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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

Pastor's Pen



"The Lord Be With You."

#### March 10, 2019 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

#### **Today's Readings**

Deuteronomy 26:4-10 (Confession of Faith)

Psalm 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (Call for God's Help)

Romans 10:8-13 (Creed of Christians)

Luke 4:1-13 (Practicing Our Creed)

## First Sunday of Lent

On the first Sunday of Lent, we begin the task of looking at our inner selves to see what areas of our lives are tied up with difficulties and worries of all kinds. If you were at the Ash Wednesday Mass at Nativity this past week, you would have received a cord with knots on it. The theme Nativity is using comes from a title for Mary: "Mary, undoer of knots" (I think that's the title). The Nativity Special Liturgy committee decided to use that as their theme for Lent and I think it's worth all of us looking at in our own lives.

Do you remember how frustrating it was when you'd have a knot in a shoestring or in yarn or thread or maybe even the Christmas lights. If you're like me, you give up after a few minutes. They can be very difficult to undo. Think of the ways your life may be in tight knots this Lenten season. Will you allow Christ in to loosen these knots and set you free? So what knots do you have in your life? Are your emotions knotted up in worries and fears? Do you have sleepless nights or days when you're exhausted from the worry and stress of life? Are your finances knotted up and you have difficulty paying your bills? Is your family filled with knots where members are not speaking to each other? Are you knotted up spiritually? Have you lost your way and feel life has little meaning? Are you knotted up in your own needs and have become selfish and self-absorbed with your own problems? Are you knotted up in bad habits of overeating, drinking too much, gambling, pornography, shopping, etc? Have you allowed one of these addictions to rule your life? Are you knotted up in physical and psychological struggles? Have you been taking care of yourself or have you been putting off going to the doctor? Have you put off surgery that could help you live a fuller life? Have you decided not to deal with your emotional and psychological health and spend your life going in circles? Are you knotted up with resentments from the past that don't allow you to see the grace of God in your life? There are many knots to go around in each of us!

May we have the courage this season to tell Christ we can't do it on our own and we need him to undo these knots. May we find a new freedom this season as we take the risk to allow Christ into our brokenness. Have a good Lent!

#### **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

Bobby Allen Paul Andrecovich Marilyn Boomer John Bozich Shawn Burks Liana Caruana Ida Cherry Gary Davila Howard Dilworth Kyle Duker Heinrich Ericksen Jill Forton Karen Green **Doris Harris** Alexander Harvey Addie Ingram Ron Kirby Tony Lababera Vanessa Laco-Chambers Dave Lavertv **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 Ben Saxon Marvin Sims Len Stoehr Thomas Sweeting Mark Tamer **Rachel Thompson** Enza Trah Anna Tyler Sr Jolene Van Handel Belinda Wilson Shawn Wilson Jenny White

**BE** a light to guide someone

home.

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In dealing with playground bullies, we often to tell children to stand up and defend themselves rather than giving the power to the bully. Satan, like the playground bully, wants to draw you away from the safety and confidence God gives you. In today's gospel, we see Jesus standing up for Himself. By not falling for Satan's trickery, Jesus has taken all of his power away which caused him to "depart for a time."

And now here we are, at the beginning of our own temptation in the Lenten "desert." As we strive to cleanse our hearts and prepare for Easter Sunday, Satan will do all he can to derail our efforts. In baptism, we were given the spiritual weapons to fight the evil one. Now is the time to tap into those gifts -- ask the Holy Spirit to make you FULLY ALIVE as you begin your Lenten journey!

#### **Capuchin News**

**Volunteer at the Capuchin Services Center -** "We are in need of volunteers to sort clothing donations we receive at the Capuchin Services Center. Volunteers are needed Monday through Friday, between 9 am and 4 pm. The Capuchin Services Center is located at 6333 Medbury St., Detroit, MI 48211 (near I-94 and Mt. Elliott St.).

We encourage volunteers to come regularly as their schedule permits. Volunteers can choose to come in the morning from 9 am until Noon (or longer) or in the afternoon from Noon until 4. To schedule a time to volunteer please contact Candice Wroblewski, Volunteer Coordinator, at *cwroblewski@cskdetroit.org* or call 313-925-1370, ext. 206."

#### St. Paul Retreat Center Events

#### Retreats Still Available at St. Paul's Passionist Retreat Center on the westside of Detroit

If you missed the St. Charles' men's retreat in October or the women's retreat in February, you can still participate in one of the many retreat weekends between now and May, 2019. Just go to: *www.stpaulretreat.org/retreats/register-upcoming-retreats/* to get a list and to register.

