

Saint Charles Borromeo

February 19, 2017
Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time



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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Brazilian Mass 12:00 noon

Rev. Messias

Weekday Masses

(in the lower-level Chapel)

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturdays 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.

or by appointment

Holy Days

9:00 a.m.

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, February 18	4PM - Parishioners of Saint Charles
Sunday, February 19	9AM - Parishioners of Saint Charles
Tuesday, February 21	9AM - Mass of the Day
Wednesday, February 22	9AM - Mass of the Day
Thursday, February 23	9AM - Mass of the Day
Friday, February 24	9AM - Lucille Blake
Saturday February 25	4 PM - Parishioners of Saint Charles
Sunday, February 26	9AM - Oliver David by the family

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 5: 38 – 48

Focusing the Gospel

To the point:

In this gospel, Jesus challenges us to go beyond our expected responses to human interactions. But, challenging as they are, his examples of this "beyond" are nonetheless still finite human actions and limited love. Jesus' examples are shocking—but not nearly so shocking as what he really expects of us: "be perfect" as our "heavenly Father," who gives Life ("sun rise" and "rain") to "the just and the unjust" alike. Infinite actions. Limitless love. What a challenge!

Connecting the Gospel

To the First Reading:

The first reading is a selection from the holiness code of the book of Leviticus. When this book teaches we are to "Be holy" as God is holy, it is saying the same thing as Jesus who challenges us in the gospel to "be perfect" as our "heavenly Father." God's holiness is God's perfection.

To Experience:

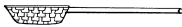
We encounter God's holiness or perfection in the traces of God's glory all around us. For example, the glory of a sunrise or the refreshment of a rainfall, or the radiant smile of an innocent child or the limitless love of a selfless caregiver.

Lent is beginning on March 1st this year. On Ash Wednesday there will be Mass at 9AM with distribution of Ashes and a Eucharistic Service with distribution of ashes at 7PM.

Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 2,319.00
Loose Money	\$ 181.00
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*Thank
you*



Scripture for the week of February 19, 2017

Sunday:	Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48
Monday:	Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday:	Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday:	1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6/Mt 16:13-19
Thursday:	Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Mk 9:41-50
Friday:	Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34-35/Mk 10:1-12
Saturday:	Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-18/Mk 10:13-16
Next Sunday:	Is 49:14-15/Ps 62:2-3, 6-9/1 Cor 4:1-5/Mt 6:24-34

Love's Reward

"Love seeks one thing only: the good of the one loved. It leaves all the other secondary effects to take care of themselves. Love, therefore is its own reward."

~ Thomas Merton

Announcements



OUR ANNUAL ST. PATRICK DINNER will be held on Saturday, March 11 after the 4PM Mass. Tickets are \$15 and will be available for purchase after Masses the next few weekends. Tickets are also available at the rectory during office hours (Mon. & Tues. 10: AM – 2: PM)

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FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION - for individuals and families making \$55,000 or less, *PROJECT HOPE* is sponsoring free income tax preparation by IRS certified volunteers at St. Patrick Academy, 244 Smith Street in Providence. Mondays 4:30 - 8PM from February 6th through April 17th, **by appointment only.** For more information and /or an appointment, please call Lorraine at (401) 421-7070.

HYGIENE PRODUCTS NEEDED - *Project Clean* is a program that helps collect hygiene products to assist Woonsocket individuals and families in transition, who are disabled, or recently unemployed and don't have access to such necessary items. Without good hygiene, it is harder for people to find employment, and adults and children are more susceptible to illness. During the month of February, we will have collection bins here at our parish, to collect some of the following items: soaps, shampoos, deodorants, toothpastes, toothbrushes, razors, toilet paper, shaving creams, hand sanitizers, feminine sanitary products. Toiletries will be given out at Bryan's Pantry to people, based on their need. If you can afford to donate any of these items it would be most appreciated. God Bless your generosity!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PASTA DINNER to support **Woonsocket Police COPSWALK and the families of fallen officers** - Saturday, February 18th from 5 to 7 PM. Pasta, meatballs, salad, garlic bread. \$10 per person / \$6 Ages 5-11 /under 5 free. Maximum family \$40. All Saints Church 323 Rathbun Street. For more info, contact Woonsocket K of C or

ecunanan@woonsocketri.org

50TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN FAITH FORMATION CONVOCATION - Saturday, March 18th at Bryant University, Smithfield, RI.

All adults are invited to be refreshed in your faith, enjoy fellowship with other Catholics, and be equipped to discuss your Catholic Faith with others. Hear dynamic speakers, including Msgr. Stuart Swetland, host of Relevant Radio's '*Go Ask Your Father,*' Fr. Michael Gaitley, M.I.C., author of '*33 Days to Morning Glory,*' and local author and columnist, Genevieve Kineke. Topics include Catholic Ecology, Praying with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Evangelization, Sharing the Faith with Children and Teens, and more. The day begins with Holy Mass at 8:30 AM celebrated by The Most Rev. Robert Evans. The schedule runs from 10AM - 5PM and includes inspirational general sessions, informative workshops, lunch, Confessions, and Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Advance ticket sales only. Purchase tickets and view the full schedule and list of the speakers at www.discovercatholicfaith.org. For more information contact the Office of Faith Formation at (401) 278-4646. Registration Fee (includes Lunch \$35 per person Early Bird registration *if postmarked by February 18th, 2017*) \$40 per person after February 18th, 2017 (no exceptions).

ALL YOU CAN EAT PASTA & MEATBALLS SUPPER AT SAINT JAMES CHURCH

St. James Church, 33 Division Street, Manville is hosting a Pasta Supper on Saturday, February 25, (Snow Date: Sun. Feb. 26) from 4 to 7PM. \$8 per person \$5 (10 and under) includes beverage, sala, rolls and dessert. For tickets call (401) 766-1558. Tickets will also be available at the door.

PLEASE NOTE that in the upcoming cold months if there is **no school** in Woonsocket due to snow days or inclement weather, there will be **no morning Mass.**

For weekend Masses if in doubt in snowstorms, please call All Saints Rectory (401) 762-1100.

LIGHT FOR THE WORLD

In today's Gospel Matthew applies to Jesus the prophetic oracle of Isaiah: "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone." In like manner, the psalmist's assertion that the Lord is my light is echoed in Jesus' words: "I am the light of the world; the man who follows me will have the light of life."

Christianity is about light. Just as Jesus is light to the world, so his church is to be light in a world of darkness. Light enables the beauty of things to be seen, and we are called to make the beauty of the world shine. But we are not to call attention to ourselves: if you are aware of the light in a room, it is too bright. Our vocation is for others, not ourselves.

Surrounded by discrimination, oppression and war, Christians are challenged to "be united in mind and judgment," and they are directed by God's love to "bring mankind to unity and peace." The light we bring to the world should lead in time to an end of all the world's darkness: the alienation and oppression of peoples, the attacks on human life and dignity, and disrespect for God's creation.

"A people living in darkness has seen a great light."

The Church ... serves as a leaven and as a kind of soul for human society as it is to be renewed in Christ and transformed into God's family. ... the Church not only communicates divine life to men, but in some way casts the reflected light of that life over the entire earth.

Vatican II, Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, 1965:40

Gerald Darring

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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