Saint Charles Borromeo



Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Brazilian Mass 12:00 noon

Rev. Adriano Lessa

Weekday Masses

(in the lower-level Chapel) Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Bible Study

Wednesday: 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

Holy Days

to be announced

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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 - Feb. 15 4PM - Tom McBride Sunday - Feb. 16 9AM - Robert Bousquet Tuesday - Feb. 18 9AM - Saint Charles Parishioners Wednesday - Feb. 19 9AM - Mary Dailey Thursday - Feb 20 9AM - Kennedy & Daignault Families Friday - Feb. 21 9AM - Aldo F. Rossi & family Saturday - Feb. 22 4PM - Pauline Trudeau Sunday - Feb. 23 9AM - Mass of the Day



Scripture for the week of February 16, 2014

16 SUN Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-

22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

17 Mon Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13

18 Tue Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21

19 Wed Jas 1:19-27/Mk 8:22-26

20 Thu Jas 2:1-9/Mk 8:27-33

21 Fri Jas 2:14-24, 26/Mk 8:34-9:1

22 Sat 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19

23 SUN Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

The human person is a unique composite - a unity of spirit and matter, soul and body, fashioned in the image of God and destined to live forever. Every human life is sacred, because every human person is sacred.

~Pope John Paul II



We are having quite a winter. It is not as bad as the winter those who live in the north-central part of the country are experiencing. In fact, we have much to be thankful for when we hear about our fellow citizens to the north and west putting up with 40 below zero temperatures and loss of electricity. It has not been that cold here, and we have not suffered from electrical outages. And we are thankful that we have a home and heat. Bishop Tobin's program called "Keep the Heat On" is certainly a great blessing. Its resources are not huge, but it has helped some people who would otherwise be living in unheated apartments and homes. All this also reminds us of the fact that there are homeless among us. Harvest Community Church down the street from us gives shelter to men on these cold nights. The other night on the television there was a report on a program which provides apartments for homeless men. It turns out that it is less expensive to provide this housing for them than it is to leave them out in the cold and then have to pay for their visits to the emergency room and hospitalization. Our city would do well to look into this program.

Next Saturday, the 22nd, the Life Screening program will be operating in our church. The details are given on the opposite page of this bulletin.

Come March, and it is coming soon, we have the St. Patrick' Day Dinner, the giving of the Spiritual Exercises each week during Lent, and a day of retreat on March 29th, a Saturday. We hope you will be able to take part in some, if not all, of these events.

Fr. Finnegan, S.J.

Announcements

ST. CHARLES WILL OFFER A PREVENTIVE **HEALTH EVENT IN FEBRUARY.** Life Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventative health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings on February 22, 2014. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. See bulletin board for additional information or to register for appointment and to receive a special \$10 discount. (877) 792-8479. Pick up additional info at entrances (pink sheets).

RETREAT DAY AT SAINT CHARLES

Mark your calendar! Saturday, March 29!

Father William C. Russell, S.J. will be offering two reflections followed by a meditation. The theme will be on "Aging". A \$10 donation will be gratefully accepted and lunch will be provided. The day will begin at 10AM with the first presentation and prayer time, followed by lunch at noon, The second talk and quiet time will follow. The day will conclude with Mass at 4PM.

GUIDELINES FOR LENT - As Ash Wednesday is approaching (March 5) we are reminded of the Lenten Fast and Abstinence Regulations. **Abstinence** from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent (for those 14 and older). Also Ash Wednesday and good Friday are **fast days:** those between 18 & 59 should eat less, meaning, take no solid food between meals and only one full meal that day. Serious health conditions excuse a person from these precepts.

The National Conference of Catholic Bishops in the United States determined that the rules of fast and abstinence be maintained. Namely, that the faithful observe suitable penitential practices on all Fridays throughout the year. These penitential practices need not include abstaining from meat.

ADULT SEARCH WEEKEND RETREAT -Search is a unique weekend retreat experience... Where you take a deeper look at who you are and your relationships with family, friends and God. Where you look at what hinders and what benefits those relationships. Where you can learn different tools to help you deal with life's problems. Where you're not alone, but part of a larger community. When? April 4-6, 2014. Where? Father Marot CYO Center. Cost? \$55. Overnight dormitory style accommodations are available and are optional but preferred. No additional cost to stay. If staying, please bring your own bedding, toiletries, towels etc. Call CYO Center to register. (401) 762-3252. Registration is between 7-7:30 PM Friday, April 4. Evening ends around 11:30PM. Saturday begins with Morning Prayer at 8:30AM and evening ends around 11:30PM. Sunday Morning Prayer at 8:30AM with Closing & Mass at 2PM.

FEBRUARY MINI-RETREATS:

EMBRACING MYSTERY will be held at La Salette Retreat Center, Attleboro, on Wednesday, February 25. The retreat is led by Peggy Patenaude of *Taking Time Out*, is part of the monthly Spirituality for Everyday Living Series. Time: 10AM to 12:30PM. Fee: \$20. Preregistration is required. Contact Peggy at (508) 548-9149 or visit timeoutretreats.com for retreat descriptions.

PRAYING TOWARD SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

Matthew 5: 17-37

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill".

Jesus, help us grasp the law about justice, love and compassion.

Not about the Pharisees, who blow horns before they give alms.

You showed us with your every breath just what it means to be holy. You are the wonder, the goal and the summit of the law.

Teach us too. Turn our showing off into love.

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Confessions are available on Saturdays 3:00 to 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the rectory at least six months prior to the date of your wedding.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick (and Communion Calls)

Please notify us if anyone is ill, in the hospital or at home and unable to get to church, especially those who are homebound and may wish to receive Holy Communion at home.





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