

# Saint Charles Borromeo



January 17, 2016  
Second Sunday  
In Ordinary Time

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## Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM

**Brazilian Mass** 12:00 noon

Rev. Adriano Lessa

## Weekday Masses

(in the lower-level Chapel)

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 AM

**Confessions:** Saturdays 3: - 3:30 PM  
or by appointment

## Adult Religious Education

Wednesday: 9:30 - 10:15 AM

## Holy Days

9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

## If you are new to the parish, WELCOME!

Please introduce yourself. We want to know you and to serve you. We hope you will favor your parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance - according to your means.

## This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 16	4PM - Parishioners of St. Charles
Sunday, January 107	9AM - Parishioners of St. Charles
Tuesday, January 19	9AM - Adeline Caracuzzo by daughter Anne
Wed., January 20	9AM - Henri Paul by the family
Thursday, January 21	4PM - Mass of the Day
Friday, January 22	9AM - Aldo F. Rossi & family by his sisters
Saturday January 23	4PM - Ann O'Hare by her daughter
Sunday, January 24	9AM - Parishioners of St. Charles

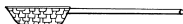


According to the liturgical year, the Christmas season is now over, having ended with the celebration of the Lord's baptism, and we are now in ordinary time. And here in New England the weather at this time of year also seems very "ordinary." But in a very short time we will begin the season of Lent. This year Ash Wednesday is February 10<sup>th</sup>, less than a month away. And once that liturgical season begins, we begin to look to Easter. And, again, here in New England, the weather will follow suit. Easter will be early this year (March 27<sup>th</sup>) and, who knows, there may be snow on the ground then, but officially it will be spring (March 21s is the first day of spring) and so we will be looking forward to new life, both religiously and environmentally.

### Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 2,747.00
Loose Money	\$ 223.00
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	\$ 2,970.00

*Thank you*



### Scripture for the week of January 17, 2016

Sunday:	Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-3, 7-10/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
Monday:	1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1-2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-13/Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8-10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

"To live as true children of God means to love our neighbor and to be close to those who are lonely and in difficulty."

~Pope Francis

Our Christian faith teaches us that we are new people because of Jesus' coming. We often forget that fact, especially if we are "cradle Catholics," because we have never known any other way of life. But today, with so many no longer walking with us in faith, at least if we judge by their lack of church attendance, we may find it easier to realize that to be a Catholic is a definite choice and one which should influence every aspect of our lives, making us new people. May we do well living this new way of life in our ordinary lives!

Fr. Finnegan, S.J.



# Announcements



**HOLY HOUR WITH EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT** is held every Friday from 1 to 2PM in lower church.

This weekend's **Second Collection** is for *The Catholic University of America* - the national University of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. Founded in 1863, CUA offers students an excellent education in a faith-filled atmosphere that is grounded in the Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. Over 4,000 students directly receive scholarship aid from this Collection, including many from our diocese. Please be generous.

## **40 DAYS FOR LIFE LENTEN CAMPAIGN**

The Office of Life and Family Ministry will begin the Lenten campaign on Wednesday, February 10 through Sunday, March 20. We are asking individuals to adopt an hour for a peaceful prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood, 111 Point Street, Providence or the Women's Medical Clinic, 1725 Broad Street, Cranston during this 40 day period. Please encourage women who are in a crisis or unplanned pregnancy to call us for confidential assistance! If you are interested in learning more about the campaign that calls for prayer, fasting and community outreach and the diocesan pregnancy outreach services, contact: Carol Owens, Office of Life and Family Ministry at (401) 421-7833, ext. 218.

