

# The Vigil

March 15, 2020

Third Sunday in Lent

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**

Exodus 17:3-7  
*(Water from Rock)*

Psalms 95; 2 Timothy 1:1b-10  
*(The Lord Our Rock)*

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8  
*(God's Love for Us)*

John 4:5-42  
*(Samaritan Woman)*

**P**astor's Pen



## Pandemic

What if you thought of it  
as the Jews consider the Sabbath —  
the most sacred of times?  
Cease from travel.  
Cease from buying and selling.  
Give up, just for now,  
on trying to make the world  
different than it is.  
Sing. Pray. Touch only those  
to whom you commit your life.  
Center down.

And when your body has become still,  
reach out with your heart.  
Know that we are connected  
In ways that are terrifying and beautiful.  
(You could hardly deny it now.)

Know that our lives  
are in one another's hands.  
(Surely, that has come clear.)  
Do not reach out your hands.  
Reach out your heart.  
Reach out your words.  
Reach out all the tendrils  
of compassion that move, invisibly,  
where we cannot touch.

Promise this world your love —  
for better or for worse,  
in sickness and in health,  
so long as we all shall live.

-Lynn Ungar

### 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

Paul Andrecovich  
Mary Cunningham  
Steve Dearing  
Alex Harvey  
Pam Setla

## 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](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).

## Stewardship Minute: *Third Sunday of Lent*

The theme of water flows through today's Scripture passages from the Book of Exodus and St. John's Gospel. In Exodus, the ancient Israelites grumble about Moses making them leave Egypt only to die of thirst in the desert. In turn, Moses cries out to the Lord, who responds by miraculously bringing life-giving water from a rock. (Some Scripture scholars believe this miracle prefigures the Sacrament of Baptism.) In the Gospel, Jesus professes to the Samaritan woman: ... *whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.* Opening their hearts to Jesus lets Christian stewards strive for this "water for eternal life." As we embrace evangelization in our parishes and the Archdiocese by implementing Archbishop Allen Vigneron's pastoral letter, *Unleash the Gospel* ([www.unleashthegospel.org](http://www.unleashthegospel.org)), remember Christ invites us all to deepen our discipleship in His love and Truth through a personal encounter with Him.

## Words to Live By:

*Litany Against Fear*

"I must not fear.  
Fear is the mind-killer.  
Fear is the little-death that brings total obliteration.  
I will face my fear.  
I will permit it to pass over me and through me.  
And when it has gone past I will turn the inner eye  
to see its path.  
Where the fear has gone there will be nothing.  
Only I will remain."

These are powerful words to have come from a science fiction book, yes? Frank Herbert's *DUNE* was written in 1965. It's the story of rival factions fighting to control basic resources. Sound familiar? It is a book about planets seized by fear, greed, and terrible inhumanity, evils that should remain in the world of fiction, not be the fuel for anyone's daily lives.

We're told to be fearful in so many ways, some large and obvious, others slender as a thread. It's good to remember that fear is just a mood; it passes. A clear mind and a clear heart help it to pass even faster. Where are you most fearful in your life, and why? Turn your inner eye toward it for a while. You might surprise yourself with solutions and resolve you didn't know you had in you!

## St. Joseph Day Of Prayer

Historic St. Joseph Oratory, located across from Eastern Market in Detroit at 1828 Jay St. and under the care of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest, will again hold its annual **Day of Prayer on its Patronal Feast Day, Thursday, March 19**, the Solemnity of St. Joseph. **A full day of religious activities is planned from 7 am to 9:30 pm including Holy Masses at 8 am (Low), Noon (High with the Chant Schola & Blessing of Bread), 7 pm (Solemn High with the Cappella Choir & Chant Schola).** There is also scheduled all day Private Confession, 11:30 am Benediction, Veneration of Relic, Divine Office, Novena Prayers, Rosaries, Guided Tours, 3 pm Stations of the Cross, 4 pm Classical Concert, 5 pm Public Procession to Eastern Market led by Archbishop Allen Vigneron. In the Social Hall, Italian Dinner 1-5 pm (reservations not required), St. Joseph Table, Dessert Reception 8:45 pm. For a complete schedule and/or more information, please visit online at [www.institute-christ-king.org/detroit/](http://www.institute-christ-king.org/detroit/) or call (313)784-9152.

## Upcoming Events / Meetings

### **Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance Meeting, Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>:**

The Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance will host its March membership meeting at St. Elizabeth Center 3127 E. Canfield St. Detroit, MI 48207. There will be food and fellowship at 6 p.m. Followed by the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Three major things will take place: presentation on the 2020 Census, presentation from FORC Friends of Returning Citizens and of course our popular 50/50 raffle! **We hope you will join us!**

#### **Get Out the Vote!**

*"In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation" Pope Francis in Evangelii Gaudium.*

The registration effort will be held at a later date – closer to election time.

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

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#### **Pastoral Team**

Brother Ray Stadmeyer OFM Cap., Pastor  
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Gayle Koyton, Boulevard Ministry

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Joyce Hurley  
David Nadeau  
Diane Simpkins

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

## March Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 15, 2020  
**Patrick Buczak, Gerald Miller  
Jody Holbert**

Wednesday, March 18, 2020  
**Edmund and Roze Borycz  
Father Ed Borycz  
Marilyn Boomer**

Sunday, March 22, 2020  
**Evelyn Seyboldt  
John Smith**

Wednesday, March 25, 2020  
**Lisa Little**

Sunday, March 29, 2020  
**Norma Szczesny**

## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon., Mar. 16:** 2 Kings 5:1-15b; Psalm 42:2, 3, 43:3, 4; Luke 4:24-30

**Tues., Mar. 17:** Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Psalm 25:4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9; Matthew 18:21-35

**Wed., Mar. 18:** Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Psalm 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Matthew 5:17-19

**Thurs., Mar. 19:** 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 & 29; Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22; Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a

**Fri., Mar. 20:** Hosea 14:2-10; Psalm 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 & 17; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

**Sat., Mar. 21:** Hosea 6:1-6; Psalm 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Luke 18:9-14

**Sun., Mar. 22:** 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

## **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?

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Bus Driver Needed for Boulevard Residents.**

**Valid CDL License required!  
Please see or call Bro. Ray him at the rectory if you are interested.**

**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:

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[www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com)

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- Click Enroll
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- 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.

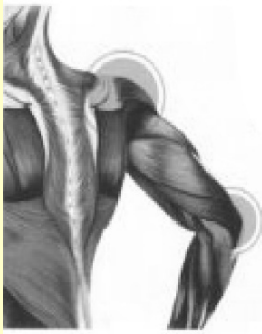
### **You can now use your mobile device to make online contributions!**

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!

## *Weekly Collection*

**03/08/2020**

**Coming Soon!**



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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.

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