

The Vigil

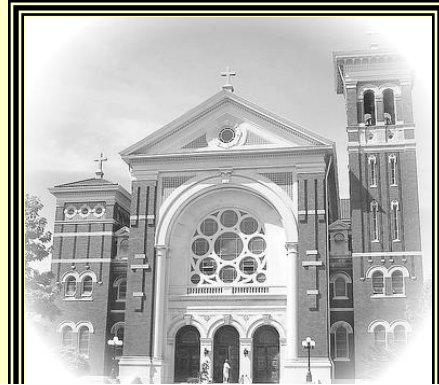
September 27, 2020
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Mass Times:
(revised for Coronavirus accommodations)

St. Charles:
Sunday 11:30am

Nativity:
Sunday 9:30am



Today's Readings

Ezekiel 18:25-28
(The Virtuous Man Shall Live)

Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
(God's Compassion)

Philippians 2:1-11
(Jesus is Lord)

Matthew 21:28-32
(Obeying God's Will)

Pastor's Pen



Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Paul's letter to the Philippians today encourages us to take the high road even if others are not at their best:

“Brothers and Sisters: if there is any encouragement in Christ, any solace in love, any participation in the Spirit, any compassion and mercy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing. Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for their own interests, but also for those of others.”

We are in troubling times these days with divisions of all kinds. We hear of violence each day, injustices in our legal system to persons of color, political divisiveness, and just plain mean spiritedness towards one another. With the death of Ruth Bader Ginsberg last week, I was thinking of how offensive it must have been to her family when within hours of the reports of her death, all the political camps were making statements as to who and when a replacement would be filled on the Supreme Court. Some were in favor of the quick replacement and others ready to fight. It saddened me to realize we could not wait until after her funeral to talk of such things. Then I heard about her relationship with Antonin Scalia. Scalia was the polar opposite of Bader Ginsberg, yet they were friends who respected each other and could put their differences aside and enjoy each other's company and goodness. They were able to disagree on the interpretations of the law without disrespecting each other. It's that respect and ability to see beyond our differences to the wonder of the other that I hope for all of us. We have been through (and continue to go through) the COVID 19 pandemic. That should be enough to remind us that each of our lives are precious and honorable and good. As Paul reminds us, it's not about us but about the other person. Let's try to be kinder this week and continue to remember the common goodness that unites us.

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.

Mass Dispensation Update from Father Stephen Pullis, Director of the Archdiocese of Detroit Department of Evangelization and Missionary Discipleship and member of the liturgical team advising Archbishop Vigneron during the coronavirus pandemic:

In light of the continued spread of the coronavirus in southeast Michigan and the impossibility for parishes to safely accommodate all Catholics for Mass on Sundays, **Archbishop Vigneron has extended the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation for all the faithful in the Archdiocese of Detroit, as well as for all travelers during their time within the territory of the Archdiocese of Detroit, until Monday, November 23, 2020.**

Civil Responsibility

In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation. "People in every nation enhance the social dimension of their lives by acting as committed and responsible citizens" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, no. 220).

The obligation to participate in political life is rooted in our baptismal commitment to follow Jesus Christ and to bear Christian witness in all we do. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us, "It is necessary that all participate, each according to his position and role, in promoting the common good. This obligation is inherent in the dignity of the human person. ... As far as possible citizens should take an active part in public life" (nos. 1913-1915).

Stewardship Minute: Awareness

"Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves..." Philippians 2:3

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, in **Stewardship**, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts!

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- ❖ Focused on the life experiences of the individual; Confidential sharing; NOT counseling or therapy; Led by a trained director who will provide assistance through questions and active listening.

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- ❖ Anyone who wishes to live their spiritual life more fully

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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.**

Feast of St. Francis Blessing of Pets

**Bring your pet(s) to mass or
to the screen for blessing on
Sunday, October 4, 2020. Bro.
Ray will bless the pets in
person at both Nativity and
St. Charles PLUS virtually
online during both masses.**

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. 28: Job 1:6-22;
Psalm 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7; Luke
9:46-50

Tues., Sept. 29: Daniel 7:9-
10, 13-14; Psalm 138:1-2ab,
2cde-3, 4-5; John 1:47-51

Wed., Sept. 30: Job 9:1-12,
14-16; Psalm 88:10bc-11, 12-
13, 14-15; Luke 9:57-62

Thurs., Oct. 01: Job 19:21-27;
Psalm 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14;
Luke 10:1-12

Fri., Oct. 02: Job 38:1, 12-21,
40:3-5; Psalm 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-
10, 13-14ab; Matthew 18:1-5,
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Sat., Oct. 03: Job 42:1-3, 5-6,
12-17; Psalm 119:66, 71, 75,
91, 125, 130; Luke 10:17-24

Sun., Oct. 04: Isaiah 5:1-7;
Psalm 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16,
19-20; Philippians 4:6-9;
Matthew 21:33-43

**Usually when we say
we're **bored** it
actually means we have
too many options
to focus on, not too
few. *One trick to
manage boredom is to
imagine a laser pointer
in your mind; study
whatever it points to,
really study it. If you
don't feel drawn to it,
allow the light to settle
on something else
rather than fret about
it. Your heart will find
what it wants to focus
on!***

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
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speak to a customer service
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**You can now use your mobile device
to make online contributions!**

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<http://www.stcharlesdetroit.org>

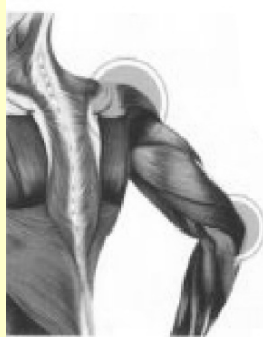
2. Click on the blue link with three white
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"Donate"

3. Choose to Login or Create Account

4. Follow the directions on the screen to
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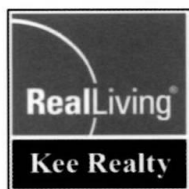
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Making a Report of Sexual Abuse

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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