

Saint Charles Borromeo



August 16, 2015
20th 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.

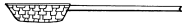
This Week's Mass Intentions

- Saturday, August 15 4PM - Rita M. Marcotte
by R. & P. Angelini
- Sunday, August 16 9AM - Rinaldo Spinella & Collins Family
by Barbara & Roger Peloquin
- Tuesday, August 18 9AM - Philippe Godin
by Sue, Nel and Sandy
- Wednesday, August 19 9AM - Olivette Godin
by daughter Sue
- Thursday, August 20 9AM - Evelyn Lombarrdi
by the Parish
- Friday, August 21 9AM - Lucille Blake
- Saturday, August 22 4PM - Christine Allard Lee
by the family
- Sunday, August 23 9AM - Olivette Godin
by Sue, Nel and Sandy

Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 1936.00
Loose Money	\$ 132.00
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	\$ 2,068.00

*Thank
you*



Scripture for the week of August 16, 2015

- Sunday: Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58
- Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22
- Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30
- Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16
- Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Mt 22:1-14
- Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Mt 22:34-40
- Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Mt 23:1-12
- Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or
5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

"St. Paul's faith is the experience of being loved by Jesus Christ in a very personal way... His faith is not a theory, an option about God and the world. His faith is the impact of God's love in his heart." ~Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI



A week ago the effort to defund Planned Parenthood failed in the Senate. But the fight to do so should continue. It was recently revealed that this organization harvests parts of the bodies of unborn babies. It is a means of making money for this organization which presents itself-- and is so understood by many women—as the protector of women's productive rights. If we were to enter into conversation with supporters of Planned Parenthood, could we not begin by asking them to clarify the meaning of the phrase *productive rights*? To produce is clear, and in this context it means to give birth to a baby. Certainly, we would want to protect such a right. A woman has a right to have a child, if she so chooses. In China that right is limited by the state so as to avoid overpopulation. But it seems that in most cases in the world of Planned Parenthood the meaning of this phrase is contradicted. It does not mean the right to give birth but rather the right to frustrate this right by killing the child to be born. How can people support such a right? Is this not barbarism? And is not the selling of the parts of these aborted babies a clear case of barbarism? If this is what is meant by the liberation of women, then we who believe that what is aborted is a child and not just pieces of tissue to be harvested and sold cannot support this kind of women's liberation.

Fr. Finnegan, S.J.



Announcements



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT is held every Friday in the upper church from 1 to 2 PM.

Our organist, Wayne Kildline, will be playing *Rodrigo's "Concierto de Aranjuez" - 2nd Movement* with the Ocean State Summer Pops on Saturday, August 29th at the Stadium Theatre at 7PM. Tickets (\$16, \$21, \$26 Children under 12 free) are available at the Stadium Theatre website: stadiumtheatre.com or call (401) 762-4545.

THE 22ND ANNUAL SAINT THERESA SHRINE FEAST DAY CELEBRATION will be held this Sunday, August 16th from 10AM to 4:30PM (rain or shine) 10AM Prayers at Holy Stairs; 11AM Stations of the Cross; 12PM Lunch and Concert; 1:30PM Outdoor Living Rosary; 2:45PM Procession with St. Theresa; 3PM Feast Mass. Main Celebrant and Homilist: Fr. Michael J. McMahon. For more information call (401) 568-0575 or (401) 568-8280.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED AT LAND-MARK - both the main and re-hab units need volunteers as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. The requirements are the same as for parish masses: a fully initiated Catholic in good standing, and if married, blessed by the Church. The schedule is flexible. Give your name to Fr. Finnegan and he will pass it on to Mr. Camille Pepin, the coordinator.

OUR LADY OF GOOD HELP PARISH, located at 1063 Victory Highway, Mapleville is hosting a ***YARD SALE*** on Saturday, August 22nd from 9AM to 3PM (rain or shine). Many great items including golf clubs, household items, and electronics. Fresh baked goods, as well as hot dogs, will be available for purchase.

ST. AMBROSE ANNUAL CLAMBAKE & RAFFLE

St. Ambrose Church, 191 School Street, Albion will hold its Annual Parish Clambake on the parish grounds on Sunday, September 13th from Noon

until 5PM. In addition to great food items and a cold beer tent, the fun-filled day includes games for children, games of chance for adults and raffles. Admission is free. Clamcakes, red and white chowder, steamers, dynamites, hot dogs, hamburgers, fries, homemade baked goods, cold beer and cold soft drinks will be available for purchase. The Clambake Club Raffle drawings are held every hour for a total of \$5,000 in prizes. Only 200 Clambake Club tickets will be sold; tickets are available for \$100 a piece at the Rectory Office. For more information or to reserve a Clambake Raffle Club ticket, please call the Rectory Office at (401) 333-1568.

THE GREATER WOONSOCKET CATHOLIC REGIONAL SCHOOL SYSTEM consisting of Monsignor Gadoury Catholic Regional School on 1371 Park Ave., Pre-K 3 year olds through 2nd Grade and Good Shepherd Catholic Regional School on 1210 Mendon Road, Grades 3 through 8, is still accepting applications for the 2015-2016 school year in select grades. For more information please contact Mrs. Janice Cabana at the Regional Office at (401) 762-1095. GWCRS is celebrating 42 years... A safe, stimulating and disciplined environment for pre-school, elementary and middle school students. Come grow with us in faith and excellence!

CALLED BY NAME MINISTRY is offering *"Road to the Spiritual Exercises" A Year of Preparation* from October 8, 2015 through April 28, 2016. This year of prayer is especially designed to prepare those who are considering making the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius in 2016-2017. Additionally, anyone who has made the Exercises or who desires to explore their relationship with God is welcome to come to one or all four of these sessions. For more information, please contact Deb Notarianni (401) 742-7637, or Rita Pratt (401) 323-6719 or e-mail: calledbynameri@gmail.com

TASTING IN ORDER TO SEE

The readings this week highlight the importance of wisdom. But what is wisdom? And how do you get it?

In the world of Nazi Germany everyone in the Nazi party got a party badge. Hitler's own party badge was made of gold. To the Nazis, Hitler's badge symbolized all the things in the world most worth having. At the end of his life, Hitler gave that gold badge as a gift to Magda Goebbels and she said that it was the proudest moment of her life when he did.

But he gave her that gold badge in the bunker under Berlin as Germany was losing the war. In that bunker in the last days of the war, Magda killed all six of her children and herself in an appallingly misguided act of loyalty to Hitler. When the invading soldiers of the Allied armies conquered Berlin and found her body, one of them took that little bit of a gold badge from her dress and pocketed it as a souvenir.

Magda shows us what folly is, doesn't she? She couldn't tell the real goods, the real gold, from the fake goods, the things that glitter but are worthless. The gold badge that symbolized what Magda Goebbels lived and died for is a fitting symbol of the terrible foolishness of her life.

Wisdom is the very opposite. It is the ability to discern between the real goods and the shiny fakes. But among the very best of the really good things is the goodness of God. And so wisdom is the ability to see the goodness of God wherever it is to be found in the world.

The [Psalm](#) tells us how we get the capacity for seeing the goodness of God, so important for us if we are to live our lives wisely, and not foolishly like Magda Goebbels. We get this capacity by tasting! Taste and see that the Lord is good, the Psalm says. Taste *what?*

The [Gospel](#) gives us the answer: Christ is the bread from heaven, and every person who tastes this bread will live. He will have the real goods, not the worthless fake goods; and he will see the difference between the two, because he will see God's goodness in Christ.

Here is the end of the story then: taste the bread from heaven and see the goodness of the Lord. Wisdom lies in this! ~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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