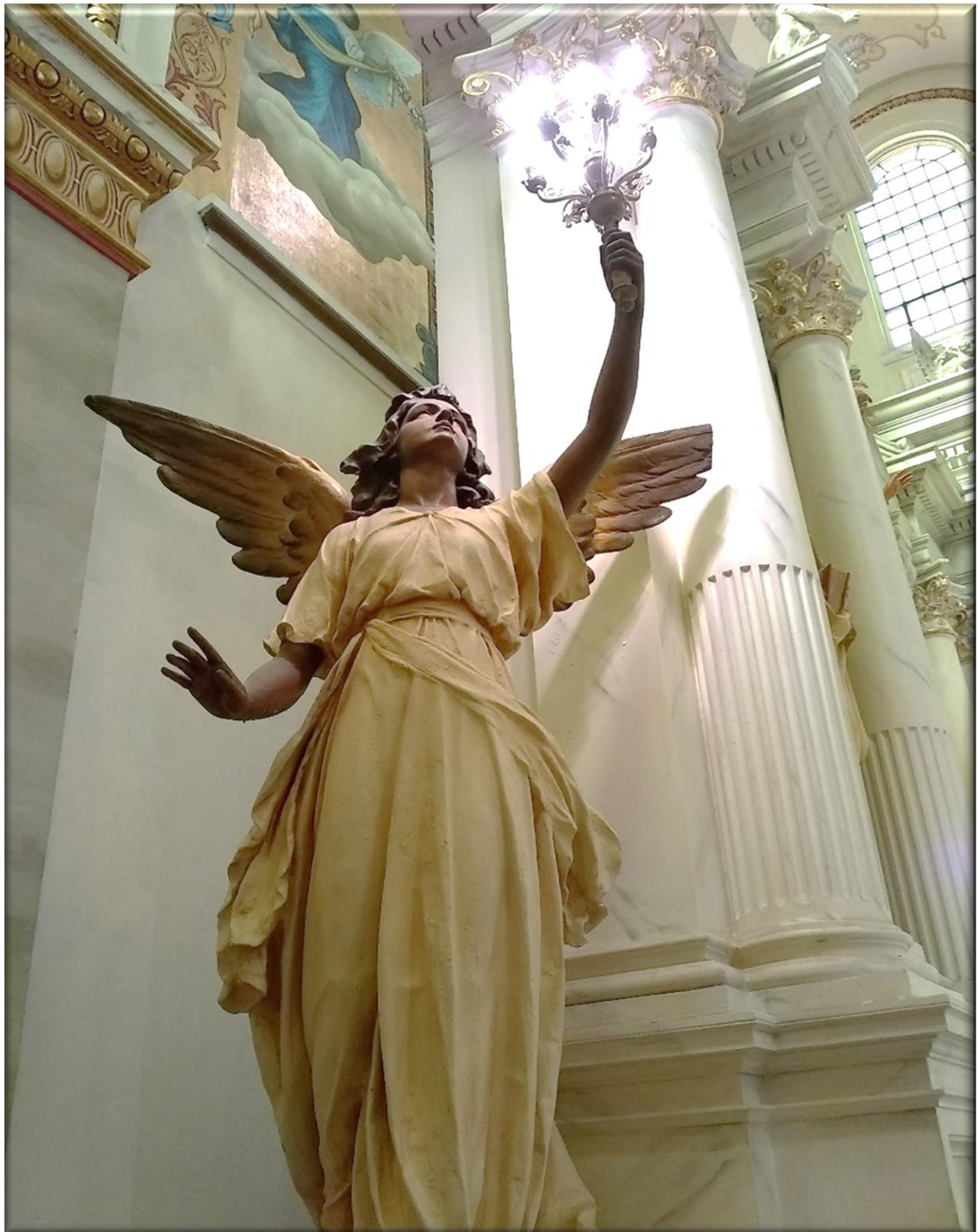

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

The VIGIL

Sunday, December 11, 2022

Third Sunday of Advent (A Cycle)





Praised be Jesus Christ! Today we celebrate **the comfort of the Lord** prophesized in Isaiah and revealed today in Jesus. Jesus is able to heal, cure and restore those who are not scandalized by Him, so He tells us today in Matthew 11. Literally, to be scandalized is to trip upon a stone, “a stumbling block.” Jesus remains “the stone rejected by the builders (i.e., that is, the important ones).” We have to humble ourselves before Jesus the Lord, refraining from judging the Judge, thinking we are more gracious than the Savior. Then, His healing, curing and restoration can happen and the great paradox of being important in God’s eyes is revealed.

