## 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."

### November 17, 2019

33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Today's Readings

Malachi 3: 19-20 (Lo, the Day is coming!)

Psalm 98

2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12 (Work quietly))

Luke 21: 5-19 (Destruction of the Temple))

### Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the second reading today, Paul talks to those who are meddling into other people's business (earlier translation was "busy bodies") and those not working. He says:

"In the Lord Jesus Christ, we urge and call people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat." It would be an interesting study to see how often we talk about other people throughout our day. We talk about how they act, what they say, what they wear and then we go on to their children and comment on what they do and why they do what they do. For some this becomes a major part of their day. I realize *none of us* do this but there are others...

This week we may take an inventory on how many times, even innocently, we make comments about other people. The readings in these last weeks of the year remind us of the end times. The end times is not only the end of the world but our own end times. We are only here for a moment and we are called to make our moment as meaningful as possible. Our lives are filled with enough struggle and difficulty. Why should we make each other's lives more difficult by judging other's deficiencies or deciding what is best for someone else even when they haven't asked us for our opinion or help? How many times have we jumped into a situation with our spouse, children, friends making sure they hear what we have to say about their life rather that taking the time to listen to their struggles?

Maybe we are called by our brother, Paul, to listen more and speak less. Although we may think we have the answers for another person, we may be blinded by our own issues. It's much like the speck in another's eye which can't be dealt with until we deal with the plank in our own. My sense from my own insecurities is that whenever I am meddling in someone else's life or clearly see what they should do, I can probably be sure that I am avoiding some of the issues in my own life. Let's take some time for quiet this week and take a look at our behavior. Are we the meddling Mom or the critical Dad? Are we the controlling friend or the difficult relative that none of the family wants to deal with? Or are we the hard working disciple who stays in his/her lane and quietly and humbly goes about their day listening to the struggles of those in their life with a compassionate ear rather than a judgmental tongue? This week we will be given opportunities to be the loud voice of opinion or the compassionate presence of Christ. Let's try to choose the latter!

#### **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

Patricia Anderson Paul Andrecovich Marilvn Boomer John Bozich Shawn Burks Liana Caruana Ida Cherry Gary Davila Julie Demonbreuen Howard Dilworth Brianna Denson Brittany Denson Kyle Duker Heinrich Ericksen Joseph Fisher Jill Forton Karen Green **Doris Harris** Alexander Harvey Addie Ingram Eleanor Janutol Ron Kirby Alan Krupp Tony Lababera Vanessa Laco-Chambers Dave Laverty **Catherine Lewis** Edward Malik **Tiana Marquez** Michael Martin Mary Massaini Leon McCoo LaRonda Morant Michael Nadeau Shea O'Brien Gary Perzyk Robert Preuss Celeste Rabaut Elaine Rosen Carol Santa Maria Ben Saxon Marvin Sims Len Stoehr Mark Tamer Rachel Thompson Unza Tranchida Anna Tyler Sr Jolene Van Handel Mary Lou West **Belinda Wilson** Shawn Wilson **Rashad Whigham** Jenny White

Be Gentle.

#### SAVE THE DATE: ST. CHARLES WOMEN'S RETREAT WEEKEND February 7-9, 2020

Women of St. Charles! Our annual retreat at Saint Paul's Retreat Center in Detroit is on the weekend of February 7-9, 2020. This year's theme is: "Who Do You Say that I Am?" Many people have opinions about who Jesus is. This theme helps each of us to explore who Jesus is <u>for us</u>, and to deepen our relationship with Him. The retreat begins with dinner on Friday night, and ends after breakfast and Mass on Sunday morning. Each woman has her own room and bathroom. The retreat center is located on the west side of Detroit on 18 acres of land, with lots of spaces indoors and outdoors to unwind and settle into the wonderful hospitality.

Please see or call Jessica Taylor at 313.917.0129, or Patty Gillis at 313.399.8320 to reserve your spot, or call the Retreat Center at 313-286-2801. You may also register online at *www.stpaulretreat.org*.

#### CSA Minute: Young Adult Ministry

A special Theology on Tap will feature Matt Fradd, a bestselling author, speaker, and podcaster, sharing why the world needs St. Thomas Aquinas at St. Anastasia Parish's Davidson Center in Troy on **Thursday, November 21**.

Gifts to the CSA help fund these fellowship evenings focusing on topics relating to religion and theology for young adults ages 18 to 35. In this presentation, the podcaster of *Pints With Aquinas* will share seven reasons he loves Thomas Aquinas and provide an introduction to the figure of Thomas Aquinas and his writings as well as inspiration for beginning to read him.

Although admission, drinks, and food at this Theology on Tap are free, attendees must reserve a free ticket on Eventbrite. See *aod.social/theology-on-tap* for more information. For information about CSA-funded ministries, programs, and services, please go to *aod.org*.

#### Stewardship Minute: Stewardship Model

"...Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us." 2 THESSALONIANS 3:9

Most people who live a grateful and generous lifestyle don't go around bragging about it. But through their actions and words, others do take notice. They notice because of the joy and peace that results and other people desire this in their own life. Know that the way you live your **Stewardship** may be the only interaction others have with our Catholic faith.

