

The Vigil

August 5, 2018
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



Today's Readings

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15
(*Manna from Heaven*)

Psalms 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54
(*Heavenly Bread*)

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24
(*A New Self*)

John 6:24-35
(*Christ, True Bread from Heaven*)

Pastor's Pen



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

I will leave the first reading and the Gospel for the homily today and stick with Paul's letter to the Ephesians. I was intrigued by Paul's words: "put off the old self of your former way of life...and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self, created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth."

Changing any of our bad habits is a difficult task. We only have to ask smokers, or dieters, or addicts or any of those who have made a significant change in their lives. Paul makes it sound as easy as taking off an old shirt and putting on a new one. Change in behaviors is a difficult task and takes a lot of sacrifice and determination. I continue to be inspired by the men in the ROPE program. They have decided to put off the "old self" and embrace new life. They have come to the conclusion that the "old self" wasn't working any more and they felt those NA words rang true: "I'm sick and tired of being sick and tired." What I realize from the men is that conversion in life takes all that you have. You can't sit on the fence or dabble in your old ways. Either you give it all up or you don't bother. They further realize that recovery is so much more than abstaining from alcohol and drugs but it's embracing a whole new lifestyle. It's a life that calls them to be honest and to let go of old ways of scheming and manipulating others to get what they want. They begin to look at deeper issues that have been covered over and medicated by their old selves. To take off the "old self" and put on the "new self" is a heroic journey. They continue to tell me that this difficult trek is well worth the sacrifice because they've experienced a freedom they had never known in the old lives. Putting on the "new self" has given them a new perspective on themselves, the world and all those they love.

Putting on the new self and going through conversion of heart in each of our lives is often a monumental task. It's easier to embrace the comfortable old self than to set out on a new journey of growth and conversion. So, what old parts of ourselves do we have to leave behind so new life can come? Are we addicted to food or other substances that have gotten out of control? Are we constantly filled with negativity and find ourselves fighting with those we love? Are we always worried and fearful and unable to risk anything? Are we able to forgive and move on from some of the hurts in our life? Are we stuck in judgmental attitudes or self-righteous behavior? Christ continues to call us out of the ruts of the "old self" into a freedom of life that is filled with deeper wells of love and joy. Do we really want to sit back with our comfortable old selves and slowly wither and die or are we willing to allow new life in and change some of those things that are hurting our lives? Please, let's work on one behavior that is old and stagnant and put on a new attitude that calls us to embrace our lives in a new way. Christ is waiting on the other side of our conversion to help us put on that new self!!

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
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Mary Cunningham
Gary Davila
Howard Dilworth
Kyle Duker
Heinrich Ericksen
Jill Forton
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Vanessa Laco-Chambers
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Michael Martin
Mary Massaini
Dina Maynard
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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 guests, 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

Motown Review: Solanus Casey Center Benefit Friday, September 14 (6:30pm)

Get ready for a night of Classic Detroit grooves. Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship at The Ark, St. Ambrose Church, 15020 Hampton St., Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230. Be entertained by Cafagna Arts, presenting *The Motown Story*. Your ticket includes heavy hors d'oeuvres (provided by Vertical Detroit), beer and wine. Early Bird tickets are \$60, and tickets after August 20 are \$70. Proceeds benefit the Solanus Casey Center. Sponsored by Vertical Detroit & Finewine Source. For more information, please visit SolanusCenter.org/MotownReview

My Spiritual Journey Through Life Wednesday, August 22, 9:00-3:30 PM Capuchin Retreat, Washington, Michigan

This is a day to appreciate what your spiritual journey in life has been and will be. This day will help you understand your own spiritual journey with God and how your Faith has helped you in this journey. Presenters: Fred Cavaiani LLP, LMFT, psychotherapist and spiritual director, Fr. Tom Zelinski OFM Cap, Director of Capuchin Retreat. The suggested donation is \$45/person which includes breakfast and lunch and refreshments throughout the day. Call now to reserve your spot 248.651.4826. www.capretreat.org

Stewardship Thoughts

Today, in St. John's Gospel, Jesus ties His instructions on the Eucharist to the Book of Exodus. Christ proclaims to the crowd that their ancestors ate manna in the desert from God the Father, not Moses. Jesus professes in the Gospel that He is the "Bread of Life." Those who accept His invitation and come to Him will never hunger or thirst, as they will be spiritually filled. In Ephesians, St. Paul instructs us that, through Christ, we will gain a fresh, spiritual way of thinking.

As faithful stewards, we acknowledge Jesus' true presence in the Eucharist as translated from the Greek meaning "thanksgiving." We believe the Eucharist to be the true Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, of Christ. We stand in awe and gratitude for this tremendous gift, which opens our hearts to holiness. Plan to attend a Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction service at your parish or a regional "Awaken" service to experience Christ's peace and joy.

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!

Upcoming Events / Meetings

SAVE THE DATE - Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance 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: \$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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Aug Mass Intentions

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., Aug. 06: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 2 Peter 1:16-19; Mark 9:2-10

Tues., Aug. 07: Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Psalm 102:16-18, 19-20, 29 & 22-23; Matthew 14:22-36

Wed., Aug. 08: Jeremiah 31:1-7; Psalm Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Matthew 15:21-28

Thurs., Aug. 09: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Matthew 16:13-23

Fri., Aug. 10: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; Psalm 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9; John 12:24-26

Sat., Aug. 11: Habakkuk 1:12 - 2:4; Psalm 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Matthew 17:14-20

Sun., Aug. 12: 1 Kings 19:4-8; Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Ephesians 4:30 - 5:2; John 6:41-51

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Did You Know?

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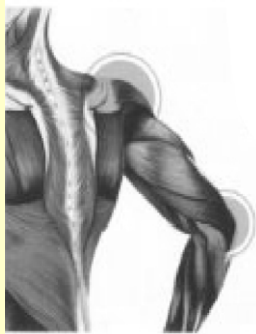
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TOTAL	\$ 3,561.00



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