

The Vigil

February 16, 2020
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

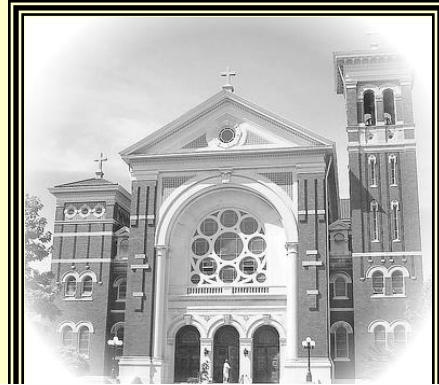
Mass Times:

St. Charles:

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

Nativity:

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



Today's Readings

Sirach 15:15-20
(Freedom to Do Good)

Psalms 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34
(Following God's Law)

1 Corinthians 2:6-10
(God's Wisdom)

Matthew: 5:17-37
(Holiness)

Pastor's Pen



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It is with great joy that we welcome **Samuel Philp Beck** to the waters of baptism this week at the 11:30am Mass. Samuel is the son of Andrew and Kathryn Beck. Andrew and Katie were married a few years ago and now we celebrate their first child! We pray that Samuel will see in his parents, his grandparents, aunts and uncles and the members of St. Charles, a strong supportive community. May he see in all of us the face of Christ. Samuel, we are delighted to have you among us. May Christ who has begun this good work in you allow you to feel his presence throughout your life.

In keeping with Black History month, we will share a few more stories of Heroic Catholics of Color.

Mother Mary Lange

Mother Mary Lange founded the Oblate Sisters of Providence, the first religious congregation for African-American women. Born Elizabeth Lange in Cuba, around 1794, she received an excellent education as a child – a privilege that would allow her to teach many children and orphans of color after moving to Baltimore. Elizabeth joyfully accepted a priest's invitation to establish a religious congregation devoted to the education of African-American girls. She took the name, Mary, at a time when many Catholics thought that black religious women were a disgrace. Through many oppositions, Mary kept her faith in Providence, giving of herself and all her material possessions for the well-being of all those whom she served.

Daniel Rudd

Daniel Rudd was a Catholic layman, civil activist and son of former slaves. Born in Kentucky in 1854, Rudd proclaimed that the Catholic Church welcomed African-Americans, in a time of declared segregation among Christians. He founded the first newspaper by an African-American, the American Catholic Tribune, in 1886. The paper would become a stepping-stone for Rudd's real vision: In 1889, he held the first National Black Catholic Congress in Washington, D.C. A talented journalist, speaker and teacher, Rudd would become one of the most influential African-American Catholics in U.S. history. (Courtesy of the *Denver Catholic*)

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

Mary Cunningham
Steve Dearing
Pam Setla

(Please call the rectory at 313-331-0253 if you want to have a name included on the new Sick List.)

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, please 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.

Stewardship Minute: *Follow the Light*

In today's Scripture readings from Sirach, Psalm 119, and St. Matthew's Gospel, we learn that wholeheartedly following God's commands and directives helps pave the way to eternal salvation. Be mindful that darkness influences secular society, which barrages us every day with temptations that attempt to block our relationship with Christ. Yet, if we are to deepen our personal relationship with Jesus, we must fight temptation that moves us to sin. We are truly free when we find and follow God's will, not our own pleasures and desires. Jesus proclaims in St. Mark's Gospel: *For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the Gospel will save it.* In St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthian community, he reminds us of the Spirit of Wisdom that leads us. Prompted by the Spirit and approached with a contrite heart, the Sacrament of Reconciliation provides an outpouring of mercy, forgiveness, and grace to overcome one's sins and weaknesses. Make time for this important sacrament this week.

CSA Minute: *Digital News Service*

Detroit Catholic is the digital news service of the Archdiocese of Detroit. The mission of Detroit Catholic is to be powered by the Holy Spirit to boldly share the stories of the people and communities answering the call to unleash the Gospel. Visit detroitcatholic.com for content from local producers, columnists and partners reporting on Catholic news and events in the local and Church in southeast Michigan and across the globe and to subscribe to daily, weekly or monthly email newsletters. For information about CSA-funded ministries and programs, visit aod.org.

