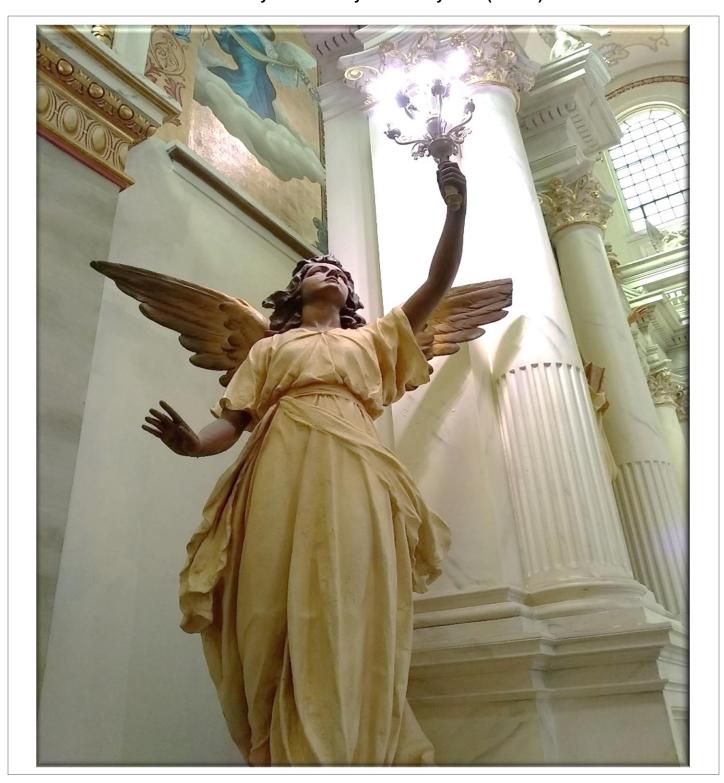
# St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

# The VIGIL

Sunday, September 22, 2024 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)



# Thoughts for Today's Readings



# "With a Frayer..."

# **Sunday Food for You**

### **Childish Behavior**

For the past Sundays Jesus has been shocking the disciples by showing himself as the "The Just One," as in today's <u>First Reading</u>:

He is telling them and us the most intimate fact of his life.

First, the setup. People known as "the wicked" practiced what we could call a version of childish self-interest. They say the equivalent of the following:

Look at this "righteous one." He thinks he is so wonderful. Let's use his high opinion of himself and "test it." Let us see how revilement and torture will affect him. Let us see what a slow death will do to someone supposedly so patient and gentle.

The <u>First Reading</u> quotes these "evil ones" as saying, sarcastically, doesn't this Just One claim that "God will defend him and deliver him from the hand of his foes"? We'll see. So, they practice mockery and cruelty, all based on self-deception.

*Mockery*: "If he says he is so wonderful, if he has God on his side, surely he will pass our little test. We are just conducting an 'interesting experiment'."

Translation: he's on the wrong side, kill him.

*Cruelty*: "He thinks he is so holy. We will give him torture, revilement, and a shameful death. This is just reasonable research, to see how he will react."

Translation: holiness is all a sham, a way for people to get what they want. Well, we want him dead.

Self-deception: we do not need this God stuff. We base our lives in what is real.

Translation: we are more important than God and this Jesus H. Christ. Self-interest will always win.

All these are seductively false. No human being can become truly and freely human unless he or she puts God in first place, valuing everything else in relation to God's love—even power, even wealth, and especially pride.

The disciples, out of confusion, engage in a long argument about which of them is the greatest! It is as if they are children fighting for the best toys. Instead of this, Jesus says in the <u>Gospel</u> that, in fact, the Son of God was going to be condemned to this shaming torture, the one that the wicked had planned, and would be killed. It would look exactly as if God did not care.

This is what I am going to do," he says. I will be saying "I love you," to my Father. But I will do it by not resisting insults and humiliating death, because I love God above these things. And I love the world, and everything in it. And I love you, with the fullness and warmth and generosity of God's everlasting love.

Even if it is hard for us to believe, God's promise is that good can emerge out of suffering and death. Ultimately it seems that good can come only from these.

So, in the end, shocking or not, God does defend us and deliver us from the hand of our foes!

