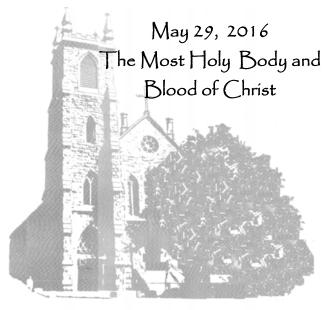
## Saint Charles Borromeo



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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

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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, May 28 4PM - Domenic Gizzarelli by the family Sunday, May 29 9AM - Rita Short (1st Anniversary) by her family 9AM - Russell Ethier Tuesday, May 31

by his wife and daughter 9AM - Mass of the Day Wednesday, June 1

Thursday, June 2 9AM - In Thanksgiving for Favor received

9AM - Anthony Caracuzzo Friday, June 3

by his daughter Anne

Saturday, June 4 4PM - Parishioners of Saint Charles

by the parish

9AM - Parishioners of Saint Charles by the parish

## Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes \$ 2,757.00 Loose Money \$ 188.00

\$ 2,945.00

## Scripture for the week of May 29, 2016

Sunday: Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1-4/1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17

Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7/Ps 91:1-2, 14-16/Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/ls 12:2-6/Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Ps 123:1-2/Mk 12:18-27 Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14/Mk 12:28-34 Friday: Ez 34:11-16/Ps 23:1-6/Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7 Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8/Ps 71:8-9, 14-17, 22/Lk 2:41-51

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:17-24/Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13/Gal 1:11-19/Lk 7:11-17

"God is love." His is not a sentimental, emotional kind of love but the love of the Father who is the origin of all life, the love of the Son who dies on the Cross and is raised, the love of the Spirit who renews human beings and the world. Thinking that God is love does us so much good because it teaches us to love, to give ourselves to others as Jesus gave himself to us and walks with us. Jesus walks beside us on the road through life."

~Pope Francis

Sunday, June 5



We had a Mr. Paul Bourget speak to us last Sunday afternoon about the Sentinelle Affair, a confrontation between some French Canadian parishes here in Woonsocket and the then bishop of the diocese, Bishop Hickey, in the late 1920s. Some members of these parishes did not want to be forced to support Bishop Hickey's campaign to build Catholic high schools in the diocese in which everything would be taught in English. They were convinced that if the French language was not preserved, the faith of French-speaking Catholics would be endangered. So convinced were they that they took the bishop to court. They lost in court, but in doing this to the bishop, they were also excommunicated. Eventually they were reunited to the Church.

So often in human life money creates problems. In 1 Timothy 6:9 we read: "Radix malorum est cupiditas." "The love of money is the root of all evil." Certainly these French Canadian Catholics were highminded. They wanted to preserve their faith. But it was the issue of money which served as the source of their opposition to church authority.

As I prepare to leave this parish, I give thanks to God that money has never been a source of contention among us. You, the parishioners, though small in number, have kept us afloat financially—with a little help from past parishioners like Mary Norton Daly whose gift to the church continues to keep us in the black. It is admirable that we have almost reached the goal of our Catholic Charities Appeal. However, as is so often the case, the few are carrying the many. 47% of us have not contributed. If you are among these, please give. That is only fair.

Fr. Finnegan, S.J.



# Announcements

**SACRAMENT** is held every <u>Friday from 1 to 2</u> PM in the lower church.

MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT THE CEME-TERY at 10AM on Monday, May 30th for all who have died in the service of our country and for all those buried in our cemetery. Please bring folding chair.

#### THE CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL

"FAITH AND GOOD Works will be ending on June 30th. If you have not yet made your gift, please prayerfully consider helping. We have almost reached our goal of \$26,500. With 75 donors and 53.57% of parishioner participation, we have now raised \$25,524! Pledge envelopes are at the entrances if you wish to help. Thank you!



JUNF 19 - Come to our "Farewell Celebration" the Church Hall following the 9 AM Mass, honoring Father Finnegan and Father Bruce who will be leaving us in late June.

