

# The Vigil

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

**Mass Times:**

**St. Charles:**

Wednesday 10:30am;

Sunday 8:15am AND 11:30am

**Nativity:**

Thursday 11am; Saturday 4pm;

Sunday 9:45am

**Pastor's Pen**



**"The Lord Be With You."**



**July 22, 2018**  
16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Today's Readings**

Jeremiah 23:1-6  
(*A True Shepherd*)

Psalms 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6  
(*The Lord as Shepherd*)

Ephesians 2:13-18  
(*Access to the Father*)

Mark 6:30-34  
(*Jesus the Shepherd*)

A few years ago one of my nephews was traveling with his siblings and their mother. While pulling out of a drive-in restaurant, with French fries on his lap, a hamburger in one hand and a shake in the other, he asked his mother, "Mom, where are we going to eat after we eat next." He seemed not to worry about what they were going to eat next, but where after that. The "Good Shepherd" at the steering wheel assured her little lamb that he need not fear, just finish what he had in hand and lap. My sister was feeling less of compassion and more of enjoyable patience.

In our Gospel for today, Jesus takes His tired, little flock for a restful picnic across the lake. When they arrived at the deserted place, they found that it was not deserted any longer. The crowds from around and about were in need of being fed after they had eaten recently. They were hungry for food of all kinds, but especially for healings and teachings.

There's always room for a little more. They may not have even known what they were looking for; they were just looking.

When Jesus and His crew disembarked, He look at the crowd gathered like a hungry flock and He received them with "pity"? Not exactly "pity", but the original Greek word was "Moved to His guts". He was deeply touched, because they were gazing at Him as would a large flock of sheep, looking for food. Immediately after these verses from Mark's Gospel, Jesus has them assume postures of receptivity and feeds them as would any good shepherd. I can imagine that this huge crowd has gathered into one, but for different reasons, having different hungers. As they individually arrived, certain self-appointed ushers asked each of the seekers questions about what each was looking for. The ushers seated persons according to their responses.

Nearest the shore to the left was the group who had replied that they had not much to do that day and everybody seemed to be excitedly heading toward this place. They just went along with the crowd.

Next to that group, seated more toward the center, were those who wanted to get up close and personal with Jesus. They intended to question Him about His authority, his obscure family roots and why He seemed sometimes to violate His own religious traditions. They were hungry for a good argument.

To the right of this group were arranged younger folks who had brought their own picnic baskets and were enjoying their own self-sufficiency and smugly ate what they had brought while keeping their provisions for themselves. They came to see, hear and check out whether or not Jesus could provide even better stuff. They intended not to be moved in any way.

The ushers had done a good job arranging groups according to their intentions and desires. Jesus finally arrives with His mates and does not begin questioning each person as did the ushers. He seems to understand deeply that, no matter why they all came, He will receive them personally with deep-down humanly-felt openness. Jesus accepted them all. His heart extended arms around each and all, without separating, excluding, judging.

The human condition in all its forms was united in the one basic hunger. Each was hungry for completion. They represent "longing." They had not found satisfaction in fulfilling themselves. Jesus will miraculously feed their bodies. He knows that this food will not totally satisfy, that they will want more. He taught them before breeding them. He spoke to them about the sacredness of their deeper longings, their truer hungers, their fascination with answers which result in further questions.

Jesus knew that each would return to their lives again, but just maybe each was comforted in the awareness that this Person Who could teach and do wonderful things, loved them personally and collectively. Perhaps the sceptics, the arguers, the self-isolators were moved to be a little more tender and accepting of their own human insufficiency of all kinds. Perhaps they were able to live more honestly with their doubts, fears, questions and self-poverty.

As they were leaving, trailing near the end, there was a young fellow who kept saying to no one in particular, "Ya, but what is He going to do for us after the next feeding?"

We always want more!

