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 18 4PM - Raymond Richardson by his wife and family Sunday - October 19 9AM - Theresa Gaunt by Glen & Lise Hurteau 9AM - Parishioners of St. Charles Tuesday - October 21 Wed. October 22 9AM - Rosa, Alfredo & Anibal Afonso by the parish Thursday - October 23 9AM - Marjorie & Peter by Friday - October 24 9AM - Aldo F. Rossi & family by his sisters Saturday - October 25 4PM - Robert Lachance by his family



9AM - Bennie Harris

by wife Rose & son Michael

Scripture for the week of October 19, 2014

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

20 Mon Eph 2:1-10/Lk 12:13-21

Sunday - October 26

21 Tue Eph 2:12-22/Lk 12:35-38

22 Wed Eph 3:2-12/Lk 12:39-48

23 Thu Eph 3:14-21/Lk 12:49-53

24 Fri Eph 4:1-6/Lk 12:54-59

25 Sat Eph 4:7-16/Lk 13:1-9

26 SUN Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

The human person is a unique composite - a unity of spirit and matter, soul and body, fashioned in the image of God and destined to live forever.

Every human life is sacred, because every human person is sacred. ~Pope John Paul II



The long October weekend in honor of Columbus and, here in Woonsocket, the celebration of Autumnfest, are past and we are now into the full colors of autumn and, at this moment (Tuesday, the 14th), Indian summer weather with temperatures in the 70s. New England is not a bad place to live if you like change. We have seasons within seasons. Today it is summer; tomorrow it will be winter, and all in a matter of hours. Pity those poor people who live in places where they have just sun and warmth almost all the time. They are really deprived, don't you think?

The temperature in the Church is warm right now. It is called "the Francis effect." The pope's kindness and humanity have warmed up many people. As you know, there is a meeting (a synod) of bishops going on in Rome now discussing the family in today's society. The papers are now saying that the Church is taking a more positive position with respect to people who are homosexual. That is true in a sense because some of the languages traditionally used to describe homosexuality is being rejected. On the other hand, we should be aware of the fact that for decades now the Church has been preaching acceptance and respect for people who are homosexual. Thus the so-called new approach the papers are now talking about is really not so new. Yet it must be admitted that when traditional moral theology looks at sexuality, it does see it as "normally" functioning in a heterosexual way. What can we do here to improve? Perhaps recognize the fact that what is normal for the heterosexual person is not normal for the homosexual person, and vice versa. At the end of the day we want to come to the point when we will no longer make people's sexual orientation the only norm for evaluating them. It is an essential part of a person, but a part, not the whole. That will be a good new starting-point.

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 **THE CAR-PENTER'S WORKSHOP**, a free support group for adult men impacted by abortion. The group provides a place to talk, heal, and ways to rebuild lives together through God's love. The group will meet on Wednesday evenings, 7—8:30PM on November 12 & 19, and December 3 & 10, at the Diocese of Providence, One Cathedral Square, Providence. For information, contact: Peter Magnotta at (401) 421–7833, ext. 217. See flyer on bulletin board.

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

HARVEST BAZAAR & CRAFT FAIR at Precious Blood Church Hall (entrance on Hamlet Avenue) on 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.

ST. BASIL THE GREAT CHURCH, 15 Skyview Drive, Lincoln, RI - <u>Saturday, November 22, 10AM - 6PM and Sunday, November 23, 10AM - 4PM.</u> Kick-Off Dinner on <u>Friday, November 21, 5 - 9PM</u>

AUTUMN LEAVES BAZAAR at St. Theresa's Church, 35 Dion Drive, Harrisville - <u>Friday, October 24</u>, from Noon to 7PM, Saturday, October 25, from 9AM to 7PM, and Sunday, October 26 - 9AM to 2PM.

MOUNT SAINT CHARLES ACADEMY'S OPEN HOUSE is quickly approaching! The date is Sunday, November 2nd from 2 - 4PM. Mount Saint Charles in the tradition of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, is a private, Catholic college preparatory 6th - 12th grade academy committed to academic excellence, moral values, and well-rounded students. Our commitment to caring means that each and every student is known, valued, and treasured. Mount Saint Charles also has exciting news. Mount's junior high is expanding with the addition of grade 6 in the fall of 2015.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS - Please join Bishop Tobin in prayer for vocations to the priesthood in the Diocese of Providence as he presides at the monthly Holy Hour for Vocations on Thursday, October 23, at 6:30PM at St. Joseph Church, 1200 Mendon Road, Woonsocket. Let us unite in prayer that many more men will respond to God's call to the priesthood in the Diocese of Providence.

PRAYER FOR AUTUMN DAYS

God of autumn, the trees are saying goodbye to their green, letting go of what has been. We, too, have our moments of surrender, with all their insecurity and risk. Help us to let go when we need to do so.

God of fallen leaves flying in colored patterns on the ground, our lives have their own patterns. As we see the patterns of our own growth, may we learn from them.

God of misty days and harvest moon nights, there is always the dimension of mystery and wonder in our lives. We always need to recognize your power filled presence. May we gain strength from this.

God of harvest wagons and fields of ripened grain, many gifts of growth lie within the season of our surrender. We must wait for harvest in faith and hope. Grant us patience when we do not see the blessings.

God of geese going south for another season, your wisdom enables us to know what needs to be left behind and needs to be carried into the future. We yearn for insight and vision.

God of flowers touched with frost and windows wearing white designs, may your love keep our hearts from growing cold in the empty seasons.

~Author Unknown

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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