

# Saint Charles Borromeo

November 27, 2016  
First Sunday  
of Advent



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## Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

**Brazilian Mass** 12:00 noon

Rev. Messias

## Weekday Masses

(in the lower-level Chapel)

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.

## Confessions

Saturdays 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.

or by appointment

## Holy Days

9:00 a.m.

## 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.

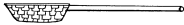
## This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 26	4PM - Octave & Elizabeth Bousquet by the family
Sunday, November 27	9AM - Maureen Lambert by the family
Tuesday, November 29	9AM - James Cote by his wife
Wednesday, November 30	9AM - James Cote by his wife
Thursday, December 1	9AM - Melva R. McMann "Alliare" by friends of Holy Family Church
Friday, December 2	9AM - Lucille Blake
Saturday, December 3	10 AM - Memorial Mass for John Notorangelo
Saturday, December 3	4 PM - Peggy Shiel (12th anniversary) by her husband & daughters
Sunday, December 4	9AM - Kennedy and Shiel families by the families

## Last Weekend's Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 1,979.00
Loose Money	\$ 277.00

*Thank  
you*



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\$ 2,256.00

## Scripture for the week of November 27, 2016

Sunday:	Is 2:1-5/Ps 122/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44
Monday:	Is 4:2-6/Ps 122/Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday:	Is 11:1-10/Ps 72/Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday:	Rom 10:9-18/Ps 23/Mt 4:18-22
Thursday:	Is 26:1-6/Ps 118/Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday:	Is 29:17-24/Ps 27/Mt 9:27-31
Saturday:	Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147/Mt 9:35--10:1, 5a, 6-8
Next Sunday:	Is 11:1-10/Ps 72/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

*"The Door of Mercy will always be open for you. Mercy is the  
"beating heart of the Gospel".*

*~Pope Francis*

*"The great thing to remember is that though our feelings come and  
go, God's love for us does not."*

*~C.S. Lewis*

## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 24: 37-44

*"Therefore stay awake!..."*

Come,  
Father, of all,  
wake us up for the  
coming of his kingdom.

Let us find Jesus now, in the crimson  
colored dusk,  
in his crescent moon and flying  
geese,  
show him in laughing children,  
and in brothers and sisters  
wherever we find them.  
Always awake, watching for him.  
with our hearts open wide,  
so we each and all can

"greet him  
the days I meet him,  
and bless when I  
understand."

## THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 2:1-5

*"They will beat their swords into plow-  
shares"*

War  
no more!  
Never again war!  
Cause us to drop our weapons,  
and turn our missile cruisers into life-  
boats.

We yearn to walk in your light,  
washed in your peace.

Let us rise from  
every city on earth,  
and climb your holy  
mountain.

# Announcements



**THE 2017 PARISH CALENDARS ARE NOW AVAILABLE.** Please pick one up at the church entrances as you leave.

**THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION** is for the *Catholic Campaign for Human Development*.

**THE SOUNDS OF THE SEASON** On Sunday, December 11th at 3PM, the Gregorian Concert Choir, the Prout High School Chorus and Festival Orchestra will present a concert entitled, 'The Sounds of the Season' in the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in Providence. The concert will feature the music of Advent and Christmas to benefit Bishop Tobin's "Keep the Heat On' Campaign. Proceeds raised from the concert provide heating assistance for struggling individuals and families who have exhausted all other public and private aid. Tickets for the concert are \$10 per person and may be purchased by calling the Cathedral office at (401) 331-2434. (Tickets will also be available at the door on the day of the concert).

**ST. CHARLES CHRISTMAS CONCERT** our adult choir, and Wayne's student guitar ensemble will be presenting a short Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 18th, at 3:00PM, upstairs in the church, Admission, as always, is free, but you are encouraged to bring a non-perishable for Bryan's Pantry.

**PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA PORTUGAL** Join Bishop Thomas Tobin as the Diocese of Providence celebrates *A Year with Mary our Mother*. The Diocese is sponsoring a pilgrimage to Portugal commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Marian Apparitions in Fatima. The nine day pilgrimage departs Boston on August 10, 2017 and returns August 19th, 2017. For further info, please contact Touring International at 1 (800) 975-1761.

**WORLD AIDS DAY MASS** - The Parish of Saint Patrick, located at 244 Smith Street in Providence, is hosting a World Aids Day Mass on Wednesday, November 30th, at 6:30PM. Fr. James Ruggieri and Deacon Tim Flanigan invite you to come and pray

for and celebrate the lives of all those who have died from HIV, and to pray for and console their families and friends. In addition we will pray for those living with this illness. A light dessert collation will be held after Mass. For more info, call (401) 421-7070.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** - "May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another." As we await the coming of the Lord, let us live in our marriages with endurance and encouragement. Explore how by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter. The next WWME weekends are January 20-22, 2017 in Duxbury, MA and March 17-19, 2017 in South Kingston, RI. For more information, visit at [www.WWMEMA.org](http://www.WWMEMA.org) or call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 1 (800) 710-9963.

**PLEASE NOTE** that in the upcoming cold months if there is no school in Woonsocket due to snow days or inclement weather, there will be no morning Mass.

**PLEASE NOTE** As of January 1st, 2017 the stipends for a Weekend Mass will be \$25. Weekday Mass Stipends will remain at \$10.

**DECEMBER DAY OF RECOLLECTION** at Enders Island in Mystic, CT with Sr. Eugenia Brady, SJC, on Thursday, December 8, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Begins at 10 AM, includes 2 Conferences, Mass, Reconciliation, and a hot served lunch. \$50 per person. Ends at 3:30 PM.

For more info, call (860) 536-0565 or visit: <http://enders.is/decemberdor>. See flyers on bulletin boards.

**BEREAVEMENT DAY RETREAT** at Enders Island in Mystic, CT with Fr. Ed Dempsey on Sunday, December 11th. Coping with Death, Bereavement, Grief and Mourning. Begins at 10 AM. Same format and additional information as above December Day of Recollection. See flyers on bulletin boards.

## PREPARING FOR CHRIST

"The Son of Man is coming at the time you least expect (Mt 24:44)."

That is a frightening prospect.

- What if Jesus comes when there are still nearly two and a half billion people living in countries where the annual per capita income is \$400 or less?
- When there are still about 40,000 people dying every day from hunger?
- When a billion people, one fifth of the human race, still do not have decent housing?
- When there are still 20 million Latin American children sleeping in the street?
- When there are still hundreds of millions of people without basic medical care?
- When one out of every four human beings still has no access to safe drinking water?
- When we are still burning down rain forests, depleting the ozone layer that protects us from the sun, depositing black crude oil along the delicate shoreline of the world, sending noxious gasses into the atmosphere so they return to earth as acid rain and pollute lakes and streams, playing games with radioactive materials that will be around to torture us for centuries?

"It is now the hour for us to wake from sleep (Rom 13:11)." The challenge to "beat our swords into plowshares" (Is 2:4) has been around for centuries, as have other biblical challenges to "cast off deeds of darkness (Rom 13:12)." The season of Advent is a time for us to wake ourselves up and begin preparing better for the coming of Christ.

Hope in the coming kingdom is already beginning to take root in the hearts of men. The radical transformation of the world in the paschal mystery of the Lord gives full meaning to the efforts of men, and in particular of the young, to lessen injustice, violence and hatred and to advance all together in justice, freedom, brotherhood and love.

Synod of Bishops, Justice in the World, 1971: 76

Gerald Darring

### 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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