#### TUITION ASSISTANCE

If your child will be attending a Catholic High School in the Fall, you may be eligible to receive tuition assistance through the Lucille Blake Scholarship Fund. Scholarships are available to St. Charles parishioners only. You must have been a member of the parish as of January 1, 2016. Applications available at the rectory.

GABRIEL at ALL SAINTS CHURCH - An unplanned pregnancy can be a cause of great crisis in a woman's life. The decision she makes will affect herself, her child, and her future... We

HOLY HOUR - EXPOSITION OF BLESSED provide love and support to women and families.. St. Gabriel's Call Angels perform a variety of tasks for our clients: Mentoring: Befriend a mother-to-be or father-to-be. Intake: Gather information by phone or a a diocesan satellite/access needs. Parish Liaison: Promotes St. Gabriel's Call for the diocese ministry. Material Collect/sort/distribute Coordinator: needs. Driver: Help with transportation (MUST MEET REQUIREMENTS.) Prayer Supporter: St. Gabriel's Call Intercessory Prayer Parenting/Lifestyle Support. For more information about St. Gabriel's Call please contact: Carol Owens, Director (401) 421-7833 Ext. 218 or email: cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org. Our support is free.

> ST. GABRIEL'S CALL at ALL SAINTS - The Diocesan outreach program for women and families during and beyond pregnancy is inviting you to be part of this life-affirming work by becoming a Gabriel Angel volunteer. Put your faith and compassion in action and walk with an expectant mother through her difficult decisions and challenges. Our help can be short or longterm and may include material items for babies and children up to 4 years of age. Our location at All Saints is in need of volunteers on Monday and Wednesday from 1 to 3PM. If you are interested in learning more about the ministry and how you can help - call the Office of Life and Family Ministry at (401) 421-7833 Ext. 218.

> The next St. Gabriel's Call Workshop will be held on Saturday, June 11 beginning at 8:30AM to 12:30PM. Mass at 8AM St. Rocco's Church, 937 Atwood Avenue, Johnston, RI. Following Mass: Registration and coffee/breakfast pastry Meeting begins at 9AM. If you would like to learn more about becoming a Gabriel Angel you will want to join us.

#### FEEDING ON FLESH

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus feeds those who come to him with bread and flesh—well, fish, but you are eating flesh if you are eating fish. In the Second Reading, Jesus feeds people with bread and flesh, too—his own flesh, which the bread of the Eucharist is.

It is not so hard to understand why Jesus would feed those people with the flesh that is fish. They were hungry, and they were used to eating fish. But why would Jesus feed people with his flesh? People being fed in the Eucharist are definitely not used to eating human flesh, and they aren't hungry for it either.

Think of it this way. Because we ourselves are flesh, we need food to live; and every need carries with it a kind of vulnerability. If your need is not met, you will suffer or die. But vulnerability makes trust essential. If you are vulnerable, you will have to depend on others and trust them for help. And so one person's feeding another makes a kind of intimacy of trust between them.

When a mother feeds her baby, the vulnerability of the baby and its dependence on its mother is so great that the mother's feeding of the baby makes a powerful intimacy between them. There is a kind of loving union between the mother and the infant who needs her to feed him. When she breastfeeds him, she feeds the baby with herself. What is part of the body of the mother becomes part of the body of the baby; and, in her milk, she herself is what the infant needs to live and grow.

Adults, too, are needy and vulnerable—to sin, to the death of the soul, to all the afflictions and sorrows of this world; and their need for help is very great. That help lies in Christ. And so, like a loving mother, Christ feeds us with himself. He does not suckle us at his breast; but he feeds us in an even more powerful way, by his dying, which is memorialized in the Eucharist and present to us there. When we eat the bread of the Eucharist, what was part of Christ's body becomes part of our bodies. In that union, we have intimacy with the Lord who feeds us and gives us what we need to live.

Eleonore Stump, Philosophy Professor, St. 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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