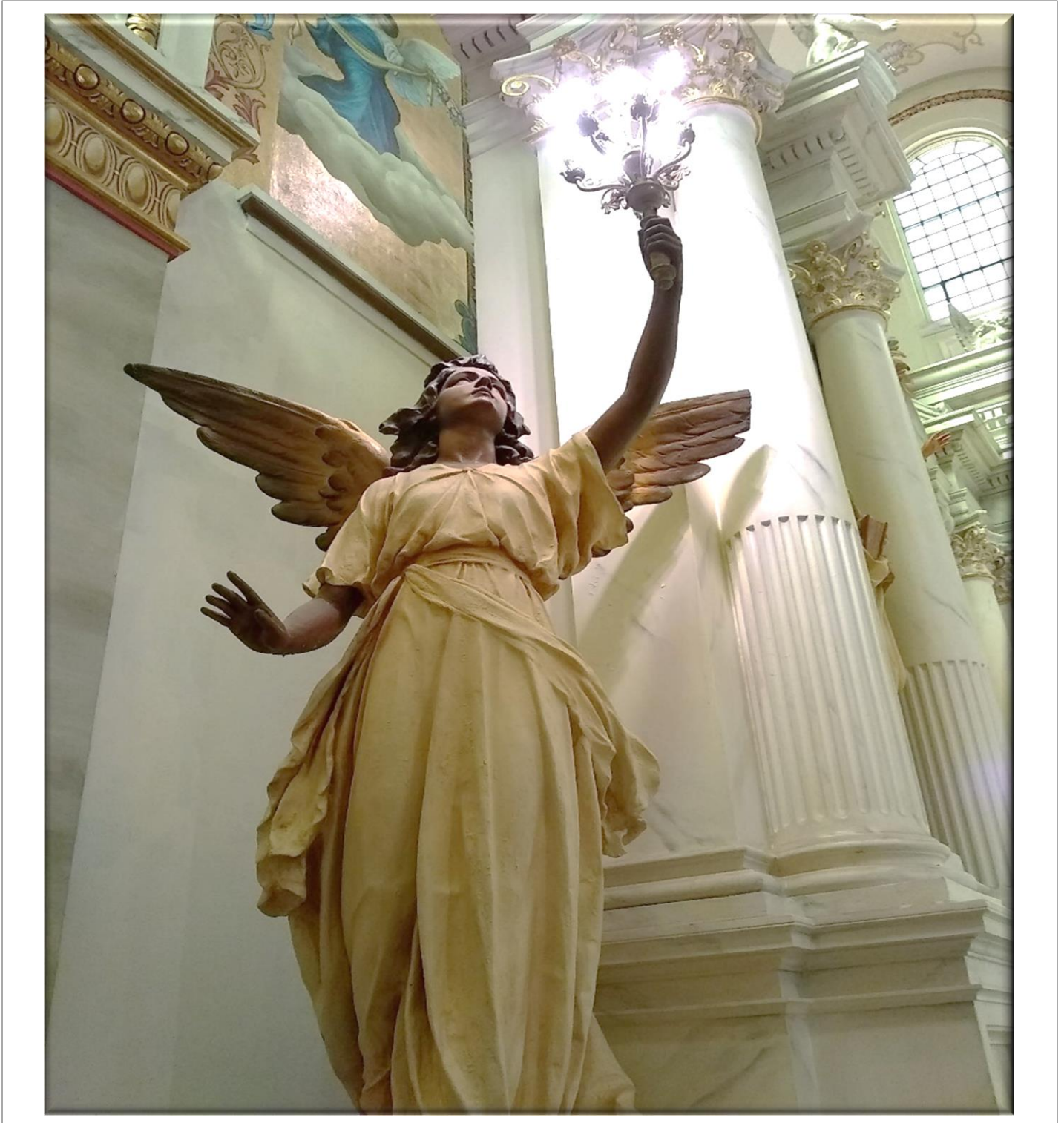

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

The VIGIL

Sunday, August 11, 2024

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)





Fr. Chris – Some Insight Into What Made Him Who He Is

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone I have met at all the parishes of our family. Each person I have met has been very generous, kind and welcoming. I also wanted to share a little more about who I am and where I come from.