Winter Heating and Energy Assistance

With the winter weather getting colder, it is more important than ever to keep yourselves and your loved ones warm and safe. During these months, some residents may struggle to pay their heating or electric bills and be faced with the prospect of having their heat shut off due to non-payment. Michigan law provides shut-off protections for eligible customers, and several local aid agencies are able to provide energy assistance payments to help qualifying low-income customers pay their energy bills to avoid potential shut offs. Below you'll find suggestions for saving energy, links to informational consumer tips and a wide range of other helpful consumer resources.

If you're behind on your energy bill, you can apply for help in paying off your past-due balance starting Nov. 1 if your income is below 150 percent of the poverty level. Call 2-1-1 or visit www.mi211.org to learn about agencies in our area that may assist with your energy bill.

Assistance Programs

State Emergency Relief: Income-eligible households may receive assistance with heat or electric bills during extreme hardship or for emergencies that threaten health and safety. Contact the **Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (Michigan.gov/mdhhs)** to learn more. Call 2-1-1 to learn about other energy assistance programs.

Michigan Energy Assistance Program: The Michigan Public Service Commission administers the **Michigan Energy Assistance Program (MEAP) (Michigan.gov/mpsc)**. The purpose of the MEAP is to establish and administer programs statewide that provide energy assistance and self-sufficiency services to eligible low-income households.

Medical Emergency Protection: Protections are available for those in a medical emergency, whose health would be aggravated by lack of utility service; and critical care customers, whose medical equipment or life support system would be immediately life-threatening without utility service. Contact your gas or electric company for more information.

Upcoming Events / Meetings

Free Online Course for Lent

What are your plans to grow in faith and discipleship this Lent? Do you want to grow in your encounter with Christ?

This Lent, Sacred Heart Major Seminary is offering a *free short interactive online course* called "Encountering Christ" featuring a number of Sacred Heart faculty. This course will help you encounter Christ in Scripture and Sacrament, in suffering and service to the poor, and in all the events of daily life.

The course starts March 2nd, the first Monday after Ash Wednesday, but you can access the course now.

Register for this wonderful opportunity to grow by visiting: shms.edu/encounter

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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	Paco Williams

February Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 16, 2020
Marcus (So Big) Sinclair

Wednesday, February 19, 2020
Dominic Maniscalco

Sunday, February 23, 2020
Joe Vujic

Wednesday, February 26, 2020
Victoria Wilson

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Feb. 17: James 1st 1-11; Psalm 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76; Mark 8:11-13

Tues., Feb. 18: James 1:12-18; Psalm 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19; Mark 8:14-21

Wed., Feb. 19: James 1:19-27; Psalm 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Mark 8:22-26

Thurs., Feb. 20: James 2:1-9; Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mark 8:27-33

Fri., Feb. 21: James 2:14-24, 26; Psalm 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mark 8:34 - 9:1

Sat., Feb. 22: 1 Peter 5:1-4; Psalm 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Matthew 16:13-19

Sun., Feb. 23: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Corinthians 3:16-23; Matthew: 5:38-48

Weekly Collection

02/02/2020

Envelopes	\$ 1,965.91
Loose	\$ 428.60
Maintenance	\$ 653.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,047.51

02/09/2020

Envelopes	\$ 2,465.91
Loose	\$ 477.21
Maintenance	\$ 68.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,011.12

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations again to our very own Ida Cherry for receiving this year's Spirit Award for St. Charles!

And HUGE thanks to all our volunteers for a blessed, fun Valentine's Night for our foster care friends! Every smile, hug and hello makes a difference!

Did You Know..? One of the longest running fund raisers for St. Charles is participating in the Kroger Community Rewards program? You can support this fund raiser by registering your Kroger Loyalty card and shop as usual. The best part???? It doesn't cost you anything extra! Ready to go? Then follow these directions:

Go to:

www.krogercommunityrewards.com

- Click "Enroll"
- Enter the required information
- Click Enroll
- On the next page, scroll to the bottom and click on "Community Rewards"
- Enter your contact information and click "Save"
- On the next page enter **QB361** or St. Charles Church and hit Enter
- Choose the correct organization; Click Enroll.
- If you are having an issue with your password and or email address please call 1-800-KROGERS, press 5 for customer service, press 5 to speak to a customer service representative.

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, then click on "Donate"

3. Choose to Login or Create Account

4. 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.


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