

Saint Charles Borromeo



July 20, 2014
16th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Brazilian Mass 12:00 noon

Rev. Adriano Lessa

Weekday Masses

(in the lower-level Chapel)

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Bible Study

Wednesday: 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

Holy Days

to be announced

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 - July 19	4PM - Mass of the Day
Sunday - July 20	9AM - Thomas J. Flood by Anne Flood
Tuesday - July 22	9AM - Parishioners of St. Charles
Wednesday - July 23	9AM - Joseph & Francoise Labrecque by the family
Thursday - July 24	9AM - Joseph Conley by the parish
Friday - July 25	9AM - Tom Flood by Katherine Levesque
Saturday - July 26	4PM - Mass of the Day
Sunday - July 27	9AM - Roger & Mariette Giguere by Louise & Pete LeBlanc

Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 2,570.50
Loose Money	\$ 597.00

Total	\$ 3,167.50

Thank You



Scripture for the week of July 20, 2014

- 20 SUN** Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30
21 Mon Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42
22 Tue Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
23 Wed Jer 1:1, 4-10/Mt 13:1-9
24 Thu Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17
25 Fri 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28
26 Sat Jer 7:1-11/Mt 13:24-30
27 SUN 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52

As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live.

~Saint John Paul II

It is a staple of our religion and that of our parent religion Judaism that we should care for orphans. At the moment we are confronted with the crisis of thousands of young people, even children, who have walked or ridden hundreds and hundreds of miles seeking a new home in our country. Most of these children and young adults have left parents behind or are seeking to be reunited with parents already in our country. The situation, therefore, from a religious point-of-view, would seem to be a simple one with one solution: our caring for these children. But then other factors come into play. A nation has a right to protect its borders. It also has to ask how these "visitors" are going to be cared for. Who will foot the bill? There is also the effect that they will have on our economy. Will they soon be taking jobs away from our fellow citizens? And, finally, why are we the ones who must provide a solution for the terrible situations which their native countries have created? These are real questions and deserve an answer. Yet the immediate problem is the presence of these young lives at our borders. Even Pope Francis has spoken up for our caring for them, as he has already done in Italy also besieged by immigrants from Africa. May our hearts remain open to these young people even while we keep our eyes on our pocketbooks!

In a different but somewhat related matter, there are four kittens in the rectory backyard who could use a home. Any takers?

Father Finnegan, S.J.



Announcements



Next weekend's Second Collection will be for the **Mission Co-Operative Appeal**. Fr. Michael Arputham is the Mission Representative for the Diocese of Dindigul in South India. The Diocese of Dindigul was established by Pope John Paul II in 2003 in the State of Tamilnadu in South India. There are 50 major parishes with a population of nearly 137,500 Catholics with different social, ethnic and caste background. This region is considered to be economically and socially most backward in the whole of South India according to the 2013 Census of India. Offering opportunities and facilities toward basic education, awareness, healthcare and formation and rehabilitation to the poverty stricken and orphan children is the urgent responsibility on the part of the Diocese. Mission Cooperative Plan is a major financial source to fulfill these needs. Your generous contribution to this appeal will be deeply appreciated!

The **CATHOLIC CHARITY CAMPAIGN** is winding down. Please help our parish meet its \$26,500. goal! We have now reached \$23,537 - 88.82 % our goal. If you have not yet contributed or made a pledge, it's not too late. Envelopes are at the church entrances.

SUMMER BIBLE CAMP For Grades Pre K - 5, at St. Joseph Church, 1200 Mendon Road, Woonsocket, on Monday, July 28 through Friday, August 1 from 9AM to 12:30 PM in the church halls. The Camp this year is called "Son Harvest County Fair" and will have a farm theme. \$25/child; \$60/family of 3 or more. Please call (401) 766-0626 for more info or go to www.saintjosephwoonsocket.org to download a registration form.

OPPORTUNITY TO HELP THE MISSIONS BECOME A HOST FAMILY! Becoming a Host Family is a unique and rewarding experience. If you are interested in opening your home to a pregnant woman in need, please contact George O'Loughlin at (401) 301-5307 to learn more about becoming a Safe Families Host.

This year we will receive a minimum of 96 inquiries from pregnant women in Rhode Island in dire need and we can currently only host 15 women per year. The rest we will refer to other shelters that are not designed specifically for pregnant women and who themselves are all too often full. The mission of the Little Flower Home, which is now making use of the Safe Families Model, is in a unique position to address one of the root causes of abortion—lack of family support. But we need men and women to hear the message of the Gospel and take these women, who are making a plea for help, in. And we need people to step up during our current campaign. Women in tough circumstances need help and this mission directly aids in saving babies lives. **Please call George O'Loughlin at (401) 301-5307 to learn more about our mutually rewarding Host Family volunteer opportunities.**

SCHOOL NURSE: Opening for school medication nurse. Position is approximately two hours per day from 11:30AM - 1:30PM to administer medications, etc. Individual must be a licensed R.N. in Rhode Island. Great job for a retired nurse. Specific job description available on request. Call (401) 762-1095.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: The Diocese of Providence cordially invites you and your spouse to celebrate your 25th, 40th, 50th or over Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, September 21, at 1:00PM at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Providence, RI

The 2014 Wedding Anniversary Celebration includes: Mass, renewal of wedding vows, a personalized certificate and a reception for you and your guests. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the main celebrant and homilist. Please call rectory if you are celebrating one of these anniversaries and wish to take part in this celebration. A registration form will be sent to you.

THE WHEAT AND THE WEEDS

In the Lord's field, there are the wheat and the weeds. Some people are good wheat and are gathered to the Lord. And then there are people who are tares, the old fashioned word for weeds. It isn't good to be the tares. They get gathered into bundles for burning.

So how do we know which people are the bad, hell-bent-for-burning, weeds?

We don't, the Lord says. At least, we don't, not now. For all we know, the rudest, proudest, worldliest person sitting so smug in the next pew might be among the wheat, when the angels come at the end to gather the wheat to heaven. The most despicable sinner might be wheat too. You can't tell the weeds until the end when the angels come, the Lord says.

By the same token, of course, the humblest, most hard-working person, sitting there so meekly in the next pew, might be among the weeds. The most admirable and saintly person might turn out to be weeds too. We don't know the wheat any more than we know the tares.

The Lord knows his own. But we don't. We can judge thoughts, choices, acts, and habits, but we don't know enough to judge a person's final resting place when the angels come at Judgment Day.

And so the Lord's parable about the wheat and the weeds can raise a terrible question: what am I? Am I tares, too? If I can't tell the wheat from the tares, how can I tell whether I am wheat or weeds?

The problem with finding an answer to that question is that the question is confused. You are not the judge, not for the other guy and not for yourself either. Nietzsche said derisively of Christians, "They don't even look like the redeemed!" But how would we know what the redeemed look like? (For that matter, how would Nietzsche know?) Our job is not the job of judge, because we are not up for that job.

Our job is to come to Christ and cleave to him. His job is, first, to save us, weeds that we are, and then to judge us as what his salvation has made us be: wheat. 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 Reconciliation (Confession)

Confessions are available on Saturdays 3:00 to 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the rectory at least six months prior to the date of your wedding.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick (and Communion Calls)

Please notify us if anyone is ill, in the hospital or at home and unable to get to church, especially those who are homebound and may wish to receive Holy Communion at home.



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