I am the youngest of five children. My parents Jean-Paul and Antoinette grew up in Bristol, Connecticut. My oldest three siblings Mark, Celeste and Bruce were all born there. My dad worked for a General Motors dealership. After Bruce was born, my dad got a better job managing a dealership in Cincinnati, Ohio where my brother John-Paul was born. Then Detroit Deisel offered my dad a job developing dealerships around the country and he moved the family to Madison Heights just north of Detroit.

Then on December 5th, 1965 yours truly came along. I was baptized at St. Vincent Ferrer Parish. When I was four, my family moved two miles north just over the border of Sterling Heights into a little bigger house. Interestingly, our subdivision was called the Cigarette Sub. That's right. All the streets were named after brands of cigarettes. I grew up between Winston and Paul Mall off of Viceroy. My family helped to start St. Renee Goupil Parish where I celebrated my first communion and confirmation.

I attended the local public elementary school two blocks from my house. After that, I attended the Jesuit Academy and U of D High where I graduated from High School in 1984. From there I studied at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. My first two summers at U of M I worked for the University as an academic counselor for the freshman orientation program. This experience helping new student register for classes taught me that majoring in a subject area made it easier to get into the classes you wanted. Soooo, I changed my major several times to get into my favorite classes until I eventually settled on Cultural Anthropology.

After this first stint in college, I worked in retail management for a chain of convenience stores off and on for ten years. During the off time from retail management, I owned my own rolled pita sandwich and frozen yogurt shop for three years. I also worked in catering with my sister and brother-in-law for several years.

During my college and early career years, I would describe myself as a lukewarm catholic. I went to church occasionally and tried to live a good life. It wasn't until I was asked to go on a Cursillo weekend experience that my faith journey began to deepen and grow. Through the witness of the catholic men on that weekend I encountered the profound love that God had for me. I began to meet with a small group of men from that weekend every Saturday morning, where we shared, supported, challenged and prayed for each other in the three pillars of authentic Christian Living, Holiness (Encounter), Formation (Grow) and Evangelization (Witness).

During the next five years, I began to attend Mass regularly and live out my calling to bring Christ to others in my family, workplace and other human environments. Through the encouragement and challenge of my faith companions I came to a deeper sense that God was calling me to something more. I had all kinds of ideas about how I could be more useful in bringing about the kingdom of God, none of which were becoming a priest. Although I remember one evening at a gathering of an ecumenical extension of the Cursillo, the priest that usually attended to give the spiritual reflection couldn't make it and I was asked to fill in. At the end of the gathering, Mary Reid came up to me and asked, "Why aren't you doing this?" I thought to myself at the time you must be crazy, but the seed was planted.

In January of 1998, I was asked by a member of my small group to join a team to lead a Cursillo weekend. Naturally, I said yes. On that weekend, Fr. Vic Clore described discernment as asking God what He wanted, when we had more than one idea about the best way to live out our Christian calling. It was as if he was talking directly to me. I prayed on that weekend that God give me clear signs as to what He wanted me to do.

Within three weeks all the ideas I had for living my calling more fully were taken away. I was even demoted by my company back to being a simple store manager. If I hadn't made that prayer, I would have been devastated. Instead, I called Fr Vic and talked to him about all that happened and about the nagging thought Mary had planted and was still there in the back of my mind and heart. He ruffled through a stack of papers on the side of his desk and said, "Yep there is a discernment experience at the seminary tomorrow." He made a phone call, wrote me a recommendation and the positive signs began.

A few weeks later I confessed to my sister Celeste what I was thinking about, she pulled me aside and said, "I don't want you to freak out or anything, but my priest was talking about vocations on Sunday and I had a dream of you as a priest." From then on, God has continued to grant me signs to show me what He wants me to do. Yes, there have been good days and bad and I'm sure that will continue. However, through my six years of seminary and my twenty years of priesthood, I can honestly say that I am truly fulfilled and happy because I am doing what God wants me to do. The latest of which is coming to love, serve and be with you.

