

# Saint Charles Borromeo

September 4, 2016  
23rd 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

## 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.

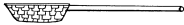
## This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 3	4PM - Parishioners of Saint Charles
Sunday, September 4	9AM - Parishioners of Saint Charles
Tuesday, September 6	9AM - John Bibeault by Paula Klara
Wednesday, September 7	9AM - Rose, Alfredo & Anibal Afonso by the family
Thursday, September 8	9AM - Mass of the Day
Friday, September 9	9AM - Lucille Blake
Saturday, September 10	4 PM - Yvette M. Paquette by the Angelini family
Sunday, September 11	9AM - Parishioners of Saint Charles

### Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 1,487.00
Loose Money	\$ 181.00

*Thank you*



\$ 1,668.00

### Scripture for the week of September 4, 2016

Sunday:	Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-6, 12-17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33
Monday:	1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-7, 12/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday:	1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday:	1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-17/Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
Friday:	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:	1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49
Next Sunday:	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32

#### A Meeting Place

*"Christianity is the meeting point of earth and heaven. It lays claim to the whole man, body and soul, intellect and will, inducing him to raise his mind above the changing conditions of this earthly existence and reach upwards for the eternal life of heaven where one day he will find unflinching happiness and peace.*

~ Saint Pope John Paul II

## WORKING WITH THE WORD

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#### Focusing the Gospel

#### *To the point:*

Discipleship requires both renunciation and calculation. Those who wish to follow Jesus must renounce everyone and everything that gets in the way of a single-minded response to Jesus' invitation to be his disciple. At the same time, disciples are not naively to follow Jesus. They must calculate and consent to the cost—the price is giving their all, even their own life. What the One who calls gives disciples in return, however, is beyond calculation—fullness of new Life

#### CONNECTING THE GOSPEL

#### *...to the first reading:*

The reading from Wisdom reminds us that "the deliberations of mortals are timid." Jesus, however, challenges us to be anything but timid. With bold calculation and conviction we are to embrace the cross. This is the way of discipleship.

#### *...to experience:*

Jesus in this Gospel is not negating meals with family and friends! He is teaching us that our generosity must extend beyond our immediate circle to include everyone—especially those in need—whom we might meet.

# Announcements



This **weekend's Second Collection** is for St. Vincent DePaul's Food Pantry. We appreciate your support as we continue to be the largest food distribution in the area.

Throughout the year the Diocese of Providence offers live and **online courses** covering the major aspects of our Catholic Faith. These courses are for anyone interested in learning more about Catholicism and can also be used for diocesan Catechist Certification. Upcoming course:

***Salvation History: Old Testament*** - A six week live course that will meet on Tuesdays, August 30 through October 4.

For more information or to register, call Ed Trendowski at 401-278-4646 or register online at [www.discovercatholicfaith.org](http://www.discovercatholicfaith.org).

"Salvation History" Course is \$25.

**CELEBRATE THE JUBILEE OF MERCY WITH AN AFTERNOON OF SONG AND PRAYER WITH FATHER PAT** (from La Salette) on Sunday, September 11th at 2 PM at All Saints in the Church. Father Pat will bring the Icon of Mercy with veneration of the relic of the True Cross. Cost: Free. A free will offering will be accepted.

## **Please Note:**

Please call the rectory office if you or a loved one is sick and you would like to add your name to the sick list to be prayed for at our weekend Masses.

## **A DAY OF RECOLLECTION WITH DEACON ART MILLER**

The day's topic will be "No Growth Without Change. Wednesday, September 7th from 10 AM until 3:30 PM. \$50 per person. Schedule includes two conferences, Mass, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and a delicious hot served lunch.

Please call office to register: (860)536-0565. Enders Island, 1 Enders Island, Mystic, CT

**DIVORCED? SEPARATED?** The Office of Life and Family will offer the "*FINDING HOPE*" *Program* at St. Catherine Church, 3252 Post Road, Warwick (upper back entrance) on Tuesdays - 7 to 8:30 PM, September 20th through November 15th. This free support group embraces our Catholic faith, provides a peaceful place for sharing, for healing and to discuss topics related to separation/divorce. For registration or further information, contact: Peter A. Magnotta at (401) 421-7833 ext. 217.

## **Have you experienced an Emmaus retreat?**

Emmaus is a Catholic retreat program for men and women (ages 20+) who seek to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, regardless of their present level of faith and practice. We want to extend a heartfelt invitation for you to join us on our next Emmaus weekend. You'll be welcomed by a loving community of individuals who are committed to helping people from all walks of life experience the unconditional love of Jesus Christ. Our next Emmaus weekend will be at La Salette Shrine in Attleboro on November 11-13, 2016.

## **PIZZA ON THE PATIO**

The Office of Vocations will be kicking off the monthly discernment meetings with the 3rd Annual *Pizza on the Patio* night at the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence (485 Mount Pleasant Avenue, Providence, RI) on Friday, September 16th at 6P.M. For more information or to RSVP if you plan to attend, please contact Fr. Chris Murphy, Assistant Vocation Director at (401) 331-1316 or [FatherCJM@gmail.com](mailto:FatherCJM@gmail.com).

## WHAT'S TO HATE?

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus recommends hatred—of your mother and father, of your wife (or husband), in fact, of your very life.

What's to hate about these people? How can Jesus say that unless you hate them, you can't be his disciple? Didn't he command us to love our neighbors as ourselves? How can you hate your life if you love yourself?

Well, think of St. Thomas More. Henry VIII of England wanted his marriage to his wife annulled so that he could marry another woman Anne. (Anglicans and Catholics both have troublesome characters in their history!) When the Pope wouldn't agree to what Henry wanted, Henry declared himself supreme head of the Church in England. More was Chancellor of England then, and Henry wanted More to support him in all this. Henry wanted More to sign the Oath of Supremacy declaring Henry the Supreme Head of the Church in England.

More saw that Henry's passion for Anne was moving Henry to betray his wife and bring scandal on the Church. And More wouldn't support him. He wouldn't sign the Oath.

So More resigned his chancellorship and went home. But Henry pursued him. First, he stripped More of his income and property, and then he imprisoned him. More's wife was frantic. More's children were heart-broken. They thought that More's life hung in the balance, and they were right.

Couldn't More have just signed that Oath? His wife would have had him home. His children would have rejoiced at his return. He would have kept his property. He would have kept his life.

But he would have lost his life in keeping it. He would have betrayed the Lord he loved if he had signed that Oath.

So More lost all his possessions. He left his wife and children behind and went to prison. And finally he went to his death, for love of the Lord. This is the kind of hatred of life and loved ones that the Lord is talking about. More loved his family and his life, but he let go of everything for love of Christ.

Because he maintained his integrity and did not let Henry push him into evil, More was true to the Lord he loved and to himself. He could not have loved himself or his wife or his children or his neighbors better than he did.

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)

Please notify us if anyone is ill, in the hospital or homebound and may wish to receive Holy Communion at home.



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