

Saint Charles Borromeo

June 12, 2016
Eleventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time



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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, June 11	4PM - Molly and Robert Champagne by Molly and Don
Sunday, June 12	9AM - Rita Short (First Anniversary) by her family
Tuesday, June 14	9AM - In honor of St. Anthony for favor received by Lu Cote
Wednesday, June 15	9AM - Patricia Shaughnessy by the parish
Thursday, June 16	9AM - Lucille Blake
Friday, June 17	9AM - Aldo F. Rossi & family by his sisters
Saturday, June 18	4PM - Germain & Rita Masse by the family
Sunday, June 19	9AM - Philippe Godin by Sue and Lionel



On Tuesday, the 7th of June, Fr. John A. Kiley celebrated the 9 A.M. Mass in our upper church in order to mark his First Mass celebrated there on June 5, 1966. He bicycled over from his home on Highland St. The thought that he could do so must have inspired prayers of thanksgiving to God in his heart for the gift of his health which made it possible for him to do that.

The church looked exactly the same except for the table-altar which we now have. Fr. Kiley celebrated the Mass at the old high altar and was assisted by a deacon and sub-deacon. That was the tradition in those days, but one which soon ended when Vatican II determined that the Mass should be celebrated with the priest facing the people.

But last week there was an article in the Rhode Island Catholic which told of Bishop Tobin celebrating Mass with his back to the people because the pastor of the parish he was visiting normally celebrates this way. So Bishop Tobin adapted himself to the local practice. To some this may not seem to be "a big deal." Indeed, a priest thirty years my junior told me that it really didn't matter to him whether the priest faced the people or not. The Mass is a sacrifice, and that is all that matters. But to me, his senior and a person who came of age at Vatican II, his response is terribly disappointing. I pray that our church may be faithful to the reforms in the liturgy which Vatican II brought about. For me that is indeed "a big deal."

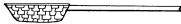
Fr. Finnegan, S.J.



Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 3,414.00
Loose Money	\$ 282.00
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Thank you



Scripture for the week of June 12, 2016

Sunday:	2 Sm 12:7-10, 13/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 7, 11/Gal 2:16, 19-21/Lk 7:36-8:3
Monday:	1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-7/Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-6, 11, 16/Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday:	2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20-21, 24/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-7/Mt 6:7-15
Friday:	2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Ps 132:11-14, 17-18/Mt 6:19-23
Saturday:	2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 89:4-5, 29-34/Mt 6:24-34
Next Sunday:	Zec 12:10-11; 13:1/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9/Gal 3:26-29/Lk 9:18-24

"I would maintain that thanks are the highest form of thought; and that gratitude is happiness doubled by wonder." ~ G. K. Chesterton

God meets us in our everyday life, and all too often, we do not recognize or thank Him for His presence. Practice today that "highest form of thought," and spend a moment to give God thanks for three things, people or experiences in your life. ~ Pope Francis

Announcements



WEEKEND MASSES WILL REMAIN THE SAME after July 1st: Saturday Vigil Mass at 4PM and Sunday Mass at 9AM.

HOLY HOUR: Our last Holy Hour will be celebrated on Friday, June 17th from 1 to 2 PM in the lower church.

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 82 donors and 53.57% of parishioner participation, we have now raised \$25,674 - 96.51% of our goal. Pledge envelopes are at the entrances if you wish to help. Thank you!

JUNE 19 - Come to our **"Farewell Celebration"** in the Church Hall following the 9 AM Mass, honoring Father Finnegan and Father Bruce who will be leaving us at the end of this month.



Save the Date!

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.

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION is for the *Catholic Communication Campaign*

Your contribution to the CCC continue the work of communicating the Gospel around the world. In addition, 50% of CCC funds collected in your diocese remain in your diocese to support local communication efforts. The reach of the CCC is truly immeasurable, and we invite you to become a part of it. Visit www.usccb.org/cc to learn how your support makes a difference and shares the light of Christ with all.

CCC GRANTS, 2014 Total funded: \$4,490,494.

Diocesan and national projects: \$4,061,210. Special Initiatives: \$203,075. Developing nations \$226,209. See flyer at entrances.

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 long-term 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.

ST. JOAN OF ARC CHURCH (Cumberland) and **ST. JOSEPH CHURCH** (Woonsocket) are having a combined **SUMMER BIBLE CAMP** for Grades Pre-K through Grade 6, on Friday, July 15 from 9AM to 12:30PM. At St. Joseph Church Hall, 1200 Mendon Road, Woon. The Camp this year is called **"Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power."** \$25 per child \$60 family of three or more. For more information call (401) 766-0626 or go to: www.saintjosephwoonsocket.org to download a Registration Form.

FR. CHARLES QUINN (a former assistant priest here at St. Charles) will be celebrating his 50th Anniversary of Ordination at St. Eugene's Church in Chepachet at a 10:30AM Mass with a reception and light lunch to follow on Saturday, June 18th. For more information, please call St. Eugene's Rectory at (401) 568-5102.

"MYSTICS, REBELS & PROPHETS" - A Retreat with Edwina Gateley will be held June 27 - July 1 at LaSalette Retreat Center, 97 Park Street, Attleboro, MA . For more information, contact Peggy Patenaude at (508) 548-9149 or timeoutretreats@comcast.net. To register, contact Charlotte at (508) 222-8530 or office@lasaletteretreatcenter.com Overnight Fee of \$350 includes accommodations for 4 nights and 11 meals.



LOVE WINS OUT OVER EVERYTHING

In the Gospel Reading, a woman crashes a dinner party hosted for Jesus by Simon the Pharisee. All the people at the party think of her as a sinner; whatever she may be guilty of, she is certainly shamed in this community. And at this party she goes on to treat Jesus in ways that are simply scandalous. She weeps over his feet, kisses them, and anoints them with an outrageously expensive lotion; and then she wipes them clean on her hair.

Why does she do this?

In explaining to Simon what he takes to be her motivation, Jesus says her actions express great love for him. Maybe she loves him greatly because she has come to understand him as someone who will not reject her, even as the shamed person she is. Maybe the unexpected gift of the good of his love is what causes her to weep and to clean his feet with lotion and her hair.

It is worth noticing that, while she is anointing his feet, Jesus is doing nothing; he is simply a passive recipient of her action.

Doing nothing is not Jesus' usual style; and doing nothing in these circumstances at Simon's dinner party must take a considerable effort of will on Jesus' part. She is, after all, making Jesus the centerpiece in a spectacle that causes the onlookers at the party to cringe.

It is easy to see, however, that Jesus protects her precisely by being passive. In fact, by being willing to receive care from her, especially care of this socially unacceptable sort, Jesus honors her.

And Jesus' speech to Simon about her gives her even more honor. Jesus compares her actions with those of Simon, and the comparison makes her look much better than Simon.

So, in his reactions to her at the dinner party, Jesus gives her shame the remedy it needs. Jesus receives in public her socially unacceptable ministrations to him, her profligate and unconstrained care for him. In receiving it, he honors her; and in what he says about her actions to Simon, he honors her over Simon. In Jesus' view, which he makes public to Simon and all the other guests at the party, she outranks Simon by some ultimate measure of human excellence.

That ultimate measure is love; and it wins out over everything else, shame included.

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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