

The Vigil

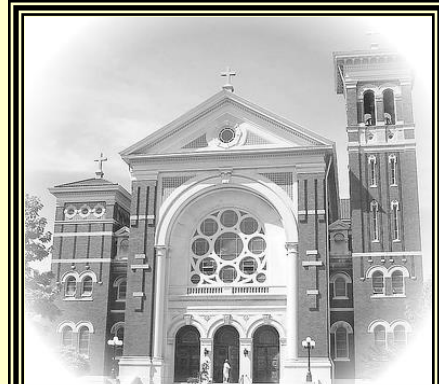
September 06, 2020
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Mass Times:
(revised for Coronavirus accommodations)

St. Charles:
Sunday 11:30am

Nativity:
Sunday 9:30am



Today's Readings

Ezekiel 33:7-9
(Warning the Wicked)

Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
(Answering the Lord's Call)

Romans 13:8-10
(Love of Neighbor)

Matthew 18:15-20
(Communal Correction and Prayer)

Pastor's Pen



Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Well, here we are on Labor Day weekend saying good-bye to a summer that was most unusual. These last six months have been a blur in some ways. As we were locked down, we have realized all the work that should be done on our homes and some of us, who are more ambitious, have taken on all kinds of projects. For many of us, the thought of those projects has catapulted us on to our couches to watch endless Netflix, Prime, Hulu and all the many escapes that have helped us catch up on all the series that didn't seem so important before the Pandemic! Anyway, whatever we've done, we have made it to Labor Day and for that there is reason to celebrate.

On this weekend, we celebrate the dignity of labor and the importance of the work that each of us is called to do. In these last six months, we have heard the term, "essential workers" used to designate those people whose jobs were essential in the midst of the Pandemic. We saw as "essential" those in the medical field (doctors, nurses, nursing assistants all hospital personnel) EMTs and firefighters, Nursing Home personnel, Funeral Directors, grocery store workers and meat packing factory workers, sanitation workers and public transportation drivers, delivery drivers and all the other behind the scene positions that were essential to keep us safe.. It was the work of all those people who were putting their health and lives on the line so others may be safe. Although we see medical professionals as being very essential and they certainly were and continue to be, we finally have lifted up the simple, low paying grocery workers and meat packing plant workers who could not opt out of work because they couldn't afford to stay home. So many of us were given options to work at home and find ways to protect ourselves and our families but there is a whole other segment of our population that didn't have that luxury.

On this Labor Day, we remember that all workers are "essential." We remember the essential workers fighting COVID-19 on frontlines of hospitals but we also remember the essential workers who are tutoring their children with zoom lessons or the son or daughter who is taking care of an ailing parent or those trying to reassure family member that all will be well through window visits in nursing homes where the comforting hug from those we love is not possible anymore. Yes, we are all "essential" workers in the grand scheme of things. We all have tasks to take on that only we can do. May we take on the importance of our day to day routines with as much passion and enthusiasm as we can muster in these difficult days. Let's remember how essential we all are to one another during this moment!

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 internal procedures 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 to 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 also may contact the 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: Call of Duty

"You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel..."
-EZEKIEL 33:7

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, many of us are not generous in proportion to the gifts we have been given. How often do we give at the minimum level required? Remember, the Lord calls us to **Stewardship**, where we nurture and develop our gifts. He calls us to be generous with all the gifts He has given us, especially the one that means the most to us.

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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."

Upcoming Events / Meetings

VOTE.
**MAKE SURE TO MAIL
IN ALL ABSENTEE
BALLOTS AS EARLY
AS POSSIBLE OR
HAND DELIVER THEM
TO STATE-
DESIGNATED
DROPOFF STATIONS.**

AS THINGS
S L O W L Y
REOPEN
**PLEASE CONTINUE TO
BE SAFE, UN-SELFISH,
SMART, AND
REASONABLE.**
(and kind. always that.)

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
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Sept. 07: 1 Corinthians 5:1-8; Psalm 5:5-6, 7, 12; Luke 6:6-11

Tues., Sept. 08: Micah 5:1-4a; Psalm 13:6ab, 6c; Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

Wed., Sept. 09: 1 Corinthians 7:25-31; Psalm 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17; Luke 6:20-26

Thurs., Sept. 10: 1 Corinthians 8:1b-7, 11-13; Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Luke 6:27-38

Fri., Sept. 11: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27; Psalm 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12; Luke 6:39-42

Sat., Sept. 12: 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; Psalm 116:12-13, 17-18; Luke 6:43-49

Sun., Sept. 13: Sirach 27:30 – 28:7; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35

**“All that you touch,
you change.**

**All that you change,
changes
you.”**

~ Octavia Butler

**Be the change needed to
bring light to others.**

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Did You Know...? The viral concern isn't over? The pandemic remains very much real. It's tiresome, yes, and patience wears thin...but are you not made of stronger stuff than impatience? Yes. Yes, you are. If you forgot that you were, now 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"

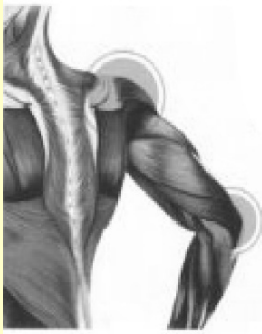
3. Choose to Login or Create Account

4. Follow the directions on the screen to make your donation!

Weekly Collection

08/30/20

Envelopes	\$2,336.24
Maintenance	\$ 27.00
Loose	\$ 249.00
TOTAL	\$2,612.24



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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.

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