

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."

December 12, 2021

**3rd Sunday of Advent
Liturgical Year C**

Today's Readings

Zephaniah 3: 14-18a
(Joy Over the Mighty Savior)

Isaiah 12: 2-3, 4, 5-6
(Joy Over the Holy One)

Philippians 4: 4-7
(Rejoice in the Lord)

Luke 3: 10-18
(Majesty of the Messiah)

Pastor's Pen



Good morning and God bless you!

Today, the Word of God takes us to John the Baptist, who calls us to rethink and change our lives very practically (tax collectors don't cheat, soldiers don't falsely accuse), all so that we can receive the baptism of fire, the baptism of the Holy Spirit

It was good to see people gathered on Tuesday for the Feastday Mass and again some St. Charles parishioners were at the Wednesday morning Mass.

Today is also Gaudete Sunday, or Rejoice Sunday because St. Paul, in the midst of our repenting, to rejoice and put out all anxiety from our minds.

A blessed week,
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.

Community

*Pray for the
Healing Presence*

Clara Boltman
Mary Canaday
Frank Catania
Gus Cops, OFM, Cap.
Simone Eder
Vickie Figueroa
William (Bill) Leto
Waletha McCrary
John Pillette
Charles Sheron
Pat Sprinkle
Anna Tyler
Father Clarence Williams

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.

2021 Church Decorating!

Date:
Sunday, December 19, 2021

Time:
After the 11:30am Mass

Who:
Everyone is invited to participate!



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.

NATIVITY News

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: After much consideration for the safety of all, it has been decided that we will be packing the gifts for the families in our Christmas program. As much as we would have loved to do the "Christmas Store," we feel it is just not possible given that Michigan Covid cases continue to rise and we continue to have low vaccination rates, especially in the city of Detroit. **Volunteers will be needed the week of December 6th and 13th.** We will keep the shifts at 3 hours, small groups of 4 at a time in the church basement so we can be socially distanced. There will be day and evening shifts. We ask that anyone volunteering be vaccinated. Please call the Nativity parish house at **313-922-0033** if you would like to help.

On the Nativity website (nativitydetroit.org) and our Facebook page (facebook.com/NativityDetroit/) you will find our weekly bulletin. There is a detailed explanation of the tags available to take to purchase something for a family in our program and, once again, we are asking for gift cards for Amazon, Kohls, Target, or Visa Gift Cards. You can give gift cards to Rhonda at Mass, and we will get them from her.

Also, we have an option for signing up to shop for an entire family. Last year some St. Charles families chose this option, and we were overwhelmed with your generosity. Please call the Nativity parish house with any questions and we can match you with a family.

Again, thank you for your continued support!

Anne Crowe, Food Pantry and Christmas Program Coordinator

Stewardship Minute: *Sharing*

"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God." (PHILIPPIANS 4:6)

St. Paul reminds us that God is an abundant God – He is the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. Remember that we are created in God's image and likeness. We, too, are made to be generous with all of our gifts as well. Placing our trust in God frees us from being a slave to possessions. It allows us to live **Stewardship** by gratefully and generously sharing ourselves and our goods with others.

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.

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

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Fr. Dan Trapp, Pastor
Joni Scott, Director of Religious Education
Gayle Koyton, Boulevard Ministry

Council Members

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

December Mass Intentions

December 12, 2021

**Tony Gilbert
Roy King**

December 19, 2021

Ida and Liz Cherry

December 26, 2021

**Jon Bozich
Everyone who died from
Covid-19 in 2021**

Good News!

*There will be a Mass at
St. Charles on Christmas
Eve! Mass will be
celebrated at 8pm.
Everyone is invited.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Dec. 13: Numbers 24: 2-7, 15-17a; Psalm 25: 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Matthew 21: 23-27

Tues., Dec. 14: Zephaniah 3: 1-2, 9-13; Psalm 34: 2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23; Matthew 21: 28-32

Wed., Dec. 15: Isaiah 45: 6c-8, 18, 21c-25; Psalm 85: 9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Luke 7: 18b-23

Thurs., Dec. 16: Isaiah 54: 1-10; Psalm 30: 2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b; Luke 7: 24-30

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

Sat., Dec. 18: Jeremiah 23: 5-8; Psalm 72: 1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Matthew 1: 18-25

Sun., Dec. 19: Micah 5: 1-4a; Psalm 80: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Hebrews 10: 5-10; Luke 1: 39-45

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](http://www.vaticannews.com).)

Weekly Collection

12/05/2021

Envelope	\$ 2,645.58
Loose	\$ 98.00
Holy Days	\$ 10.00
Christmas	\$ 1,575.00
Maintenance	\$ 135.00

Total \$ 4,463.58

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?



Annual Parish Christmas

BAZAAR

The Most Wonderful Time of The Year

Sunday December 19th, 2021

Following the 10 am Mass - Parish Social Hall

- Music
- 50/50 Raffle
- Prize Drawing
- Refreshments
- Ugly Sweater Contest
- Digital Photos

The Biggest Shopping Event of the Year!

