

The Vigil

November 08, 2020

32nd 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

Wisdom 6:12-16

(Love of Wisdom)

Psalms 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

(Seeking the Lord)

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

(Rising from the Dead)

Matthew 25:1-13

(The Need for Watchfulness)

Pastor's Pen



Our first reading today speaks of wisdom in a beautiful way:

“Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire; whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed, for he shall find her sitting by the gate For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence, and whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care; because she makes her rounds, seeking those worthy of her.”

I write this still not sure who will be elected president and realizing our current president will probably not transition smoothly if he is not re-elected. I am afraid of violence in our streets and more division in our country. I see it already in our church: “How can you be for Biden who favors abortion?” Or “How can you be for Trump who treats people’s lives with such disrespect?”

I don’t know about you, but, after these last weeks, I need some wisdom. I need someone who waits at the gate of my soul to comfort me and tell me things will be alright. I need someone to give me guidance in a world that seems so chaotic right now. I need this feminine image of wisdom who will hold me in her arms like a tender mother and cover me with her mantle. I need wisdom to remind me that God is still in charge of everything and that good can come from the most desperate situations. I need wisdom to know when to speak out and when to prudently close my mouth. I need wisdom to keep me humble remembering I don’t have all the answers and that others with whom I may disagree may hold parts of the truth as well. I need wisdom to see the bigger picture and to realize I am only part of something so much greater. I need wisdom to realize that although we may disagree, we are not enemies, but we are all part of the same country and fellow citizens of the same world. I need that beautiful wisdom from the first reading today!!

O God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

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
Roger Sinclair

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.**

Stewardship Minute: *Gifted Stewards*

"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."
- MATTHEW 25:13

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. Don't delay. How is God calling you to use your **Stewardship** gifts today? None of us is guaranteed tomorrow.

Pope Francis's Prayer to Mary during Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of Your People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

(Adapted from [Vatican News](#).)

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

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"No one is above God's law, yet a lot of people seem to always have prepared speeches for a plea bargain."

UNDER PRESSURE

~ Queen w/ David Bowie

Pressure, pushing down on me,
Pressing down on you, no man ask
for. Under pressure that burns a
building down, splits a family in two,
puts people on streets. It's the
terror of knowing what this world is
about. Watching some good friends
screaming, "let me out". Tomorrow
gets me higher. Pressure on
people, people on streets. Chippin'
around, kick my brains around the
floor. These are the days, it never
rains but it pours. People on
streets. People on streets. It's the
terror of knowing what this world is
about. Watching some good friends
screaming, "let me out". Tomorrow
takes me higher, higher, high!

Pressure on people,
people on streets. Turned away
from it all like a blind man. Sat on a
fence, but it don't work. Keep
comin' up with love, but it's so
slashed and torn. Why, why, why?

Love (love, love, love, love).
Insanity laughs, under pressure
we're cracking. Can't we give
ourselves one more chance? Why
can't we give love that one more
chance? Why can't we give love,
give love, give love, give love?
'Cause love's such an old fashioned
word, and love dares you to care
for the people on the edge of the
night, and love dares you to change
our way of caring about ourselves.

This is our last dance. This is
ourselves. This is ourselves. Under
pressure.

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

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 8, 2020

Terry Martin

Leslie Cahoon

Sunday, November 15, 2020

Mary Cunningham

Sunday, December 6, 2020

Rosie Davis

Sunday December 27, 2020

Deceased Members of the

Sinclair Family

Patrick Buczk

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We all know when the things
we do are wrong, but there's a
trick humans do where they
cling to "what they believe"
despite clear evidence
otherwise; they will think they're
compassionate while
supporting the cruel; they will
say they want to help others,
but "others" is always narrowly
defined. It's said that the
easiest person in the world to
fool is yourself. Watch out for
those tricks of the heart and
mind. There is a need for
watchfulness in all of us.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Nov. 09: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22

Tues., Nov. 10: Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Psalm 37:3-4, 18 AND 23, 27 AND 29; Luke 17:7-10

Wed., Nov. 11: Titus 3:1-7; Psalm 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6; Luke 17:11-19

Thurs., Nov. 12: 1 Philemon 7-20; Psalm 146:7, 8-9a, 9bcBC-10; Luke 17:20-25

Fri., Nov. 13: 2 John 4-9; Psalm 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18; Luke 17:26-37

Sat., Nov. 14: 2 John 4-9; Psalm 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18; Luke 17:26-37

Sun., Nov. 15: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

With schools back in session...
please take time with your kids to check on their mental and emotional health in addition to the physical. Children are often the most stressed members of our society, even if they don't have the words to express it.

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
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- 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.

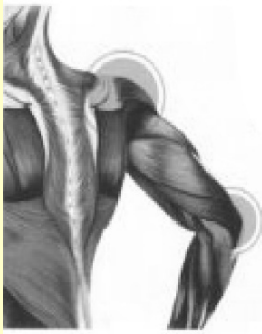
You can now use your mobile device to make online contributions!

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

11/01/20

Envelopes	\$ 1,047.00
Loose	\$ 75.00
Maintenance	\$ 151.00
All Saints	\$ 21.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,294.00



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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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