
St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church
THE VIGIL

Sunday, June 22, 2025
Most Holy Blood of Christ Sunday (Year C)





Sunday Food for Your Soul

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO CHURCH

1491 Baldwin Avenue

Detroit, MI 48214

June 15, 2025

Dear Brothers and sisters of the DLE Family of Parishes,

It is with mixed feelings that I bring to your attention a new development in our family of parishes. I have been here with you for a year or so and I have enjoyed working with you. I have met so many good and wonderful people that I have come to love and respect. I was looking forward to being with all of you until my retirement.

However, my priestly vocation requires obedience. The Archbishop called me and asked me to take up a new assignment where the archdiocese is in serious need of my gifts. Although I am deeply saddened at having to leave, I have to trust that the Holy Spirit is working through the new Archbishop in his discernment of the larger needs of the diocese. Therefore, I have reluctantly agreed to take on this new ministry which will begin September 1, 2025 and will require me to give up my responsibilities here in the DLE Family of Parishes.

The one thing that has made it easier for me to come to peace with having to leave is that Fr. Francis Asomkase, SSJ will take over the responsibility of the leadership of the family. In the short time we have worked together, I have come to know Fr. Francis as a deeply spiritual man with many gifts of administration, teaching and preaching. I am confident that under his shepherding the family of parishes will thrive.

Fr. Francis and I will work together through the summer on the transition during which time I will remain the leader of the family. Then on September 1, 2025, Fr. Francis will take over the leadership of the family and I will move on to my new assignment.

I know that this news might come as a shock to many of you as it did to me. Just remember that when life throws us a curve ball we have to trust in the one who guides our boat, Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. Let us trust in Him and love one another through this.

Peace and Love in Christ,

Fr. Chris

St. Charles Borromeo News and Happenings

June 08, 2025

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Charles Borromeo,

The 2025 Catholic Services Appeal is now underway. I am writing to ask you to reflect on God's many gifts to you and, in a spirit of Christian stewardship, live out our Gospel message theme, *Do you love me? Feed my sheep.*

Gifts to the CSA help *Unleash the Gospel* through more than 100 important ministries, programs, and services. No one parish could accomplish all that our local Church does through the annual appeal. Truly, these blessings touch parishes and the lives of thousands of people across the Archdiocese of Detroit each day — including many in our own parish.

Our parish's CSA target for 2025 is **\$24,337**, which our share of supporting CSA-funded ministries, programs, and services.. If we exceed our target, 100 percent of the excess will be returned directly to our parish. This makes CSA the best time to give additional gifts to our parish. We plan to use these funds to complete some repair projects around and in the church and rectory, continue our commitment to feeding our friends and neighbors through the Sunday Dinner program, and help our neighbors who find themselves in need of assistance. If we do not meet the target, the shortfall will be taken from our general fund.

This year, rather than asking people to give more, I am asking more people to give. If all of us at St. Charles contribute, myself included, we will easily exceed our target. I ask that you prayerfully consider a gift of \$25 a month for nine months, with an initial payment of \$25, for a total pledge of \$250.00.

As Christian stewards and people of faith, we are called to accept God's gifts gratefully, nurture them wisely, share them in charity, and give back to God a portion of what we have through our prayer, service, and generosity. It is important that each of us makes an equal sacrifice relative to our means to support the Kingdom of God here on earth.

Please take a moment to review the enclosed CSA brochure that includes examples that illustrate how our annual appeal helps us to focus on the Gospel message theme, *Do you love me? Feed my sheep*, also the central theme of Archbishop Edward J. Weisenberger's homily during his installation Mass. Then prayerfully consider your pledge to the 2025 CSA. Please send your completed pledge card to the Archdiocese Processing Center in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope. You may also make a gift to our parish campaign online, using your debit or credit card, at GiveCsa.org.

I appreciate your stewardship. God bless you for your generosity!

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Fr. Chris

St. Charles Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 22, 2025	Blessing of Teens, College Students, and Graduates at 11:30am Mass
Friday, July 4, 2025	Independence Day Federal Holiday – Office Closed
Sunday, August 3, 2025	Annual St Charles Picnic

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. **Today, June 22, 2025: Secular Franciscans of St Clare; June 29, 2025: Eric Eder and friends; Sunday, July 6, 2025: NO MEAL – July 4th Holiday Weekend; Sunday, July 13, 2024: SPONSOR NEEDED; Sunday, July 20, 2025: Patty Gillis and Crew; Sunday, July 27, 2025: St. Bonaventure Secular Franciscans; Sunday, August 3, 2025: Annual Parish Picnic**

Nativity Pantry News: We are so grateful for your continued support of the pantry. This week, we need Family Size Peanut Butter, Noodles and snacks for the kids.