Dennis Hamm, SJ St. Louis University \*\*If you have an announcement that needs to be made at the end of mass or something you wish to share in the Vigil, please call or email the rectory no later than NOON on WEDNESDAY of the week for the announcement or information to share to let us know.\*\*

# 2024 ELECTION REGISTRATION

Keep in mind Election Day is fast approaching, November 5, 2024. ARE YOU READY?

In addition to following the candidates and their vision for our America, you need to be REGISTERED to vote so your voice will be heard. Not registered to vote? we can help! We have everything needed to help you register after Sunday Mass right here at St. Charles. Stop by the gathering space near the church entrance. If you don't have an appropriate I.D. with you, no worries; we will tell you what is needed and you can bring it any Sunday until November 3, 2024!

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# St. Charles Men's Retreat September 27-29, 2024

All parishioners, their family members, and friends are invited to attend. The retreats begin with dinner on Friday evening and end on Sunday morning after breakfast and Mass (about 11AM). St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center is at 23333 Schoolcraft, which is the eastbound service drive for I-96, just east of Telegraph Rd. in Detroit.

The retreat is a special time to rest in God, eat delicious food, share great conversations, and come home more hopeful and peaceful. Each person has their own room and bathroom—all linens provided. Private spiritual direction sessions are available as well. And the 18-acre grounds offer many beautiful and tranquil places to rest and enjoy nature.

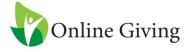
The suggested donation is \$225.00, and retreatants are asked to give whatever they can afford to cover the costs--please do not let finances keep you away. Gifts certificates are also available. For more information about the Women's retreat, please see or call Jessica Edwards (313.917.0129) or Patty Gillis (313.399.8320). For more information about the Men's retreat, please see or call James Taylor (313.622.4505). To register online, go to www.stpaulretreat.org/register-retreat.

Our theme for this year is "It's All About Presence". We are invited to come and explore together at this retreat, the depth and breadth of God's presence – within and among us. How do we let the seed of God's presence germinate in our hearts, and transform us into the body of Christ to continue His mission in the world today?

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Sunday Community Dinners... As one of our most important ministries to our members and neighbors, we have been blessed. We are in need of more. If you and your group would like to sponsor a meal, please contact Georgia Kingsley via the rectory to sponsor an upcoming Sunday meal. Today, September 22: Secular Franciscans of St Bonaventure; September 29: Wilson Suprato; October 6: Monique Beals and Crew; October 13: Sponsor Needed; October 20: Janis Ayoub (Annual Chile Cook Off); October 27: Sponsor Needed; November 3: Alumni Sunday- Patty Gillis

**Nativity Pantry News:** We are so grateful for your continued support. This week we need family size Pork & Beans (Regular & Family Size, Spaghetti Sauce, Snacks and Candy.



Go to the giving site at: https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stcharlesdetroit

### The VIGIL

# PRAYERS, READINGS, & FINANCE

# PRAY FOR THE HEALING PRESENCE

Paul Andrecovich June Buersmeyer Mary Canaday Mamie Cusimano Mark Dearing Joy Harris Joyce Hurley Joan Jackson Kathy Kapa Leslie Kirby Ron Kirby Pamela Little Michael Martin John Nahas Richard Nahas Gloria Parham Ronald Parham Vertis Park, Sr. Earlene Park-Williams **Greg Pullis** Gregory Richardson Thomas Traylor Anna Tyler

Please call the rectory at 313-331-0253 to let us know when a name should be added to or removed from the list. Names will stay on the list for 3 months, but can be continued if we are notified of the wishes.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

September 22, 2024

Alexander Grabowski Mary Niemic

September 29, 2024

Terrance Foster Bohdan Vujic

October 06, 2024

Evelyn Seyboldt Jessie Kirby Georgine Ayoub Roger Sinclair

October 13, 2024

Lisa Little Keith Carson

October 20, 2024

Evelyn Seyboldt Waletha McCrary Carl Avoub

October 27, 2024

Patricia Sweeting Gayle Koyton Carl Ayoub

### **TODAY'S READINGS**

Wisdom 2: 12, 17-20 (Attaining Eternal Life)

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

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

Second Thessalonians 2: 14 (Shared Glory)

Gospel: Mark 9: 30-37 (Service of Others)

