

# Saint Charles Borromeo



October 9, 2016  
28th 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 3:00 - 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, October 8	4PM - Helen Spont (1st Anniversary) by her family
Sunday, October 9	9AM - Alice Vadeboncoeur by Parkview Social Club Members
Tuesday, October 11	9AM - Joan Maney Carbone by her family
Wednesday, October 12	9AM - Norman Landry III by Dick & Sheila Landry
Thursday, October 13	9AM - Mass of the Day
Friday, October 14	9AM - Lucille Blake
Saturday, October 15	4 PM - Raymond Richardson by her family
Sunday, October 16	9AM - Parishioners of Saint Charles

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 17:11-19

*They stood at a distance from him and raised their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!"*

We are ten  
lepers.

With scars  
and wounds—and hope  
for your healing touch.

From our soul's depths  
we raise our voices to you.

"Jesus, Master!  
Have pity on us!"

As we glimpse just  
the grace you pour upon us  
we thank you.

## THE FIRST READING

2 Kings 5:14-17

Naaman said: "I will no longer offer  
holocaust or sacrifice to any other  
god except to the Lord."

Naaman  
was looking for recovery.  
He got "go-wash-in-the-river" in-  
stead.

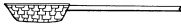
And was healed. So he carried  
home holy ground,  
on which God, using ordinary ob-  
jects, had done this miracle.

Lord, let us find you in all things,  
And relish this holy ground,  
finding there your  
holy love in  
our lives.

## Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 2,256.00
Loose Money	\$ 281.00
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*Thank  
you*



## Scripture for the week of October 9, 2016

Sunday:	2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1-4/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19
Monday:	Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31--5:1/Ps 113:1-7/Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday:	Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48/Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday:	Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 11:42-46
Thursday:	Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1-6/Lk 11:47-54
Friday:	Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13/Lk 12:1-7
Saturday:	Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-7/Lk 12:8-12

*America was founded upon the self-evident truth "that all humans are endowed with the unalienable right to LIFE. Yet, a baby is aborted every 23 seconds in the U.S. Over 4,000 babies are aborted every day. About 60 million babies have been aborted since the decision of Roe v Wade in January of 1973. Abortion is truly America's holocaust.*

*17 states use public funds to pay for abortions so about 15% of all abortions in the US are paid with public money. Our tax dollars fund Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider and promoter of casual sex and abortion.*

# Announcements



**October is "Respect Life" Month.** Help support the Pro-Life Cause: In honor of Respect Life Month, in the coming weekends there will be envelopes in the pews to help support Pro-Life Billboards in Rhode Island. Donations in any amount would be appreciated and helpful. More information will be in next weekend's bulletin.

**SAVE THE DATE:** On Saturday, November 5th we will have our **Annual St. Charles Dinner**. Join us for a Meat Loaf Dinner. See future bulletins for more info.

**HOLY FAMILY BAZAAR** - 414 South Main Street, Woonsocket on Saturday, October 15 - 9AM to 4PM and Sunday, October 16 - 9AM to 12 Noon. Gift Certificate Penny Social, Theme Basket Penny Social, Split the Pot and much more.

**HARVEST BAZAAR SACRED HEART CHURCH HALL** - Third Avenue Woonsocket on Saturday November 5th - 9AM to 4PM and Sunday November 6th 9AM to 1PM. Saturday—Kitchen Breakfast and Lunch, Sunday Brunch - Crepes with toppings.

**THE 2016 WHITE MASS** - The Rhode Island Catholic Medical Society invites all Physicians, Health Care Professionals and Workers, their families and patients to join as the Rev. Timothy Reilly, Chancellor of the Diocese of Providence celebrates the annual White Mass, asking the Lord's blessings upon those called to share His work of healing. When: Wednesday, October 19th at 7 PM. Where: Our Lady of Fatima Hospital Chapel, 200 High Service Avenue, North Providence, RI. Reservations are not required, but are appreciated. For more info or to RSVP, please call (401) 272-4838.

