

# The Vigil

**August 18, 2019**  
20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



## Today's Readings

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10  
"Imprisonment of Jeremiah"

Psalms 40:2, 3, 4, 18  
"The Lord Our Help"

Hebrews 12:1-4  
"Perseverance"

Luke 12:49-53  
"A Divided Household"

**P**astor's Pen



*"The Lord Be With You."*

## *Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Thanks to all who came by to celebrate with Nativity at their Picnic/Block Party. St. Charles was well represented, and I truly appreciate all who were able to come out and support our sister parish. It was a great event for Nativity, and they were appreciative of all the support.

Jesus speaks of lighting the earth on fire in the Gospel today. He says he has great anguish until this baptism with which he must be baptized is accomplished. He knows that his call will bring him great sacrifice and suffering, but he longs for it because he knows that this is his purpose. How many of us can say we know our purpose and mission in life? How many of us can say we are willing to fulfill that mission even to the point of shedding blood? That's the call and I think most of us shy away from it because we see the enormity of that commitment. None of us want to suffer and most of us don't want confrontation with others. We just want peace. Yet sometimes our call is to stand up for what is right regardless of the cost. That's what happened to Jeremiah in the first reading. He is thrown into the cistern because he confronted the people and called them to change their lives. Rarely does the call to conversion and changing our ways get greeted with open arms. None of us want to be told we are wrong or have our lifestyle challenged but that's what Jeremiah did, and he paid dearly for it. I think of people like Martin Luther King Jr and Oscar Romero and Nelson Mandela who challenged and confronted unjust societal structures. How did they have the courage like Christ and Jeremiah and so many others to follow the call wherever it led them? Why aren't there more like them? Are the rest of us not called to a mission to change the world? Does God only pick a few to do the hard stuff? Do these special people get special graces that the rest of us don't get?

I suspect we all have the power and the courage to be Ghandis, Romeros, Kings, Dorothy Days, etc. but we play it safe and don't get near the fire for fear that we will get burned. What if we all tapped into that best part of ourselves that was courageous and faithful and daring and heroic? What would the world look like if all those followers of Christ took their call seriously? I suspect we would see the Reign of God. Let's ask Christ this week to show us our mission and then be strong enough to follow it. If we believe God has given us the abilities for our call, then there's nothing to worry about. Let's light a fire on the earth with Christ!!

### 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

Patricia Anderson  
Paul Andrecovich  
Marilyn Boomer  
John Bozich  
Shawn Burks  
Liana Caruana  
Ida Cherry  
Gary Davila  
Julie Demonbreuen  
Howard Dilworth  
Brianna Denson  
Brittany Denson  
Kyle Duker  
Heinrich Ericksen  
Jill Forton  
Karen Green  
Doris Harris  
Alexander Harvey  
Addie Ingram  
Eleanor Janutol  
Ron Kirby  
Alan Krupp  
Tony Lababera  
Vanessa Laco-Chambers  
Dave Laverty  
Catherine Lewis  
Edward Malik  
Tiana Marquez  
Michael Martin  
Mary Massaini  
Leon McCoo  
LaRonda Morant  
Michael Nadeau  
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  
Mary Lou West  
Belinda Wilson  
Shawn Wilson  
Rashad Whigham  
Jenny White

**Heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers who made the Nativity of Our Lord Annual Picnic another big success, and extra thanks for making the St. Charles family feel right at home!**

## INSPIRATIONS

"Come, come, whoever you are. Wanderer, worshipper, lover of leaving. It doesn't matter. Ours is not a caravan of despair. Come, even if you have broken your vows a thousand times. Come, yet again, come, come." ~ Rumi

"The wild is an integral part of who we are as children. Without pausing to consider what or where or how, we gather herbs and flowers, old apples and rose hips, shiny pebbles and dead spiders, poems, tears and raindrops, putting each treasured thing into the cauldron of our souls. We stir our bucket of mud as if it were, every one, a bucket of chocolate cake to mixed for the baking. Little witches, had children, we dance our wildness, not afraid of not knowing." ~ Emma Restall Orr

Said the student to the master, "Every second that I'm awake something terrible is happening in the world."

"Also, something wonderful; do you feel each?"

"No."