Peace and Love in Christ,

Fr. Chris

p.s. there is much more to share but that's enough for now

Sunday Food for You

In the First Reading, Elijah had just come from a dangerous showdown with 450 prophets of a god they called Baal, in the land ruled by Jezebel. The God of Israel had easily won this encounter, but Elijah did great violence against the surviving prophets anyway. Queen Jezebel, understandably enraged, sent a message that she would do the same thing to Elijah and more within that same day.

Just concentrate on the deliberate kindness of God.

In this reading, however, we find Elijah frightened, exhausted, and dispirited. He had come back to find the Israelites being unfaithful to the one true God. So Elijah became miserable—in spite of his great triumph. He prayed to God to give immediate death to his worthless self. As despondent people will sometimes do, he went to sleep. He was lying under “a broom tree” (a tall hedge that desert people utilized to shield themselves from the sun in the day and the wind at night).

God could have been harsh to Elijah as a result of this depressed prayer. But instead, a quiet touch from God’s angel awakened the man. The angel whispered, “get up and eat.” And, lo and behold, “there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water.”

Elijah did eat and drink, but then settled right back to sleep again. The angel whispered tenderly, “Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!” Elijah did and was strengthened. We are witnessing a mother’s care, giving food to the discouraged child (First Reading).

The other readings too are all about God’s kindness even in small things. The Responsorial Psalm invites us to share in the banquet: “Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. ... I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.”

In the Gospel, Jesus offers nourishment, and this time the provisions are for a very long journey indeed, the one to eternal life. The people listening (“the Jews,” as John calls them, but really just “the sensible people”) will not have a bit of it. They argue among themselves, ridiculing his silly offer of miraculous food. They “murmur” that they knew his parents, which made him just a local boy acting crazy.

Jesus ordered them to stop grousing and listen. He made the same comparison that we saw last week, between manna that came down from heaven in the desert, and himself, who was “the living bread that came down from heaven.”

Just concentrate on the deliberate kindness of God: feeding the people, giving them drink, pursuing them again and again in order to offer the greatest gift of all, God’s sacrificial love for them. God follows us quietly, gently.

How might we respond? To start with, how about receiving the living bread in Communion? Another way could be to pray on the mellowness of God. Also, by simply slowing down, by stopping the running away and instead letting the Lord find us. God’s kindhearted love, which is also tough, proves to be quite worth the struggle.

Here is how Paul puts it in the Second Reading.

Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love,
as Christ loved us and handed himself over
for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.

John Foley, SJ
St. Louis University

Mass Live Streaming News! You now have options for watching our Sunday Mass – even if you “don’t do Facebook” or look at the parish website. Now you can watch on YouTube by going to <https://www.youtube.com/@St.CharlesBorromeoDetroit>; you can watch the live stream on Facebook without having an account by doing a google search for **st charles borromeo parish detroit Facebook**, the page will appear, scroll down and look on the right side for "watch live" and click. You can also continue to watch on our Facebook page *St. Charles Borromeo Parish - Detroit MI*

Sunday Community Dinners... As one of our most important ministries to our members and neighbors, we have been blessed. We are in need of more. If you and your group would like to sponsor a meal, please contact Georgia Kingsley via the rectory to sponsor an upcoming Sunday meal. **Today, August 11:** Torya and Eduardo; **August 18:** Mary Ann Flores and Family; **August 25:** The Daughters of Isbella; **September 1:** Labor Day Holiday – No Meal; **September 8, 2024:** Sponsor Needed; **September 15:** Secular Franciscans of St Clare; **September 22:** Secular Franciscans of St Bonaventure

Nativity Pantry News: We are so grateful for your continued support. This week we need Cereal, Pork & Beans and Noodles.

If you are not a shopper, but would like to help the pantry, a check made out to Gleaners Food Bank with Nativity Pantry 1116 in the memo line can be dropped in the collection baskets or mailed to the office. Your donation would help with our monthly bill.

Pantry Facts: We prepack for 50 families each week. More often than not we are packing during the pantry for more families. So at the minimum we need 50 boxes of cereal each week. Bigger/Family size boxes for families of 4 or more people. Regular size for families of 2 or 3 people. And smaller size for our single people.