#### LOOKING FOR WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH?

You can support St. Charles by registering your Kroger Loyalty card and shopping there as usual. It doesn't cost you anything! Follow these easy directions: Go to: *www.krogercommunityrewards.com* 

- Click "Enroll" -- Enter the required information -- Click Enroll
- On the next page, scroll to the bottom and click on "Community Rewards"
- Enter your contact information and click "Save"
- On the next page enter **QB361** or St. Charles Church and hit Enter
- Choose the correct organization -- Click Enroll -- You are now enrolled!
- If you are having an issue with your password and or email address please call 1-800-KROGERS, press 5 for customer service, press 5 to speak to a customer service representative.

**ONLINE GIVING:** To be sure that your online donation is included in your contribution amounts, we **MUST** have your email address. Please either call the rectory, send an email to the parish (<u>stcharlesborromeodetroit@yahoo.com</u>) or drop a note in the collection basket with your email address. Without the email address, your online contributions will not be added to your collection data or included in your year-end statement.

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

#### FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS AT CVS

Friday, November 22 the CVS at 3200 East Jefferson is offering free health screenings:

- Body Mass Index (BMI)
- Blood pressure
- Blood glucose (sugar)
- Total cholesterol
- Smoking cessation counseling
- Diabetes resources
- Other health consultations For accurate screening results for cholesterol and glucose, it is recommended that you fast from anything but water for at least 9 hours before the test. At the completion of the screening, each participant will receive a \$5 coupon for CVS Health brand products.

The crisp bite of autumn always means the chill of winter is closer than we think! Is your home ready to brave Michigan's winter? Are you and your family ready? And are you able to make sure others are ready too? Think of how you can help others stay warm this winter. Be creative with solutions, and use compassion as your inspiration!

Rectory Hours: Mon-Thurs, 10a to 3p St. Charles Borromeo 1491 Baldwin St., Detroit, MI 48214 313-331-0253 (Fax 313-331-4834)

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#### **Council Members**

Steven Dearing Rhonda Gilbert Dan Hurley Joyce Hurley David Nadeau Diane Simpkins

#### Linda Simpkins Adrienne Strubank Gabrielle Taylor (youth rep.) Alonda Walker Paco Williams

#### **November Mass Intentions**

Sunday, November 17, 2019 Stanley Zaborney Monica Laskey

Wed, November 20, 2019 Frank Garcia

Sunday, November 24, 2019 Kyria, Kenyanna and Frank Richardson

Wed, November 27, 2019 Celeste Ciapala

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Mon., Nov. 18: 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Psalm 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Luke 18:35-43

**Tues., Nov. 19:** 2 Maccabees 6:18-31; Psalm 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7<mark>; Luke 19:1-10</mark>

Wed., Nov. 20: 2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31; Psalm 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b & 15; Luke 19:11-28

**Thurs., Nov. 21:** 1 Maccabees 2:15-29; Psalm 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Luke 19:41-44

Fri., Nov. 22: 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chronicles 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Luke 19:45-48

**Sat., Nov. 23:** 1 Maccabees 6:1-13; Psalm 9:2-3, 4 & 6, 16 & 19; Luke 20:27-40

Sun., Nov. 24: 2 Samuel 5:1-3; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5; Colossians 1:12-20; Luke 23:35-43

#### 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?

#### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Due to a change in our Collection Computer Software, your envelope number may change beginning in January 2020. Nothing else will change! If this change affects your envelope number, you will notice the change in the envelopes you receive at year end. We apologize if this affects you, but the changes will allow us to streamline collection information input plus will save the parish some money.

Do You Have Items That Need To Be Recycled? ... The City of Detroit's recycling Drop-Off Center is open Monday & Wednesday, 10a-6p, and Saturdays 9a-3p at 1331 Holden Ave, 48202 (not far from the Fisher Bldg in New Center). NOTE: THIS IS A SORT-**IT-YOURSELF CENTER, NOT A DROP** & GO, but it's well-organized with readily available staff to help you. Items you can recycle there: PAPER, PLASTICS, GLASS, METALS, CARDBOARD, BATTERIES, STYROFOAM, LIGHT BULBS, ELECTRONICS, PLASTIC BAGS, BOOKS, INK CARTRIDGES, COOKING GREASE, ASEPTIC CARTONS. For more information please visit www.recyclehere.net

You can now use your mobile device to make online contributions!

Go to http://www.stcharlesdetroit.org
Click on the blue link with three white lines in the right top corner

3. Click on "Donate"

4. Choose to Login or Create Account

**5.** Follow the directions on the screen to make your donation!

Retreats Still Available... at St. Paul's Passionist Retreat Center on the westside of Detroit. Participate in one of the many retreat weekends between now and May 2020. Just go to: www.stpaulretreat.org/retreats/registe r-upcoming-retreats/ to get a list and to register. For more information, or for help with registration, call Patty Gillis at 313.399.8320.

Weekly Collection	
	11/10/19
Envelopes Loose Holy Day Christmas Maintenance	\$3,772.78 \$1,269.00 \$5.00 \$150.00 <u>\$1,075.00</u>
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resources and respond to the faithful's questions about clergy sexual abuse, the Archdiocese of Detroit has created a new "mini"

website at protect.aod.org. This site highlights

assistance, investigations, training for clergy and

lay employees and volunteers, and provides additional resources, including messages from

Archbishop Vigneron. Our goal is to make this important information - already available on

aod.org - more visible, transparent and clear.

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