## 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*

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Shawn Wilson  
Jenny White

**There is more energy  
In a single smile  
Than in the combined  
hatred  
In the history of the  
world.**

## St. Paul Retreat Center Events

**Celebrating Life's Special Moments?** St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center welcomes you to come and browse through their gift shop and book store. Keep us in mind when you are celebrating life's special moments: Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Weddings, Graduation. A major effort has been made to select an inventory of made in Michigan or the USA. The gift shop is open during regular business hours (M-F, 9am –4pm).

For more information please email Mary Moret at [mmoret@stpaulretreat.org](mailto:mmoret@stpaulretreat.org) or call 313.286.2806.

## Stewardship Thoughts

Today's Scripture readings present the theme of the Good Shepherd. The prophet Jeremiah warns those shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock that their evil deeds will not go unpunished. He prophesies about Jesus, the Good Shepherd, Who God will lift up as a righteous shoot from David's line. St. Paul reminds us how, through Christ, we are brought together in Him. In St. Mark's Gospel, Jesus shows compassion by taking pity on the crowd, the lost sheep, and begins to instruct them.

How can we seek a deeper relationship with Christ, the Good Shepherd? Do we, in the spirit of evangelization, encourage with love our brothers and sisters who have left the faith to reopen their hearts to Jesus — to allow Him personally into their lives? Begin by asking them to attend Alpha or another evangelization series at your parish.

## No-interest Home Repair Loans for Detroit Homeowners

Mayor Mike Duggan has announced the Detroit 0% Interest Home Repair Loan Program. It provides \$8 million in financing for eligible homeowners looking to replace or patch roofs, replace windows, upgrade plumbing, make electrical repairs, replace the furnace, and address structural or safety issues.

The program is directed at Detroit homeowners earning up to 80 percent of the area median income (\$54,150 for a family of four), as well as households in designated areas of the city (regardless of their income). The program is designed to help homeowners fix deteriorating properties and help eliminate blight.

Loans are available between \$5,000 and \$25,000 for Detroit homeowners who own and occupy single-family homes. Homeowners who own properties with two units, such as duplexes, can be eligible for up to \$50,000 as long as they live in one of the units. Loans are paid back over ten years. There is no fee for paying back a loan early. Homeowners pay back only what they borrow. To qualify for a loan, the homeowner must have occupied the home for at least 6 months.

Southwest Solutions is one of the nonprofit partners in the program serving as an Intake Center to help eligible homeowners complete the intake forms and start the loan application process. Our Intake Center is at the offices of Southwest Economic Solutions at 2835 Bagley, Suite. 800, Detroit, MI 48216. Intake forms can be downloaded on the City's website devoted to the Home Repair Program.

For more information on applying for a no-interest home repair loan, please contact Southwest Economic Solutions at 313-841-9641 or online. We encourage you to download the application (or pick one up from our office), fill it out and assemble the required documents, and then contact us to schedule an appointment to review the application and submit it on your behalf.

**Are you or someone you know a convicted felon looking for a job?  
There is help available. The Resource Network.**

The **Resource Network** offers short trades like a month or so and they have a placement component which places at over 90%. They have felony friendly employers they work with. The Resource Network, Inc is at 11816 Joseph Campau (Hamtramck, 48212, p(313) 365-3700 Ext. 1207; c(313) 828-2289

Another source for felony friendly employment/employers: [exoffeders.net.employment-jobs-for-felons](http://exoffeders.net.employment-jobs-for-felons)

## Upcoming Events / Meetings

**SAVE THE DATE - Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance Events: 2018 Annual Harvest Dinner, Wednesday, September 19, 2018 @ Eastern Market**

### **IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE:**

**The Nativity Picnic date has been changed to Sunday, August 19, 2018. The picnic will be at Metro Beach.**

### **ST CHARLES DINNER DANCE**

**Friday, September 21, 2018**

Assumption Cultural Center  
Cocktail Hour 6pm-7; Dinner 7pm

*Ticket Information:* Early Bird (now thru Aug 1): \$55 per person OR \$500 for Table of 10.

