# 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 31, 2021

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Today's Readings

Deuteronomy 6:2-6 (Keeping the Commandments)

Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (God Our Helper)

Hebrews 7:23-28 (Jesus the High Priest)

Mark 12:28b-34 (Love for God and Neighbor)





Good morning and God bless you.

Today, Jesus gives us the core of His moral teaching, that we are to love God and love our neighbor. Since I find it easier to love God than neighbor, I often try to identify who I have a hard time loving, and then, I focus my praying on that person. Praying for someone opens my heart and helps me to see them as God sees them. You might try it this week.

This week we celebrate All Saints on Monday and All Souls on Tuesday. All Saints isn't a holy day of obligation this year, but you might want to find a nearby parish which is able to have Mass on Monday to celebrate the saints. At All Souls, we begin our month-long remembrance and prayer for those who have died. Next Sunday, we'll remember by name and with a candle those who have passed before us during the year. Let's all join together for this Mass and support one another.

I can write "join together" because for the first time, I'll be able to join you for Mass next Sunday at 11:30. I'm really looking forward to it.

In November, we also, thanks to Fr. Clarence Williams, will celebrate Black Catholic History Month. For our first hundred years, the Black Community of Detroit was Catholic, and we thank God for those early ancestors – mostly French speaking – who held on to and shared the Catholic faith. Among them was Jean-Baptiste Pointe du Sable, who lived in Detroit before he ever thought of moving to Illinois and founding the city of Chicago.

Praying for you,

Father Dan

#### 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.



The Office of Cultural Ministry presents...

The Black Catholic Ministries
Gospel Choir's

Anniversary Concert

Sunday, November 7, 2021 5:00 pm

\$10 General Admission

Sacred Heart Catholic Church 1000 Eliot St. / Detroit, MI 48207

\*\*Mask required\*\*

For more info contact: Marilyn Webb at 313.596.7140



# Community

Pray for the Healing Presence

Clara Boltman
Mary Canaday
Frank Catania
Peter Cooper
Simone Eder
Vickie Figueroa
Andy Chico Gutierrez
William (Bill) Leto
Waletha McCrary
Roger Sinclair
Pat Sprankle
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.

#### SAVE THE DATE! FEBRUARY 18-20TH WEEKEND IS THE ST. CHARLES WOMEN'S RETREAT.

The theme for 2021-2022 is "Bouncing Back: Living in Hope"

These past months have been difficult and challenging: a roller coaster of emotions, feelings and experiences. We have been navigating through a worldwide pandemic. In his book *Dream*, Pope Francis says "the question is whether you're going to come through this crisis and if so, how? The basic rule of a crisis is that you don't come out of it the same. If you get through it, you come out better or worse, but never the same."

This retreat experience will invite a re-connection -- to God's story and our faith story -- to better anchor us in our path to hope.

For more information about our retreat weekend @ St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat & Conference Center on the westside of Detroit, please contact Patty Gillis at 313.399.8320.

#### **Home Repair Assistance**

Tens of thousands of Detroit homes are dangerous to live in. A recent U of M study estimated that 24,000 Detroit homes need major fixes, such as leaking roofs, broken furnaces, and faulty wiring. That's 5 percent of the city's housing stock. Housing advocates contend the real number is far higher.

**Detroit Home Repair Resource Guide** is a 2019 list of many nonprofits and other agencies that offer help for residents. Contact information for the City of Detroit, United Community Housing Coalition and several other organizations are listed in the 70-page quide. It can be found online at

https://poverty.umich.edu/files/2020/03/DETROIT-HOME-REPAIR-RESOURCE-GUIDE.pdf

## Property Tax Assistance

Detroit's Hardship Poverty Tax Assistance Program was recently expanded to include more qualifying homeowners. Applications are accessible online. The city's information page can be found by going to: https://detroitmi.gov/government/boards/property-assessment-board, with more details about eligibility and submission. The deadline to qualify for a full or partial exemption for this year's property taxes is Dec. 14, though sooner is encouraged.

#### United Community Housing Coalition Volunteers Needed

If you're interested in helping low-income Detroiters access information and resources to stay in their homes, check out the United Community Housing Coalition's volunteer opportunities at: https://www.uchcdetroit.org/support.

#### **Spiritual Assistance**

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

What is Spiritual Direction?

- 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. moniquebeels@yahoo.com | 313-404-0802

#### **Stewardship Minute:** Heart

"And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices." (MARK 12:33)

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to be **Stewards** out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with *all* of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

#### Mass Celebrants for October

Oct. 31, 2021 --- Fr. David Preuss

## **Your Support Matters**

# 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
- 3. Click on "Donate"
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## Rectory Hours: Mon-Thurs, 10a to 3p

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#### **Pastoral Team**

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Adrienne Strubank
Gabrielle Taylor (youth
rep.)
Alonda Walker
Paco Williams

# October / November / December Mass Intentions

October 31, 2021 Sylvia Lavin

November 07, 2021

All deceased Alumni, Family and Friends

November 14, 2021 Andy "Chico" Gutierrez, Joyce Carson

November 21, 2021 **Terry Martin** 

November 28, 2021 **Mary Cunningham** 

December 05, 2021
Rosie Davis, Elaine O'Neil,
Patrick Buczak

December 12, 2021

Tony Gilbert, Roy King

December 19, 2021 Ida and Liz Cherry

December 26, 2021

Everyone who died from
Covid-19 in 2021

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Mon., Nov. 01: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; Psalm 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a

Tues., Nov. 02: Wisdom 3:1-9; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Romans 5:5-11; John 6:37-40

Wed., Nov. 03: Romans 13:8-10; Psalm 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Luke 14:25-33

Thurs., Nov. 04: Romans 14:7-12; Psalm 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14: Luke 15:1-10

Fri., Nov. 05: Romans 15:14-21; Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Luke 16:1-8

Sat., Nov. 06: Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Psalm 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Luke 16:9-15

Sun., Nov. 07: 1 Kings 17:10-16; Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

#### 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 10/24/2021

Envelope \$1,510.58 Loose \$ 77.00

Total \$1587.58

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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.