To Look For Those Special Gifts

Vendors

Akeelah - Chocolate Utopia * Arlene - I Make Things

Cathy's - Handmade Jewelry * Marie - City Scents

St. Augustine St. Monica Church

4151 Seminole, Detroit, MI 48214

ST AUGUSTINE ST MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH

A D V E N T

P E N A N C E

S E R V I C E

Monday, December

13th, 2021

6:30 PM

Prayer Teams

Available



JESUS WANTS TO GIVE US HIS MERCY

4151 Seminole, Detroit 48214

Tel: 313.921.4107

Christmas Liturgy Schedule

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

*Posada/Potluck 4:00 PM at St. Augustine St. Monica Parish, 4151 Seminole, 48214

Mass, 5:00 pm at Nativity of Our Lord Parish, 5900 McClellan Ave, 48213

Mass, 8:00 pm at St. Charles Borromeo Parish, 1491 Baldwin, 48214

Carols-11:30 pm, Midnight Mass, 12:00 am at St. Augustine St. Monica Parish

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25TH, SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Mass 9:30 am at Nativity of Our Lord Parish

Mass 10:00 am at St. Augustine St. Monica Parish

Mass, 11:30 am at St. Charles Borromeo Parish

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26TH, FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Mass 9:30 am at Nativity of Our Lord Parish

Mass 10:00 am at St. Augustine St. Monica Parish

Mass, 11:30 am at St. Charles Borromeo Parish

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31ST, NEW YEAR'S EVE

Mass, 6 pm at Nativity of Our Lord Parish

Adoration, 7 PM until Midnight ([Please sign up *](#))

Mass, 11 pm at St. Charles Borromeo Parish

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1ST, 2022, SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Mass 9:00 am followed by First Cultures Pancake Breakfast and presentation

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2ND, EPIPHANY SUNDAY

Mass 9:30 am at Nativity of Our Lord Parish

Mass 10:00 am at St. Augustine St. Monica Parish

Mass, 11:30 am at St. Charles Borromeo Parish

*(Please sign-up contact your parish office)



December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Adoration 8am and Mass at St. Augustine/ St. Monica 9am	2	3	4 Adoration 8am and Mass at St. Au- gustine/St. Monica 9am
5 11:30am Mass livestreamed 2nd Sunday of Advent (Rennpage Family lights candle)	6	7 Immaculate Concep- tion Mass – 6pm	8 Adoration 8am and Mass at St. Augustine/ St. Monica 9am Immaculate Concep- tion Mass at St. Au- gustine/St. Monica – 9am, Nativity 6pm	9	10	11 Adoration 8am and Mass at St. Au- gustine/St. Monica 9am
12 11:30am Mass livestreamed; 3rd Sunday of Advent (Villanueva Family lights candle)	13	14 Adoration 8am and Mass at St. Augustine/ St. Monica 9am	15	16	17	18 Adoration 8am and Mass at St. Au- gustine/St. Monica 9am
19 11:30am Mass livestreamed; 4 th Sun- day of Advent (Jon- Marie Allion and Friends light candle) Church decorating for Christmas after mass <i>Christmas after mass</i>	20	21	22 Adoration 8am and Mass at St. Augustine/ St. Monica 9am	23	24 Christmas Eve; No mass at St. Charles; Mass at Na- tivity 5pm; Mass at Augustine/Monica Midnight	25 Christmas Day; Mass livestreamed at Nativity 9:30am, Mass livestreamed at Augustine/Monica 10am, Mass livestreamed at St. Charles 11:30am
26 11:30am Mass livestreamed	27 OFFICE CLOSED	28 OFFICE CLOSED	29 OFFICE CLOSED	30 OFFICE CLOSED	31 OFFICE CLOSED Mass at Nativity 5pm; Adoration at Au- gustine/Monica 7pm- 10:30pm; Mass at St. Charles 11pm (followed by buffet)	



CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY

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– FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24**

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SACRED HEART
MAJOR SEMINARY

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.

Individuals may also contact the Archdiocese of Detroit. We place no deadlines or time limits on those who wish to come forward for help; be it five, 15, or 50 years later, our diocese accepts and responds to all reports.

The Archdiocese of Detroit reports every complaint it receives, regardless of its source or the date of the alleged activity, to civil authorities. No complaints are held back, pre-screened or disregarded. This is done in accordance with voluntary agreements signed in the spring of 2002 by the archdiocese and prosecutors from all six counties within its boundaries. As a result of the agreements, the archdiocese shared case files of priests accused of sexual misconduct in previous years and committed to turning over all complaints in the future.

How to Report Sexual Abuse

Emergencies

If you suspect someone is in immediate danger, call **911**

Law enforcement

Individuals who suspect clergy sexual abuse of children or vulnerable adults are encouraged to contact the Michigan Attorney General's Office by calling its toll-free reporting hotline at (844) 324-3374 (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or by emailing aginvestigations@michigan.gov. Individuals also may contact their local police department.

Mandated reporting

Mandated reporters in Michigan must make an immediate verbal report to the CPS Centralized Intake for Abuse & Neglect at (855) 444-3911, followed by a written report within 72 hours. Reports also can be [made online](#). (See below for [more information](#) on mandated reporters.)

Archdiocese of Detroit

The Archdiocese of Detroit's Victim Assistance Coordinator, Tony Latarski, can be reached at **(313) 237-6060** or toll-free at **(866) 343-8055**. Individuals also may email vac@aod.org. Mr. Latarski has an extensive background in law enforcement and works to receive and respond to all complaints. All calls and messages regarding complaints of sexual abuse will be returned in a timely manner. Callers will be asked to provide their name and telephone number.

This contact information is shared as part of an effort by the archdiocese to protect children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. They are for reporting suspected sexual misconduct or child abuse within archdiocesan institutions and ministries only.

More information about the reporting process from *Detroit Catholic*: **For archdiocese's victim assistance coordinator, helping survivors is a ministry of compassion.**

Please note that this article references Mr. Latarski's predecessor, who retired after serving for many years in the role of Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Reporting a bishop

The **Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR)** has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. To make a report, visit ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.

Reports of sexual misconduct by other Church personnel — priests, deacons, laypersons — should be reported-in using the means described in the above sections.



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