Saínt 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

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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

by the Angelini family	
Sunday, November 2 9AM - Martha & Leo McIntyre by Barbara & Roger Peloc	uin
Tuesday, November 4 9AM - Deceased Members of the Trinity Club by the parish	
Wednesday, November 5 9AM -Mary Dailey, Parish Benefactor, by the parish	
Thursday, November 6 9AM -Saint Charles Parishioners	
Friday, November 7 9AM - Lucille Blake	
Saturday, November 8 4PM - Normand Champagne by Molly and family	
Sunday, November 9 9AM - John Tempest by the family	

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Scripture for the week of November 2,2014

2 SUN Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

- 3 Mon Phil 2:1-4/Lk 14:12-14
- 4 **Tue** Phil 2:5-11/Lk 14:15-24
- 5 Wed Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33
- 6 **Thu** Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10
- 7 Fri Phil 3:17-4:1/Lk 16:1-8
- Sat Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15 8

9 SUN Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

"Words that do not give the light of Christ

increase the darkness".

~Blessed Teresa of Calcutta



In our liturgical calendar Sunday has a position of primacy as the celebration of the Lord's resurrection. The Sabbath was the day the Jews kept holy for the Lord. That is our Saturday. But the Christians substituted Sunday for it. Sunday became our Sabbath, the Lord's day, because the Lord rose on it. At first glance, then, it seemed strange (at least to me) that the Church has given precedence to the celebration of All Souls Day by celebrating it on Sunday. I thought that the ordinary Sunday calendar would be kept and it would be celebrated on Monday. Not so. This Sunday is All Souls Day. Moreover, our present custom of celebrating the Sunday Mass at the Vigil Mass on Saturday has also been interrupted. The Mass on Saturday this weekend is the Mass for the Feast of All Saints. In short, this weekend's liturgical calendar has stayed with the dates of these feasts (All Saints on November 1 and All Souls on November 2) instead of adhering to the ordinary liturgical calendar.

But this is not without reason. Although All Souls Day is dedicated to the commemoration of the faithful departed, it and the preceding feast of All Saints can both be seen as dedicated, in their own way, to the celebration of the Lord's resurrection. We celebrate the saints as those already with God in the risen life, and we pray for the faithful departed that they too may share in the risen life.

Science is teaching us about the beauty, complexity and enormity of the universe. Yet at the same time our culture is thoroughly materialistic, seeking only what can be seen and touched. It forgets that life, especially human life, is more than that. Thus these feasts are what our culture needs to hear about. Life is more than just the present; life is also about a future with God.

Fr. Finnegan, S.J.

Announcements

SAINT CHARLES PASTA DINNER is this Saturday, November 1st. after the 4PM Mass. \$10 per person and \$5 for children under 12. Tickets will be available at the door. Join us!

COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS in the Parish Hall on <u>Sunday, November 16, - 6 to 8PM.</u> Please bring one nonperishable food item per person, more if you wish. Parties of 12 ore more will be entered into a **Grand Prize drawing of \$50 cash.**

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,</u> <u>10AM - 6PM and Sunday, November 23, 10AM -</u> <u>4PM</u>. Kick-Off Dinner on <u>Friday, November 21, 5</u> <u>- 9PM</u>

OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR, 1409 Park Avenue - <u>Satur-day, November 15 from 9AM to 5PM.</u>

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - <u>Saturday, November</u> 22nd, from 10AM to 4PM.

SAINT JAMES CHURCH, 33 Division Street, Manville—HOLIDAY BAZAAR & GIANT FLEA MARKET - <u>Saturday</u>, <u>November 15 from 9AM to</u> <u>3PM.</u> in the Fr. Brindamour Church Hall (Bazaar & Kitchen) Flea Market in the Fr. Brouillette Center.

The following **mini-retreat** will be held at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham, MA this fall on the second Wednesdays of the month. All are welcome. Time: 10AM - 12:30PM. Cost: \$20. Please register at least 2 days in advance by contacting Peggy Patenaude at (508) 548-9149. The fee can be paid on arrival. **Nov. 12: Look at the View** - Life is a most wonderful gift given to us by God. Sadly, we do not always recognize it to be so. It's tempting to focus on the negative. Yet, each of us has sole custody of our own attitude and we can choose to see the beauty & abundance in life. We can choose to make each day a masterpiece.

SAINT ANTOINE RESIDENCE is seeking the following position:

• Receptionist 3PM to9PM every Thursday and Friday and fill in as needed."

If interested, please call (401) 767-3500 x 103

GABRIEL is Calling for Help - Saint Gabriel's Call (pregnancy and beyond outreach program) at All Saints can use help on a Monday and Wednesday fro 9 AM to 4 PM. We are suggesting 1 or 2 hours on one of those days for someone from the parish to help sort baby clothing. If you can share your time, contact Carol Owens at (401) 421– 7833 x 218. Thank you!

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK will be celebrated in our country <u>No-</u> vember 2 - 8

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O God our provident Father, through your Son you revealed to us the mysteries of the Kingdom; you will that all men and women be saved and come to the knowledge of your Truth. Send workers into your great harvest, grant that more men will serve your Church as priests for the Diocese of Providence, that the Gospel may be preached to every creature and your people, strengthened by the ord of life and the sacraments may advance in the way of salvation and love. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus says that all those who see him and believe in him will have eternal life. There is some consolation in that thought. Our beloved dead live with the Lord forever.

But the problem is that, for us, our beloved dead are dead. They may be in a much better place; but we are still here, and they are not. We are like people who put their beloved friends on a train to a far-off place from which they will not return. We wave good-bye to them as the train leaves the station, and then turn to make our way back without them, to face all the ordinary sorrows and challenges of life on our own.

Even with the consolation of the thought that our beloved dead are with the Lord, having to finish our own journey without them can feel heartbreaking.

The disciples of Jesus felt this way and worse when Jesus died. We know, of course, that their grief and discouragement was turned into joy very fast, when they came to understand that he had come back to them from the dead.

Their beloved dead didn't stay dead very long, did he?

And so it must have been a special shock to them to discover that although their beloved Lord was not dead, he was also returning to the Father. They had to lose him a second time when he ascended to the Father, didn't they?

And yet what did Jesus say to them? Here are his last recorded words in the Gospel of Matthew:

"I am with you always, till the end of the world." (Mt 28:20)

How can he be both with them and also ascended to the Father?

The answer is that the Holy Spirit, which is the Spirit of Christ, lives inside every one of the Lord's people. In being actually within them, the resurrected ascended Christ is indeed with his people always!

But then we need to remember that our beloved dead are with the Lord. If the Lord is with us always, then so are our beloved dead, who live with him.

We do not have to finish our journey without our beloved dead then. They do not leave us any more than the Lord does.

This is indeed a consoling thought on the day we remember our beloved dead. ~Eleonore Stump

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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