

Saint Charles Borromeo



July 27, 2014
17th 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 26	4PM - Mass of the Day
Sunday - July 27	9AM - Roger & Mariette Giguere by Louise & Pete LeBlanc
Tuesday - July 29	9AM - Mary P. Bowers by the family
Wednesday - July 30	9AM - Parishioners of St. Charles
Thursday - July 31	9AM - Tom Flood by Katherine Levesque
Friday - Aug. 1	9AM - Christine Allard Lee by the family
Saturday - Aug. 2	4PM - Mass of the Day
Sunday - Aug. 3	9AM - Chuck Kennedy by his wife Rachel

Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 1,595.50
Loose Money	\$ 297.00

Total	\$ 1,892.50

Thank You



Scripture for the week of July 27, 2014

- 27 SUN** 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46
- 28 Mon** Jer 13:1-11/Mt 13:31-35
- 29 Tue** Jer 14:17-22/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- 30 Wed** Jer 15:10, 16-21/Mt 13:44-46
- 31 Thu** Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53
- 1 Fri** Jer 26:1-9/Mt 13:54-58
- 2 Sat** Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12
- 3 SUN** Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

The proper effect of the Eucharist is the transformation of man into God.

~St. Thomas Aquinas

The world is "going to hell in a basket." A strange saying, but one familiar to us. Certainly it applies to our world-situation today. Ugly voices are arising among us, insisting that the children at our borders be returned to the lands they fled because of violence and even death there. We can do better than that as a nation, or at least I hope we can. In the near-east Palestinians and Israelis continue to bomb each other, although it is, as always in this conflict, a very unfair fight. The Israelis are a first-world country armed with everything that modern technology can supply, and the Palestinians have no chance against them, as is reflected in the number of casualties. The Israelis have lost very few lives while the death toll among the Palestinians is inching close to a thousand, not counting the wounded and displaced. Then there is the horrible slaughter of the passengers on a Malaysian plane over eastern Ukraine and the sickening thought that those now in charge of the site of the crash may have brought the plane down. Finally, in Mosul, the second largest city of Iraq, as of last Saturday, the 19th, Christians have three options: convert to Islam, pay a tax, or face execution. Most have left. Who could believe that this would be happening in our times? But it is. We have many things to pray about and do what we can to remove the evil in these situations. And, at the same time, we have much to be thankful for. We live in an oasis compared to the people in these other places.

Father Finnegan, S.J.



Next weekend's Second Collection will be for **Peter's Pence**. This collection unites us in solidarity with the Holy Father and his works of charity to those in need.

Announcements



This 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** We are getting closer to reaching our goal of \$26,500. goal! We have now reached \$23,657 - 89.27 % our goal. If you have not yet contributed or made a pledge, it's not too late. Envelopes are at the church entrances.

COOKING MATTERS at the Store (Tours in English & Spanish). Want to buy healthy food for your family while saving money at the store? Come join us for a **FREE** guided grocery store tour! After the tour you will receive a **FREE \$10 Gift Card** to buy healthy groceries of your choice using the skills learned on the tour, a book of tips and recipes and a reusable grocery shopping bag.

Date: Wednesday, July 30th from 10 to 11:30AM at Walmart Superstore, 7 Dowling Village Blvd., North Smithfield. **RSVP:** Contact tour leader - Antonio, (401) 762-2849, or e-mail him at: aandreu@dioceseofprovidence.org

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.

GOD'S GIFT

Solomon was distinguished from all other kings in the Old Testament by God's gifts to him. The first gift was that God appeared to Solomon and told him to ask for a gift. Not many kings in Israel were honored by God in this way!

Solomon responded to God in a wonderful way. He asked for a gift all right but not a worldly gift. He did not ask God for riches or long life. Instead, he asked God for wisdom to govern God's people well.

And so Solomon received God's first gift, the opportunity to ask God for something in such a way that made him worthy of the next gift.

Because Solomon pleased God by what he asked of God, God gave Solomon the wisdom Solomon asked for. And with that wisdom God gave Solomon even more gifts, the gifts Solomon had not asked for, gifts worthy of kings. In the text that continues the First Reading, God promised Solomon the very worldly things Solomon hadn't asked for, riches and long life, in addition to the wisdom Solomon wanted.

So Solomon was very great among the kings of the ancient Israel.

And yet what Christ gives to each one of his own is greater than the gifts God gave Solomon. To each person who opens to Christ, Christ gives the indwelling Holy Spirit.

And with the Holy Spirit, the seven gifts of the Spirit are given, too. The wisdom Solomon asked for is only the first of these. There are six more: understanding, counsel, knowledge, piety, fortitude, and fear of the Lord.

There is an inestimable spiritual richness in these gifts, more than Solomon knew to ask for.

Furthermore, anyone who has these gifts has not just long life, like Solomon, but everlasting life, with the Lord. And even among the sorrows of this life the consolations of the indwelling Spirit are present too, in the love, joy, and peace that are among the fruits of the Spirit.

And so Christ offers now to each one who will accept it from him something greater than the greatness of Solomon, not just wisdom but all the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit, and with them unending life in the kingdom of heaven.

As Christ says in the Gospel reading, this is treasure indeed. ~Eleonore Stump

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)



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