Vice-Chairperson), Patricia Ballard, Alex Grabowski, Marian Harvey (Secretary), Freddie Henry, Mary Ellen Howard, Bruce McDonald, Mikhail Perkins, Richard Preuss, Linda Simpkins

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.

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YouTube: www.youtube.com/@st.charlesborromeodetroit



Online Giving

Go to the giving site at:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stcharlesdetroit>