Thanks to all who came out this past Sunday afternoon for our Family of Parishes Advent revival. Fr. Thomas and Fr. Preuss came to lead prayer and pray the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Deacon Sanders preached about his life as a disciple in the Church. The prayer teams prayed. The choir sang. Those of us who were able to come were blessed.

We try to balance out the Sunday schedule, but there are often special occasions that change things. As it is, I get to be here again this week and am happy for the chance. This year, we won’t be having a special Advent penance service, so if you’d like to go to confession and weren’t able to on Sunday, please go to the monastery or a parish nearby.

[The services at St. Augustine/St. Monica and at Nativity parishes are in brackets]

Third Sunday in Advent/December 11th 11:30 Mass livestreamed with social distancing/Presider and Preacher: Father Dan

Tuesday, December 13th [SSAM: SVDP Food pantry/ 6 PM Men’s Faith Sharing]

Wednesday, December 14th [SSAM: 8 AM Adoration, 9 AM Mass, Presider: Fr. Dan and preacher: Deacon Chris]

Thursday, December 15th [Nativity in the church basement, 8 AM Holy Hour, 9 AM Mass Presider: Father Dan and Preacher: Deacon John] [SSAM: 8:15 Holy Hour for priests and vocations]

Friday, December 16th St. Charles Borromeo in the rectory: 8 AM Holy Hour, 11 AM Mass followed by social, Preacher and presider: Fr. Dan [SSAM: Posada at 6 PM, beginning at social hall door]

Saturday, December 17th [SSAM 8 AM Adoration, 9 AM Mass, Presider and preacher: Fr. Dan/SSAM 6 PM Second Posada at 6 PM]

Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 18th 11:30 Mass livestreamed with social distancing/Priest and Preacher: Fr. Dan/ [SSAM: 6 PM Third Posada at 6 PM]

Serving the Lord with our whole heart and soul. The spiritual writers always encourage us to be open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit, which means discerning what moves us and responding as we should. These days, please think and pray about how much time you will commit to praying each day, how much time you’ll commit to your family, how you’ll serve in the parish and support the parish financially.

Las posadas remember the journey of the Holy Family from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Each night of the novena, at St. Augustine/St. Monica we do the traditional short play which beckons us to take care of those like the Holy Family who are cold, hungry and in need of lodging. We begin at 6, pray the rosary and eat. You’d be very welcome. Please call the rectory at SSAM the day before you are coming so we can let the cooks know how many people are coming (313-921-4107). It’s a wonderful way to share faith, be inspired and prepare for Christmas.

Covid19 protocols. The Center for Disease Control has lifted its warning about social distancing at six feet. Because a good number of our parishioners have underlying health concerns or are caring for those who have such concerns, we will continue to social distance and wear masks in the part of the church in front of the ambo. Southeast Michigan no longer has a high level of the virus being transmitted, but we will keep an eye on it. **If you are symptom free, please feel free to sit on the choir side of the church;** the pulpit side is for those of us who will continue to wear masks.

*With a prayer,
Father Dan*

SAVE THE DATE

St. Charles Women's Retreat
is the weekend of February 24-26, 2023
(St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center, Detroit)

This year's theme is "Seeking Peace: Becoming Peacemakers". You can register at www.stpaulretreat.org, or see Patty Gillis or Jessica Edwards at church. A \$30.00 deposit will hold your place, and you can pay whatever you can afford at the retreat. Bring a sister or friend with you--the more the merrier! For more info, call Patty Gillis at 313.399.8320.



Advent Retreat held at the Michigan State University – Detroit Partnership for Food, Learning, and Innovation. Youth from St. Charles and Nativity participated in the event lead by Mrs. Joni Scott. It was an opportunity to slow down, reflect on the coming of Jesus and make pizza and s'mores!

NOTE: We have removed the signs for social distancing on the south side of church (choir side). The north side of church is still reserved for those who want to continue social distancing. However, everyone will continue to all wear masks in the church.

Nativity Pantry News... This Thursday is the pantry's last day until January 5th. Most of the families received their monthly food through the Christmas Program. We'd like to thank our St. Charles for your continued support of this outreach. Your donations helped keep the shelves stocked during the year. ~ Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Anne Crowe and the Nativity Family

Sunday Community Dinners... As one of our most important ministries to our members, neighbors, we have been blessed to have many sponsors, but as with most ministries, we are in need of more. If you and your group would like to learn more about sponsoring a meal or if you're ready to sign up, please call or email either Georgia Kingsley 586-206-2202, gfk111@aol.com OR Suzan Anderson, 313-727-2926, suzanfa@comcast.net.

