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

Pastor's Pen





April 28, 2019
Divine Mercy Sunday

Today's Readings

Acts 5:12-16 (Signs and Wonders)

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

Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 (The First and the Last)

> John 20:19-31 (Living Faith)

We are still experiencing the afterglow of Easter! What wonderful celebrations we had last weekend. From Holy Thursday at Nativity to Good Friday and the Easter Vigil at St. Charles to a full church on Easter Sunday! We had powerful moments of reflection, prayer and celebration. Thanks to all who contributed to the wonder of these days from the beautiful booklets to the great sound of the choir. We certainly know how to celebrate the feast of Easter!

In today's gospel, Thomas doubts that the others have truly seen the Risen Christ. He wants proof. He wants to place his fingers in the nailmarks and his hand on the wound of Christ's side in order to believe. I don't feel I need to put my hands in the nailmarks or the wounds of Christ as I have seen the crucified Christ in many people over the years. He was there in the young mother dying from cancer or the addicted one who relapsed once again or the single parent taking on another job to make ends meet or the brokenhearted spouse trying to deal with the death of his best friend. Yes, the crucified Christ is out there in so many ways, but the dying is only part of the story. I have also seen the power of the resurrection. It's the power of love that turns a terrible tragedy into a moment of grace. It's the power of forgiveness that brings healing into broken relationships. It's the power of joy that moves one from self-pity to realizing the wonder of life. It's the power of faith that changes fear and cowardice into heroic strength. Yes, the crosses will come but this Easter season reminds us that we have no doubt resurrection will never be far behind for those who believe.

The church also invites us to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. It's the call to never doubt God's mercy for all of us. Any of the devotions we may participate in today are not to obtain Christ's mercy but to relish Christ's mercy. It's to realize the extravagance of Christ's love for us. It can be witnessed in the gospels when the risen Christ appears to the disciples and only says, "Peace be with you." He doesn't chastise them for their betrayals or fill them with shame but only pours out his Spirit on them and blesses them with a greeting of peace. So, on this Divine Mercy Sunday, we remember the mercy that has been shown to each of us and it's that same mercy we are called to bring to all those in our lives. Let us never doubt the power of the resurrection and the power of Christ's mercy.

You may notice I'm not at the 11:30 Mass today as we are celebrating First Communion at Nativity today. I also will be away next week for my nephew's graduation. Fr. Tim McCabe SJ will be here and he's great so don't miss him! Have a great week and I'll see you on May 12th.

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 Patricia Anderson 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 Laverty** Catherine Lewis **Edward Malik** Tiana Marquez Michael Martin Mary Massaini Leon McCoo LaRonda Morant Shea O'Brien Gary Perzyk Robert Preuss Celeste Rabaut Elaine Rosen Carol Santa Maria Ben Saxon Marvin Sims Len Stoehr Mark Tamer Rachel Thompson Enza Trah Anna Tyler Sr Jolene Van Handel

Our Annual Ladies Night Out, Friday, May 10, 2019

Who: All the wonderful ladies of the sister-parishes and their guests are invited to attend.

Cost: The cost is \$5 per person. Please sign up on the sheet on the back table.

Men: Please sign up as servers for the evening!

Sign- up sheets for our wonderful men to volunteer are also on the back table!

Black Catholic Ministry

"Taking a Knee: A Catholic, Intercultural Perspective," the third of four talks in the Office for Black Catholic Ministry's "Disciples on a Mission 2019" speaker series, will be held at Detroit's Corpus Christi Parish on Saturday, May 11.

The series focuses on religious issues touching the experience of Black Catholics in Detroit and Christ's call to bring the power of the Gospel into the city. Its goal is to rally Black Catholics from Detroit parishes around the call of Archbishop Vigneron to be missionary disciples in the African American community.

The final talk, "Unleashing the Gospel in Our Neighborhoods," will be held at Sacred Heart Major Seminary on September 14. Your CSA gifts allow our local Church to minister to Black Catholics and predominantly African American parishes through the Office for Black Catholic Ministry. For more information about CSA-funded ministries, programs, and services, please go to aod.org.

