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



July 29, 2018

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings

2 Kings 4:42-44 (Miracle of the Loaves)

Psalm 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 (The Bounty of the Lord)

> Ephesians 4:1-6 Unity in the Spirit)

John 6:1-15 (*Multiplication of Loaves* and Fish)

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Some lines in the second reading today from Paul's letter to the Ephesians is a good reflection for these hot summer days when we may find reason to lose our patience with one another.

Paul says, "I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope."

We all know people who make us want to run the moment we see them. We know they will have something negative to say or a complaint about life not being fair. They can surely be disrupters of a pleasant day and when they enter our sphere, they take all the air, energy, joy, etc from the space and we're left depleted. I think they call these folks "toxic." We also have had the experience of having someone come into our lives at a time when we were beat down from the circumstances of life and they lift us up. Remember that day when you didn't feel you could go another minute and a friend made you laugh or the time you were completely stressed about the illness of a family member and a good friend just sat with you and brought healing to you without any words. Remember the time when you experienced the loss of one you truly loved and one person's hug gave you the hope that somehow you would get through this valley of darkness.

We do have a lot of power. We have the power to ruin a person's reputation in one conversation and the power to bring someone down by our negative ideas and criticisms. We have the power to ruin someone's day by our words, our attitudes and our actions. BUT we also have the power to do great things in the simplest ways. We can make someone's day with a smile at the grocery store. We can help a parishioner by taking a moment to truly listen to how they're doing rather than rushing to the next person. We have the power to build our children up with some positive encouragement. Paul says this is our calling and, even more, our obligation to the world to bring the positive and lifegiving hope of the gospel. Maybe this week we can monitor our words and attitudes to see where we're at. Are people better because they met us today or have we made their life just a little bit harder by our negativity? Isn't life hard enough these days without making things worse for one another? Let's choose life and be patient and gentle with one another. Let's be the people who preserve the unity rather than bring division. Let's try to take good care of each other!

Important Note: Another way we can make a positive impact on our world is to VOTE. Our primaries are on August 7th. We have to vote! If we don't think it's important for ourselves, then let's do it for the sake of our children and the next generation.

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

Bobby Allen Paul Andrecovich Marilyn Boomer Shawn Burks Liana Caruana Ida Cherry Mary Cunningham Gary Davila Howard Dilworth Kyle Duker Heinrich Ericksen Jill Forton Doris Harris John Huddleston Addie Ingram Earline Johnson Ron Kirby Tony Lababera Vanessa Laco-Chambers **Dave Laverty Catherine Lewis** Tiana Marquez **Michael Martin** Mary Massaini Dina Mavnard Leon McCool Patrice Nadeau Gary Perzyk Judy Pierce Robert Preuss Celeste Rabaut Patricia C. Randall Elaine Rosen Carol Santa Maria Ben Saxon Marvin Sims Len Stoehr Mark Tamer Rachel Thompson Enza Trah Anna Tyler Sr Jolene Van Handel Belinda Wilson Shawn Wilson Jenny White

25th Annual Benefit on the Bay Friday, August 24, 5:30 PM

Support the Capuchin Soup Kitchen by attending the 25th Annual Benefit on the Bay at MacRay Harbor on Lake St. Clair. Music by Doug Simonsen, John Dickson and the C-Notes, The Key Suspects, and special musical quests, the Capuchin Soup Kitchen Choir! 100% of the event's proceeds benefit the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. \$75 admission includes appetizers, dinner, beer/wine, music, dancing and complimentary valet, as well as a chance to bid on items in a live and silent auction. For advance tickets please call: 313-579-2100 ext. 153. www.benefitonthbay.org

Stewardship Thoughts

Today's Scripture readings focus on God miraculously feeding the hungry. In the Second Book of Kings, the Lord uses the prophet Elisha as His instrument to supply nourishment for 100 men from 20 barley loaves. In St. John's Gospel, the evangelist tells of a time near Passover, when Jesus multiplies a few loaves and fish to accommodate more than 5,000 followers. Both passages point toward Christ's institution of the Eucharist at His Last Supper with His disciples. The Holy Eucharist is the "source and summit" of our faith. We become what we consume.