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of September 2024

For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon., Sept. 23:** Proverbs 3: 27-34; Psalm 15: 2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Matthew 5: 16; Luke 8: 16-18

**Tues., Sept. 24:** Proverbs 21: 1-6, 10-13; Psalm 119: 1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Luke 11: 28; Luke 8: 19-21

**Wed., Sept. 25:** Proverbs 30: 5-9; Psalm 119: 29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Mark 1: 15; Luke 9: 1-6

**Thurs., Sept. 26:** Ecclesiastes 1: 2-11; Psalm 90: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc; John 14: 6; Luke 9: 7-9

**Fri., Sept. 27:** Ecclesiastes 3: 1-11; Psalm 144: 1b and 2abc, 3-4; Mark 10: 45; Luke 9: 18-22

**Sat., Sept. 28**: Ecclesiastes 11: 9 – 12: 8; Psalm 90: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17; Second Timothy 1: 10; Luke 9: 43b-45

**Sun., Sept. 29:** Numbers 11: 25-29; Psalm 19: 8, 10, 12-13, 14; James 5: 1-6; John 17: 17b, 17a; Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

# STEWARDSHIP MINUTE: Stewardship Servants

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

Jesus teaches us that we as Christian Stewards 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, when we sacrifice, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

# COLLECTION INFO

**September 15, 2024** 

Collections \$1,059.37

Online \$1,332.00

TOTAL \$2,391.37



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YOU MATTER.

SOCIETY MATTERS. FOR ALL.

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# **Strangers No Longer**

# Celebration of Diversity at Detroit's Cathedral

110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees "God Walks with the People"



- Procession and Mass Cathedral the Most Blessed Sacrament
- Multi-national music
- National flags and dress
- Parish banners and banners of our allied organizations
- Multi-national food tables

# Sunday, September 29, 2024

2:30PM - Procession starting at the Cathedral - 9844 Woodward 3:30PM - Mass at the Cathedral

Immigration is a contentious topic in the world right now. Let's show our desire for community, diversity, and brother-and-sisterhood among communities and immigrant groups with a joyful recognition of all the benefits immigrants bring to Michigan!

All are welcome--Catholics, non-Catholics, immigrants, non-immigrants, allies, and advocates of Jesus's call to welcome the stranger.

Bring your parish banner and national flag, your drums and national attire! Invite friends and family to join you!



Let us know you're coming



Register your parish or organization

Strangers No Longer 19972 Shrewsbury Detroit, MI 48221 www.strangersnolonger.org strangersnolonger11@gmail.com 313-549-0421

"....the encounter with the migrant, as with every brother and sister in need, is also an encounter with Christ. He himself said so. It is he who knocks on our door..."
-Pope Francis

# Magnify the Lord 30th Anniversary Concert Featuring the Nativity of Our Lord and St. Charles Praise Dancers & The Magnify Choir

St. Charles Borromeo 1491 Baldwin Detroit, MI 48214

at



Saturday 11/23/2024 7pm Tickets
\$20 advanced
\$30 at the door
Children \$5 at
the door

Call St. Charles at 313-331-0253 Nativity of Our Lord at 313-922-0033 for more information Caall SCt.

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# ST. JOSEPH AND JESUS: FATHER-SON BREAKFAST

Saturday, September 28, 2024
Sacred Heart Major Seminary 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

# September 2024 St. Charles Borromeo

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
I 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:30am Mass Community Meal	2 Labor Day - Office Closed	3 Office Reopens	4 On-line PGC ses- sion <b>6pm</b> Register on- line	5	6 11am Mass in Rectory	7 In-person PGC session <b>9am</b> St. Daniel Parish (Clarkston) And St. Mary (Milford) Register on- line
8 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:30am Mass Community Meal	9	10	11	12 In- person PGC session 6pm Gesu Parish (Detroit) Register on- line	13 11am Mass in Rectory In-person PGC session Ipm Sacred Heart Major Semi- nary (Detroit) Register on- line	14
15 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:30am Mass Community Meal	16	17	18	19	20 11am Mass in Rectory	21
22 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:30am Mass Community Meal	23	24	25	26	27 11am Mass in Rectory	In-person PGC session <b>9am &amp; 1pm</b> St. Francis Cabrini Parish (Allen Park)- register on-line
29 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:30am Mass Community Meal	30					