If you would like to support the pantry without shopping, a check made out to Gleaners Food Bank would be greatly appreciated. Please include Nativity Pantry 1116 in the memo line. Mail checks to Nativity and we will take them to Gleaners to be sure they are properly credited to our account. Many thanks for your generosity!

OPEN JOB POSITIONS IN THE DLE FAMILY OF PARISHES

Director of Engagement / Family Ministry Primary Function

Professional who assists parishioners by equipping them for the service of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; oversees programs that evangelize the evangelizers using the process of encounter, grow, and witness; helps parishioners to discern their charisms for ministry; focuses parish and Family efforts to reach out to unchurched Christians and people of other faiths; ensures effective and responsive communications to all those engaged with or seeking engagement with the Church; oversees the radical hospitality for all parish events and programs; develops evangelization initiatives and collaborates with the team so evangelization is integrated throughout the other areas; works closely with the Director of Discipleship Formation and Director of Family Ministries, helping to move individuals and families from the “attract” and “encounter” stages of evangelization into the “grow” and “witness” phases of discipleship formation. Understands the significance of cultural diversity in evangelization and ministry. Professional who assists families living as domestic church; focuses on ministries that assist struggling families; assures the connection between family life and evangelization and Christian service; facilitates the use of existing parish programs and events as opportunities for families to encounter Jesus anew, grow daily as his disciples, and give witness to the power of His mercy; promotes and supports vocations in the Family of Parishes and the Catholic Schools within its boundaries; works closely with the Director of Engagement and Director of Discipleship Formation, helping to move individuals and families from the “encounter” stages of evangelization into the “grow” and “witness” phases of discipleship formation. Understands the significance of cultural diversity in evangelization and ministry.

Director of Discipleship Formation Primary Function

Professional who oversees all aspects of discipleship formation in the Family, with emphasis on encounter, grow, and witness; gives direction and vision for catechesis in the parish within the age groups (children, youth, young adult, and adult faith formation), engages parents as the primary educators of their children; coordinates sacramental preparation programs; where applicable works collaboratively with Catholic school principal and staff regarding catechetical programs in the Catholic schools; acts as a resource for parish programs in the area of catechesis. Works closely with the Director of Engagement, Director of Sacred Worship, and Director of Family Ministries, helping to move individuals and families from the “encounter” stages of evangelization into the “grow” and “witness” phases of discipleship formation. Attention should be given to sensitivity to cultural diversity.

If interested, please submit a cover letter and resume to: cotton.edward@aod.org

Calling All Trained Ministers of Service!

If you are already a trained Minister of Service, we would love for you to consider joining the St. Charles Minister of Service group. Your experience and dedication would be a valuable addition to our community. Please reach out if you're interested in joining us as we continue to serve and support one another and our church community. We look forward to hearing from you! Our next monthly meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 22, 2025 @10:30am. Please see James Taylor if interested or want more information.

St Charles Website: www.stcharlesdetroit.org

Email: stcharlesborromeodetroit@yahoo.com

Facebook: St. Charles Borromeo Parish - Detroit MI

YouTube: www.youtube.com/@st.charlesborromeodetroit



Online Giving

Go to the giving site at:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stcharlesdetroit>

The VIGIL

PRAY FOR THE HEALING PRESENCE

Jean-Marie Allion
Anderson and Miller Family
Paul Andreacovich
Kathy Ayoub
Mary Canaday
Tammy Cherry
Kyle Duker
Jim Dutkiewicz
Doris Franklin
Anna Grabowski
Marian Harvey
Carol Herman
Sandra Hill
Joyce Hurley
Bertha Jackson-Hyde
Dan Jones
Leslie Kirby
Ron Kirby
Pamela Little
Michael Martin
Jacqueline Morant
Gloria Parham
Ronald Parham
Vertis Park, Sr.
Earlene Park-Williams
Greg Pulis
Barron Scott
Joni Scott
Fran Snider
Anna Tyler
Rene VanZaalen
Guillerma Villanueva
Eldora White

Please call the rectory at 313-331-0253 to let us know when a name should be added to or removed from the list. Names will stay on the list for 3 months, but can be continued if we are notified of the wishes to do so.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 22, 2025
Anthony Basta

June 29, 2025
Rovano and Shook Families
Carl Ayoub
Georgine Ayoub
Michael Ayoub
Fr. William Cunningham