For more information, or for help with registration, call Patty Gillis at 313.399.8320.

#### Camp Sancta Maria

Camp Sancta Maria is honored to have a role in the process of forming young male Christian lives.

At Camp Sancta Maria, your son will experience 1 - 2 weeks full of fun, personal growth and spiritual development in a technology free zone.

Their time at camp is filled with activities for everyone: horseback riding, swimming, ropes course, sports, arts and crafts and more.

But most importantly their times at CSM balances out the physical activates with a strong spiritual environment, with campers attending daily Mass, praying the angelus and having quiet time to reflect on their relationship with Christ.

To learn more about Camp Sancta Maria or to register, visit CampSanctaMaria.aor.org.

"Funny how some seek peace only after they've wronged someone. Strive to live a life of outward-feeling and forward-seeing, not forever looking back."

#### <u> (Upcoming Events / Meetings</u>

Free Senior Resource Fair at Coleman Young Recreation Center! April 4, 2019, 10 am - 2 pm

Resources to enhance the lives of our senior community. Information on Health, Housing, Insurance, Mobility and more! For more information call 313-224-1100 or email Nancy Capers at *CapersN@detroitmi.gov* (2751 Robert Bradby Dr., Detroit 48207)

SAVE THE DATE! Buddy's Pizza "Slice for Life" Benefit, Monday, April 29, 2019 Any Buddy's Location! Tickets available at *Eventbrite.com* Adults - \$15.00 (Dine in or Carry Out) Children – Ages 3-9 \$7.00 (Dine in ONLY)

COFFEE & CONVERSATION With State Senator Stephanie Chang Monday, April 22, 2019, 3pm to 4:30 The Red Hook Detroit 8025 Agnes Street, Detroit

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 St. Charles Borromeo 1491 Baldwin St., Detroit, MI 48214

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#### **Pastoral Team**

Brother Ray Stadmeyer OFM Cap., Pastor Gayle Koyton, Boulevard Ministry Rhonda Gilbert - Chairperson Alonda Walker – Vice Chairperson Adrienne Strubank - Secretary

#### **Council Members**

Mary Ann Andrecovich Peter Benedetto Danielle Daguio Gerry Danielewicz Jackie Harrison Steve Llorens Jessica Taylor Alonda Walker Mark Wedgeworth Paco Williams

#### March Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 10, 2019 Dustin Ericksen Casimir Buczak

Wednesday, March 13, 2019 Maria Brohman

Sunday, March 17, 2019 Michael Ayoub Gerald Miller Jody Holbert

Wednesday, March 20, 2019 Edmund and Rose Borycz Father Ed Borycz

Sunday, March 24, 2019 Evelyn Seyboldt & John Smith

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 Lisa Little

Sunday, March 31, 2019 Carl Ayoub Victor Bianchi

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Mon., Mar. 11: Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Matthew 25:31-46

**Tues., Mar. 12:** Isaiah 55:10-11; Psalm 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Matthew 6:7-15

Wed., Mar. 13: Jonah 3:1-10; Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Luke 11:29-32

Thurs., Mar. 14: Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Psalm 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Matthew 7:7-12

Fri., Mar. 15: Ezekiel 18:21-28; Psalm 130:1-4, 5-7a, 7bd-8; Matthew 5:20-26

**Sat., Mar. 16:** Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Matthew 5:43-48

**Sun., Mar. 17:** Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Psalm 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14; Philippians 3:17 – 4:1; Luke 9:28b-36

#### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**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 go to: www.krogercommunityrewards.com

Click "Enroll", Enter the required information, then click Enroll again. 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, then click Enroll. You are now enrolled! (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.)

**On-Line Giving...** To be sure that your online donation is included in your contribution amounts, we MUST have your email address. Please either call the rectory, send parish email to the an (stcharlesborromeodetroit@vahoo .com) or drop a note in the collection basket with your email address. Without the email address, your online contributions will not be added to your collection data or included in your year-end statement.

#### Weekly Collection

#### 03/03/19

| Envelopes        | \$<br>2,734.25 |
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| Loose            | \$<br>654.90   |
| Maintenance      | \$<br>105.00   |
| <u>Christmas</u> | \$<br>50.00    |
| TOTAL            | \$<br>3,544.15 |

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