

Saint Charles Borromeo

March 12, 2017
Second Sunday
of Lent



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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, March 11	4PM - Parishioners of Saint Charles
Sunday, March 12	9AM - Leo McIntyre by Roger & Barbara Peloquin
Tuesday, March 14	9AM - Mass of the Day
Wednesday, March 15	9AM - Mass of the Day
Thursday, March 16	9AM - Mass of the Day
Friday, March 17	9AM - Lucille Blake
Saturday, March 18	4PM - Parishioners of Saint Charles
Sunday, March 19	9AM - Fritz Page by John & Sharon O'Hearne

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 4: 1-11

Focusing the Gospel

To the point:

What high mountain must we climb for us to witness Jesus' transfiguration? We must climb the high mountain of listening to Jesus, the high mountain of being pleasing to him, the high mountain of opening ourselves to the touch of his Presence. When we climb this mountain, we forsake our own agenda of pitching the tent of satisfaction with our own works to enter into the glory of the Life Jesus offers us. The mountain is steep; the climb is ours to choose; the vision at the top is divine—"white as light," shining "like the sun." Can we see him?

Connecting the Gospel

To the First Reading:

God commanded Abram to leave the homeland he knew and to seek an unknown homeland that God would show him. "Abram went as the Lord directed him," and for this he was greatly blessed. Jesus' transfiguration bids us to let go of where we are (the "homeland" we know) to climb a high mountain (an unknown "homeland") that leads to new, risen, transfigured, Easter Life.

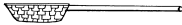
To Experience:

No matter how insightful or imaginative, all human vision is limited by the boundaries of human experience. The vision of Jesus' transfiguration explodes the boundaries of human experience yet is very real and attainable. Jesus shows us the glory that is ours to come, a glory attainable because it is God's gift to those who are faithful.

Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 2,592.00
Loose Money	\$ 322.00
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*Thank
you*



Scripture for the week of March 12, 2017

Sunday:	Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
Monday:	Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday:	Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday:	Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14-16/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday:	Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 16:19-31
Friday:	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-4, 9-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday:	Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42

He is waiting for you; He is close to you; He loves you; He is merciful; He forgives you; He gives you the strength to begin again from scratch! Everybody!

~Pope Francis

Announcements



THANK YOU FROM PROJECT CLEAN - Parishioners of St. Charles, we just want to thank you for your great generosity donating hygienic items for Project Clean. The items will be given out to people in need that go to Bryan's Pantry. We are looking forward to do another successful toiletry collection next year. May God bless your generosity.

LENTEEN DISPENSATION This year, St. Patrick's Day (March 17) falls on a Friday during Lent. On this specific occasion, in light of the festive nature of the day, Bishop Tobin hereby dispenses Catholics in the Diocese of Providence from the disciplines of fast and abstinence that are normally required on the Fridays of Lent. Catholics who take advantage of this dispensation are reminded that, in maintaining the penitential spirit of the Lenten Season, some other form of penance, prayer, or charitable work should be substituted at an appropriate time. As we celebrate the Feast of St. Patrick, a great bishop and missionary of the Church, we should be mindful of the spiritual nature of the day. Let us resolve to imitate St. Patrick's faith, holiness, and apostolic zeal our daily lives.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE 2017 LENTEEN CAMPAIGN - The Office of Life and Family Ministry and R.I. Right to Life will be co-sponsoring the Lenten campaign beginning Wednesday, March 1 through Palm Sunday, April 9. We are requesting parishes to adopt a day or for individuals to adopt an hour for prayer at Planned Parenthood, 111 Point Street, Providence or the Women's Medical Clinic, 1725 Broad Street, Cranston during this 40 day period. If you are interested in learning more about the campaign that calls for prayer, fasting and community outreach and the Diocesan pregnancy outreach and post-abortion ministries, contact: Carol Owens, Office of Life and Family Ministry at (401) 421-7833 Ext. 218.