Aug 2, 2018 – Sept 9, 2018: \$60 per person OR \$600 for Table of 10

*(To purchase a table of 10, all tickets MUST be paid for at the same time with one check or cash.) See Rhonda Gilbert if you would like to use your debit or credit card to purchase tickets. \*ABSOLUTELY NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AFTER SEPT. 9, 2018\**

**Street Corner Ministry at Nativity of Our Lord.** Everyone is invited to join Br. Ray and the parishioners of our sister parish, Nativity of Our Lord, at the corner of Gratiot and McClellan to offer up prayers for our city. The prayers are offered right on the corner from 9pm-10pm every Friday night. Please support Nativity and our city!

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

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### **Pastoral Team**

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### **Council Members**

Mary Ann Andreovich	Steve Llorens
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## July Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 22, 2018

**Edmund L. Borycz**

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

**Irene Seyboldt**

Sunday, July 29, 2018

**Michael Tatti**

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon., July 23:** Micah 6:1-4, 6-8; Psalm 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23; Matthew 12:38-42

**Tues., July 24:** Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Psalm 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8; Matthew 12:46-50

**Wed., July 25:** 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Psalm 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Matthew 20:20-28

**Thurs., July 26:** Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Psalm Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Matthew 13:10-17

**Fri., July 27:** Jeremiah 3:14-17; Psalm Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Matthew 13:18-23

**Sat., July 28:** Jeremiah 7:1-11; Psalm 84:3, 4, 5-6a & 8a, 11; Matthew 13:24-30

**Sun., July 29:** 2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18; Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15

### **Weekly Collection 07/15/18**

Envelopes	\$ 1,818.00
Loose	\$ 535.00
Maintenance	\$ 50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,400.00</b>

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loved...  
So BE loving.**

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Cardinal Dearden Memorial...**

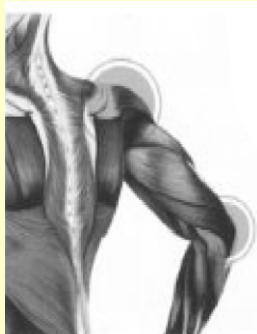
You are invited to a prayer service in memory of John Cardinal Dearden on **Wed., Aug. 1st from 7 to 9 pm at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish.** This memorial marks the 30th anniversary of his passing and is sponsored by the Cardinal Dearden Legacy Project. The cardinal served the Church with great distinction at the Second Vatican Council and as our archbishop from 1958 to 1980. He invited Catholics to grow a vibrant Church through adult education and restructured the archdiocese to engage us in building the Kingdom of God. A reception with light refreshments will follow the prayer service. St. Therese of Lisieux is located at 48115 Schoenherr, just north of 21 Mile in Shelby Twp. For more information, call 586-264-9815 or search Facebook for: [johnfranciscardinaldearden](https://www.facebook.com/johnfranciscardinaldearden).

### **First-Ever Feast of Blessed**

**Solanus Casey:** Father Solanus Casey (1870-1957), whom Pope Francis declared "blessed" last year, will be remembered on the 1st-ever celebration of his feast day on **July 30, 2018.** To mark the historic occasion, the Capuchin friars will hold a nine-day series of prayers (**July 22-30**), called a novena, and Masses at the Solanus Casey Center leading up to the Feast. Each day of the nine-day novena prayer focuses on a particular area of Blessed Solanus Casey's life and ministry. Schedule is available at [SolanusCasey.org/Feast](http://SolanusCasey.org/Feast).

**Support St. Charles...** by registering your Kroger card. Go to [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) and follow these directions: (a) Click "Enroll". (b) Enter required information. (c) Click Enroll again. On the next page, scroll to the bottom and click on "Community Rewards". (d) Enter your contact information and click "Save". (e) On the next page enter **82843** or **St. Charles Church** and hit Enter, then choose the correct organization and Click Enroll. You are now enrolled!





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