

The Vigil

October 21, 2018
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Mass Times:

St. Charles:

Wednesday 10:30am;
Sunday 8:15am AND 11:30am

Nativity:

Thursday 11am; Saturday 4pm;
Sunday 9:45am



Today's Readings

Isaiah 53:10-11
(The Servant of Yahweh)

Psalms 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
(Trust in God)

Hebrews 4:14-16
(Jesus, Our High Priest)

Mark 10:35-45
(Greatness in Serving)

Pastor's Pen



We've all heard of the "Prosperity Gospel" as preached by many TV evangelists. If we believe in Jesus (and maybe send a nice tithe to the minister on TV), we can expect tremendous blessings. The blessings they speak of are material wealth and a higher status among our peers. We will live the good life with Jesus! Perhaps, James and John had already heard of the prosperity gospel in their time. That promise of wealth and security may have been what they expected when they followed this Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus quickly lets them know he is not that type of Messiah. Jesus turns the conversation around and asks them if they're willing to "drink the cup" of suffering and death which he will drink. He reminds us today that when we say yes to discipleship, we are not joining a club but are putting our life on the line. We are saying that we will take the cup of suffering in our lives and try to find new life through love. We are also saying we will sit with those who are suffering in the world and will not abandon them. That's tough stuff!

Our blessing in the midst of our struggles is that we have Christ who loved us enough to share our life and offer himself as the One who suffers along with us. Christ didn't come to take suffering away or even to make our lives easier. Christ came to give us the truth about ourselves. He came to remind us that we are the Beloved of God. We are loved so deeply...not just some of us, but all of us! When we allow our hearts to be opened to that reality, then everything changes. Our suffering takes on a new meaning because we aren't going through it alone. No, Christ doesn't take away our suffering, but he will sit with us and love us and offer hope in our darkest moments. And it's in that love that our suffering breaks open our hearts to be more compassionate when the next person suffers as we have. That's our wealth!

None of us would ever ask for any of the suffering we've endured throughout our lives. Yet, as we look back, we will see the wisdom and compassion that was gained on our most difficult days. Suffering in our lives reminds us that we are not in control and life can change in an instant. Each day is a gift to be celebrated!

Maybe this week, we can look back at the struggles from our life and see who was there to support us and love us through the darkest days. These people were the presence of Christ and if you didn't feel anyone was there for you, then realize Christ was there in the stillness of your broken heart, and he, in his love, brought you to this new day!

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

Bobby Allen
Paul Andreovich
Marilyn Boomer
Shawn Burks
Liana Caruana
Ida Cherry
Mary Cunningham
Gary Davila
Howard Dilworth
Kyle Duker
Heinrich Ericksen
Jill Forton
Doris Harris
John Huddleston
Addie Ingram
Earline Johnson
Ron Kirby
Tony Lababera
Vanessa Laco-Chambers
Dave Laverty
Catherine Lewis
Tiana Marquez
Michael Martin
Mary Massaini
Dina Maynard
Leon McCool
Gary Perzyk
Judy Pierce
Robert Preuss
Celeste Rabaut
Patricia C. Randall
Elaine Rosen
Carol Santa Maria
Ben Saxon
Tom Scallen
Marvin Sims
Len Stoehr
Mark Tamer
Rachel Thompson
Enza Trah
Anna Tyler
Sr Jolene Van Handel
Belinda Wilson
Shawn Wilson
Jenny White

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.

Stewardship Thoughts

Today, Jesus professes in St. Mark's Gospel, *whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant*. The Book of the Prophet Isaiah and the Letter to the Hebrews also indicate examples of Christ's humility for us to model. In other words, glory in God's Kingdom is not achieved through high status or rank, like the secular world proclaims, but through being a humble servant to all. This includes service to the poor among us. In a spirit of evangelization, expressed through stewardship, we strive to offer our time, talent, and treasure in thanksgiving to God to our parish and other worthy causes.

Every parish community is always in need of readers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Parish Pastoral Council members, Finance Council members, Evangelization and Stewardship Committee members, and school volunteers, to name a few ways to in which we can serve God through the Church. God graces everyone with at least one unique gift to use to build up the Kingdom that no one else can do. To discover your gifts, attend a *Called and Gifted* seminar in your area.

