The Vigil

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Mass Times:

St. Charles:

Wednesday suspended Sunday: 11:30am

Nativity:

Thursday suspended Sunday 9:30am





June 14, 2020
Most Holy Body and Blood
of Christ

Today's Readings

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a (Manna in the Desert)

Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 (The Best of Wheat)

1 Corinthians 10:16-17 (Body and Blood)

John 6:51-58 (Living Bread)

For those of you who are as ancient as I am, the feast day we celebrate today was called Corpus Christi (*latin* for the Body of Christ). It was certainly a celebration of the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist and there were (and still are) processions with the Blessed Sacrament through the streets of cities and towns. It was a wonderful moment to celebrate the power of the Eucharist in people's lives. As a child and most people during pre-Vatican II times saw the Eucharist contained in the tabernacle and in the monstrance. There was a divide between the sacred and the secular. The sacred was in church and in our private devotions and the secular was everything else. With Vatican II, we were given a new perspective. Yes, Christ is truly present in the sacramental bread and wine we receive each Sunday, but he is also present in the Word (Scripture) and in the Assembly (all the people gathered for Mass) and in all our brothers and sisters. In other words, the Eucharist we receive helps us to be the Body of Christ in the world. It gives us eyes to see him not only at Mass but in the struggles of our brothers and sisters, in the joy of our children, in the moments of forgiveness we share with one another, in the times we stand up for justice and in all of our relationships with the world. The deeper we enter into the mystery of this great love, the more we will be able to be and care for that Body of Christ in our world. What does the Body of Christ look like? The Body of Christ has many faces: the child who is poor and goes to bed hungry, the mother running from life-threatening situations and is at our border, the protestors who refuse to stop until justice comes, those who are trafficked for sex, the people who are part of the LGBTQ community, the COVID patients on ventilators this day, the families who were not able to be with their dying relatives, those unjustly condemned to prison, and in all those people who are suffering and those who stand with them. I don't believe Christ can be truly present in places that discriminate, in those people who divide rather than unite, in the bullies who prey on the most vulnerable in our society, in the racists who see their way as the only way, in the apathetic who are silent when others are suffering.

This feast day calls us to celebrate the Eucharist in all its forms. When we receive communion, either at Church or spiritually at home, the most important part is that we receive with an open heart allowing Christ to move us to new heights of compassion, kinship with all people, kindness in our daily meetings and hearts willing to go through conversion. As we go through these difficult days, we need the power of the Eucharist so that we might feed the world with our sense of justice, our compassion for the most vulnerable and our acceptance and love for all our brothers and sisters.

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

Everyone affected by the Coronavirus.

Many hearts on Mother Earth

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 procedures internal 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 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 contact the may Archdiocese of Detroit by visiting protect.aod.org.

RAISE YOUR VOICES

An Urgent Plea from Br. Michael Sullivan

As followers of St. Francis of Assisi, the friars of the Capuchin Franciscan Province of St. Joseph strongly decry the killing of George Floyd. This violent act serves as a reminder not just of injustice in the present day, but of a 400-year history of white supremacy in the United States. We also object to the use of force, and the threat of military force in particular, against peaceful, unarmed citizens exercising their constitutionally-guaranteed right to freedom of assembly. All of this is fundamentally unjust, and it must end.

As Capuchin friars of the Province of St. Joseph, our work has long focused on racial justice. Our Capuchin brother, Servant of God Stephen Eckert, who ministered in Milwaukee in the early 20th century, was--and is-a model for us today on working for justice and equality. Today that work is continued by friars and partners in ministry throughout our province as we seek to prayerfully build sister-brotherhood in the world.

Together with people of goodwill around the nation, we unite in prayer and call for action in the pursuit of truth, reconciliation, and reparation for the sin of racism. So let us pray together, asking the intercession of Stephen Eckert, for an end to racial injustice. And let us encounter one another, appreciate one another, and accompany the oppressed in our communities. Together we can fight for a more just society. We do this remembering Our Savior's commandment to "Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (John 13:34-35)

In sister-brotherhood, I wish you peace and all good. Br. Michael Sullivan, OFM Cap.

Stewardship Minute: Stewardship Lifestyle

"Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread." 1 CORINTHIANS 10:17

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. Living a **Stewardship** lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God's kingdom here on earth. Two, it helps us strengthen each other's relationship with God the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. It becomes our roadmap to Heaven. Let's help each other get there!

Pope Francis's Prayer to Mary during Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of Your People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

(Adapted from Vatican News.)

Upcoming Events / Meetings

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.

Please let everyone you know who is of voting age: (1) REGISTER TO VOTE; (2) Anyone, no matter what their age or ability, can vote by mail now in Michigan. Visit the State of Michigan's website for information on absentee ballots and printable forms.

Moments, rest, meals, love, connections, gardens, songs, silence, stories: these are all things all of us can create as solid anchoring points during any and all storms, these and so many more wonderful expressions of Us. **Take care**of you!

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 313-331-0253 (Fax 313-331-4834)

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AS THINGS SLOWLY REOPEN...

PLEASE CONTINUE TO BE SAFE, SMART, AND REASONABLE.

(and kind. always that.)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., June 15: 1 Kings 21:1-16; Psalm 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7; Matthew 5:38-42

Tues., June 16: 1 Kings 21:17-29; Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 & 16; Matthew 5:43-48

Wed., June 17: 2 Kings 2:1, 6-14; Psalm 31:20, 21, 24; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thurs., June 18: Sirach 48:1-14; Psalm 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7; Matthew 6:7-15

Fri., June 19: Deuteronomy 7:6-11; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10; 1 John 4:7-16; Matthew 11:25-30

Sat., June 20: 2 Chronicles 24:17-25; Psalm 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34; Luke 2:41-51

Sun., June 21: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 69; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33

"To kill, all we have to do is stand silent.

The killing is already going on. All we have to do is stand by.

Stay silent." ~Steve Garnaas-Holmes

weapons come in many forms.

Weekly Collection
WILL RETURN

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 follow these directions:

Go to:

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!

The commandment is LOVE

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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.