ECUMENICAL LENTEEN SERVICES 2017 - The Christian Churches of Woonsocket area will again offer Ecumenical Lenten Services on Thursday evenings at 7PM. Local residents are invited to gather for song, Scripture, sermon, and prayer at the following locations: March 9th, here at Saint Charles, March 16th, at the Slatersville Congregational Church (jointly with St. Mark's Lutheran Church) at 25 Greene Street, North Smithfield, March 23rd, at St. James Baptist Church, 340 South Main Street, March 30th at St. James Episcopal Church, 24 Hamlet Avenue, April 6th, at Christ Community Church at the corner of Mendon and School Street in Blackstone, MA, and

on April 14th (Good Friday) St. Mark's Lutheran Church will be joining St. Paul's Catholic Church in the annual Good Friday Walk. The Service begins at St. Mark's, 871 Harris Avenue at 11AM then walk to St. Paul's Church at 48 St. Paul Street, Blackstone, carrying the Cross to conclude the service. Lunch will be offered following the service. Light refreshments will be served following the Thursday evening services at the various churches.

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CATHEDRAL LENTEEN MISSION - *"The Last words of Christ from the Cross"* at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, Fenner Street, Providence, on Monday, March 27th through Wednesday, March 29th at 7 PM each evening. Mission Preachers are Rev. Msgr. Anthony Mancini and Rev. Peter Mongeon. Holy Mass will be celebrated each evening and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held at 6PM. For further information please call the Cathedral Office at (401) 331-2434.

LENTEEN MISSION - Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has declared 2017 as a year dedicated to our Blessed Mother, Mary. Fr. Robert E. Lacombe's Mission Topic will be *"Mary at the Foot of the Cross—A Timely Lenten Paradigm in this Marian Year."* Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, March 12, 13, and 14 at 7PM at Historic Saint Joseph Church, 1302 Mendon Road, Cumberland, RI (401) 333-4013

2017 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL - *FAITH and GOOD WORKS* Have you given prayerful consideration to your gift for the 2017 Catholic Charity Appeal? Won't you help us by being the "Hands of Christ" in supporting the people and the work of the Diocese of Providence? Many of you have responded to the Catholic Charity Appeal mailing from Bishop Tobin. On behalf of those served by the ministries and services funded by the Catholic Charity Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. If you have not made a gift to this year's Appeal, you will be able to do so thorough our in-pew solicitation which will take place this weekend (March 11/12.) Our parish goal is to attain 100% participation - a goal that can only be reached with your sacrificial help and support. All gifts regardless of size, help to make a difference in the lives

LISTENING TO JESUS

High on the mountain, the three disciples witness a dazzling sight as Jesus was transfigured before their eyes, his face as bright as the sun and his clothes as radiant as light. In the middle of this vision, they hear God's voice telling them to listen to "my beloved Son on whom my favor rests."

The opening prayer focuses our attention on this part of the story: "God our Father, help us to hear your Son." The verse before the Gospel does the same: "From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son; hear him."

Lent is a time to listen to Jesus, "who calls us to repentance and a change of heart." It is a time to reflect on God's Word about loving our enemies and being peacemakers, about proclaiming liberty to captives and letting the oppressed go free, about being the salt of the earth and the light of the world, about being perfect just as our heavenly Father is perfect.

It is a time to be quiet and listen to the God "who has saved us and has called us to a holy life." It is a time to become a "great nation" through whom "all the communities of the earth shall find blessing."

Jesus perfected revelation by fulfilling it through his whole work of making himself present and manifesting himself: through his words and deeds, his signs and wonders, but especially through his death and glorious resurrection from the dead and final sending of the Spirit of truth.

Moreover, he confirmed with divine testimony what revelation proclaimed: that God is with us to free us from the darkness of sin and death, and to raise us up to life eternal.

Vatican II, Constitution on Divine Revelation, 1965: 4.

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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