DINNER SCHEDULE

December 11, 2022 – **Knights on Bikes**
 December 18, 2022 – **St. Fabian Religious Education Classes**
 December 25, 2022 - **No Meal – Christmas Day**
 January 01, 2023 - **No Meal – New Year's Day**

**PRAY FOR THE
HEALING PRESENCE**

Doris Allen
 Clara Boltman
 Anne Borushko
 Mary Canaday
 Joey Coutu
 Maureen Coutu
 Gus Cops, OFM, Cap.
 Patricia Ellen Devine
 Simone Eder
 Regina Estwick
 Vickie Figueroa
 Kalen Fortuna
 David Lavery
 William (Bill) Leto
 Michael Martin
 Tommy Nance
 Ronnie Parham
 Vertis Park, Jr.
 Dr. Bob Preuss
 Charles Sheron
 Pat Sprinkle
 Anna Tyler
 Rene VanZaelen
 Jerry Walker

*If someone you have asked to be on the "Pray for the Healing Presence" list has been blessed with restored health, please call or email the rectory to let us know to update the list.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 11, 2022
Liz Cherry
Rosie Davis

Sunday, December 18, 2022
Deceased Members of the
Sinclair Family

Sunday, December 25, 2022
Deceased family and friends
of St. Charles

Sunday, January 01, 2023
Deceased family and friends
of St. Charles

TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 35: 1-6a, 10
(Here is Your God)
 Psalm 146: 6-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10
(The Lord Our Savior)
 James 5: 7-10
(The Lord's Coming is at Hand)
 Matthew 11: 2-11
(Effects of the Lord's Coming)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Dec. 12: Zechariah 2: 14-17; Judith 13: 18bcde, 19; Luke 1: 26-38

Tues., Dec. 13: Zephaniah 3: 1-2, 9-13; Psalm 34: 2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23; Matthew 21: 28-32

Wed., Dec. 14: Isaiah 45: 6c-8, 18, 21c-25; Psalm 85: 9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Luke 7: 18b-23

Thurs., Dec. 15: Isaiah 54: 1-10; Psalm 30: 2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b; Luke 7: 24-30

Fri., Dec. 16: Isaiah 56: 1-3a, 6-8; Psalm 67: 2-3, 5, 7-8; John 5: 33-36

Sat., Dec. 17: Genesis 49: 2, 8-10; Psalm 72: 1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17; Matthew 1: 1-17

Sun., Dec. 11: Isaiah 7: 10-14; Psalm 24: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Romans 1: 1-7; Matthew 1: 18-24

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE: Hope

"Hope springs eternal." We've all heard that at some time or other. How often do we ever stop to think of what that means? That *eternal spring* means hope doesn't give up. Hope doesn't opt for the easy answer, which is generally never an answer at all. Hope doesn't follow merely to be led, rather it demands that those who would wear the mantle "leader" do so with kindness, justice, fairness, and a genuine sense of service.

Hope is the spring by which we slake our thirsts after long days, the river by which we navigate to new shores in our personal, communal, and spiritual lives, and the ocean which forms half this world we all must live on.

Take time to renew your hope today.

**The Holy Father's Intentions for
the Month of December 2022****Volunteer Not-for-Profit
Organizations**

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

PEACE ON
 EARTH,
 DAY BY
 BLESSED
 DAY.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

12/04/2022

Collection	\$2,005.26
Christmas	\$1,100.00
Online Donations	<u>\$1,727.00</u>
TOTAL	\$4,832.26

Weekly Budgeted Amt \$5,800.00
Weekly Collection Vs. Budget
-\$ 967.74

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Monday & Tuesday, 10a to 3p
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 10a to 4p

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Steven Dearing, Rhonda Gilbert, Dan Hurley,
Joyce Hurley, Diane Simpkins, Linda Simpkins,
Alonda Walker, Paco Williams

**OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES
MASS TIMES**

St Charles Borromeo Detroit

Mass Times

Friday 11am
Sunday 11:30am

Nativity of Our Lord

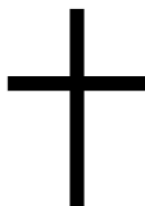
Mass Times

Thursday, 11am
Sunday 9:30am

St Augustine / St Monica

Mass Times

Wednesday, 9am
Sunday 10am



Family of Parishes Prayer Groups

Nativity of Our Lord Prayer Group

Scriptures for the Sunday Liturgy for that weekend, 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month, 9:30am.
Led by Deacon John Wright. Nativity's Rectory living room. December 17.

