## 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

#### 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 23 4PM - Parishioners of Saint Charles

9AM - Camille Fagnant Sunday, July 24

by Patricia & Dennis

9AM - John Bibeault Tuesday, July 26

by Celeste Fregeau

Wednesday, July 27 9AM - Mass of the Day

Thursday, July 28 9AM - Laval Legare by his wife

Friday, July 29

9AM - Lucille Blake

by her estate

Saturday, July 30 4 PM - Mary Drapeau (2nd Anniversary)

by family and friends

Sunday, July 2431 9AM - Roger and Mariette Giguere

by Louise and Pete

Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes \$ 1,787.00
Loose Money \$ 203.00

Thank \$ 1,990.00

### Scripture for the week of July 24, 2016

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-3, 6-8/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

Monday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1-6/Mt 20:20-28 Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8-11, 13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1-6/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-

Next Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17/Col 3:1-5, 9-

11/Lk 12:13-21

"I am always struck when I reread the parable of the merciful Father...The Father with patience, love hope and mercy had never for a second stopped thinking about his wayward son, and as soon as he sees him still far off, he runs out to meet him and embraces him with tenderness, the tenderness of God without a word of reproach...God is always waiting for us and He never grows tired. Jesus shows us this merciful patience of God so that we can regain confidence and hope always. ~Pope Francis

#### WORKING WITH THE WORD

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time July 24, 2016

#### FOCUSING THE GOSPEL

...To the point: In this Gospel Jesus instills confidence in his disciples that they will receive from God that for which they pray. He teaches them (and us) to pray for daily needs: the food we need to live, the forgiveness we need to grow in our relationships, the protection we need to remain faithful. Because of what we have already received (our daily needs), we are certain that God will give even more to those who ask: the Holy Spirit, a share in the plenitude of God's very Life. Such a Gift! Why would we not ask?

#### CONNECTING THE GOSPEL ...

...to the first reading: Abraham directly, confidently, persistently, and courageously petitions God to spare the people of Sodom and Gomorrah. In the Gospel Jesus teaches us to pray with the same directness, confidence, persistence, and courage.

... to experience: Nothing breeds confidence like success. This is also true when we turn to God in prayer. Although not always in the way we expect, God always answers our prayer.

# Announcements

#### THE CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL

has officially ended. A heartfelt thank you to all who have generously donated or pledged to this year's appeal! Thank you!

#### OFFICE FOR ST. CHARLES:

The office has now officially moved to All Saints Rectory - 323 Rathbun Street. Office hours are Mondays and Tuesdays from 8AM to 4PM with lunch break from 1 to 2PM. The telephone number is remaining the same (766-0176) and emails are also remaining the same. (see front of bulletin).

Our church is missionary by nature. Each of us as baptized Catholics is called to share in the work of evangelization. The diocese of Providence collaborates with mission groups every year to raise funds for their missions through a program called **THE MISSIONARY COOPERATIVE PLAN**. The group assigned to our parish this year is the Missionary Society of St. Paul. **Fr. Nduka Uzor, MSP** will be speaking to us from the Missionary Society of St. Paul on the weekend of <u>July 30/31</u>. There will be a second collection to support them in their work.

The Society now has 251 members. They are working in ten countries of Africa, (South Africa, Malawi, Botswana, Cameroon, Liberia, Chad, The Gambia, United States, England Sweden and Ireland. They also have about 110 seminarians in their seminary in Nigeria. Their mission in Malawi provides rehabilitation and support for orphans who lost their parents to AIDS. They need our financial assistance to continue this mission. They also need funds to: 1) provide portable water for communities they serve in Chad and Nigeria; 2) Sponsoring seminarians, our future priests; 3) Supporting priests in the founding/building of new churches. Your support to this worthy cause will be an immense encouragement to the Missionary Society of St Paul to pass on the faith she has received. May God bless you!

**23rd ANNUAL ST. THERESA SHRINE FEAST DAY CELEBRATION** will be held on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 21—10AM to 4:30 PM</u> (rain or shine)

10:AM Prayers at Holy Stairs

11:AM Stations of the Cross

12 PM Lunch and Concert

1:30 PM Outdoor Living Rosary

2:45 PM Procession with St. Theresa

3 PM Solemn Feast Mass - Main Celebrant and Homilist - Rev. Matthew Newcomb of the Archdiocese of New York. For more information, please call (401)568-0575 or (401) 568-8280 or email: Shiirl@Finelli.us

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS - in honor of St. John Vianney, patron of parish priests) on <u>Thursday</u>, August 4th, at 6:30PM, at **SACRED HEART** CHURCH. There will be a short talk, recitation of the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. The sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available.

# STRUGGLING IN YOUR MARRIAGE? - YOU ARE NOT ALONE

If marriage is tearing the two of you apart, if there is little or no meaningful communication, if you are considering separation or divorce, we believe Retrouvaille can help. You are NOT alone! Our peer ministry is led by couples who have lived through the honeymoon phase often follo9wed by deep disillusionment before finally finding resurrection in their marriages using the tools taught in this program. Rediscover a loving marriage with a Retrouvaille ( pronounced re-tro-vy) weekend.

An upcoming New England Retrouvaille marriage renewal weekend will be held on: September 16-18, 2016. To register for this weekend or for more information, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com

#### ASK, ASK, ASK, ASK, ASK

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus teaches his disciples how to pray; and when he does, he gives not only them but all of us the wonderful prayer we call 'the Our Father' or 'the Lord's Prayer.'

The first thing to notice about the Lord's prayer is that it is full of petitions. The first one is that God's name would be hallowed. The second is that God's kingdom would come. The third is that God would give us our daily bread. And so on.

The Lord's prayer isn't just a litany of praise to God, then. It isn't just an expression of a pious wish that God's will be done. It isn't only a surrender of one's own will to God. Just look at the request for daily bread. It presents to God what we would want God to give us. Having desires and presenting them to God are required by the Lord's prayer.

The Lord's prayer requires us to trust God enough to tell him what we want—over and over and over.

The second thing to notice about the Lord's prayer is that people don't generally get what they ask for. Ask and you will receive, the Lord says. But how many people around the world pray the Lord's prayer and go without food that day? And food is only the beginning. In every mass, we ask God for healing: "Only say the word and my soul shall be healed." Then we luq our sinful, sick, and sorrowful souls around another day.

So here is the third thing to notice. Jesus doesn't promise that we will get the very thing we ask for. He says that if we ask, we will receive; but he doesn't happen to mention what we will receive.

If you think about it, you can see the point. If a sick person could heal himself, he would be the doctor, not the patient. The patient's job is to want to get well. It is the doctor's job to figure out how to get him well.

In the same way, the Lord's prayer requires us to trust God enough to tell him what we want—over and over and over. Our job is to ask continually. God's job is to figure out what to give us that will really fill us and heal us.

So we might not get what we ask for. But as long as we keep asking, the Lord promises that we will receive—grace, pressed down, shaken together, running over, and gently given, from the God who loves us.

~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)

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