

Saint Charles Borromeo



April 12, 2015
2nd Sunday after
Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday

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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, April 11	4PM - Mary & Conrad Cote by the family
Sunday, April 12	9AM - Francoise & Joseph Labrecque by John Labrecque
Tuesday, April 14	9AM - Mass of the Day
Wednesday, April 15	9AM - Francoise & Joseph Labrecque by John Labrecque
Thursday, April 16	9AM - Mass of the Day
Friday, April 17	9AM - Aldo F. Rossi & family by his sisters
Saturday, April 18	4PM - Almeida & Moreira families by daughter and niece
Sunday, April 19	9AM - Parishioners of St. Charles



We have once again celebrated the Holy Week Triduum with its beautiful liturgies. For those of us who are involved in their preparation and execution there is always a bit of anxiety: "What did we forget to prepare? What did we forget to do?" That means that our participating in them is a little less peaceful than that of those who take part in a more passive way and do not have to worry about what is overlooked or forgotten. But, despite a few "mistakes," things went well. In the name of the parish let me thank those who helped in our celebrations: the musicians, the cantors, the lectors, the servers, the Eucharistic ministers, the fire-makers, and those who bought and arranged the flowers so beautifully. It takes almost a village to do all this. Thank you. And the great reward is when people say that they were moved by the beauty of the services and therefore found God in them. That is, after all, the point of all this work, that we find God, that we celebrate God's love for us in sending us his Son Jesus and promising us in and through his resurrection our own resurrection and indeed that of the universe. Thank you.

Liturgically we are now in the Easter season. It will last until the Feast of Pentecost on May 24. This Sunday a rather new celebration, that of Divine Mercy, takes place. It was introduced by St. John Paul II and is based on revelations to a Polish nun, Sister Faustina. At the Church of St. Teresa of the Child Jesus in Burrillville hundreds of people come to go to confession and pray on this day. Maybe you might want to join them.

Fr. Finnegan, S. J.



Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 2,196.00
Loose Money	\$ 440.00
Easter	\$ 1,946.00
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	\$ 4, 582.00

Thank you



Scripture for the week of April 12, 2015

Sunday:	Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31
Monday:	Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday:	Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday:	Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday:	Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36
Friday:	Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday:	Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21
Next Sunday:	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Violence against even one human being is violence against all.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Announcements



2015 CATHOLIC 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

Through your support of the Catholic Charity Appeal, 1,204 youth attended 42 retreats from over 68 parishes and 2 Catholic Schools. Thank you for your support.

Our Parish Goal for the Catholic Charity Appeal this year is \$26,500. We have reached \$18,335. 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.

St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church and Shrine, 35 Dion Drive in Harrisville, is offering **THE FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY** this Sunday beginning at 2PM with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Reconciliation until 3:15, followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and concluding with Mass at 3:30PM. Fr. Gerard Caron is Main Celebrant. Refreshments will be available in the Church hall following Mass.

A MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS CENA-CLE

will be offered on Sunday, May 3, from 2:30 to 3:30PM. The event is schedule is as follows: 2:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary with Meditation from Our Lady, 3:00 PM Chaplet of Divine Mercy, followed by Act of Consecration and Benediction. All are welcome to attend. Please call (401) 568-8280 for questions or directions.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY HOLY HOUR

- will be held at 3 PM today at Sacred Heart Church, 415 Olo Street, Woonsocket. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, a brief reflection on the Diary of St. Faustina, recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Rosary, closing with Benediction. Confessions will also be available. For more info, please call (401) 766-3150, or email: shcwoonsocket@cox.net

SPRING BREAKFAST AT SACRED HEART

- on Saturday, April 25 from 9AM to 12PM. Includes scrambled eggs, ham, sausage, beans, home fries, muffins, coffee/tea/juice. \$7 for Adults, \$4 for children 5-11. Tickets available at the door.

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 or on-line at 222.e-giving.org/equivinglogin.asp (choose St. Pius X Church then select "Women's Day with Danielle Bean") For more info call parish office at (401) 596-2535.

VICTORY IS OURS

Here is what the Readings for this week claim. By his cross Christ conquered sin; by his resurrection he destroyed death. At Easter, we celebrate his victory with joy.

The Second Reading affirms that Christ's victory is ours. If we have faith that Jesus is the Christ, then we are begotten by God. If we are, then we conquer the world. And if we do, then we love God, we love the children of God, and we keep God's commandments obediently. In that condition, we are victorious with Christ.

But these lines in the Second Reading look like joy-destroyers, don't they? If we don't keep God's commandments, if we don't love God's children, we don't conquer the world. And if we don't conquer the world, then we aren't begotten of God. And in that case we don't really have faith. How do we have victory then?

And it gets worse.

In another place, the same Epistle says that anyone who says he doesn't have sin is a liar (1 John 1:8). So it seems that there is a Catch-22 here. If you sin, you aren't victorious. You are a loser. But if you try claiming that you don't sin, you are guilty of lying, which is a sin; and so you aren't victorious in that case either.

It seems that, whether you think you sin or think you don't sin, you lose. So what happened to our victory? Where is joy?

The solution is to notice what faith is. Faith is the belief that Jesus is the Christ, the one who ... the one who what? Well, the one who conquers sin and death.

So here is the message from the Readings. For our part, we are saved from sin and death by believing that we are saved from sin and death—by Christ. There is no Catch-22. Even in our sinful state, where truth forces us to confess our disobedience and our failures in love, we are victorious—over the sin and death in ourselves—as long as we believe that Christ won the victory for us.

This faith is what God requires of us, and the Second Reading is right: this requirement isn't burdensome.

So here is our joy: As long as we believe that Christ won the victory for us, the victory of Christ is ours.

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)



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