"It is not that hard to be human; to be kind to one another, to care about the well-being of strangers. It is not hard at all. Even animals care for one another.

Machines do not.

May we be more than machines. May we rehumanize ourselves for the good and glory of the Earth, our futures, our children's futures, and see true peace thrive.

Amen."

Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance Event

The Tuskegee Spirit Program is a hands-on career exploration opportunity for young people ages 9-14 sponsored by the Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance. Students will participate in a building project using many machines, including band saws, jig saws, routers, sanders and drill presses. In the process of building, they will learn to measure and apply that skill to correctly assemble the product. **Sessions will be held at St. Elizabeth Center from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. on Saturdays-November 3, 10, 24 and December 1. Registration is required.** Please call John Thorne at the Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance, 313-922-1435.

If you have questions, call Sr. Cathey DeSantis at 313-995-0092. **Registration will close on October 30.**

Upcoming Events / Meetings

Gather them Home: All Souls Day Community Memorial Service, November 2nd

The final expression of our faith as Catholics is the blessed and sacred burial in a Catholic Cemetery. It is our opportunity to rest among fellow believers, awaiting the Resurrection to life everlasting. By burying the bodies of the faithful, we confirm our faith in the resurrection of the body - that death is not the end.

Gather Them Home is a no-cost mission of the Archdiocese of Detroit to help those looking for a final resting place for a loved one's remains they currently have at home or in safe keeping.

There will be three locations for the All Souls Day Community Memorial Services:

- 9:00am Mass at Holy Sepulchre in Southfield
- 11:00am Mass at Our Lady of Cemetery in Bronwstown
- 2:00pm Mass at St. Joseph Cemetery in Monroe

For more information and to register please visit us online at www.gatherthemhome.org.

Rectory Hours: Mon-Thurs, 10a to 3p

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October Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 21, 2018

**Carl Ayoub
Victor Bianchi**

Wednesday, October 24, 2018

Rosario Calabro

Sunday, October 28, 2018

Jody Cunningham

Wednesday, October 31, 2018

James Charles

On-Line Giving

To be sure that your online donation is included in your contribution amounts, we MUST have your email address. Please make sure we have this information. You may call the rectory, send an email to the parish at stcharlesborromeodetroit@yahoo.com or drop a note in the collection basket with your email address. Without the email address, your online contributions will not be added to your collection data or included in your year-end statement.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Oct. 22: Ephesians 2:1-10; Psalm: 100 1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5; Luke 12:13-21

Tues., Oct. 23: Ephesians 2:12-22; Psalm: 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14; Luke 12:35-38

Wed., Oct. 24: Ephesians 3:2-12; Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Luke 12:39-48

Thurs., Oct. 25: Ephesians 3:14-21; Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Luke 12:49-53

Fri., Oct. 26: Ephesians 4:1-6; Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Luke 12:54-59

Sat., Oct. 27: Ephesians 4:7-16; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Luke 13:1-9

Sun., Oct. 28: Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 126; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The annual fall grounds clean up will be done on Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 9am until the work is done. Everyone is invited to come help out!

SAVE THE DATE: ST. CHARLES WOMEN'S RETREAT WEEKEND

February 8-10, 2019 -- Women of St. Charles! Your annual retreat at Saint Paul's Retreat Center in Detroit is on the **weekend of February 8-10, 2019**. This year's theme is: "Rejoice in the Lord Always!" Our lives today are continually bombarded with challenges and temptations that can lead us away from living lives of joy. Our faith invites us to "open our hearts to be touched by Jesus" and to rejoice in the knowledge that we have been given an Advocate who will be with us. This retreat experience is designed to help us rediscover the intimate call of God to each one of us to grow in holiness and live in JOY! Call Patty Gillis at 313.399.8320 to make a reservation, or call the Retreat Center at 313-286-2801. You may also register online at www.stpaulretreat.org.

Weekly Collection **10/07/18**

Envelopes	\$ 5,930.55
Loose	\$ 1,072.00
Christmas	\$ 900.00
Maintenance	\$ 341.00
TOTAL	\$ 8,243.55

10/14/18

Envelopes	\$ 1,487.00
Loose	\$ 549.35
Holy Day	\$ 5.00
Christmas	\$ 100.00
Maintenance	\$ 15.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,156.35



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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:

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