For those who are able, frequent partaking of Christ in Holy Communion can bring a deeper relationship with Him. St. Paul reminds us that we have received a calling from the one Lord in one faith and one Baptism. In a spirit of evangelization, we respond to this invitation to discipleship by personalizing Jesus in our life and then sharing our Eucharistic joy with everyone we meet. Please read Archbishop Allen Vigneron's pastoral letter, *Unleash the Gospel*, at *unleashthegospel.org* to learn more about evangelization in our Archdiocese.

You are invited to a "Registration Destination" event at Wayne County Community College District's (WCCCD)

Thurs, Aug 2, 2018, 5:00 to 7:00 pm, at the Downtown Detroit Campus on Fort Street. Information will be shared about jobs available now and in the future, about what courses are needed to qualify for those jobs, and how to apply for part-time work while you are going to school. You can enroll and not have to worry about how to pay for classes, or books, or transportation to and from the College. All will be provided.

No more excuses. If you want to be a Surgical Tech, or a Computer Programmer, or get training in another field of study, all you need is to take that first step. Come to WC3D next Thursday. Classes begin this FALL!!

Please share this invitation with others who might be interested in this opportunity!

Refreshments will be served, so register ASAP at: (313) 496-2510 or (313) 964-0618.

"God is in the infinite, perfect clarity of honesty."

In the Quiet Spaces

2018 Natural Family Planning Support & Education Series: Deeper Reflections

August 21st at Sacred Heart Major Seminary – NFP in the (Extra)Ordinary Times

As Ordinary Time marches on in the Church, the routine of NFP can help us grow in our marriages through the ordinary and extra-ordinary times. From the ho-hum to the incredible, NFP is there inviting us to live and love through it all. We'll explore the comfort we can draw from the consistency of NFP in our lives through whatever life throws our way.

RSVP to nfp@aod.org and visit www.aod.org/nfp for upcoming dates and more information!

<u>**Upcoming Events / Meetings</u>**</u>

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 St. Charles Borromeo

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July/Aug Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 29, 2018 Michael Tatti Marilyn Soderberg

Wednesday, August 1, 2018 Michael Tatti

Sunday, August 5, 2018 David Kase

Wednesday, August 8, 2018 Blanche Charles

Sunday, August 12, 2018 Howard Ray

Wednesday, August 15, 2018 Irene and Anthony Seyboldt

Sunday, August 19, 2018 Fr. Ed Borycz Ed and Rose Borycz Monica Laske

Wednesday, August 22, 2018 Victor and Suzanne Fileccia

Sunday, August 26, 2018 Jennifer Krasinski

Wednesday, August 29, 2018 James Charles

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., July 30: Jeremiah 13:1-11; Psalm Deuteronomy 32:18-19, 20, 2; Matthew 13:31-35

Tues., July 31: Jeremiah 14:17-22; Psalm 79:8, 9, 11 & 13; Matthew 13:36-43

Wed., Aug. 01: Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21; Psalm 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 19; Matthew 13:44-46

Thurs., Aug. 02: Jeremiah 18:1-6; Psalm 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Matthew 13:47-53

Fri., Aug. 03: Jeremiah 26:1-9; Psalm 69:5, 8-10, 14; Matthew 13:54-58

Sat., Aug. 04: Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24; Psalm 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Matthew 14:1-12

Sun., Aug. 05: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15; Psalm 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54; Ephesians 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

How's Your Summer Reading Going?! May we suggest a thoughtful gift book for you? "In the Quiet Spaces" by C.E. Young is a great inspirational beach, plane, or backyard porch read!

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.

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.

Weekly Collection 07/22/18

| Envelopes | \$ 5,187.55 | |
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| Loose | \$ | 563.00 |
| Maintenance | \$ | 20.00 |
| Christmas | \$ | 500.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 6,270.55 | |