Senior Discount Waste Fee Detroit - Must Apply Before Sept.15th... The City of Detroit may provide a discount to homeowners who are at least 65 years old and have a Principal Residence Exemption on file. The Solid Waste Fee is \$250.00. It shows up on your summer tax bill. Qualifying Seniors will receive a discount of \$125.00. You will need your parcel number and government-issued ID to apply for the discount. Application may be found online at: <https://detroitmi.gov/forms/senior-citizen-application-solid-waste-discount#:~:text=The%20City%20of%20Detroit%20may,receive%20a%20discount%20of%20%24125.00>.

SAVE THE DATE: ST. CHARLES' WOMEN'S RETREAT is September 20-24, 2024 (Dinner on Friday evening until after breakfast and Mass on Sunday morning)

In February and March of this year, many women from St. Charles were unable to attend our annual retreat because both weekends were overcrowded. So, St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center has moved our parish to a weekend in the fall that will have room for all of us. PLEASE SAVE THE DATE: September 20-24th!

The theme for the 2024-2025 year is: *"It's All About Presence"*

*Come, as we explore together the depth and breadth of God's presence ---within and among us.
How do we let the seed of God's presence germinate in our hearts and transform us into the body of Christ to continue His mission in the world today?*

For more information please see or call Patty Gillis (313.399.8320) or Jessica Edwards (313.917.0129), or go to: www.stpaulretreat.org

It is the pleasure of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Parish
To publish the Banns for the intended wedding of:

Katherine Leigh Olivares
and
Saverio Sparacio

This wedding is to take place at:
Santa Giulia di Centaura
Located in Lavagna, GE, Italy
On September 21, 2024 at

If anyone can show any just cause why these
Two people may not be lawfully united in
Marriage, let that person declare it, to this parish, in writing.

PRAY FOR THE HEALING PRESENCE

Paul Andreacovich
 June Buersmeyer
 Mary Canaday
 Mark Dearing
 Joy Harris
 Joyce Hurley
 Joan Jackson
 Kathy Kapa
 Leslie Kirby
 Ron Kirby
 Pamela Little
 Michael Martin
 John Nahas
 Richard Nahas
 Gloria Parham
 Ronald Parham
 Vertis Park, Sr.
 Earlene Park-Williams
 Greg Pulis
 Gregory Richardson
 Thomas Traylor
 Anna Tyler

Please call the rectory at 313-331-0253 to let us know when a name should be added to or removed from the list. Names will stay on the list for 3 months, but can be continued if we are notified of the wishes.

Praise God for His Healing mercies!

MASS INTENTIONS

August 11, 2024
Mary Niemic
Benjamin Villanueva

August 18, 2024
Alexander Grabowski

August 25, 2024
Raymond Hughes
Donald Hughes, Jr.
Angela McDonald

TODAY'S READINGS

First Kings 19: 4-8
(Supernatural Food)

Psalms 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Refuge in God)

Ephesians 4: 30 – 5: 2
(Imitating God's Goodness)

John 6: 51
(Eternal Life)

John 6: 41-51
(Jesus, the Living Bread)

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of August 2024

For Political Leaders

We pray that political leaders be at the service of all people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Aug. 12: Ezekiel 1: 2-5, 24-28c; Psalm 148: 1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Second Thessalonians 2: 14; Matthew 17: 22-27

Tues., Aug. 13: Ezekiel 2: 8 – 3: 4; Psalm 119: 14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Matthew 11: 29; Matthew 18: 1-5, 10, 12-14

Wed., Aug. 14: Ezekiel 9: 1-7; 10: 18-22; Psalm 113: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Second Corinthians 5: 19; Matthew 18: 15-20

Thurs., Aug. 15: Revelation 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab; Psalm 45: 10, 11, 12, 16; First Corinthians 15: 20-27; Luke 1: 39-56

Fri., Aug. 16: Ezekiel 16: 1-15, 60, 63; Isaiah 12: 2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; First Thessalonians 2: 13; Matthew 19: 3-12

