

Saint Charles Borromeo



February 26, 2017
Eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

190 North Main Street
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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.

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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, February 25	4PM - Parishioners of Saint Charles
Sunday, February 26	9AM - Oliver David by the family
Tuesday, February 28	9AM - Mass of the Day
Wednesday, March 1,	9AM - Mass of the Day and Ashes 7PM - Eucharistic Service and Ashes
Thursday, March 2	9AM - Mass of the Day
Friday, March 3	9AM - Lucille Blake
Saturday, March 4	4 PM - Tommy Rondeau (7th Ann) by Molly & Don Burke
Sunday, March 5	9AM - Ann Zoltek (Birthday Rem.) by her family

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 6: 24 -34

Focusing the Gospel

To the point:

Telling humans not to worry about tomorrow is like telling them not to be the center of their own lives. And that is exactly the point of this gospel! The two masters are God or ourselves. Yes, we ourselves are the mammon. If we choose ourselves, we worry. If we choose God, we will feed on God's generosity, be clothed in God's gift of Life, and be made rich in faith. This choice is sufficient not only for a day but for a whole lifetime—even for all eternity.

Connecting the Gospel

To the First Reading:

Worry leads to nothing more than feelings of being forsaken. Choosing the God who can never forget us leads to nothing less than riches beyond measure.

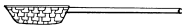
To Experience:

Who doesn't worry? We worry about health and retirement, job security and education, family and friends. These are legitimate worries, but when they consume us, we become trapped in our own needs—in ourselves. Only trust and faith in God can take us beyond the immediacy of worries and an inordinate focus on ourselves.

Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 1,536.00
Loose Money	\$ 204.00
	\$ 1,740.00

Thank
you



Scripture for the week of February 26, 2017

Sunday:	Is 49:14-15/Ps 62:2-3, 6-9/1 Cor 4:1-5/Mt 6:24-34
Monday:	Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5-7/Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday:	Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23/Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday:	Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 9:22-25
Friday:	Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday:	Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-6/Lk 5:27-32
Next Sunday:	Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17/Rom 5:12-19/Mt 4:1-11

America was founded upon the self-evident truth that all humans are endowed with the unalienable right to LIFE. Yet, a baby is aborted every 23 seconds in the US. Over 4,000 babies are aborted every day. About 60 million babies have been aborted since the Roe v Wade in January of 1973. Abortion is truly America's holocaust. By prayer and fasting, let us seek God's favor in turning hearts and minds from a culture of death to a CULTURE of LIFE thus bringing an end to abortion.

Announcements



GUIDELINES FOR LENT - Lent is our time of preparation. During these 40 days, we ponder what it means to “give up, take up, and lift up”. Using the spiritual practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, we deepen our relationship with Christ and discern where God is working in our lives.

As Lent approaches on Ash Wednesday (March 1), please be aware of the following Lenten Regulations: Abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent (for those 14 and older) is required by Church law. Also, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting: those between ages 18 and 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. Parents are encouraged by the law of the Church to ensure that minors who are not bound by the law of fast and abstinence are educated nonetheless in an authentic sense of penance.

Following the implementation of the revised *Code of Canon Law* on November 27, 1983, the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in the US determined that the rules of fast and abstinence which have existed for the last several years in this country 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. However, as indicated above, the faithful must not eat meat on all the Fridays of Lent as well as on Ash Wednesday. They must also observe faithfully the fast regulations as they have been stated above in accord with the universal law of the Church.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE 2017 LENTEN CAMPAIGN - Our focus: Prayer - Fasting - Community Outreach Ash Wednesday, March 1st through Palm Sunday, April 9th. Vigil Days & Time: Mon. through Sat. 7am to 7pm at Planned Parenthood, 111 Point St., Providence and Cranston Women's Medical Center, 1725 Broad St., Cranston. The mission of the campaign is to bring together the Body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a focused 40-day campaign of prayer, fasting and peaceful activities as we seek God's favor in turning hearts and minds from a culture of death to a Culture of Life, thus bringing an end to abortion. Pray outside of an abortion facility...pray at church...pray at work...pray in the car...pray at home! Call 421-7833 for more info.

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)

CATHOLIC HOME STUDY FAITH ENRICHMENT COURSES are available online. Easy, engaging style, at your own pace, no cost, no obligation. Choose from 9 titles such as,

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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.

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).

CHOWDER & CLAMCAKE FUNDRAISER - St. Joseph Church, 1200 Mendon Rd. Woonsocket, will have Mickey G's Clam Shack from 4:30 - 7PM, Saturday, March 11th in the Fr. Blain Hall (eat in or take out). \$10 Chowder, Clamcakes and soda or water, or \$10 Chicken Fingers, Fries, soda or water. Tickets can be purchased at the door or at the St. Joseph Rectory Office, 9 AM to 3 PM, Monday through Thursday. Proceeds will benefit St. Joseph Church. For more info please call (401) 766-0626.

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.

THE LOVE OF GOD

Today's liturgy is about love: "help us to love you with all our hearts and to love all men as you love them." It is also about justice: we are to "seek justice," following the Lord, who "secures justice for the oppressed," and following Christ, whom God has made "our wisdom and also our justice."

But God's love and justice are different from ours. The Gospel teaches us that in the just world of God, the sorrowing are consoled, the lowly inherit the land, the hungry have their fill, and the persecuted rejoice at being insulted and slandered. The children of God are different from the children of the world: "God chose those whom the world considers absurd to shame the wise; he singled out the weak of this world to shame the strong. He chose the world's lowborn and despised, those who count for nothing, to reduce to nothing those who were something."

The love of God is more powerful than all the sin we can muster, and the justice of God overcomes all the world's injustice, its poverty and hunger, its oppression and war, its alienation and domination of others. "The Lord sets captives free." May we be saved by the Lord's love.

Christian love of neighbor and justice cannot be separated. For love implies an absolute demand for justice, namely a recognition of the dignity and rights of one's neighbor. Justice attains its inner fullness only in love. Because every man is truly a visible image of the invisible God and a brother of Christ, the Christian finds in every man God himself and God's absolute demand for justice and love.

Synod of Bishops, Justice in the World, 1971, 34.

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)

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