

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.”

October 10, 2021
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings

Wisdom 7:7-11
(*Riches of Wisdom*)

Psalms 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17
(*Filled with God's Love*)

Hebrews 4:12-13
(*God's Living Word*)

Mark 10:17-30
(*All for God*)

Pastor's Pen



Good Morning! Today, Jesus calls us to be free in Him so that we can freely give to others in need. Let's pray for the Spirit of Wisdom, which allows us to "taste and feel" God's love for us, freeing us from fears and cheapness.

I'll forewarn you, in the coming few weeks I'll be talking about things in the future because I still can't drive and have to cut back on the things I'd like to do. Once I get the all clear from my cardiologist, I hope we can have Masses on Friday at St. Charles at a time that works best for you. It looks like Friday will be the day I am in the parish, so I hope to set up times to meet and greet you. I am also looking forward to offering Mass on Sundays as I am able (we'll have other priests when I'm not). In addition, I hope to be able to be in the church after Masses on most Sundays. Those are a lot of 'hopes;" let's see what God provides.

This past week, we celebrate the memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary. Each day, thousands of people drive by and admire Holy Rosary church as they pass by on I94 or Woodward. The early Christians of Jerusalem wrote that Mary walked in Jerusalem around the places where Jesus was in his last days. Praying the rosary allows us to live each day, meditating and being present to Jesus from His conception through His glorious resurrection and ascension. If you don't pray the rosary, you might try it for a week and see if helps you as it helps so many to stay focused on Jesus.

Looking forward to when I can meet you face to face.

With a prayer,
Father Dan

NOTE: Monsignor Trapp has been appointed as pastor for St. Charles and Nativity. Often, when a priest is new, or it is not sure that he will be in a parish for a good bit of time, he is appointed as administrator. In our case, the Archdiocese plans on him being with us as pastor.

Monsignor Trapp will handle financial responsibilities, employees report to him, and other responsibilities for the parish that keep us operating as we should. There will be a group of other priests who will partner with Monsignor Trapp for Sunday Mass celebrations. These priests are wonderful men who will support us but are not assigned as our Pastor. Each month, we will try to publish the list of Mass Celebrants. The lay ministers of our parish and the other parishes will also be working together more for the good of all the parishes. If you have other questions, call, or email the parish office and we will do our best to answer all questions honestly for you.

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

Clara Boltman
Mary Canaday
Frank Catania
Simone Eder
Vickie Figueroa
Andy Chico Gutierrez
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 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.

We have received many, many questions about who our new pastor is, if we don't have a pastor now, when will we get one, and how will we operate as part of the Family of Parishes program. In answer to those, please keep reading.

The Family of Parishes for us is a group of 5 local parishes (Nativity, Sacred Heart, St. Augustine/St. Monica, St. Elizabeth, and St. Charles. Monsignor Dan Trapp is the Moderator of our Family of Parishes. His role is to serve other priests in our Family by assuming much of the responsibility for the family's administration, speaking on behalf of the family and exercising the role of tiebreaker in discussions among family-pastors. Monsignor Trapp is also the Administrator for St. Charles and Nativity. As Administrator, Monsignor Trapp will handle financial responsibilities, employees report to him, and other responsibilities for the parish that keep us operating as we should. There will be a group of other priests who will partner with Monsignor Trapp for Sunday Mass celebrations. These priests are wonderful men who will support us but are not assigned as our Pastor. Each month, we will try to publish the list of Mass Celebrants. We can't say when we will be assigned a pastor but rest assured that Monsignor Trapp is looking out for us. If you have other questions, call, or email the parish office and we will do our best to answer all questions honestly for you.

Under the Surface

Today's readings remind us that we do not possess anything in our life that we refuse to surrender to the Lord. **But, in reality our "possessions" often possess us, and we become their prisoners.** What we really do is give our "things" top priority in our lives. Thus, we violate the First Great Commandment, which demands that we give absolute and unconditional priority to God. The first reading advises us to use the God-given virtue of prudence and to seek true wisdom rather than to seek vanishing realities like riches or political and social influence. Solomon chose Wisdom before everything else. But when he accepted Wisdom, he received everything else along with her. Since Jesus is Wisdom Incarnate, when we put following Jesus ahead of everything else, we receive everything else along with Jesus. In the Responsorial Psalm (Ps 90), we beg God to teach us how to make proper judgments and choices in our lives that we may live with Him forever.

The second reading warns us that we are *accountable before God* as to how we use our blessings, and that the *"living and effective word of God"* must be our guide in evaluating our use of God's blessings. Today's Gospel selection (Mk 10: 17-30), gives us Jesus' teaching on the dangers of attachment to riches and the rewards awaiting those who put Jesus and the Good News before their earthly ambitions. Here we find three sections: a narrative about Jesus' encounter with a rich man, Jesus' sayings about wealth as a possible obstacle to discipleship, and Jesus' promised reward for those who share material possessions with the needy. In today's Gospel, a rich man encounters Jesus, the Incarnate Word of God, and Jesus reminds the rich man of the commandments that deal with our relationships with other people, challenging him to sell what he has and to give the money to the poor. Jesus' challenge exposes two missing pieces in the rich man's life: a sense of compassion for the poor and a willingness to share his blessings with the needy. Jesus shocks the disciples with this challenge to the belief that material wealth and prosperity are signs of God's blessings, while poverty and difficulties signal His displeasure. Instead, Jesus declares that true service consists in sharing one's blessings with others rather than hoarding them and/or getting inordinately attached to them. Jesus' teaching exposes the shallowness of our own easy assumptions about wealth and raises questions about the real basis of our security and hopes. God gives us time, talents, health and wealth and riches that we may use them as good stewards in the service of others.

Let us make a checklist of our prioritized attachments, and give God priority: Are anger, lust, gluttony, evil habits and addictions, jealousy, holding grudges, infidelity, cheating our priorities? Let us invite God into our lives daily by praying for the strengthening grace and anointing of His Holy Spirit so that we may give God priority, keeping Bible as our guide.

Stewardship Minute:

Stewards Give All

"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (MARK 10:25)

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. But, **Stewards** are all called to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts, and especially the one that means the most to us!

That includes our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries, and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities.

Always remember: greed, however it manifests, is always its own downfall.

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October Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 10, 2021

**Lisa Harvey
Evelyn Seyboldt**

Sunday, October 17, 2021

Norman Shook

Sunday, October 24, 2021

Carolyn Carson

Sunday, October 31, 2021

Sylvia Lavin

Thinking

never occurs in a room
full of noise.

Mass Celebrants for October 2021, St. Charles Borromeo

Oct. 10 --- Fr. Tim McCabe
Oct. 17 --- Fr. David Preuss
Oct. 24 --- Fr. Cabres
Oct. 31 --- Fr. David Preuss

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Oct. 11: Romans 1:1-7;
Psalm 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4;
Luke 11:29-32

Tues., Oct. 12: Romans 1:16-
25; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5; Luke
11:37-41

Wed., Oct. 13: Romans 2:1-11;
Psalm 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Luke
11:42-46

Thurs., Oct. 14: Romans 3:21-
30; Psalm 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-
6ab; Luke 11:47-54

Fri., Oct. 15: Romans 4:1-8;
Psalm 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Luke
12:1-7

Sat., Oct. 16: Romans 4:13,
16-18; Psalm 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-
43; Luke 12:8-12

Sun., Oct. 17: Isaiah 53:10-11;
Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22;
Hebrews 4:14-16;
Mark 10:35-45

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

10/03/2021

Coming Soon!

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