Sat., Aug. 17: Ezekiel 18: 1-10, 13b, 30-32; Psalm 51: 12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Matthew 11: 25; Matthew 19: 13-15

Sun., Aug. 18: Proverbs 9: 1-6; Psalm 34: 2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Ephesians 5: 15-20; John 6: 56; John 6: 51-58

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE: Stewardship Disciples

"Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!" 1 KINGS 19:7

God knows that committing to a **Stewardship** lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own, we need God's help. Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist, we unite our sacrifice with Jesus' sacrifice to do the will of God, Our Father. We receive the strength and courage to be His missionary disciples.

COLLECTION INFO

August 04, 2024

Collections	\$1,490.58
Online	\$1,227.00
TOTAL	\$2717.58

DETROIT COOLING CENTERS

High temperatures are expected throughout the summer. The Detroit Health Department has collaborated with Detroit Recreation Centers and Detroit Public Library branches to help keep residents safe and cool while providing relief during regular operating hours.

Detroit Recreation Centers keeping you cool are:

Adams Butzel Complex, 10500 Lyndon (M-F, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.; closed Saturdays)

Butzel Family Center, 7737 Kercheval Avenue (M-F, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m.)

Clemente Recreation Center, 2631 Bagley (M-F, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.)

Farwell Recreation Center, 2711 E. Outer Dr. (M-F, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m.; closed Saturdays)

Lasky Recreation Center, 13200 Fenelon (M-F, 12 p.m. – 8 p.m.; closed Saturdays)

Northwest Activities Center, 18100 Meyers (M-F, 8 a.m. – 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.)

Patton Recreation Center, 2301 Woodmere (M-F, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.; closed Saturdays)

Kemeny Recreation Center, 2260 S. Fort (M-F, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.; closed Saturdays)

Crowell Recreation Center, 16630 Lahser (M-F, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.; closed Saturdays)

Heilmann Recreation Center, 19601 Crusade (M-F, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.; closed Saturdays)

For Detroit Public Library locations, please visit the DPL website at <https://detroitpubliclibrary.org/locations>, but as a general rule, all Detroit Public Library locations are available during regular operating hours so that residents can stay cool.





*Nativity Church
Community
Picnic*

**FUN FOR THE
WHOLE FAMILY**

FOOD

*Sunday, August 11
at the*

*4-H COMMUNITY CENTER
5710 MCCLELLAN AVE, DETROIT,
MI 48213*

MUSIC

*Mass Starts 1200 pm,
Picnic will follow
1-4pm*



Please bring your own chair



St. Augustine St. Monica Catholic Church

4151 Seminole, Detroit, MI 48214

Annual Feastdays Celebration

**PRAISE
JESUS YOUTH
DAY**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17TH, 2024

CHURCH SOCIAL HALL / BALL FIELD

2 PM TO 5 PM

**YOUTH OF ALL AGES ARE
WELCOME**

FOR MORE INFO CALL

313-921-4107

GAMES

FOOD

FUN

PRAISE & WORSHIP

CRAFTS





**ST. AUGUSTINE ST. MONICA CHURCH
PRESENTS**

Jazz

ON THE LAWN

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18TH, 2024

4151 SEMINDLE DET. MI 48214

FEASTDAY CELEBRATION

JAZZ MASS 10 AM

FEATURING

EMCEE LARRY GABRIEL

GABRIEL BRASS BAND - 11:30 AM

THE QUINTESSENTIALS - 12:00 PM

TASLIMAH BEY'S RAGTIME BAND - 1:00 PM

TARIQ GARDNER + THE EVENING STAR - 2:00 PM

THE RESURGENTS - 3:00 PM

ALINA MORR/URBAN TROPICAL - 4:00 PM

CHARLIE GABRIEL + FRIENDS - 5:00 PM

STRAIGHT AHEAD - 6:00 PM

ADMISSION FREE

**RUMMAGE SALE/RAFFLES /VENDORS/FOOD
PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR**

MORE INFO: 313-921-4107



Strangers No Longer

Celebration of Diversity at Detroit's Cathedral

110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees
"God Walks with the People"



- Procession and Mass - Cathedral the Most Blessed Sacrament
- Multi-national music
- National flags and dress
- Parish banners and banners of our allied organizations
- Multi-national food tables

Sunday, September 29, 2024

2:30PM - Procession starting at the Cathedral - 9844 Woodward

3:30PM - Mass at the Cathedral

Immigration is a contentious topic in the world right now. Let's show our desire for community, diversity, and brother-and-sisterhood among communities and immigrant groups with a joyful recognition of all the benefits immigrants bring to Michigan!