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The theme for the Season of Creation 2024 is to hope and act with creation. In the letter of Paul, the apostle to the Romans, in the biblical image pictures the Earth as a Mother, groaning as in childbirth (Rom 8:22)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
World Day of Prayer. Rel. Ed. registration	Labor Day	St. Gregory the Great (M)	Rosary 7pm Zoom.	St. Teres a of Calcutta, Virgin	First Friday of the Month	Eco-Spirituality Retreat II. 10am-3pm
8	9	10	11	12	13	12
23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. Rel. Ed. Parent Meeting.	St. Peter Claver (M). Lectio Divina returns at 7pm. On Zoom	A conversation on Fossil Fuel Non- Proliferation	Rosary 7pm Zoom	The Most Holy Name of Mary	St. John Chrysostom (M)	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (F)
15	16	17	18	19	20	2
Catechetical Sunday, Marian Activity Display,	Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian (M) Lectio Divina 7pm.	Parent Meeting Year Two Confirmation. Zoom 7pm	Rosary 7pm Zoom	Teen Prayer Group returns at 6pm on Zoom.	St. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, Priest Martyr	Engaging the Young Church Conference 2024
Teen and Young Adults meet following mass. Two groups.	St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest. Lection Divina 7pm.	24 Year Two Confirmation. 6pm Zoom	Rosary 7pm Zoom	Teen Prayer Group 6p m Zoom	St. Vincent De Paul, Priest	"To Hope and Act with Creation. Theme for the Month.
Parent meeting for Children's Liturgy of the Word.	30 Season of Creation ends on 10/4. Lectio 7pm	Oct. 1st Year Two Confirmation Zoom 6pm	Oct. 2 <sup>nd</sup> The Holy Guardian Angel. Rosary 7pm	Oct. 3 <sup>nd</sup> Teen Prayer Group 6pm Zoom	Oct. 4 <sup>th</sup> St. Francis of Assisi. Closing Celebration.	

Amazing Peace-Joni Scott, Director of Religious Education.

<sup>&</sup>quot;The earth is the LORD'S and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it."

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# **PARISH & ARCHDIOCESAN INFORMATION**

### St Charles Borromeo

1491 Baldwin St., Detroit, MI 48214 (313) 331-0253 (Fax 313-331-4834)

stcharlesborromeodetroit@yahoo.com

FaceBook: St. Charles Borromeo Parish - Detroit MI YouTube: www.youtube.com/@st.charlesborromeodetroit

# St. Charles Office Hours:

Monday, 10am to 3pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9am to 4pm

Friday, 9am to 3pm

### **Pastoral Team**

Fr. Chris Talbot. Priest in Solidum

Fr. Richard Baumann, Priest in Solidum

Fr. David Preuss, OFM, CAP, Priest in Solidum

Joni Scott, Director of Religious Education

### **Council Members**

Steven Dearing, Niam Edwards, Marian Harvey, Sr. Mary Ellen Howard, Dan Hurley, Donna King, Leslie Kirby, Richard Preuss, Nicholas Rennpage

# OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES MASS TIMES

St Charles Borromeo Detroit
Mass Times
Friday: Mass 11am
Sunday 11:30am
Live Stream

Nativity of Our Lord Mass Times Thursday: Holy Hour 8am; Mass 9am Sunday 9:30am

> St Augustine / St Monica Mass Times Wednesday, 9am Sunday 10am

# **Family of Parishes Prayer Groups**

Tuesday Men's Prayer Group 6pm, St. Augustine / St. Monica

# **Tuesday Zoom Prime Time Bible Study**

St. Elizabeth / Sacred Heart, 7pm.

For Zoom link go to www.sacredheartdetroit.com/primetime

## 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.

# 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. The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages individuals to report clergy sexual abuse of minors and others directly to law enforcement – no matter when the abuse occurred. The Michigan Attorney General's Office has established a toll-free reporting hotline at (844- 324-3374, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5pm. (aginvestigations@michigan.gov). Individuals also may contact their local police department. For complaints involving priests, deacons, religious, or laity, individuals are welcomed to contact the Archdiocese of Detroit's Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 343-8055 or vac@aod.org.