**OCTOBER DAY OF RECOLLECTION** with Deacon Tom Evrard at **Enders Island, Mystic, CT**

This month's Theme is "*The Sign of Jonah*" on

Monday, October 10, beginning at 10 AM. Includes Mass, Reflections, and lunch. \$50. see [www.EndersIsland.com](http://www.EndersIsland.com) or call (860) 536-0565 to register or for more information. See flyer on back bulletin board.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL ALUMNI MASS** Reconnecting with Alumni and Friends

Please join us as we celebrate Mass and remember the souls of deceased principals, teachers and fellow alumni of all open and closed Catholic elementary schools. When: Sunday, November 6th at 10 AM. Where: Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul. Rev. Jonathan DeFelice, OSB, Celebrant. Reception to follow in the lower level of the Cathedral. Reconnect with fellow classmates as we pray and work towards supporting our Catholic Schools.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 IS VOTING DAY** - *A Guide to Catholic Voting* brochures are available at the church entrances. Please pick up a copy and read it - helpful information.

**MY ONE WILD AND PRECIOUS LIFE** - *A Women's Mid-Week Retreat* October 18-20, 2016 at LaSalette Retreat Center, Attleboro, MA. Poet Mary Oliver asks: "Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?" God has gifted us with one precious life, living it to the fullest is our gift in return. Although the unfolding of life with its joys and sorrows is unique to each of us, we can each choose to make our lives a masterpiece. Come and join other women for an insightful and refreshing experience in the journey toward inner freedom. Fee: \$225 includes 5 meals, accommodations and retreat. Time: Retreat begins at 7PM on Tuesday and concludes Thursday after 12:30 lunch break. Registration: Contact Charlotte at La Salette at (508) 222-8530. Questions about the retreat: Contact Peggy at (508) 548-9149.

## OUR PEOPLE

In the Gospel Reading , Jesus cleanses ten lepers, but only one of them turns back to thank Jesus. That one is a Samaritan.

Samaritans aren't really part of God's people. They were separated from God's people earlier in their history.

In a different Gospel Reading (Mt 15:24; see also Mk 7:27), Jesus tells a Greek woman in Sidon, who persists in her requests for him to heal her daughter, that he was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel. Greeks are not part of God's people either; they are even more outsiders than Samaritans are.

But here is an odd thing to notice: Jesus does after all heal the daughter of the Greek woman. He cured the Samaritan leper too.

So was Jesus confused when he said he was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel? Or, if his job really is to minister only to his own people, then why did he give such powerful gifts of healing, such tender care, to the Samaritan leper and the Greek woman? After all, they aren't part of his people. And he said he was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.

The solution to this puzzle lies in the First Reading. Namaan, the leper who comes to Elisha, the Israelite prophet, to be healed, is a Syrian. Not only are Syrians not part of God's people; they are in fact among the enemies of God's people. They worship an alien God. But Elisha heals Namaan anyway.

And then look what happens. Namaan asks if Elisha will give him some dirt to build an altar to Elisha's God. When Elisha healed him, Namaan became committed to the true God. He wants dirt from Israel for an altar so that he can worship the God of Israel when he goes home to Syria. So Namaan comes to Elisha as a Syrian, but he leaves Elisha as a worshiper of the Lord.

A similar point holds of the Samaritan leper, and even of the woman in Sidon. They become one of Jesus' own, because of Jesus' care for them. Your faith has saved you, Jesus says to the Samaritan when he returns to Jesus. To the Greek woman in Sidon who won't leave him, Jesus says, "Great is your faith!" (Mt 15:28)

In doing a miracle for the Greek woman in Sidon, then, Jesus was in fact caring only for the lost sheep of Israel. By loving the Samaritan leper and the Greek woman, the Lord found his own people everywhere.

The lesson for us is clear, isn't it? Treat him with gentleness and care, and the person in front of you, hostile to all you hold dear, may in the end turn out to be one of the Lord's own people. ~Eleonore Stump

### Sacrament of Baptism

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