

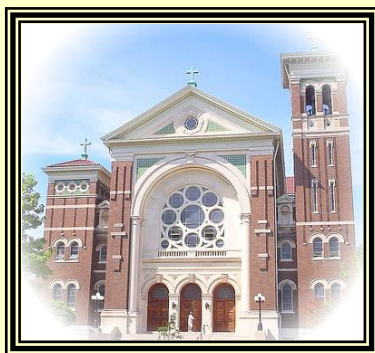
The Vigil

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 19, 2021

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings

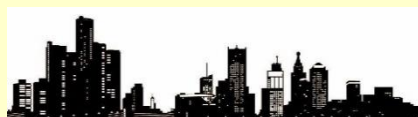
Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
(The Just are Persecuted)

Psalms 54:3-4, 5, 6 AND 8
(God Our Helper)

James 3:16-4:3
(Avoiding Conflicts)

Mark 9:30-37
(Service of Others)

Pastor's Pen



As we come to the last Mass at Nativity this Sunday and the last Mass at St. Charles next week, I am filled with so many different emotions. I am sad with a grief that feels like someone's dying. I find myself crying about nothing and then laughing as I think about someone or something that brought me to that belly laugh where I couldn't breathe anymore. Those are the best laughs! I've thought of all the times people have let me in that private space of their lives with struggles and fears and hopes and worries that no one else knew about. What a privilege to be invited into someone's deepest heart and soul. I think of the joy of baptisms and the hope of new life springing in our lives through these beautiful babies. I have been inspired by all the caretakers who so quietly and lovingly tend to ill spouses, sick children, and ailing parents. I think of the goodness of so many people who have volunteered endless hours of work for the Pantry and Christmas program at Nativity; for the wonder of our friends on Grand Blvd who just soak up the love of parishioners at St. Charles; for the First Communions and Confirmations where nervous children received those powerful sacraments; for the weddings that were filled with tenderness and the deepest love; for the weekday Eucharists around the Dining Room tables where everyone was welcome and the compassion around the table fed those who were hungry for a companion on the journey who would not judge or scold or offer anything but a hand and a heart; and for the funerals at both parishes where everyone came around grieving families to remind them that their parish family would never leave them even when it got tough.

In these years in Detroit, God has been so good to me. I have been able to meet you. We have laughed together at the silliest things. We have cried when our hearts have been broken by life. You have inspired me by your faithfulness to the Gospel and all the quiet things you do for others that no one knows about but God. Yes, this has been quite a journey and we part as better people because we've met each other. Our hearts are broken because we let each other in. As hard as this is, I would never exchange the wonder of these years for less grief. No, the grief is part of the deal with love and the grief reminds us of not what we've lost but what we've had. You have made me so much better over these years and I will be forever in your debt for all your goodness and kindness. As Paul reminds us, "Love never ends." We will carry those words with us, and our hearts will carry each other. With much gratitude for all you are to me!

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 - Outside of the church

Masks are required!

**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
Andy Chico Gutierrez
William (Bill) Leto
Waletha McCrary
Roger Sinclair
Pat Sprinkle

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 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.

(1) Follow Jesus with eyes open...

(2) So that you can see anyone stumbling ahead or
behind you

And offer them help.

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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:
Service

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."
MARK 9:35

Jesus teaches His **Stewards** that they are called to love one another. Love involves sacrifice. Sacrifice is a word that many of us don't like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is "to make holy," from the words "*sacer*" = *sacred* and "*facere*" = *to make*. In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

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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**September
Mass Intentions**

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

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

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rolled-up
sleeve** ready for
work and grit.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Sept. 20: Ezra 1:1-6;
Psalm 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5,
6; Luke 8:16-18

Tues., Sept. 21: Ephesians
4:1-7, 11-13; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-
5; Matthew 9:9-13

Wed., Sept. 22: Ezra 9:5-9;
Tobit 13:2, 3-4a, 4b-fghn, 7-8;
Luke 9:1-6

Thurs., Sept. 23: Haggai 1:1-8;
Psalm 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a
AND 9b; Luke 9:7-9

Fri., Sept. 24: Haggai 2:1-9;
Psalm 43:1, 2, 3, 4; Luke 9:18-
22

Sat., Sept. 25: Zechariah 2:5-9,
14-15a; Jeremiah 31:10, 11-
12ab, 13; Luke 9:43b-45

Sun., Sept. 26: Numbers
11:25-29; Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-
13, 14; James 5:1-6;
Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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](#).

Weekly Collection

08/29/2021

Envelopes	\$ 3,014.58
Loose	\$ 614.95
Maintenance	\$ 5.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,634.53

09/05/2021 AND 09/12/2021

Envelopes	\$ 4,633.58
Loose	\$ 1,042.75
Christmas	\$ 1,000.00
Maintenance	\$ 99.00
TOTAL	\$ 6,775.33



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.

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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.