Sunday, July 6, 2025

Donald Snyder
Arnold Vann

July 13, 2025

Sandra Granta
Marcus "So Big" Sinclair
All deceased members of the
Sinclair Family

July 20, 2025

Aaron Cole
Thom Mann

July 27, 2025

Flora Sinclair
Virginia Zaborney

PRAYERS, READINGS, & FINANCE

TODAY'S READINGS

Genesis 14: 18-20
(Blessing of Melchizedek)

Psalm 110: 1, 2, 3, 4
(Eternal Priesthood)

First Corinthians 11: 23-26
(The First Eucharist)

John 6: 51
(Living Bread)

Luke 9: 11b-17
(Loaves and Fishes)

**The Holy Father's Intentions
for the Month of
June 2025**

**That the world might grow in
compassion**

Let us pray that each one of us
might find consolation in a
personal relationship with Jesus,
and from his Heart, learn to have
compassion on the world.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., June 23: Genesis 12: 1-9; Psalm 33: 12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22; Hebrews 4: 12; Matthew 7: 1-5

Tues., June 24: Isaiah 49: 1-6; Psalm 139: 1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Acts 13: 22-26; Luke 1: 76; Luke 1: 57-66, 80

Wed., June 25: Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18; Psalm 105: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; John 15: 4a, 5b; Matthew 7: 15-20

Thurs., June 26: Genesis 16: 1-12, 15-16 or 16: 6b-12, 15-16; Psalms 106: 1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5; John 14: 23; Matthew 7: 21-29

Fri., June 27: Ezekiel 34: 11-16; Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Romans 5: 5b-11; Matthew 11: 29ab; Luke 15: 3-7

Sat., June 28: Genesis 18: 1-15; Luke 1: 46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55; Luke 2: 19; Luke 2: 41-51

Sun., June 29: Acts 12: 1-11; Psalm 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Second Timothy 4: 6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16: 18; Matthew 16: 13-19

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE:

Stewards Share

"They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets." (LUKE 9:17)

The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when you share what you have, even if it doesn't seem like that much, miracles can happen! Do not think that your gift is too small or insignificant! Each **Steward** has a role in God's plan; you just need to place your trust in the Lord. Nothing is impossible with God. You just may be the answer to someone else's prayer.

COLLECTION INFO 06-15-2025

Collection	\$4,163.58
Online	\$1,427.00

TOTAL \$5,590.58

Prayer for our Graduates

Dear God,

We pray for our graduates today and lift them before you. We thank you so much for these we love and for the work you are continuing to do in their lives. They are a gift to us and to many others. And during this season of new beginnings, we ask that you would make their way clear. We ask that you would keep their footsteps firm and remind them that you are with them, always. May they sense the freshness of your Spirit over their lives in amazing ways, may they be strengthened, instilled with hope, for the new roads you have in store.

And today, again, we release our children straight into your tender care. Because we know that's the best place they could ever be. We thank you in advance for all you have in store, for this day, for this year, for their lives.

We pray for protection, for your covering, that you would surround their lives as with a shield. Protect their coming and going. We ask that you would help them to live aware in a dark world and keep harm or evil intent far away. We ask that you would hide them in the safety of your powerful presence.

Our world is currently anxious, fearful and uncertain. We pray our graduates are filled with your courage and strength, that they may be a light to their friends and neighbors in this uncertain time.

We ask for your wisdom and clear direction over their lives, that you would give them understanding beyond their years. We pray that you would direct their steps, that your plans for them would prosper; that every place you have determined for them to walk would be paved clear. We ask for you to open doors that need to be opened and close every one that should be shut tight. Allow every gift and treasure you have placed inside their lives to grow, develop, and flourish, to bring you glory.

We ask that you would remind them every day how very much you love them, that they would find security and confidence fully in you, knowing that you are trustworthy and true.

We ask that you would teach them your ways and fill them with an unquenchable desire to learn your Word. Give them a compassionate spirit, and the wisdom to look beyond outward appearances to the heart within. We pray that you would surround them with friends and leaders who would challenge them to press closer to you.

We ask for your peace to cover them. We ask for laughter and joy to fill their days. We pray that you would give them boldness and courage to face challenges set before them, with the confidence and peace that can only come from your spirit.

We ask that you would raise up greatness in their lives, greatness in this generation, willing to stand strong and true, passionate for you, believing that you have designed them for purpose and good works, which you have planned and prepared in advance for them to do.

Be a lamp for their feet, and a light to their path. Shine over them. Fill them with your spirit. Bless them with your favor and peace.

We ask through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Amen. God Bless You!

