
St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

The VIGIL

Sunday, April 07, 2024

Second Sunday of Easter (Year B)





The Rest of the Story

We have all heard the story before. Two disciples walked to a small town, about seven miles from the center of Jerusalem, Emmaus. They were sorrowful—I suppose in the same way all people tend to be when a relative has died.

Their hero was dead, the man they had thought was the messiah.

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Suddenly, they were joined by a stranger. He began explaining to them the story of Christ as foretold in the Hebrew scriptures. When the three of them arrived at Emmaus, they ate, and, as he broke the bread, the men knew in a flash, just who he was.

Then suddenly he disappeared.

These same men ran to Jerusalem as fast as they could, to tell the eleven apostles about this extraordinary revelation. Sunday's Gospel tells this part of the story. Surely they were babbling and prattling, being so excited. But in the midst of this excitement, suddenly, without warning, Jesus appeared to them, now in Jerusalem. “They were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost.”

Jesus replied that ghosts do not have flesh and bones, do they? Touch me and know that I am real. He showed them his hands and feet, with the wounds of the cross made beautiful by God's love.

Then comes Jesus' best move, a compassionate one. He says he is hungry. How much more un-ghostly could you get? He helps himself to the baked fish they bring him, just as he had done so often in their life together.

He begins to explain the events which had seemed like pure disaster: the passion, death, and burial in particular. He recalls everything written about him “in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms,” just as he had done for the two men on the road to Emmaus. He tells them why the Son of Man had had to suffer, die, and then be raised.

How did he put it?

Surely he referenced the book of Job, a man who had been loving and moral, but had lost absolutely everything, all of which led to a direct encounter with God (maybe a prefiguring of the crucifixion).

And of course, the Book of Isaiah must have been part of it:

It was our infirmities that he bore, our sufferings that he endured, while we thought of him as stricken, as one smitten by God and afflicted. But he was pierced for our offenses, crushed for our sins. Upon him was the chastisement that makes us whole, by his stripes we were healed (Isaiah 53:4-5).

This passage is the heart and soul of the Hebrew scriptures, and, according to our Christian and Catholic belief, of the fulfillment that was Jesus.

What about the resurrection? Here is Isaiah again, words had been written centuries before Jesus: Because of his affliction he shall see the light in fullness of days; Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear. Therefore I will give him his portion among the great, and he shall divide the spoils with the mighty (Isaiah 53:11-12).

In fulfillment of these words the apostles experienced a conversion. Peter went off to preach what God “had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer,” (First Reading), and would die and be glorified.

This is the “rest of the story” of Emmaus.

And now, since Easter, the rest of our own story.

NOTE: If you are looking to attend Mass when there isn't one planned for the Family of Parishes or there is a limited schedule, the chapel at St. Bonaventure Capuchin Monastery on Mt. Elliott happily welcomes everyone for their 7:30am daily mass.

Mass Live Streaming News! You now have options for watching our Sunday Mass – even if you “don't do FaceBook” or look at the parish website. Now you can watch on YouTube by going to <https://www.youtube.com/@St.CharlesBorromeoDetroit>; you can watch the live stream on Facebook without having an account by doing a google search for **st charles borromeo parish detroit Facebook**, the page will appear, scroll down and look on the right side for "watch live" and click. You can also continue to watch on our Facebook page *St. Charles Borromeo Parish - Detroit MI*

Sunday Community Dinners... As one of our most important ministries to our members and neighbors, we have been blessed. We are in need of more. If you and your group would like to sponsor a meal, please contact Georgia Kingsley via the rectory to sponsor an upcoming Sunday meal: **Today, April 7, 2024: Super Fantastic Friends of St Charles; April 14, 2024: Anonymous Sponsor; April 21, 2024: Colleen & BK; April 28, 2024: St. Lucy Parish; May 5, 2024: Sponsor Needed; May 12, 2024: Mother's Day – No Meal; May 19, 2024: St Charles and Nativity Strangers No Longer Group**

Nativity Pantry News: We are grateful for your continued support of the pantry. Your weekly donations make a difference. **This week we need Spaghetti Sauce, Cereal, Fruit.** Again, thank you never seems to be enough, but THANK YOU!

Prayer for Divine Mercy Sunday

O God, whose mercies are without number and whose treasure of goodness is infinite, graciously increase the faith of the people consecrated to you, that all may grasp and rightly understand by whose love they have been created, through whose Blood they have been redeemed, and by whose Spirit they have been reborn. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.





PRAY FOR THE HEALING PRESENCE

Patricia Alexander
 James Bramlette
 Marianne Burns
 June Buersmeyer
 Mary Canaday
 Aaron Cole
 Chinyere Crutcher
 Joy Harris
 Joan Jackson
 Michael Martin
 Bruce McDonald Sr.
 John Nahas
 Richard Nahas
 Gloria Parham
 Ronald Parham
 Vertis Park, Sr.
 Earlene Park-Williams
 Elizabeth Pilette
 Cynthia Richardson
 Gregory Richardson
 Linda Simpkins
 Alicia Smith
 Anna Tyler
 Theresa Williamson
 Pam Young

Please call the rectory at 313-331-0253 to let us know when a name should be removed from the list. Praise God for His Healing mercies!

