

# Saint Charles Borromeo



March 20, 2016  
Palm Sunday of the  
Lord's Passion

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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, March 19	4PM - Parishioners of Saint Charles
Sunday, March 20	9AM - Mary Flood by daughter-in-law Anne
Tuesday, March 22	9AM - Rosa Emilia Muskus de Raventos by the parish
Wed., March 23	9AM - Jean M. Cremen by friends
Thursday, March 24	7PM - Holy Thursday
Friday, March 25	3PM - Good Friday
Saturday March 26	8PM - Easter Vigil
Sunday, March 27	9AM - Easter Sunday

(Please see Holy Week Schedule Insert with this bulletin)



We enter Holy Week. It is the most impressive and singular time of the liturgical year because the services of Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week are unique. The Thursday service commemorates the institution of the Holy Eucharist and the Washing of Feet. Put more simply, in this service we recall the Lord's last supper with his friends when he shared a meal with them and gave them the bread and wine shared at that meal as his body and blood. That is to say that he wanted them to repeat this meal and take the bread and wine used in it as his body and blood. We are talking in symbols. Jesus uses bread and wine, the staples of life in his society, to leave us his physical presence among us. All of us know that we cannot be fully present to each other except in and through our bodies. Jesus, realizing this, creates a physical presence to remain with us. For us the bread and wine of our meal commemorating his last meal become his body and blood, and body and blood sacrificed for us. For Jesus knows what is in store for him the next day. And his washing the feet of his disciples makes this kind of sacrificial presence present in another symbol or gesture, the washing of feet. Slaves washed feet. Jesus tells us that this is how we are to live. We are to serve others. Then, on Friday, we commemorate the Lord's dying on the cross for us, and on Saturday we celebrate Jesus' rising from death, a promise to us of our own resurrection.

On these three days we touch the center of our Christian faith. Please come to the three celebrations and renew your faith.

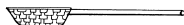
Fr. Finnegan, S.J.



### Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$	Figures
Loose Money	\$	not available

*Thank you*



### Scripture for the week of March 20, 2016

(Please see back of Holy Week Schedule Insert for Scripture Readings for Holy Week)

"Two young men were coming towards him. One was pushing the other in a wheelchair. As they grew closer, he saw the one in the wheelchair was a quadriplegic on a ventilator. The man pushing the chair was blind. The quadriplegic had a pair of eyes that worked well; the blind man had legs and arms that worked well.

It was mercy in action."

"We always must transmit the caress of God because God has caressed us with his mercy."

~Pope Francis

# Announcements



**THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION** is for Catholic Relief Services/Operation Rice Bowl. Envelopes are in the pews. It will also be time to return the Rice Bowls this weekend. Thank you.

**THE CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL** still continues. Our parish goal this year is \$26,500. With 15% participation thus far, we have reached \$11,205. - 42.28% of our goal. If you have not yet pledged your support or given your gift to support the Appeal that helps countless Rhode Islanders, pledge envelopes are available at the entrances. Thank you.

**SACRED HEART CHURCH PARISH CENTER** 3rd Avenue and Olo Street, Woonsocket is hosting a **CARD PARTY** on Sunday, April 3 from 1 to 3 PM. Tickets \$5 each; bring your cards. Free refreshments and door prizes. Plenty of parking and handicapped accessible. For more info call Deanna at 766-3055 or Pauline at 767-2023.

Are you a caregiver for a family member over the age of 60? The Diocesan **CareBreaks Program** can help! CareBreaks assists family caregivers in paying for a regular break from caregiving duties. Whether you need a worker to come to your home, help paying for a day of Adult Day Care each week, or even assisting with an occasional overnight stay in a nursing home, a break can help **you** take care of your own needs and maintain your own health. Don't try to do it alone. For more information call Hector at the CareBreaks Program, 421-7833 x 211, [hmunoz@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:hmunoz@dioceseofprovidence.org)

**FAMILY VOCATION DAY** on Saturday, April 16th at Ss. John and Paul Church in Coventry.

Join families from around the Diocese for a day of prayer and reflection on vocation. Families

will have an opportunity to hear witness stories from priests, religious brothers and sisters, and seminarians. Entertainment and free lunch is included. The day will also include the celebration of Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. Registration will begin in the parish hall of Ss. John and Paul parish at 9AM and the day will conclude at 3:30PM. This will be a wonderful day for families to come together for prayer and discernment of God's call in our lives. Please RSVP with Father Murphy, assistant director of vocations by emailing him at [FatherCJM@gmail.com](mailto:FatherCJM@gmail.com) or calling the office of vocations at (401)331-1316.

St. Charles will be hosting **Life Line Screening** on Saturday, May 7th in the church hall.

Life Line Screenings go beyond regular check-ups to provide a more thorough look at your health. Advanced ultrasound technology looks inside your arteries for signs of plaque buildup. That's why 9 out of 10 cardiovascular doctors support preventive screenings for those with key risk factors (Age 55 +, High Blood Pressure, High Cholesterol, Diabetes, Obesity, tobacco usage, family history of CVD or stroke) Five Screenings - Carotid Artery/Plaque Screening, Heart Rhythm Screening (Atrial Fibrillation), Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening, Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening, Osteoporosis Risk Assessment. All 5 Screenings for \$149. To register for your screening and to receive a \$10 discount, please call 888-653-6450 or visit [www.LifeLineScreening.com/community-partners](http://www.LifeLineScreening.com/community-partners)

No Co-Pay under Medicare Part B



## ENGULFMENT AND ABANDONMENT

The opening line of the Psalm for this Sunday is electrifying. How could Christ, how could the Psalmist or anyone, cry out, "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"

Well, think about it this way. In brokenness, a person can fear that if he draws near to others, they will take him over. That fear of engulfment is one side of a pendulum swing that winds up on the other side in a sense of abandonment. If in brokenness you move away from others because you fear engulfment by them, you will make those others distant from you. And then you can feel the distance you have put between you and them as their abandonment of you. And so there is a vacillation between the fear of engulfment and the fear of abandonment. When you sense that others are getting close, you have a fear that they will engulf you; and when you feel your distance from them, you have a fear that they have abandoned you.

It is possible to waver in this way where God is concerned too. We can fluctuate between fear of engulfment by God and fear of abandonment by him. We can long for God; but we can be afraid of his goodness at the same time. The beauty of his holiness highlights for us our own sins, which we hate and cling to anyway. And so our fear of being engulfed by God leads us to flee into our own darkness; our sins cause us to turn away God. Then, finding ourselves distant from God, we conclude that God has abandoned us. And so in our hearts we cry the Psalmist's line.

But God is love, and love never abandons anyone. On the contrary, God's love is so great that he takes on our human nature, and on the cross he bears our sins. Our sins borne for us by Christ on the cross fills him with our blindness to the presence of God. Under the weight of our sins, he shares our sense of abandonment by God too.

And so it is the ever-present love of God in Christ for us that leaves Christ to cry out on the cross, "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"

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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