

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 12, 2020

The Baptism of the Lord

Today's Readings

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7
(*Works of the Messiah*)

Psalms 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10
(*Peace for God's People*)

Acts 10:34-38
(*Anointed to Do Good*)

Matthew 3:13-17
(*Beloved Son*)

Pastor's Pen



Baptism of the Lord

Do you remember when Sally Fields received an award at the Oscars or Emmys or something like that? After she was announced as the winner, she came up, somewhat bewildered, and exclaimed, "They like me. They really, really like me!" People held on to that line for years because it resonated with most of us. Isn't that the struggle of our lives? Isn't it hard to believe that we are lovable, or likable, with all the things we know about ourselves? We spend our lives trying to show people that we are competent, holy, intelligent, in control, cool, pretty, handsome, courageous, generous and strong so that maybe, just maybe, people will find us worthy enough to be loved, or at least, respected and liked a bit.

Baptism is the reminder, like Sally Fields realized on that Awards Night, that God likes us. God really, really likes us. It's the reminder to all of us that we share the distinction with Jesus that we are the beloved child of God and that somehow in the midst of our brokenness, God is well pleased with us. Every time we come into church and bless ourselves, we are remembering the special bond we have with Christ as a beloved child of God. Each time we bless ourselves with the water that reminds us of our baptism, we can remember that the same Christ who met us at the waters of the font is with us still and loving us to our last moments. And even at our funerals, the waters of our baptism are brought back to remind all of us that the bond of love which was obvious at our baptism is not broken in death but continues into eternal life.

On this feast of the Baptism of the Lord, maybe we can remember the words that Jesus heard on this special day. Wouldn't it be great if that could be our mantra this year? In those moments when we feel like a failure. In those moments when we feel we let ourselves down or let others down, wouldn't it be wonderful to dust off the negativity and remember that we are still loved in all our brokenness? Wouldn't it be great if each of us, as we bless ourselves each time, would remember that we are loved by the community of the Father, Son and Spirit? On this feast, remember you have nothing to prove to anyone that you are worthy of love. You are loved beyond your wildest imaginings so scream at the top of your lungs that **you are the Beloved child of God** because you are!

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
Rev. Emmanuel Cain
Liana Caruana
Ida Cherry
Gary Davila
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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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Tony Lababera
Dave Lavery
Catherine Lewis
Edward Malik
Tiana Marquez
Michael Martin
Mary Massaini
Leon McCoo
LaRonda Morant
Michael Nadeau
Shea O'Brien
Gary Perzyk
Robert Preuss
Celeste Rabaut
Elaine Rosen
Carol Santa Maria
Marie Salgado
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

Stewardship Minute: Service & Gratitude

And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." Matthew 3:17

Two thoughts come to mind when reading this. First, God, Our Father, is so generous, that he gave his only son, whom he really loves, to us so that we can have eternal life with him in heaven. God, Our Creator, really loves us, too! Second, Jesus was obedient to his Father's will, even to the point of death. This is a reminder that our own lives are pure gifts from God and, as His **Stewards**, we are meant to serve God and others.

CSA Minute: MLK ACTIVITIES

The Archdiocese of Detroit is hosting the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service at Detroit's Sacred Heart Parish next Saturday, January 18. The theme for the day is from the Gospel of Luke: *"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor."*

Youth ministers and youth from urban and suburban parishes are invited to participate. Your gifts to the CSA make possible events like this, which keep youth engaged and active in their faith. Youth ministry is coordinated through the Department of Evangelization and Missionary Discipleship, along with young adult and campus ministry.

**"Would that I were a dry well, and that the people
tossed stones into me, for that would be easier than to
be a spring of flowing water that the thirsty pass by,
and from which they avoid drinking."**

~ Khalil Gibran

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.

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.

Upcoming Events / Meetings

One Month Away: 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, all linens provided. 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 delicious food and kind hospitality. Please see or call Jessica Edwards at 313.917.0129, or Patty Gillis at 313.399.8320 to reserve your spot, or call the Retreat Center at 313-286-2801. You may also register online at 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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Dan Hurley	Gabrielle Taylor
Joyce Hurley	(youth rep.)
David Nadeau	Alonda Walker
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January Mass Intentions

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. 13: 1 Samuel 1:1-8;
Psalm 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19;
Mark 1:14-20

Tues., Jan. 14: 1 Samuel 1:9-20;
1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Mark
1:21-28

Wed., Jan. 15: 1 Samuel 3:1-10,
19-20; Psalm 40:2 & 5, 7-8a, 8b-
9, 10; Mark 1:29-39

Thurs., Jan. 16: 1 Samuel 4:1-11;
Psalm 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mark
1:40-45

Fri., Jan. 17: 1 Samuel 8:4-7,
10-22a; Psalm 89:16-17, 18-19;
Mark 2:1-12

Sat., Jan. 18: 1 Samuel 9:1-4,
17-19, 10:1; Psalm 21:2-3, 4-5,
6-7; Mark 2:13-17

Sun., Jan. 19: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6;
Psalm 40:2, 2, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1
Corinthians 1:1-3;
John 1:29-34

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**2020 Contribution statement
letters will be mailed soon. If
your address has changed,
please call the office to let us
know.**

**St. Isaac Jogues Catholic
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12/22/19

Envelopes	\$ 2,211.00
Loose	\$ 1,231.64
Maintenance	\$ 5.00
<u>Christmas</u>	<u>\$28,656.00</u>
TOTAL	\$32,103.64

12/29/19

Envelopes	\$ 16,218.78
Loose	\$ 6,857.00
<u>Maintenance</u>	<u>\$ 15.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 23,090.78

01/05/2020

Envelopes	\$1,018.00
Loose	\$ 710.00
Maintenance	\$ 224.00
Initial Offering	\$ 163.00
<u>Christmas</u>	<u>\$ 224.00</u>
TOTAL	\$2,339.00

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"**
- 4. Choose to Login or Create Account**
- 5. Follow the directions on the screen to make your donation!**



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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.** 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 – more visible, transparent and clear.