## Saint Charles Borromeo



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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

Pastor: Rev. Gerald F. Finnegan, S. J.

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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

8 PM - Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 5 9AM - Parishioners of St. Charles Tuesday, April 7 9AM - Francoise & Joseph Labrecque by John Labrecque

9AM - Mass of the Day Wednesday, April 8

Saturday, April 4

Thursday, April 9 9AM - Rosa, Alfredo & Anibal Afonso by the family

Friday, April 10 9AM - Lucille Blake

Saturday, April 11 4PM - Mary & Conrad Cote

by the family

Sunday, April 12 9AM - Francoise & Joseph Labrecque

by John Labrecque

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Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes \$ 1,989.00
Loose Money \$ 258.00
Catholic Relief Services/Rice Bowl \$ 1,284.00

\$ 3,531.00





### Scripture for the week of April 5, 2015

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 /Jn 20:1-9

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48 Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

What the soul is in the body, let Christians be in the world.

- St. John Chrysostom



Easter, the feast of feasts in our Christian calendar and in our Christian faith. Christmas we say "Merry Christmas," and at Easter we say "Happy Easter." As far as I know-and that is not very far-both feasts are based on the earth's rotations, Christmas that of the winter equinox and Easter that of the spring equinox. Early Christians thought it appropriate to celebrate the Lord's birth when the winter solstice announced that the light would now increase after its diminution in the fall of the year. Christ is our light. And when spring comes and displaces winter, we celebrate Christ as our new life, our eternal life. May Christ in his birth and resurrection be our light and our life.

The pope is soon going to publish a letter on the environment. How fitting that is when we see that our major feasts of faith are tied in with our planet's revolution around the sun. It reminds of the fact that the God of our Lord Jesus is also the God of Genesis, the God of creation who gave us this beautiful planet. Won't it be something if it eventually becomes clear that our planet is unique in having the conditions which make it possible for humans to exist. Then we will be forced to recognize the fact that despite our smallness in the order of the universe we are absolutely unique. Then it will become clearer and clearer that God loves us with a special love. Happy Easter!

## Fr. Finnegan, S. J.

SOLES 4 SOULS is still going on until Earth Day, April 15! If you have shoes in your closet you are no longer wearing, please bring them in and place them box in church vestibule. Thank you! They will be sent to help the poor with no shoes.

## Announcements

Thank you for your generous support of the **Catholic Relief Services Collection** last week! Through your generosity families will be reunited, valuable skills will be taught to those seeking a better life, and vital humanitarian needs will be met. Please visit www.uscch.org (search "Catholic Relief Services Collection" to learn how your donations make a difference and **help Jesus in disguise**.

## 2015 CATHLOLIC CHARITY APPEAL "Faith and Good Works"

Still Encourages Your Support

#### It's not too late!

If you have yet to make a gift to the 2015 Catholic Charity Appeal, please call your parish today to make a pledge.

For more information on ways to give, please contact the Stewardship & Development Office at (401) 277-2121. Thank you for your continued support that impacts and makes a difference in the lives of those in need within the Diocese of Providence.

Case Statement for the Catholic Charity Appeal At the Saint Martin de Porres Center in Providence, 9,580 elders and low-income families are served annually. Thank you for your gift to the Catholic Charity Appeal

Our Parish Goal for the Catholic Charity Appeal this year is \$26,500. We have reached \$18,010. well over half of our goal! If you have not yet contributed, envelopes are in the pews and the church entrances. Please help us reach our goal and help over 200,000 Rhode Islanders annually.

#### **END OF LIFE DECISIONS:**

The Catholic teachings on end-of-life care has been updated and is contained in a new booklet reflecting the Christian hope of preparing for our eternal destiny. We are sending the newly revised booklet including information on MOLST (Medical Order for Life Sustaining Treatment) to every parish in the Diocese of Providence. For additional copies or if you have any questions, please call the Office of Life and Family Ministry at (401) 421-7833 ext 218.

**PASTORAL CARE FUNDRAISER:** The Office of Life and Family Ministry is sponsoring a fundraiser dinner

on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>April 11</u> from 6 to 10PM at St. John Paul II Church (St. Cecilia's) 1253 Newport Avenue, Pawtucket. The dinner is being held to support the diocesan pastoral care programs: St. Gabriel's Call (pregnancy outreach/ultrasound), Project Rachel/Rachell's Vineyard (post-abortion ministry) and My Child...My Gift (poor pre-natal diagnosis ministry). The Italian Buffet Dinner tickets are \$25 per person. The evening will begin with a social hour and include a 50-50 raffle and a penny social. For more info or to purchase your tickets, please call Carol Owens at (401) 421-7833 x 218 or e-mail: cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org

# MUSEUM OF WORK & CULTURE SIGNATURE EVENT

A Salute to Spring will be held on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>April 12</u> from 1:30 – 5:00. TICKETS NOW ON SALE. The day's activities will feature a concert by Chanterelle, the Franco-American musical group with the very popular Josée Vachon on vocals. A new exhibit opens that afternoon titled "Exemplifying Work & Culture: The Craft of Guitar Building in Rhode Island." Refreshments will be served throughout the afternoon. Tickets are \$15 per person and can be purchased at the museum or by calling 401-769-9675.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE - "Family: Love and Sacrifice" on Saturday, May 16, 2015 with Danielle Bean, Editor-in-Chief, Catholic Digest and Music by Marty Rotella, Singer, Composer and Producer. Guest Witness Speaker: Sonia Morales, a faithful and loving Catholic Mother of 2 - Elizabeth and Baby Angela, at St. Pius X Church, Westerly, RI. Day begins with 8AM Mass and ends at 2:30PM. Talks, Confessions, Rosary, Praise and Worship. Cost \$25 (includes lunch). Pre-Registration required (Deadline - May 8, 2015. Checks made out to St. Pius X Church 222.e-giving.org/equivinglogin.asp on-line at (choose St. Pius X Church then select "Women's Day with Danielle Bean") For more info call parish office at (401) 596-2535.

#### RISING TO NEW LIFE

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad." Easter is the great celebration of victory of life over death.

Ours is an Easter religion. We do not deny or turn away from the evils that surround us: the wars that have killed some 100 million people in our (last) century; the poverty that grips more than half of the human race; the hunger that kills millions every year and ruins the lives of millions more; the discrimination that divides the human family into contending parties.

We do not deny these miseries, but we refuse to surrender to their power because of our faith in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Suffering will be vindicated; death will be overcome; a new life will arise: that is the Easter message of the paschal mystery.

"Let us feast with joy in the Lord." Just as Christ passed through death to resurrection, so too will the world pass through its suffering to the glory of a new life.

There is no room for despair: our Easter faith tells us that God will "raise us up and renew our lives."

This is the 'day which the Lord has made.' Alleluia! Take fresh hope, brothers and sisters of the whole world! With Christ our Passover everything is possible! Christ goes forward in our future!

(Pope John Paul II, Easter Message, 1991: 8)

~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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