

The Vigil

October 04, 2020
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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."

Today's Readings

Isaiah 5:1-7
(The Lord's Vineyard)

Psalms 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20
(Safety in the Lord)

Philippians 4:6-9
(Wholesome Thoughts)

Matthew 21:33-43
(The Tenant Farmers)

Pastor's Pen



On this 4th day of October, the Feast of Francis of Assisi, I would like to share a prayer sent to me this week. Through the intercession of Francis, may we look at the earth in more tender ways.

Prayer to Care for our Common Home

*Father, Creator and ruler of the universe,
You placed our first parents in a garden
To keep and to tend.
Call us forth now to restore and protect it.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, our brother and Savior,
You spoke of the lilies, the birds,
the fields and vineyards.
You taught us to love one another.
Call us forth now to restore what we have
thoughtlessly damaged.*

*Holy Spirit, Breath of God,
You fill us with life and guide our decisions.
Open our eyes and show us what we have done to this world.
Call us forth now to restore the harmony
You first breathed into creation.*

*Triune God, help us to hear the cry of the earth,
And the cry of those who suffer from the earth's devastation.
Call us forth now to care for our common home. Amen*

(Adapted from encyclical of Pope Francis: Laudato Si / by Nancyann Turner OP)

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

Jon Bozich
Mary Canaday
Wesley Nethercott
Elaine Rosen

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

Today, in St. Matthew's Gospel, the evangelist recounts Jesus' telling of a parable to the chief priests and elders. A landowner (God) plants a vineyard, leases it out, then goes on a journey. When vintage time draws near, He twice sends His servants for the produce. Christ describes how the tenants (the Israelites) reject the servants (God's prophets) and even kill the landowner's son (Jesus, symbolizing His dying for our sins). Our Lord and Savior becomes the cornerstone the builders reject. In the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, a vineyard that yields bad grapes is related to Israel's sinfulness. God's Kingdom will be given to those who produce abundant fruit. As Paschal stewards strengthened by the Eucharist, we strive to produce good fruit in our lives — good works through acts of Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy.

"There's a beauty that comes with Michigan's autumnal air which rivals the marvelous fireworks displays put on by the artistic trees. Mornings and evenings feel quieter, the air's playful nips urge us not to be so serious, and inhaling deeply brings to mind a mug of water on a hot day. Things are chaotic in many of our lives now, but take a moment to stop, be still, and breathe."

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., Oct. 05: Galatians 1:6-12; Psalm 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 AND 10c; Luke 10:25-37

Tues., Oct. 06: Galatians 1:13-24; Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Luke 10:38-42

Wed., Oct. 07: Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; Luke 11:1-4

Thurs., Oct. 08: Galatians 3:1-5; Psalm Luke 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Luke 1:5-13

Fri., Oct. 09: Galatians 3:7-14; Psalm 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Luke 11:15-26

Sat., Oct. 10: Galatians 3:22-29; Psalm 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Luke 11:27-28

Sun., Oct. 11: Isaiah 25:6-10a; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20; Matthew 22:1-14

**Curious about exploring
your relationship with God in
the company
of a Spiritual Director?**

Spiritual Direction is:

- ❖ 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.

Who is it for?

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

Contact Monique Beels directly for more information or to begin a conversation.
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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

09/13/20 and 09/20/20

Envelopes \$5,124.58
Loose \$ 355.00
Maintenance \$ 20.00
TOTAL \$5,499.58

09/27/20

Envelopes \$ 876.00
Loose \$ 126.00
Maintenance \$ 10.00
TOTAL \$1,012.00