All are welcome--Catholics, non-Catholics, immigrants, non-immigrants, allies, and advocates of Jesus's call to welcome the stranger.

**Bring your parish banner and national flag, your drums and national attire!
Invite friends and family to join you!**



Let us know you're coming



Register your parish or organization

Strangers No Longer
19972 Shrewsbury
Detroit, MI 48221

www.strangersnolonger.org
strangersnolonger11@gmail.com
313-549-0421

"....the encounter with the migrant, as with every brother and sister in need, is also an encounter with Christ. He himself said so. It is he who knocks on our door..."
-Pope Francis



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Rectory Hours: 2024 Summer Hours

Monday, 10am to 3pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9am to 4pm
Friday, 9am to 1:30pm

Pastoral Team

Fr. Chris Talbot, Priest in Solidum
Fr. Richard Baumann, Priest in Solidum
Fr. David Preuss, OFM, CAP, Priest in Solidum
Joni Scott, Director of Religious Education

Council Members

Steven Dearing, Niam Edwards, Marian Harvey,
Sr. Mary Ellen Howard, Dan Hurley, Donna King,
Leslie Kirby, Richard Preuss, Nicholas Rennpage

**OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES
MASS TIMES**

**St Charles Borromeo Detroit
Mass Times**

Friday: Mass 11am
Sunday 11:30am

**Nativity of Our Lord
Mass Times**

Thursday: Holy Hour 8am; Mass 9am
Sunday 9:30am

**St Augustine / St Monica
Mass Times**

Wednesday, 9am
Sunday 10am

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.

Family of Parishes Prayer Groups

Tuesday Men's Prayer Group
6pm, St. Augustine / St. Monica

Tuesday Zoom Prime Time Bible Study
St. Elizabeth / Sacred Heart, 7pm.

For Zoom link go to www.sacredheartdetroit.com/primetime

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. 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. The Michigan Attorney General's Office has established a toll-free reporting hotline at (844- 324-3374, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5pm. (aginvestigations@michigan.gov). Individuals also may contact their local police department. For complaints involving priests, deacons, religious, or laity, individuals are welcomed to contact the Archdiocese of Detroit's Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 343-8055 or vac@aod.org.

The Assumption of Mary, Solemnity—
Holy Day of Obligation

Masses
9am - Nativity
Noon - St. Charles
6pm - Augustine/Monica

St. Charles Borromeo August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 11am Mass in Rectory	3
4 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:30am Mass Community Meal	5	6 Online Protect- ing God's Children (PGC) Session 6pm	7	8	9 11am Mass in Rectory	10 Reli- gious Educa- tion Family Fun Day RSVP required 12pm-3:30pm Black Catholic Women's Con- ference
11 19th Sun- day in Ordinary Time 11:30am Mass Community Meal	12 Online PGC Session 6pm	13	14	15 The Assumption of Mary, Solemnity— Holy Day of Obliga- tion <u>Masses</u> 9am - Nativity Noon - St. Charles 6pm - Augustine- Monica	16 11am Mass in Rectory	17
18 20h Sun- day in Ordinary Time 11:30am Mass Community Meal	19	20 Online PGC Ses- sion 6pm	21 Finance Council Meeting 6pm in rectory Parish Council Meeting 7pm in rectory	22	23 11am Mass in Rectory	24 In-person PGC session St. Mary Par- ish in St. Clair 9am
25 21st Sun- day in Ordinary Time 11:30am Mass Community Meal	26	27	28 Online PGC Ses- sion 6pm	29	30 11am Mass in Rectory	31