

# The Vigil

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

**Mass Times:**  
(revised for Coronavirus accommodations)

**St. Charles:**  
Sunday 11:30am

**Nativity:**  
Sunday 9:30am



**"The Lord Be With You."**

**September 12, 2021**

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Today's Readings

Isaiah 50:5-9a  
(The Lord Our Help)

Psalms 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9  
(Saved by God)

James 2:14-18  
(Faith and Good Works)

Mark 8:27-35  
(Glorying in Christ's Cross)

## Pastor's Pen



On this second weekend in September and the twentieth anniversary of the Twin Towers tragedy, there will be all types of remembrances for the victims of 9/11. We will hear the stories of heartbreak and tragedy, but we will also hear the stories of heroism. We will hear about the courage of the first responders, many of whom gave their lives to save victims of this tragedy. We will also hear the stories of the passengers on Flight 93 who realized what was going on and decided to block the plane from going to the Capitol. We will hear and see footage of people holding each other and sobbing in each other's arms. As difficult as that moment was in our country, it was also a moment of grace. Tragedies, like 9/11, show us the worst of our nature and the best. We see how awful we can be to one another and also how compassionate. We see our weaknesses and vulnerability, but we also see our tremendous strengths. We see the power of love and faith that pushes people to no longer preserve their own life but to lose it so that other's might live. This fits with what Jesus is saying to us in the Gospel today:

***"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny themselves,  
Take up their cross and follow me.  
For whoever wishes to save their life will lose it,  
But whoever loses their life for my sake  
And that of the Gospel will save it."***

When we are inspired to give our lives away out of love, we begin to taste the power of the Divine. We see what great love our God has for us, and we get closer to the story of our salvation. May we all give our lives away this week as we remember the heroic stories

Just in case you were wondering...As most of you know by now, I will be going on a sabbatical for 6 months from October 1 til April 1 before I get assigned to a new ministry. I have chosen to go to Los Angeles for a few reasons (Of course, nothing to do with the beach or the sun or the wonderful weather!). I will be attending a program through the Loyola Institute on Spirituality in Orange, California. My hope is that it will be a time to pray, recharge, and allow God to work on me. I will also be observing and enjoying Homeboy Industries, founded by Greg Boyle, a Jesuit, working with former gang members. He has begun many social enterprises with the help of these wonderful men and women. I especially like his spirituality which speaks of our kinship with one another. He reminds us that there is no "us and them," it's just "Us." We are all connected as brothers and sisters...so simple but so profound! Please pray that I am open to whatever God wants!

## 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.



*“I cannot say  
GOODBYE  
to those whom  
I have grown  
to LOVE,  
for the memories  
we have made  
will last a  
LIFETIME,  
and will never  
know a GOODBYE.”*

**A Celebration of**

**Brother Ray**

**Sunday, 1 P.M.,**

**September 26, 2021**

**St. Charles Banquet Hall**

**In appreciation for the years he has loved and served  
us...**

**And to wish him God's blessing as he moves on to  
the next chapter of his Journey!**

## Community

*Pray for the  
Healing Presence*

Clara Boltman  
Mary Canaday  
Frank Catania  
Simone Eder  
Vickie Figueroa  
William (Bill) Leto  
Waletha McCrary  
Roger Sinclair  
Pat Sprinkle  
Anna Tyler

### **Archbishop Vigneron's statement on Pope Francis' Global Rules for Reporting Abuse:**

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. See [detroitcatholic.com](http://detroitcatholic.com) to learn more. 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](http://protect.aod.org).

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### **Help With Overdue Rent**

Eligible renters and landlords can apply online through the Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency at [www.waynemetro.org/ceraapp](http://www.waynemetro.org/ceraapp) for the COVID Emergency Rental Assistance, or CERA, program to get back rent payments and help with utilities and internet bills.

### **Is Your Detroit Home in Need of Repair?**

Tens of thousands of Detroit homes are dangerous to live in. A recent U of M study estimated that 24,000 Detroit homes need major fixes, such as leaking roofs, broken furnaces and faulty wiring. That's 5 percent of the city's housing stock. Housing advocates contend the real number is far higher. **Detroit Home Repair Resource Guide** is a 2019 list of many nonprofits and other agencies that offer help for residents. Contact information for the City of Detroit, United Community Housing Coalition and several other organizations are listed in the 70-page guide. It can be found online at <https://poverty.umich.edu/files/2020/03/DETROIT-HOME-REPAIR-RESOURCE-GUIDE.pdf>

**Stewardship Minute:**  
*Stewardship Lifestyle*

*"Whoever wishes to come after me  
must deny himself, take up his cross,  
and follow me."  
~ MARK 8:34*

Does this mean a life of stewardship is a life of suffering? No. It means be prepared to work, especially on yourself. Too often we deny ourselves the grace of inner healing and building. Instead, we run toward things to numb our questions and our pains. In facing ourselves, we take up truer devotions.