Parish Nurse News and Notes

June Health Focus: Men's Health Month – Encouraging Strength Through Prevention

June is recognized as Men's Health Month, a time to raise awareness about the importance of health care for men and boys. It's a reminder that good health doesn't happen by chance—it's built through daily choices, regular checkups, and open conversations with health providers. Many men delay doctor visits or ignore symptoms, often putting their health at risk. This month encourages all men to take charge of their health and for families to support the men they love in doing so.

Heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, and prostate cancer are among the top health concerns for men. Preventing these illnesses starts with regular physical exams, staying active, eating balanced meals, getting enough sleep, and managing stress. It's also important to talk to your doctor about any family history of disease and schedule age-appropriate screenings, such as cholesterol checks, colonoscopies, and prostate exams.

As a church family, we can support the men in our lives by encouraging them to take care of their bodies, minds, and spirits. Let's uplift one another in prayer and in action—offering help, sharing information, and promoting wellness together. Our health is a gift from God, and stewardship of that gift honors both our Creator and our community.

We will be doing blood pressure screening next week , June 22 after mass in the Parish hall, all are welcome. I also am in need of a few volunteers to help take the blood pressures and help with registration . If you can help , please let me know.

We will also be starting a diabetes health program in September ,inviting all 5 parishes in our family to attend. More details to follow , along with a save the date.

God Bless

Mary Catherine Wright RN
Parish Nurse



THE LAND OF FREEDOM,
OPPORTUNITY AND DREAMS



HAPPY 4TH JULY

THE LOWER EASTSIDE FAMILY OF PARISHES

YOU ARE INVITED TO A 4TH OF JULY, 2025 MASS
AT ST. CHARLES BORROMEO
JULY 4, 2025
1491 BALDWIN
DETROIT, MI 48214
11AM - IN THE CHURCH

PGC = Protecting
God's Children

St. Charles Borromeo

June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1st Sunday of Easter 11:30am Mass Community Meal Religious Ed. Class	2 PGC—Our Lady of the Scapular, Wyandotte 6pm	3 PGC Online 6pm Blvd. Ministry Home Visits	4	5	6	7 Men's Group 7am Family of Parishes Confirmation Rehearsal 10am at St. Charles
8 Confirmation Sunday at St. Charles 11:30am Mass Pentecost Sunday Community Meal	9	10	11 St. Vincent dePaul Meeting in Social Hall 4pm-8pm	12	13	14
15 The Most Holy Trinity Sunday Father's Day 11:30am Mass NO Community Meal	16	17 PGC Online 6pm Blvd. Ministry Home Visits	18	19	20	21 PGC—Shrine of Jesus, The Divine Mercy, Clinton Twp. 9am
22 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Ministers of Service Meeting 10:30am Youth Sunday Teen and Graduate Blessing Blood Pressure Screening	23 City of Detroit Fireworks	24	25	26	27 Urban Parish Retreat @ Manresa—see bulletin for details	28 Urban Parish Retreat @ Manresa—see bulletin for details
29 Saints Peter & Paul Sunday Urban Parish Retreat @ Manresa ends—see bulletin for details Religious Education Program Summer Break Begins 11:30am Mass Community Meal	30 PGC Online 6pm					

St Charles Borromeo

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St. Charles Office Hours:

Monday, 10am to 3pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9am to 4pm
Friday, 9am to 3pm

Pastoral Team

Fr. Chris Talbot, Priest in Solidum and Moderator
Fr. Francis Asomkase, SSJ, Priest in Solidum
Fr. Richard Baumann, Priest in Solidum
Fr. David Preuss, OFM, CAP, Priest in Solidum
Edward Cotton – Mission Support Director
Joni Scott, Director of Religious Education
Rhonda Gilbert – Pastoral Associate
Joan Jacobs & Angie Kadowaki – Boulevard Ministry Ministers

Council Members

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

**DETROIT LOWER EAST SIDE
FAMILY OF PARISHES
MASS TIMES**

St Charles Borromeo Detroit

Friday: 11am in rectory

Sunday: 11:30am

Live Stream & YouTube

Nativity of Our Lord

Thursday: Holy Hour 8am; Mass 9am

Sunday 9:30am

Live Stream and YouTube

St Augustine / St Monica

Mass Times

Wednesday: 9am

Sunday: 10am

Sacred Heart

Tuesday: 5pm

Saturday: 5pm

Sunday: 8am and 10am

Family of Parishes Prayer Groups

Men's Prayer Breakfast – 1st Saturday of Month

7am, St . Charles (in church Social Hall)

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

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.

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