Stewardship Reflection: Grateful Stewardship

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (JOHN 20:21)

Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world, so too, He sends us. As disciples living **Stewardship** for Jesus, we are called to be grateful and generous. Look for opportunities to share His peace, not only within our local parish boundaries, but outside of them as well. In giving, we receive the peace of Jesus Christ.

Unleash the Gospel News: New Website

Do you feel God calling you to go deeper? To encounter Jesus and let your heart be captured by him? To be in relationship with Jesus and alignment with his will the central guiding principle of every aspect of your life?

The new *UnleashTheGospel.org* website provides inspiration and resources to encounter Jesus anew, grow daily as his disciple, and give witness to the power of his mercy. Read stories from people like you — striving to live as joyful missionary disciples — and be encouraged to follow in Jesus' footsteps and share the Gospel.

Visit *UnleashtheGospel.org* and follow us on social media: @UTGDetroit on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

Stories to inspire you. Resources to guide you. Community to encourage you.

DID YOU KNOW...

Belinda Wilson

Shawn Wilson

Jenny White

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.)

Upcoming Events / Meetings

Buddy's Pizza "Slice for Life" Benefit, TOMORROW at 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)

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. 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.

Marriage Coaching Help for Your Marriage - Couples who are experiencing struggles and challenges in their marriage can receive help through the Archdiocese of Detroit-sponsored Marriage Coaching Ministry. The Marriage Coaching program is a couple-to-couple mentoring program designed to assist couples to live out God's plan for their marriage. Trained Coaching Couples will give the support and practical tools needed to help couples to restore and realize the fullness they desire and is intended for their Catholic marriage. The Marriage Coaching program consists of seven main coaching sessions and is strictly confidential and at no cost.

To learn more and get the help you need for your marriage contact: 313-237-4680 | www.aod.org/marriagecoaching | familyministr y@aod.org. All inquiries are strictly confidential. Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Detroit, Office for Marriage and Family.

Rectory Hours: Mon-Thurs, 10a to 3p St. Charles Borromeo

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April / May Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 28, 2019 **Lillian Nadeau**

Wed, May 1, 2019 Irene Seyboldt

Sunday, May 5, 2019 Sister Teresa Avila IHM

Wed, May 8, 2019

Tyrone Mack

Sunday, May 12, 2019
Deceased Mothers,
Grandmothers and Other
Women

Wed, May 15, 2019 Richard Cotton

Sunday, May 19, 2019

Deceased members of the

Kelly Family

Wed, May 22, 2019 George Sahadi

Sunday, May 26, 2019 Carl Ayoub

Wed, May 29, 2019 Norma Szczesny

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Apr. 29: Acts 4:23-31; Psalm 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9; John 3:1-8

Tues., Apr. 30: Acts 4:32-37; Psalm 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; John 3:7b-15

Wed., May 01: Acts 5:17-26; Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; John 3:16-21

Thurs., May 02: Acts 5:27-33; Psalm 34:2 & 9, 17-18, 19-20; John 3:31-36

Fri., May 03: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5; John 14:6-14

Sat., May 04: Acts 6:1-7; Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; John 6:16-21

Sun., May 05: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The annual Spring grounds clean-up will be done on Saturday, May 11, 2019 from 9am until the work is done. Everyone is invited to come help out!

Career Opportunity... The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career oppottunity representing their insurance program. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more please information. contact. Jack Jerzewski, General Agent, 313.334.6396 Jack.Jerzewski@Kofc.org

Capuchin Services Center... is 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,

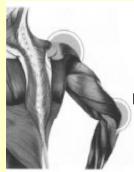
at cwroblewski@cskdetroit.org or call 313-925-1370, ext. 206.

Weekly Collection

04/21/19

TOTAL	\$ 4.935.08
Christmas	\$ 50.00
Maintenance	\$ 105.00
Loose	\$ 2,129.00
Envelopes	\$ 2,651.08

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?



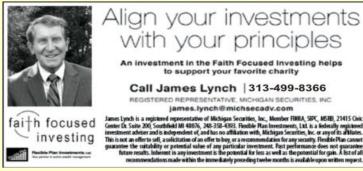
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Making a Report of Sexual Abuse

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.