MASS INTENTIONS

April 07, 2024

John Pilette
James Callahan

April 14, 2024

Dr. Donald Burkhart

April 21, 2024

Clair Bianchi
Grace Bono Panizzoli

April 28, 2024

Roger Sinclair
Stephen & Catherine Bogotaitis

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 4: 32-35
(True Christian Fellowship)

Psalms 118: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24
(The Lord's Goodness)

First John 5: 1-6
(The Power of Faith)

John 20: 29
(Blind Faith)

John 20: 19-31
(Living Faith)

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of April 2024

For the role of women
We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Apr. 08: Isaiah 7: 10-14; 8: 10; Psalm 40: 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Hebrews 10: 4-10; John 1: 14ab; Luke 1: 26-38

Tues., Apr. 09: Acts 4: 32-37; Psalm 93: 1ab, 1cd-2, 5; John 3: 14-15; John 3: 7b-15

Wed., Apr. 10: Acts 5: 17-26; Psalm 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; John 3: 16; John 3: 16-21

Thurs., Apr. 11: Acts 5: 27-33; Psalm 34: 2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20; John 20: 29; John 3: 31-36

Fri., Apr. 12: Acts 5: 34-42; Psalm 27: 1, 4, 13-14; Matthew 4: 4b; John 6: 1-15

Sat., Apr. 13: Acts 6: 1-7; Psalm 33: 1-2, 4-5, 18-19; John 6: 16-21

Sun., Apr. 14: Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19; Psalm 4: 2, 4, 7-8, 9; First John 2: 1-5a; Luke 24: 32; Luke 24: 35-48

**STEWARDSHIP MINUTE:
Stewards of Gifts**

"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..." - ACTS 4:32

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your life, your talents and your money – these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "**Stewards**" of the gifts God has blessed us with. We are called to be grateful and generous with all of our gifts for the benefit of others.

COLLECTION INFO

March 31, 2024

Please check here next week as the parish office was closed last week. Thank You!



DAY OF REFLECTION

Call at 248-651-4826

GRIEF RETREAT

APRIL 12, 2024

9 am - 3 pm

PREACHERS

Chaplain. Bridget Theodoroff
BR. Igor Di Bliqy OFM CAP



Powerful Women of the Civil Rights Movement

WHEN: Tuesday, May 14, 9:30am-12:30pm

WHERE: St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center,
22223 Schoolcraft Rd., Detroit, MI 48223

WHO: PRESENTED BY MRS. JONI SCOTT:



Joni Scott holds a bachelor's degree in religious studies from Marygrove College and is a wife, mother, grandmother, storyteller, retreat director and a trained spiritual director. She currently serves as the Director of Religious Education at St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Detroit.

Throughout the last two hundred years in the United States, Black Women have organized, advocated, and fought for a more just and equal society, not just for themselves but for all people. In this workshop, Joni will introduce us to seven powerful women from the late 1800's up to our current era.

TO REGISTER: Email Sr. Barbara at: bmatievich@gmail.com
Suggested offering is \$30.00; please pay what you can afford.

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Rectory Hours:

Monday & Tuesday, 10a to 3p
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 10a to 4p

Pastoral Team

Fr. David Buersmeyer, Administrator
Fr. David Preuss, OFM, CAP, Priest in Solidum
Joni Scott, Director of Religious Education
Gayle Koyton, Boulevard Ministry

Council Members

Steven Dearing, Niam Edwards, Marian Harvey,
Sr. Mary Ellen Howard, Dan Hurley, Donna King,
Leslie Kirby, Richard Preuss, Nicholas Rennpage



**OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES
MASS TIMES**

**St Charles Borromeo Detroit
Mass Times**

Friday: Mass 11am
Sunday 11:30am

**Nativity of Our Lord
Mass Times**

Thursday: Holy Hour 8am; Mass 9am
Sunday 9:30am

**St Augustine / St Monica
Mass Times**

Wednesday, 9am
Sunday 10am

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.

Family of Parishes Prayer Groups

Tuesday Men's Prayer Group
6pm, St. Augustine / St. Monica

Tuesday Zoom Prime Time Bible Study
St. Elizabeth / Sacred Heart, 7pm.

For Zoom link go to www.sacredheartdetroit.com/primetime

Archbishop Vigneron's statement on Pope Francis' Global Rules for Reporting Abuse

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. The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages individuals to report clergy sexual abuse of minors and others directly to law enforcement – no matter when the abuse occurred. The Michigan Attorney General's Office has established a toll-free reporting hotline at (844- 324-3374, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5pm. raginvestigations@michigan.gov). Individuals also may contact their local police department. For complaints involving priests, deacons, religious, or laity, individuals are welcomed to contact the Archdiocese of Detroit's Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 343-8055 or vac@aod.org.