Tuesday Men's Prayer Group

6pm, St. Augustine / St. Monica

Tuesday Zoom Prime Time Bible Study

St. Elizabeth / Sacred Heart, 7pm.

For Zoom link go to www.sacredheartdetroit.com/primetime

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.

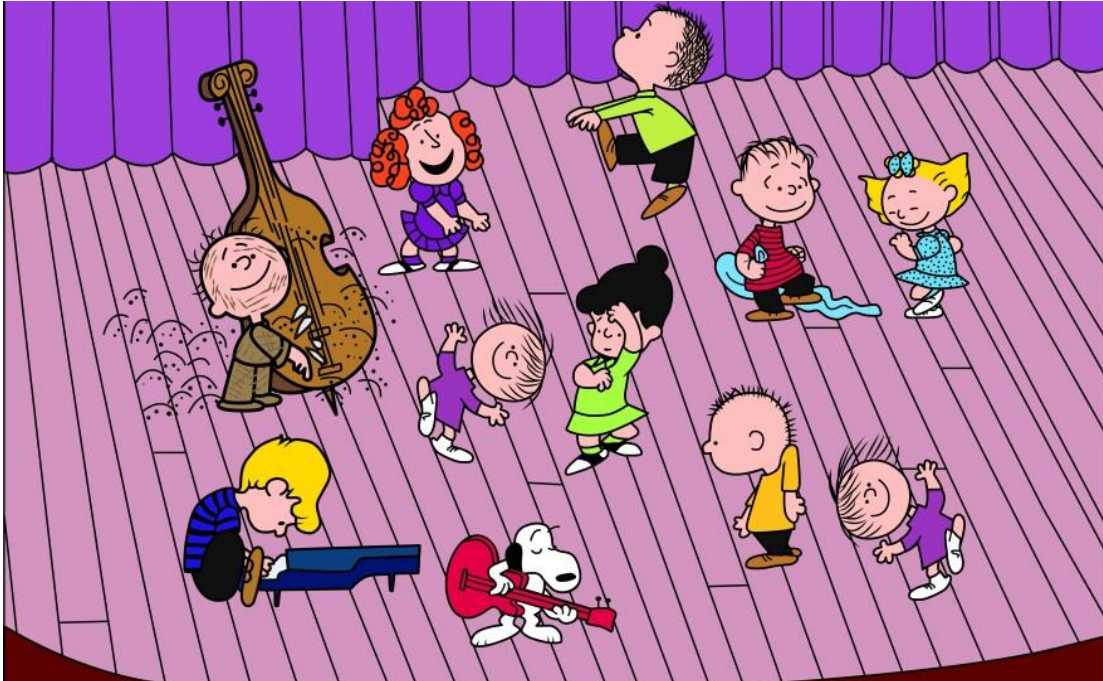
Archbishop Vigneron's statement on Pope Francis' Global Rules for Reporting Abuse

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. The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages individuals to report clergy sexual abuse of minors and others directly to law enforcement – no matter when the abuse occurred. The Michigan Attorney General's Office has established a toll-free reporting hotline at (844- 324-3374, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5pm. aginvestigations@michigan.gov). Individuals also may contact their local police department. For complaints involving priests, deacons, religious, or laity, individuals are welcomed to contact the Archdiocese of Detroit's Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 343-8055 or vac@aod.org.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2022

Saint Charles!

Church decorating after Mass and Community Meal!



St. Charles Borromeo 2022 Advent & Christmas Mass Information

1	2 nd Sunday of Advent	11:30am Mass "Here I Am" Revival 3pm-5pm Community Dinner Served
Thursday, December 8, 2022	Feast of the Immaculate Conception and holy day of obligation	6pm Mass in church
Sunday, December 11, 2022	3 rd Sunday of Advent	11:30am Mass Community Dinner Served
Sunday, December 18, 2022	4 th Sunday of Advent	11:30am Mass Church Christmas Decorating after Mass & Community Meal
Saturday, December 24, 2022	Christmas Eve	8pm Mass
Sunday, December 25, 2022	Christmas Day	11:30am Mass No Community Dinner
Saturday, December 31, 2022	New Year's Eve	11:00pm Mass Annual New Year's Eve Celebration following Mass
Sunday, January 1, 2023	New Year's Day	11:30am Mass No Community Dinner



The Detroit Catholic
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Wednesday, December 28, 2022

6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

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