

# The Vigil

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

**Mass Times:**

**St. Charles:**

Wednesday 10:30am;  
Sunday 8:15am AND 11:30am

**Nativity:**

Thursday 11am; Saturday 4pm;  
Sunday 9:45am



**January 05, 2020**

The Epiphany of the Lord

## Today's Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6  
(Glory of God's Church)

Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13  
(The Messiah-King)

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6  
(Good News for All)

Matthew 2:1-12  
(Magi with Gifts)

**P**astor's Pen



*"The Lord Be With You."*

## Feast of the Epiphany

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany. We celebrate the visit of the magi to see the Christ child. Sometimes called "Little Christmas," it continues to remind us that the Christmas season is still among us. I always remember someone saying that as they looked at the moon they realized that their relatives in Italy were looking at the same moon. I guess that's not news to most of us, but it reminded me of how small we are and how we are all connected as we see the same moon rising in the sky.

On this feast, we hear of the star that led the magi to the newborn king. That star, like the moon in Italy, was not just there for the magi to follow but the star remains with all of us this day to direct us to Christ. It is the star that reminds us that we are not alone on our journey, but our path is directed by God. It is the star that reminds us that the light of Christ will dispel the darkness in our lives and lead us to a place of serenity and peace. It is the star that reminds us that in the midst of growing conflicts in our world and the constant threat of greater violence, we are given the light to be people of peace and reconciliation. It is the star that reminds us that although we may lose our way during times in our lives, we have only to look up to find the star and find our way back. Today we are reminded that the star, the Light, that guided the magi to Christ is here for us if we just look up and see its radiance in our lives!

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### *House Blessing on the Feast of the Epiphany*

This may be something nice to do with your children and family today. There is a custom on the feast of the Epiphany to bless homes. All you need is some chalk to mark the upper doorway of the entrance to your home. With the chalk, mark 20 + C + M + B + 20 (That stands for the year 2020 and the names of the three magi: Casper, Melchior and Balthasar).

**Blessing Prayer:** God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star, bless this home and all of us who live here. Fill us with the light of Christ that our love for others may reflect your love. May Christ Jesus dwell with us in our home, keep us from all harm and make us one in mind and heart, now and forever. Amen

### 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.

# Community

## Pray for the Healing Presence

Patricia Anderson  
Paul Andreacovich  
Marilyn Boomer  
John Bozich  
Shawn Burks  
Liana Caruana  
Ida Cherry  
Gary Davila  
Julie Demonbreuen  
Howard Dilworth  
Brianna Denson  
Brittany Denson  
Kyle Duker  
Heinrich Ericksen  
Joseph Fisher  
Jill Forton  
Karen Green  
Doris Harris  
Alexander Harvey  
Addie Ingram  
Eleanor Janutol  
Ron Kirby  
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Vanessa Laco-Chambers  
Dave Laverty  
Catherine Lewis  
Edward Malik  
Tiana Marquez  
Michael Martin  
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Leon McCoo  
LaRonda Morant  
Michael Nadeau  
Shea O'Brien  
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Robert Preuss  
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Elaine Rosen  
Carol Santa Maria  
Ben Saxon  
Marvin Sims  
Len Stoehr  
Mark Tamer  
Rachel Thompson  
Unza Tranchida  
Anna Tyler  
Sr Jolene Van Handel  
Mary Lou West  
Belinda Wilson  
Shawn Wilson  
Rashad Whigham  
Jenny White

### Stewardship Minute: *Welcome to the Dawn*

Today, on this Solemnity of the Epiphany of our Lord, a common theme emerges in the Scripture readings from the Prophet Isaiah, St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesian community, and St. Matthew's Gospel: Jesus, through the Church, warmly welcomes all people to the faith. In a true spirit of evangelization and hospitality, is our parish as inviting and welcoming as Christ? We can help people in their journey to the Truth through Eucharistic worship, evangelization prayer gatherings, and participation in faith formation programs, like RCIA, Bible studies, or other means that open our hearts to a personal relationship with Christ.

### Inspirations

"Acknowledging the unproductive thoughts and ineffective behavior that you've tried to ignore can be uncomfortable. But, stepping out of your comfort zone and choosing to proactively address bad habits will skyrocket your ability to create long-lasting change." ~ Amy Morin

For last year's words belong to last year's language. And next year's words await another voice. ~ T.S. Eliot

"What the new years brings to you will depend a great deal on what you bring to the new year." ~ Vern McClellan

*A new year doesn't have to mean a  
new you, but it **can** mean an  
improved you.*

### Archbishop Vigneron's statement on Pope Francis' Global Rules for Reporting Abuse: "No One Above Civil or God's Law"

A new papal law requiring priests and religious to report sexual abuse and misconduct provides "clear directives for universal accountability in response to the horrors of clergy sexual abuse," Archbishop Vigneron has told Detroit Catholic. The law provides whistleblower protections for anyone making a report and requires all dioceses to have a system in place to receive the claims confidentially. And it outlines internal procedures for conducting preliminary investigations when the accused is a bishop, cardinal or religious superior.

"I am deeply sorry to all those who have been injured and are enduring a lifetime of physical, emotional and spiritual suffering because of perverse actions by those in authority," the archbishop said. "No one is above civil law, and importantly, no one is above God's law."

Pope Francis announced the new norms on May 9. They go into effect June 1. To learn more about the groundbreaking new church law, go to [detroitcatholic.com](http://detroitcatholic.com).

Individuals with knowledge of sexual abuse by clergy or church representatives are urged to contact local law enforcement and the Michigan Attorney General's office. Individuals also may contact the Archdiocese of Detroit by visiting [protect.aod.org](http://protect.aod.org).

