# Saint Charles Borromeo



**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

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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 - October 11 4PM - Jennifer Morrissette by the family

Sunday - October 12 9AM - Theresa Gaunt by the Parenteau family

9AM - Parishioners of St. Charles

Tuesday - October 14 9AM - Mary Dailey (Parish Benefactor)

by the parish

9AM - Rosa, Alfredo & Anibal Afonso Thursday - October 16 by Piedade & Carlo Rijo

Friday - October 10 9AM - Mass of the Day

Saturday - October 11 4PM - Raymond Richardson by his wife and family

Sunday - October 12 9AM - Theresa Gaunt by Glen & Lise Hurteau

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# Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes \$ 3,200.50 Loose Money 250.00 Seminarians' Education 836.00

Total ←

Wed. October 15

\$ 4,286.50

# Scripture for the week of October 12, 2014

**12 SUN** Is 25:6-10a/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

**13 Mon** Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/Lk 11:29-32

**14 Tue** Gal 5:1-6/Lk 11:37-41

15 Wed Gal 5:18-25/Lk 11:42-46

**16 Thu** Eph 1:1-10/Lk 11:47-54

17 Fri Eph 1:11-14/Lk 12:1-7

**18 Sat** 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9

**19 SUN** Is 45:1, 4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

Joy is a net of love by which we catch souls. ~ Mother Teresa



Here in Woonsocket it is Autumnfest time. and that is good news for the World War II park located near our church because it means that it will get its annual clean-up. The rest of the year it is a place where the homeless gather and even sleep—until they are told to leave. As you well know, in our city homeless men have to sleep outside until

the Harvest Community Church's shelter opens in November. We should do better

than that, but at the moment everyone will say that the city has no money for such "frills." Of course, if you were homeless, you would not consider a shelter a "frill." But then again people will say that the homeless themselves are responsible for ending up in that condition. What did they do, or, more likely, what didn't the do that meant that they landed in the street? Most of the time the answer is clear. It is some kind of addiction which took over their lives and made it impossible for them to function in an ordinary way, and even their families could not help them. The way out is a liberation from their addictions, and that is sometimes possible. But work is also necessary. If a person is struggling to overcome an addiction, a job is a great help. A job demands discipline, and discipline is a counterweight to addiction. Oh, that we who go to church could wave a magic wand and find work for the addicted! That would help them almost as much as our prayers for them and our willingness to remain in contact with them, that is, to keep them in community with us. That too is very important.

By the way, our parking lot was cleaned up last week by the members of the AA group who meet in our church on Wednesdays. We thank them for their work.

Fr. Finnegan, S. J.

# Announcements

Every year, something special happens at the end of October - the Church remembers its most important identity, as the Church in Mission. We celebrate that all baptized people are missionaries proclaiming "Jesus is Lord." We call this day **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**. On this day, Catholics around the world unite at Mass to recommit ourselves to be missionaries of faith by our prayers, our participation at Mass, and giving generously to the collection for mission countries around the world, most of them in Africa and Asia—countries such as Mongolia - the world's youngest Catholic Church. See poster on bulletin board.

To celebrate our patron saint's feast day, our parish will host **SAINT CHARLES PASTA DINNER** on Saturday, November 1st. Mark your calendar and come join us! Tickets will be on sale after Masses the next few weekends. \$10 per person and \$5 for children under 12. Tickets will also be available at the rectory.

October is Respect Life Month - Help support the Pro-Life Cause: In honor of Respect Life Month, this weekend and the next few weekends, there are envelopes in the pews to help support Pro Life Billboards in Rhode Island, Donations in any amount would be appreciated and helpful. For more information, see insert in the bulletin.

The Diocese of Providence is offering a three day Healing Retreat for women who have survived sexual assault. This retreat is designed to assist participants to begin (or continue) healing their relationship with God, a relationship that may have been damaged by the trauma of assault. FINDING HER WAY will be held from Friday evening, October 24th through Sunday noon, October 26th, in Ridge End Retreat Center, Westerly, RI. The retreat will be led by Sister Maco Cassetta, a psychotherapist and pastoral counselor with 10 years' experience working in this field. Scholarships are available to assist with the registration costs. For more information or to request a brochure about the retreat, contact Kathy McKeon 421-7833 at (401)x206 or kmckeon@dioceseofprovidence.org

HOLY FAMILY ANNUAL FALL BAZAAR - 414 South Main St, Woonsocket - <u>Saturday, October</u> <u>25th from 9AM to 6PM and Sunday, October 26th from 9AM to 12 Noon.</u>

HARVEST BAZAAR & CRAFT FAIR at Precious Blood Church Hall (entrance on Hamlet Avenue) on Saturday, October 18 (9AM to 3PM) and Sunday, October 19 (9AM to 1PM)

OUR LADY OF CZENSTOCHOWA HOLIDAY BAZAAR - 222 MacArthur Blvd, Coventry, RI - Sunday, November 2nd, from 9AM to 3PM at the School Auditorium.

THE 2014 WHITE MASS - The Rhode Island Catholic Medical Society invites all Physicians, Health Care Professionals and Workers, their families and patients to the White Mass on Tuesday, October 21st, at 7PM at Our Lady of Fatima Hospital Chapel, 200 High Service Avenue, North Providence. The Most Rev. Thomas J. Tobin. Bishop of Providence will celebrate the Annual White Mass, asking the Lord's blessings upon those called to share His work of healing. A light reception will follow the Mass in the hospital cafeteria. Reservations not required, but are appreciated. For info and to RSVP, please call (401) 272-4838 or respond to CathMedRI@yahoo.com or http://www.cathmedri.org

DIVINE WILL CONFERENCE at the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette, Attleboro, MA - October 24, 25 & 26. Main Speaker Padre Bernardin Bucci, member of the Tribunal for the Cause of the Beatification and Canonization of the Servant of God, Luisa Piccarreta will speak on "The Book of Heaven—The Call of the Creature to the Order, the Place and the Purpose for which He was Created by God" and his personal experiences of knowing her. For registrations contact: Sandy and Ed Duggan (978) 443-5097 or email: dianne10e@gmail.com. See bulletin board for more info.

#### **RICH AND JUICY**

The <u>First Reading</u> says that the Lord of hosts will provide a feast for his people, a feast of choice wines and rich and juicy food.

Rich food is the kind that our culture warns us against. Everything shouts at us that if we want to look good and be healthy, the one thing we should be sure to avoid is rich food. And what can we say about choice wines? They cost a lot of money, which could be better spent on other things; and nobody can exercise hard or work well who is full of choice wines.

Furthermore, almost everybody is dieting or has been dieting. But we all know that even successful dieters fail in the long run. Often, a person diets just long enough to get rid of excess weight and then happily goes right back to his old habits of eating rich and juicy food. That's how diets fail.

We seem pressed, then, to give up rich and juicy things forever. And it isn't just a matter of food. Work, marriage, children—all these things can give the same impression. Give unstintingly, labor ceaselessly; but, please, please, nothing rich and juicy! At least, not if you want to be healthy, attractive, and successful.

This is a grim and grinding picture of human life.

But it is not the Lord's picture. We are made by him to be fed till full on the very best, the most rich and juicy of all. The Lord himself will provide it for us in heaven, in the wedding supper of the Lamb. But, in this life too, the Lord feeds us with the best, himself, in the bread and wine of the Eucharist. There is no choicer wine or richer food.

And so, as the <u>First Reading</u> shows us, we are not commanded to a life of grimness. We are called to joy.

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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