*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?*

**Your Support Matters**

**You can now use your mobile device to make online contributions!**

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

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Dan Hurley	Gabrielle Taylor (youth rep.)
Joyce Hurley	Alonda Walker
David Nadeau	Paco Williams
Diane Simpkins	

**September  
Mass Intentions**

Sunday, September 12  
**Stephen and Catherine  
Bogataitis  
Toufie and Alice Ayoub  
Antoinette McBain  
Irene Kociemba**

Sunday, September 19  
**The Pilette and Valenti  
Families**

Sunday, September 26  
**Deceased members of the  
Stadmeyer Family**

**You're stronger  
than U think.**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Mon., Sept. 13: 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Psalm 28:2, 7, 8-9; Luke 7:1-10

Tues., Sept. 14: Numbers 21:4b-9; Psalm 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17

Wed., Sept. 15: 1 Timothy 3:14-16; Psalm 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; John 19:25-27

Thurs., Sept. 16: 1 Timothy 4:12-16; Psalm 111:7-8, 9, 10; Luke 7:36-50

Fri., Sept. 17: 1 Timothy 6:2c-12; Psalm 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20; Luke 8:1-3

Sat., Sept. 18: 1 Timothy 6:13-16; Psalm 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Luke 8:4-15

Sun., Sept. 19: 1 Timothy 6:13-16; Psalm 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Luke 8:4-15

**Led By the Spirit On Mission**

Over the next year-and-a-half, all parishes in the archdiocese will join together into groups of three to six, called "Families of Parishes." Going forward, these Families of Parishes will work together, sharing resources and talents to further advance the shared mission of our local Church. The Family groupings have been compiled in the last few months through consultation with the auxiliary bishops and priests, a process steeped in prayer and with attention given to the best interest of each community. In the meantime, to help us all better understand why we are moving in this direction, Archbishop Vigneron has written a [new Pastoral Note on Families of Parishes](#), providing some theological context for the transition and introducing a renewed structure for parish ministry to more effectively equip them for their missionary work. Like all [Pastoral Notes](#) released in recent years, this new text is informed by and expands upon the steady foundation of [Archbishop Vigneron's 2017 Pastoral Letter, Unleash the Gospel](#).

Looking into the not-too-distant future, Archbishop Vigneron also uses this new Pastoral Note to anticipate the development of Family Missionary Strategic Plans, which will guide each Family of Parishes as it carries out its work in the years to come.

To read the Pastoral Note, visit: [Unleash the Gospel](#).

**"When you learn better you do better. No shame in that."**

**Read it again.**

*Weekly Collection  
Coming Soon*



# *The Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance News*

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed it is the only thing that ever has.

August 2021

Margaret Mead

## **2021 Harvest Affair** *A Celebration of Black Artistry* **Wednesday, September 15th** **Shed 5 Eastern Market**

This year we will be gathering for a different In-Person Harvest Affair. The past 17 months have been quite different for all of us, yet here we are committed to doing the work to make Detroit a better place for its residents.

### *SO WHAT IS DIFFERENT THIS YEAR???*

- This year we will have indoor/outdoor space. *We will leave all of the doors of Shed 5 open to accommodate a natural flow of air.*
- Dinner will be catered by Jackson Five Star Catering *Each meal will be pre-packaged in individual boxes with the entire meal in it. This way it removes the contact with others except at your table.*
- NO Silent Auction. *We hope to return to this tradition in 2022 but we will have some prizes you can bid on in the tin can raffle.*
- This year we will feature the art of some local Black Artists. You can view or purchase!
- This year our entertainment will focus on Young talent in Detroit!

### **2021 Honorees Awards**

We are very excited to honor two of our priests with awards this year!



First is **Fr. Patrick Gonyeau**, Pastor of Corpus Christi Parish who will be honored with the Alliance's prestigious award, the **2021 Pastor of the Year Award**.



Secondly is **Bro. Ray Stadmeyer, OFM Cap.** Pastor of St. Charles Borromeo and Nativity of our Lord, who will receive the **2021 Life of Service Award** in gratitude for all that he has done in our city as he prepares to move to his next chapter of ministry.

To buy tickets or donate go to: <https://www.dcpasite.com/harvest>



## Join Strangers No Longer to Celebrate World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Re-energize your spirit at Mass September 22 at 6:00 p.m. at Most Holy Trinity in Detroit - 1050 Porter St.

Pope Francis announced that the 107th World Day of Migrants and Refugees will be held in late September.

Strangers No Longer is planning a Mass on September 22nd to commemorate this occasion. Details include:



Monsignor Kosanke of Most Holy Trinity will kick off the celebration and Padre Beto of Our Lady of Guadalupe will say the Mass.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Choir will provide the music along with an Aztec drum procession.

Our immigrant Circle members will bless our Circle leaders and high school student leaders.

**Please invite parishioners, friends, and relatives to join us! This flyer can be distributed at your church--or anywhere!  
All are welcome!**

**A collection will be taken for the ongoing support of Strangers No Longer.**

Questions? Email [strangersnolonger11@gmail.com](mailto:strangersnolonger11@gmail.com) or call 313-549-0421





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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](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.