

# The Vigil

November 15, 2020

33<sup>rd</sup> 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

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31  
(*A Worthy Wife*)

Psalms 128:1-2, 3, 4-5  
(*Fear of the Lord*)

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6  
(*The Day of the Lord*)

Matthew 25:14-30  
(*The Faithful Servant*)

## Pastor's Pen



As COVID-19 begins its second assault on us, let's quiet ourselves and realize, again, who and what are most important in our lives!

### *Pandemic by Lynn Unger*

*What if you thought of it as the Jews consider the Sabbath-  
The most sacred of times?  
Cease from travel; Cease from buying and selling.  
Give up, just for now,  
On trying to make the world different than it is.  
Sing. Pray. Touch only those to whom you commit your life.  
Center down.  
And when your body has become still,  
Reach out with your heart.  
Know that we are connected  
In ways that are terrifying and beautiful.  
(You could hardly deny it now)  
Know that our lives  
Are in one another's hands. (Surely, that has come clear)  
Do not reach out your hands.  
Reach out your heart.  
Reach out your words.  
Reach out all the tendrils of compassion, that move, invisibly,  
Where we cannot touch.  
Promise the world your love-  
For better or for worse.  
In sickness and in health,  
So long as we all shall live.*

### 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  
Waletha McCrary  
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](http://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](http://protect.aod.org).

## Catholic Charities of Michigan News: The 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Adopt-a-Family Program

On behalf of the Archdiocese of Detroit and the Board of Directors of Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan, we are pleased to bring you the Adopt-a-Family program for this Christmas season in 2020.

### **About Adopt-a-Family:**

For over three decades, faithful parishioners and donors throughout the counties served in the Archdiocese of Detroit have generously opened their hearts to the families in our region. While many families receive gifts of clothing or toys from area parish giving trees, more direct financial assistance can become a great blessing to help purchase food, prescriptions, rent, and utilities.

### **Who Can Apply:**

Archdiocesan staff and administrative personnel, Christian service coordinators, criminal justice ministers, campus ministers, health care chaplains, and St. Vincent dePaul coordinators are encouraged to nominate families most in need. Individuals and other groups can also apply on behalf of a family in need.

### **How to Apply:**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, applications will only be accepted electronically at <https://ccsem.org/2020-adopt-a-family-program>

**Application Period:** October 26 – November 23, 2020.

### **Amount of Gift:**

The amount gifted to each family will be based on the cumulative number of donations and applications received as of November 23, 2020.

## News You Can Use

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-review/homeowners-property-tax-assistance-program>

with full 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.

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>.

## 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.)*

**Black Catholic History Month Events**

The Archdiocese of Detroit's Office of Black Catholic Ministry invites all to the following virtual events for Black Catholic History Month:

**Ashe — Be With Us** - A four-part transcendent and impactful celebration of Purpose, Pride and Power. Learn more and register at [www.aod.org/events/560](http://www.aod.org/events/560)

**Ashe – Our Great Gifts Retreat** - This one-hour retreat will be a diocesan wide celebration of Black Catholic History Month. The retreat will consist of music, prayer, Scripture reading, preaching and calling for the intercession of our ancestors. **November 24 | 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.** Learn more and register at [www.aod.org/events/559](http://www.aod.org/events/559)

It's getting darker quicker to give you more time to think, appreciate, and dream at night!

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

Sunday, December 6, 2020  
**Rosie Davis**

Sunday December 27, 2020  
**Deceased Members of the Sinclair Family**  
**Patrick Buczk**

“Sometimes the hardest thing to do with people is love them, and sometimes the easiest thing to do is love them. Most often the two are mixed, which means our internal compasses need diligent, constant adjusting.”

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Mon., Nov. 16: Revelation 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 AND 6; Luke 18:35-43

Tues., Nov. 17: Revelation 3:1-6, 14-22; Psalm 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Luke 19:1-10

Wed., Nov. 18: Revelation 4:1-11; Psalm 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Luke 19:11-28

Thurs., Nov. 19: Revelation 5:1-10; Psalm 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a AND 9b; Luke 19:41-44

Fri., Nov. 20: Revelation 10:8-11; Psalm 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Luke 19:45-48

Sat., Nov. 21: Revelation 11:4-12; Psalm 144:1, 2, 9-10; Luke 20:27-40

Sun., Nov.22: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; Psalm 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

**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](http://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*

**11/08/20**

Envelopes	\$1,548.00
Loose	\$ 127.00
Maintenance	\$ 176.00
Thanksgiving	\$ 65.00
All Saints	\$ 110.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,026.00</b>

*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?*



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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](http://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](http://aod.org) – more visible, transparent and clear.


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