## Upcoming Events / Meetings

### **SAVE THE DATE: ST. CHARLES WOMEN'S RETREAT WEEKEND**

**February 7-9, 2020**

Women of St. Charles! Our annual retreat at Saint Paul's Retreat Center in Detroit is on the weekend of February 7-9, 2020. This year's theme is: "Who Do You Say that I Am?" Many people have opinions about who Jesus is. This theme helps each of us to explore who Jesus is for us, and to deepen our relationship with Him.

The retreat begins with dinner on Friday night, and ends after breakfast and Mass on Sunday morning. Each woman has her own room and bathroom. The retreat center is located on the west side of Detroit on 18 acres of land, with lots of spaces indoors and outdoors to unwind and settle into the wonderful food and hospitality.

Please see or call Jessica Edwards at 313.917.0129, or Patty Gillis at 313.399.8320 for more information or to reserve your spot, or call the Retreat Center at 313-286-2801. You may also register online at [www.stpaulretreat.org](http://www.stpaulretreat.org).

### **DID YOU KNOW...**

That it is illegal to carry a firearm onto any property or facility owned or operated by a church, synagogue, mosque, temple, or other place of worship, unless the presiding official or officials allow concealed weapons?

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

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### **St. Charles Web Site:**

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### **Pastoral Team**

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Joni Scott, Director of Religious Education  
Gayle Koyton, Boulevard Ministry

### **Council Members**

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Rhonda Gilbert  
Dan Hurley  
Joyce Hurley  
David Nadeau  
Diane Simpkins

Linda Simpkins  
Adrienne Strubank  
Gabrielle Taylor  
(youth rep.)  
Alonda Walker  
Paco Williams

## January Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 5, 2020

**Albert T. Nolan  
Michelle Belcher**

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

**Carmen Francis**

Sunday, January 12, 2020

**Michael Ayoub  
Patrick Buczak  
Carolyn Alexander**

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

**Monica Laske**

Sunday, January 19, 2020

**Joyce Carson**

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

**Kathy Haynes**

Sunday, January 26, 2020

**Michael Walton, Sr;  
Joseph LaBarbra  
Donna Lynch; Janet Lewitech  
Edith Peach; Mary Grace Guastella**

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

**Michael Earl Pitts**

## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon., Jan. 06:** 1 John 3:22 – 4:6; Psalm 2:7bb-8, 10-12a; Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

**Tues., Jan. 07:** 1 John 4:7-10; Psalm 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mark 6:34-44

**Wed., Jan. 08:** 1 John 4:11-18; Psalm 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mark 6:45-52

**Thurs., Jan. 09:** 1 John 4:19 – 5:4; Psalm 72:1-2, 14 & 15bc, 17; Luke 4:14-22a

**Fri., Jan. 10:** 1 John 5:5-13; Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Luke 5:12-16

**Sat., Jan. 11:** 1 John 5:14-21; Psalm 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; John 3:22-30

**Sun., Jan. 12:** Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Psalm 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10; Acts 10:34-38; Matthew 3:13-17

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A GIG ST. CHARLES THANKS TO DONNA KING AND EVERYONE WHO HELPED US WELCOME THE NEW YEAR WITH WARMTH. LAUGHTER AND FELLOWSHIP AT OUR AFTER-MASS NEW YEAR'S EVE POTLUCK! And thanks to those who spoke so heartfully at the mass itself; we welcome a new year not only for what it can bring, but for grace in what we can carry from the old into the new.**

***You can now use your mobile device to make online contributions!***

### **1. Go to**

*<http://www.stcharlesdetroit.org>*

**2. Click on the blue link with three white lines in the right top corner**

**3. Click on "Donate"**

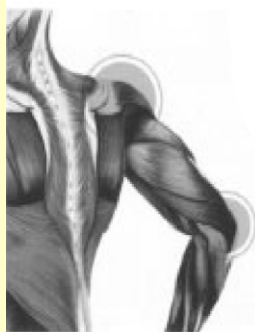
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### *Weekly Collection*

**Please see here soon for the Christmas and early January collection informaton**

**“The  
beginning is  
the most  
important  
part of the  
work.” ~ Plato**



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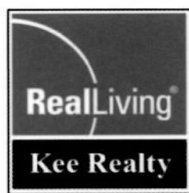
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## Making a Report of Sexual Abuse

To inform the Archdiocese of Detroit regarding the sexual abuse of minors by priests, deacons and other Church personnel and/or to speak to the Victim Assistance Coordinator contact: **(866) 343-8055**. A caller will be requested to provide his or her name and telephone number. All calls regarding complaints of sexual abuse will be returned in a timely manner. This toll-free number has been established as part of an effort by the Detroit archdiocese to protect children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. This line is for reporting suspected sexual misconduct or child abuse within archdiocesan institutions and ministries only. Persons with such complaints are also encouraged to directly contact law enforcement authorities. The Archdiocese of Detroit stands with the brave survivors who seek to bring the crime of child sexual abuse by clergy and other Church representatives into the light, where those who sinned are confronted and those who were harmed can find healing. To those harmed by the actions and inaction of Church leaders: It is inexcusable, and we are sorry. **In an effort to consolidate our resources and respond to the faithful's questions about clergy sexual abuse, the Archdiocese of Detroit has created a new "mini" website at [protect.aod.org](http://protect.aod.org).** This site highlights information about reporting abuse, victim assistance, investigations, training for clergy and lay employees and volunteers, and provides additional resources, including messages from Archbishop Vigneron. Our goal is to make this important information – already available on [aod.org](http://aod.org) – more visible, transparent and clear.