**Mount St. Rita Health Centre** is inviting anyone who is ready, willing and able to assist, as a **Volunteer**, with various activities helpful to the Residents during the day. A few examples are:

- Praying with the Residents
- Reading to the Residents who are visually impaired
- Chatting with the Residents
- Playing cards or games
- Taking Residents for a walk

- Knitting or crocheting with Residents etc.
- Sitting with them

These are but a few examples, if you think of other activities, and if you are interested in volunteering, contact: Denise Lafond, Mount St. Rita Health Centre, 15 Sumner Brown Road, Cumberland, RI 02864. Tel. (401) 333-6352. Thank you for considering this service.

The following **mini-retreat** will be held at Sacred Hearts Retreat House, 226 Great Neck Road, Wareham, MA this winter and spring on the second Wednesdays of the month. All are welcome - men and women, Catholics and non-Catholics.

**Time:** 10:00am to 12:30pm **Cost:** \$20  
**Registration:** In order to prepare seating and materials, please pre-register at least two days in advance by contacting Peggy at 508-548-9149 or [timeoutretreats@comcast.net](mailto:timeoutretreats@comcast.net). The fee can be paid on arrival. \*A February 10th special flyer with details and a registration form is available. Because of lunch, earlier registration will be required for this retreat.

**\*February 10, Ash Wednesday: *Growing in Compassion ~ A special all-day retreat ~ 9:00am to 3:45pm***

Life provides innumerable opportunities to apply either judgment or compassion. It is often easier to criticize and judge than to try to understand and forgive. Lent challenges us to become more like the all-loving Christ. This retreat day includes Mass, a morning of reflection, lunch, the award winning documentary "Dreamcatcher," (the story of Brenda Myers-Powell, a former teenage prostitute who now is a powerful advocate for change in her community), discussion and prayer. A portion of the day's retreat income will be donated to Sophia's Circle, women in recovery from prostitution and drugs. Brenda is a peer leader in the program, which is co-facilitated by Edwina Gateley and Peggy Patenaude.

## GIFTS FOR EVERYBODY

The Second Reading is about gifts of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is itself a gift of the Lord's; and when the Holy Spirit fills a person, then the Spirit brings with it other gifts as well.

Some of these gifts are given only to some people. Some of the gifts mentioned in the Second Reading are special gifts of this sort. But there are other gifts of the Holy Spirit that are not like this. They are given to everyone who lives in grace, and they are always present in every one of God's people.

The list of these gifts can be found in Isaiah 11: 2-3. Traditionally, the Church has identified seven gifts of the Holy Spirit in Isaiah's list. Four of them are gifts for the mind: wisdom, understanding, counsel, and knowledge. And three of them are gifts for the heart or will: piety, fortitude, and fear of the Lord.

These ordinary gifts are like the roots of a great tree in the soul of a person. They nourish the soul; and they result in a person's flourishing, in his being fruitful for the Lord.

That fruit comes from the Holy Spirit, too. Traditionally, the Church has taken there to be twelve fruits of the Holy Spirit. (A slightly shorter list is found in Galatians 5:22-23.) The fruits of the Holy Spirit are the sweet results in a person's psyche when the gifts of the Holy Spirit are in place. You can see the idea by looking at the list of the fruits. It begins this way: love, joy, peace, patience, and long-suffering.

A person who has the Holy Spirit dwelling in him has his beloved Lord intimately united with him. That is why love is the first fruit of the Holy Spirit. Joy follows, because a person is joyful in the presence of his beloved. And peace comes next. If you are your beloved's and he is yours (Song 2:16), then you can be at peace. You already have all that is most precious to you. And that is why you can have patience and long-suffering too. The hard things of the world are easier to endure if your beloved loves you and is with you.

So some people have the gift of prophecy, and others don't. But no one of the Lord's people lacks love, joy, and peace. That is why the Lord says about his people, "By their fruits you will know them. (Mt 7:20).

Eleonore Stump, Professor of Philosophy, Saint Louis University

### Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the rectory after your baby's birth to prepare for this initial Sacrament of spiritual life.

### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick (and Communion Calls)

Please notify us if anyone is ill, in the hospital or homebound and may wish to receive Holy Communion at home.



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