"It's not yours to feel every wonder in the world, nor is it yours to feel every pain." ~ C. Young

"How can you possibly be 'flawed' when there is only one you? Everyone is on a journey that involves a startling amount of personal growth, often through struggle, but each path, each journey is unique to the individual. Comparing oneself to others usually just causes feelings of inadequacy, depression due to the idea of 'lack', etc. I wish you could see, really and truly see, how perfect and sacred you are. Just as you are." ~ Catherine Winter

"Learn to recognize the signs of cruelty, learn their terrible flavor, then learn to see them within yourself. This is the beginning of hope." ~ Anonymous

"The irony of life is that, for a lot of us, it takes someone else's dream of light and righteousness to even begin to wake us up." ~ Kichi Malat

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**Upcoming Events / Meetings**

**Men, your annual retreat at the St. Paul center will be the weekend of October 11-13. More information will follow soon.**

**Catholic Night at Comerica Park — Tuesday, September 10, 6:45pm.** On Tuesday, September 10th, the Tigers will take on the Yankees at 6:45pm and The Archdiocese of Detroit would love to see you there. All parishes & parishioners in the archdiocese and beyond are invited for a night of fun and fellowship. Each ticket purchased includes a donation to Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan and also a limited-edition Detroit Tigers + Unleash the Gospel hat. Don't miss this great event, get your tickets today at [mlb.com/tigers/tickets/specials/catholic-night](http://mlb.com/tigers/tickets/specials/catholic-night)

**Volunteer at the Solanus Casey Center...** There is something truly peaceful and holy about the Solanus Casey Center. Would you like to spend more time here? Would you like to help share Bl. Solanus' story? With an influx of visitors to the Solanus Casey Center, there is a need for additional docents to guide tour groups through the Center and share Bl. Solanus' charisms. Contact Sally McCuen to find out more: 313.579.2100 ext. 149 or [smccuen@thecapuchins.org](mailto:smccuen@thecapuchins.org)

**Rectory Hours: Mon-Thurs, 10a to 3p**

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**August Mass Intentions**

Sunday, August 18, 2019  
**Tony Gilbert**

Wednesday, August 21, 2019  
**Sue Wenrick**

Sunday, August 25, 2019  
**Stanley Zaborney, Jr.**

Wednesday, August 28, 2019  
**Ben Canaday**  
**Denny Tito**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon., Aug. 19:** Judges 2:11-19; Psalm 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab & 44; Matthew 19:16-22

**Tues., Aug. 20:** Judges 6:11-24a; Psalm 85:9, 11-12, 13-14; Matthew 19:23-30

**Wed., Aug. 21:** Judges 9:6-15; Psalm 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Matthew 20:1-16

**Thurs., Aug. 22:** Judges 11:29-39a; Psalm 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Matthew 22:1-14

**Fri., Aug. 23:** Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Psalm 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10; Matthew 22:34-40

**Sat., Aug. 24:** Revelation 21:9b-14; Psalm 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; John 1:45-51

**Sun., Aug. 25:** Isaiah 66:18-21; Psalm 117:1, 2; Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13; Luke 13:22-30

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**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?

**GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**On Sunday, September 8, 2019, several of our Boulevard Ministry friends will be baptized in our outdoor pool at the 11:30 mass. Everyone is invited to witness and celebrate this magnificent event. The baptism will be followed by a delicious meal and a party. Please plan to help celebrate our friends!**

**Help Needed: Volunteer at the Capuchin Services Center...** We need 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 (Located 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 pm. To schedule a time to volunteer please email or call Candice Wroblewski, Volunteer Coordinator, at [cwroblewski@cskdetroit.org](mailto:cwroblewski@cskdetroit.org), 313-925-1370, ext. 206.

*Weekly Collection*  
**08/04/19**

Envelopes	\$ 3175.55
Loose	\$ 447.00
Maintenance	\$ 295.00
Christmas	\$ 100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 4,017.55</b>

**8/11/19**

Envelopes	\$ 4856.21
Loose	\$ 740.00
Maintenance	\$ 504.00
Christmas	\$ 200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 6,300.21</b>

“You rescued me from the darkness and now I must confess that I am beautiful, loved, and blessed.”  
~Prince,  
from the song *Beautiful, Loved & Blessed*



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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](http://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](http://aod.org) – more visible, transparent and clear.



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