Saínt Charles Borromeo

June 19, 2016 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM Brazilian Mass 12:00 n

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

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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

ADM Composite & Dita Massa
4PM - Germain & Rita Masse
by the family
9AM - Philippe Godin
by Sue and Lionel
9AM - Robert Lacourse
by his wife Elaine
9AM - The Monigan family
by the family
9AM - Laval Legare
by his wife Theresee
9AM - Lucille Blake
by her estate
4PM - Almeida & Moreira families
by daughter and niece
9AM - Dominic Gizzarelli
by the family
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Scripture for the week of June 19, 2016

#### Sunday: Zec 12:10-11; 13:1/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9/Gal 3:26-29/Lk 9:18-24 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5 Monday: Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14 Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33-37, 40/Mt 7:15-20 Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1-5, 8-9/Mt 7:21-29 Friday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66.80 Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1-7, 20-21/Mt 8:5-17 Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62

"Dear Lord, I do not know what will happen to me today. I only know that nothing will happen that was not foreseen by You, and directed to my greater good from all eternity. I adore Your holy and unfathomable plans, and submit to them with all my heart for love of You, the Pope, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Amen."



If you were not watching or listening to the news last Sunday, you would have been surprised later on in the day by the sad news of an assault by one man on people celebrating their Latino heritage in a bar in Orlando, Florida. As of today the paper is talking about forty nine people having lost their lives, most of them young people in their twenties and thirties. The man who killed them. Omar Mateen, pledged his allegiance to an ISIS leader as he carried out his crime, and it would seem that his actions were also motivated by the fact that those whom he killed were mostly transgender or homosexual people. We pray for those who have died in this brutal way and for the loved ones who now grieve for them. We also ask ourselves how such crimes can be avoided in the future. How can we make ISIS and other such groups less attractive to the young in our nation? That is a hard guestion to answer. But what is easier to do is to support the passing of laws which would make it impossible for the kind of assault weapon he used to be available to the general public. This same kind of weapon was used at Sandy Hook Elementary School in 2012 when 26 children were killed in five minutes. The gun lobby has thwarted the passing of such laws again and again. If our children are to live safely, its efforts must be defeated.

Fr. Finnegan, S. J.

# Announcements

#### WEEKEND MASSES WILL REMAIN THE SAME <u>12:30PM</u>. At St. Joseph Church Hall, 1200 Mendon after July 1st: Saturday Vigil Mass at 4PM and Sunday Mass at 9AM. Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty

#### 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!

**Today, 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.

#### 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.

**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 <u>Friday, July 15 from 9AM to</u>

<u>12:30PM</u>. At St. Joseph Church Hall, 1200 Mendon Road, Woon. The Camp this year is called "Everest: *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: wwwsaintjosephwoonsocket.org to download a Registration Form.

"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 548-9149 or Patenaude at (508) timeoutretreats@comcast.net. To register, contact Charlotte 222-8530 a t (508)o r of fice@lasaletteretreatcenter.com Overnight Fee of \$350 includes accommodations for 4 nights and 11 meals.

"SPECIAL" 10 DAY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND will be offered over 5 different departure dates. We will be departing JFK Airport on 11/6/16; 12/5/16; 1/9/17; 2/6/16; and 3/6/17 at the all land and air inclusive costs of \$2,299. - \$2,249. in twin accommodations and depending on the date you choose. We will be visiting Tel Aviv, Jaffa, Caesarea, Acre, Nazareth, Cana, Tiberius, Sea of Galilee, Tagba, Capernaum, Mt. Tabor, Bethlehem, Jerusalem and more. Brochures and reservation forms available at the Catholic Tour at (877) 627-4268 or simply email jimadair@thecatholictour.com

#### IS YOUR MARRIAGE TEARING YOU APART? RETROUVAILLE A Christian Peer Ministry

A Lifeline for Troubled Marriages. All ages of couples come to Retrouvaille from many walks of life and ethnic backgrounds. Some have already separated or divorced, but want to try again. Many are struggling to stay together. What all these couples have in common is a sincere desire to build a stable loving marriage. Retrouvaille is Catholic in origin and orientation, but is open to all married couples regardless of religious background. Upcoming weekend 9/11-13/2015 in Framingham, MA. For more info see www.HelpOurMarriage.com or contact Tess and Sawn Yates at (508) 271-7155.

#### THE CHRIST OF GOD

In the <u>First Reading</u>, the prophet announces that in the messianic age God will provide a fountain to purify from sin. We are in that messianic age, and everyone of us could use that fountain. Where is it?

The answer lies in the Gospel Reading.

In that Reading, Jesus questions his disciples: who do the crowds say that I am?

Why does he ask them this? Surely, he can't be looking for information. He knows so many things that ordinary human beings can't know. He doesn't need his disciples to tell him the opinion of a crowd! And, anyway, how could it be that his disciples would know what the crowd is saying and Jesus wouldn't? They are all there in the crowd together.

So it makes more sense to suppose that Jesus asks his disciples what the crowd says in order to start the disciples on the road to the right answer to the second question, the question that he asks them after they answer the first question: Who do *you* say that I am?

Why does he ask them this second question? He can't be looking for information here either, can he? He has a very good idea of what his disciples think! The ones who aren't sure what the disciples think about Jesus are the disciples themselves, not Jesus.

When Peter considers how to answer Jesus' question, he finds in himself the resources for this stunning conclusion: "You are the Christ of God!"

And that is the right answer, which the questions of Jesus have helped them all to see. Jesus asks his questions in order to help his disciples find that answer in themselves. Jesus is the Christ of God, the one God has anointed to be the savior for all people.

And what does Jesus save people from if not their sins?

So the answer to the question I asked at the outset lies in Peter's answer to Jesus' question. The fountain purifying people from their sins is Jesus himself. And that is why it is crucial to find the answer to the question Jesus asks: Who do you say that I am? Only if you give the answer Peter did will you find the fountain purifying people from sin.

Only if you come to Jesus, as you are, sinful and sorrowful, will you find that fountain's waters for yourself.

~Eleonore Stump, Professor of Philosophy, 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)

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