Saint Charles Borromeo



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

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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

| Saturday - Aug 30 | 4PM - Mass of the Day |
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| Sunday - Aug. 31 | 9AM - Charles & Mary Bowers by the family |
| Tuesday - Sept. 2 | 9AM - Parishioners of St. Charles |
| Wednesday - Sept. 3 | 9AM - Rosa, Alfredo & Anibal Afonso |
| | by the family |
| Thursday - Sept. 4 | 9AM - Charles McDonald |
| | by Jane Murray |
| Friday - Sept. 5 | 9AM - Lucille Blake by her estate |
| Saturday - Sept. 6 Sunday - Sept. 7 | 4PM - Mass of the Day 9AM - Margaret "Peg" Shiel by her husband & daughter |



Scripture for the week of August 31, 2014

31 SUN Jer 20:7-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

- **1 Mon** 1 Cor 2:1-5/Lk 4:16-30
- 2 Tue 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Lk 4:31-37
- **3 Wed** 1 Cor 3:1-9/Lk 4:38-44
- 7 7 LK 4.30 44
- **4 Thu** 1 Cor 3:18-23/Lk 5:1-11
- **5 Fri** 1 Cor 4:1-5/Lk 5:33-39
- **6 Sat** 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Lk 6:1-5
- **SUN** Ez 33:7-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

"We, the women and men of the Church, we are in the middle of a love story: each of us is a link in this chain of love. And if we do not understand this, we have understood nothing of what the Church is...."

~Pope Francis



Labor Day is upon us. Another summer come and gone. But as I write these words on August 26th, the temperature is going up to the nineties. Another indication that school should start after, not before, Labor Day! Pity the poor students in school this hot week of August. They should be at the beach enjoying these last weeks of summer.

In today's Gospel (Tuesday, the 26th) the Lord castigates the scribes and Pharisees for attending to the small things of the Law (taxes on condiments) but neglecting the important things like mercy and fidelity. They strain out the gnat but swallow the camel, he tells them. Today we would talk about this kind of thing as a question of priorities. What is important in our lives? To answer that question, we could use two norms, though there may be many others. But the two I am thinking of are time and money. On what do I spend my time and my money? When we answer there question, we may be surprised. We hadn't thought about it. "Do I really think that this is so important?" we may end up asking ourselves.

In the past forty years or so physical exercise has become very important. Who jogged or went to the gym in the fifties? Not too many. But nowadays many of us do, and that is good. This priority is a good one. But I think we need to add to it. How about spiritual exercise? What does that consist of? Prayer, meditation, reflection on the Scriptures. Do we build these kinds of activities into our lives the way we do a trip to the gym? We would all be much healthier, both spiritually and physically, if we did. Give it a try! You will like it.

Fr. Finnegan, S.J.



Announcements

SAVE THE DATE - Saturday, September 27

We will have a "Ham and Bean Supper" in the parish hall at 5PM - after the 4PM Mass. Tickets \$10 for adults and \$6 for children (under 12) will be sold after the Masses beginning the weekend of September 6 and 7. Tickets will also be available during office hours at the rectory—Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:30AM to 4PM.

WOMEN'S RETREAT, "NO SONG LIKE YOUR OWN"

Will be held at the La Salette Retreat Center in Attleboro, MA from <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>October 21 to Thursday</u>, <u>October 23</u> and will be facilitated by Peggy Patenaude of *Taking Time Out*. For more information, contact Peggy at (508) 548-9149 or timeoutretreats@comcast.net.

FLAVORS OF NORTHERN RHODE ISLAND

Come and sample your favorite foods from 20 of Northern Rhode Island's best restaurants as the *Haven of Grace* hosts its 12 Annual Flavors of Northern Rhode Island on Wednesday, <u>September 10 from 5:30 to 7PM</u> at Cercle Laurier, 165 East School Street, Woonsocket. Tickets \$15 are available at the door. Proceeds benefit homeless women.

POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS - Are you a caregiver of someone over 60 years old? The Saint Antoine Community is pleased to invite you to participate in an educational program designed to provide self-care education for caregivers. This great program will help caregivers to cope with personal stress and master caregiving decisions as well as improve their ability to communicate their own personal needs and feelings. Duration: 6 weeks - 1 1/2hour sessions When: Wednesday, starting Sept. 17 through October 22. Hours: 6:30 PM to 8:00PM Where: The Villa at Saint Antoine Community Room (400)

Mendon Road, North Smithfield, RI RSVP & More Info.: Carolyn Allard at (401) 767-3500, ext. 103. Space is limited. Please call as soon as possible.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to deliver Meals On Wheels to frail and home bound people in the community. There is a critical need at this time to find volunteers who are willing to give an hour or two, one or more days per week. Deliveries are Monday through Friday from 10AM to 1PM. Any contribution of time and effort is greatly appreciated. Please call Senior Services Inc. (401) 766-3734 if you can help.

Would you be willing to volunteer to spend time with terminally ill patients in our area?

BEACON HOSPICE consider volunteers a vital part of their team who provide friendly visits and companionship to patients at their bedside. If interested, please call Volunteer Coordinator - Kristy Corbett, at (401) 438-0008 or by e-mail at kristy.corbett@beaconhospice.com

HARVEST BAZAAR Sacred Heart Church, Third Avenue, Woonsocket on Saturday, November 1st, 9AM - 4PM and Sunday, Nov. 2nd, 9AM - 1PM. Vendors wanted: Outside space 10x12 feet is available. Cost is \$20. for 2 days. Vendors must provide their own tables, tents, or canopies. (this event is rain or shine.) For more information, please call the rectory at (401) 766-3150 Monday through Wednesday 9AM - 2PM.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 16:21-27

"Whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

Fast
as light
we flee the cross
the second it comes close.

Lord, you always lose yourself on behalf of your beloveds.

So be with us. Show us the way to carry our cross.

Show us how to lose ourselves,
then find ourselves
in you, in love.

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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