The Vigil

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

**Mass Times:** 

St. Charles:

Wednesday Mass suspended Sunday 11:30am

#### Nativity:

Thursday Mass suspended Sunday 9:30am



**June 28, 2020** 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Today's Readings

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a (Rewards of Hospitality)

Psalm 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 (Eternal Gratitude)

Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 (Baptized into Christ)

Matthew 10:37-42 (Welcoming Christ's Workers)





The virtue of hospitality is highlighted in the first Reading from the second Book of Kings. The generous woman whose name is not even mentioned in the passage shows hospitality to Elisha when he comes through town. She prepares a nice meal for him and allows him to stay with her and her husband when he visits their city. She is not content with that and wants to do more. She wants to set up a special place for Elisha, so he has his own space when he visits again. She is one of those people who can't do enough for another. Have you met people like this? I certainly have! Their generosity is almost embarrassing because they anticipate what you will need. I have a friend who will invite myself and a few others over to lunch. She will have everything ready and will be watching (without smothering) to see what everyone needs. It's a tremendous gift to all of us because she does it with such ease. It's second nature to her and we are left to relish the delicious meal and good company. She asks nothing in return except that we relax and enjoy the afternoon. Although she would never allow me to say this, she truly mirrors my vision of the generosity of God. It is the God who anticipates our every need, who waits on us when we don't even see it and only asks us to relax in that generous love and enjoy our lives.

When we experience genuine hospitality, it inspires us to be better people. It calls us to be more generous with other people and to be more thoughtful in anticipating each other's needs. It amazes me that, at times, I can be thoughtful and generous but other times, more often than I want to believe, I am so dim witted in realizing the needs of people in my life. It doesn't dawn on me to remember special days or thanking people for all their kindnesses to me or celebrating the goodness of people in my life and just letting them know how much they mean to me. This pandemic reminds me that I have to do better. My hospitality and generosity may be the most important thing in supporting someone at a moment when they feel isolated and alone. I pray for a new heart and a new spirit that will help me to be better. I ask your forgiveness for any times I have not been generous with my time or my attention or my lack of hospitality when you may have needed it. We are all God's works in progress, and I am one of God's special projects!! Please thank someone this week who has shown you hospitality and generosity and let's try to all be a bit better!

We, also, offer our prayers and hospitality to two families remembering loved ones who have died during these difficult times. We celebrated the Memorial for Sol May's son, *Darius*, on Saturday and Olivia Shissler's son, *Arnold*, on Sunday. May they rest in the loving arms of God.

# 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 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 20<sup>th</sup> century, was--and isa 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: The Weight

"...whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." MATTHEW 10:38

Pope Benedict XVI said, "The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness." "Comfort" puts *me* first. "Picking up your cross and following Jesus" puts *God and others* first. Why settle for comfort when you can achieve greatness! Pick up your cross, ask Jesus for guidance on using your gifts in **Stewardship** and living the life God intended for you!

The Archdiocese of Detroit has been made aware that an organization located in southeast Michigan has published racist and derogatory language in reference to Archbishop of Washington D.C. Wilton D. Gregory. The organization in question is not affiliated with or endorsed by the Archdiocese of Detroit.

The following is a response from Archbishop Vigneron:

"Racist and derogatory speech wrongfully diminishes the God-given dignity of others. It is not in accord with the teachings of Christ. As our nation continues its important conversation on racism, it is my hope that the faithful will turn from this and all other acts or attitudes which deny the inherent dignity shared by all people."

"How lazy one must be to be racist in the face of injustice, war, poverty, and a hundred other ills humankind begets on itself. If you must take up hatred, find it in your soul to hate the causes of suffering for all, for the suffering of one is your suffering as well."

# **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.

When it becomes "political" to be sensible, it's time to reassess the light your priorities shine on you.

# **WEAR YOUR MASKS!**

# **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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PLEASE CONTINUE TO BE SAFE, UN-SELFISH, SMART, AND REASONABLE.

(and kind. always that.)

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

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

Tues., June 30: Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Psalm 5:4-6, 6-7, 8; Matthew 8:23-27

**Wed., July 01:** Amos 5:14-15, 21-24; Psalm 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17; Matthew 8:28-34

**Thurs., July 02:** Amos 7:10-17; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Matthew 9:1-8

Fri., July 03: Ephesians 2:19-22; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; John 20:24-29

**Sat., July 04**: Amos 9:11-15; Psalms 85:9ab AND 10, 11-12, 13-14; Matthew 9:14-17

**Sun., July 05:** Zechariah 9:9-10; Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14; Romans 8:9, 11-13; Matthew 11:25-30

Find a reason to read poetry.
Find the time to study philosophy.
Find out how curious you are about archaeology, paleontology, geology or the stars themselves!
Find a rhythm that becomes an automatic dance. Find a recipe that tastes like laughter. Find out that the world fascinates you more than any of us know!

#### Weekly Collection

#### 06/21/20

Envelopes \$ 1,542.00 Loose \$ 214.00 Maintenance \$ 55.00 TOTAL \$ 2,2112.00

#### **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:

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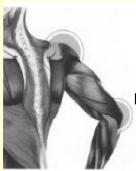
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- Click "Enroll"
- Enter the required information
- Click Enroll
- On the next page, scroll to the bottom and click on "Community Rewards"
- Enter your contact information and click "Save"
- On the next page enter QB361 or St. Charles Church and hit 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!

Looking out for others... is essential work.



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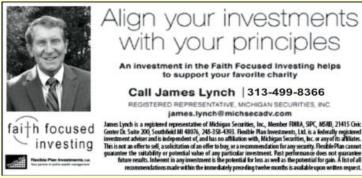
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#### Making a Report of Sexual Abuse

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.