

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

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SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Schedule of Holy Mass

Saturday: 8:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m. vigil for Sunday
 Sunday: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 a.m.
 11:30 a.m. in Spanish
 Weekdays: 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.
 Holy Days of Obligation: watch the bulletin
 National Holidays: 9:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Third Mondays, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Parish Office Business Hours

Monday thru Friday, 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
 Bulletin deadline: Monday 10:00 a.m.
peggy@borromeoparish.com

Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation:
 Saturdays 4:00 to 4:45 p.m. or by appointment
 Sacrament of Baptism:
 Arrangements made after parental instruction.
 Call the parish office for more information.
 Sacrament of Matrimony:
 Contact the parish office six months prior to
 wedding to begin preparations
 Prayer Requests:
 email: jmipray4us@juno.com or 636-940-2128
 Perpetual Help Devotions:
 Tuesdays following the 8:00 a.m. Mass
 Rosary:
 Daily (except Sunday) after 8:00 a.m. Mass and
 Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. at the outdoor shrine
 Wedding Receptions:
 Please call Special Events Coordinator for rates
 and availability: Neil Burton 636-949-9722

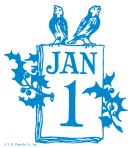
OUR WARM WELCOME TO ALL!

We welcome all who come and worship with us. If you wish to join our parish faith family, or have a change in your contact information, kindly complete this form. You can return it to the Rectory, place in in the collection, or give it to a Priest or Deacon.

Name _____ Cell/Phone Number _____
 Address/Zip _____ Email _____

Please make the above changes to my parish record
 I wish to find out more about the Catholic faith
 I would like to speak with a Priest/Deacon

I would like our Church Family to pray for:



A Most Blessed New Year! *Thank You and God Love You!*

Our Borromeo Parish Family is so grateful to all who have donated in so many ways to build up Jesus' Kingdom in and through our Parish Family: through service and time - through outreach and works of charity and justice and peace and life and love - and through monetary support weekly, monthly, corporate matching gifts, capital campaign and stocks and dividends, etc. THANK YOU!

This past month I was again inspired by such a generous outpouring through our Giving Tree. Nearly a thousand ornament gifts and donations were channeled from you and the Academy through so many volunteers and our St. Vincent dePaul Society and Latino Ministry. You made Christmas for so many families so full of Jesus' love and presence. God Love You!

Also, a huge THANK YOU to all who gave so much prayerful love to make our Christmas Masses so uplifting and uniting: all who decorated and cleaned and changed lights, sang and played music, served and lectured, greeted and ushered, distributed Holy Communion and all who prayed and sang so beautifully—choirs and congregation—making Jesus Really Present. I hope you encountered Jesus and His Love and Peace. I know I did!

My heartfelt thanks to all who sent cards and such kind words of support and prayer and so many delicious gifts. You truly know how to make us and one another feel loved and appreciated.

Hospitality/Outreach

God bless our new Committee and so many volunteers who all did such a great job in helping to make our Christmas Masses so welcoming and joyful!

There are more DVD's about our wonderful, active Borromeo Parish Family as well as brochures on the Top Ten Reasons to Come Back to the Catholic Church in our Narthex. Please take them if you know anyone who might be interested. And let us all pray daily that we be great fishers of people for Jesus, good shepherds running after any lost sheep, as we invite them to join us in our journey with Jesus to new and eternal life.

January 3 (formerly the 1st) *Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus:* *Repeating the Holy Name*

"There [is not] any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved." Acts 4:12

We have to be amazed these days at some of the names parents give their children. They push distinctiveness to the limit, but at least they are serious. The

name stands for the person, says something about the person.

In biblical times, fathers had the role of naming. According to Saint Matthew, Joseph was told what name to give the Child to be born of Mary: "You are to name him Jesus" - in Hebrew, "Joshua," meaning "Yahweh saves" (Matthew 1:21). God, our savior!

Years ago was a time of veneration for our Lord's name. People bowed their heads and priests tipped their biretta upon hearing the name of Jesus. Men were active in the parish Holy Name Society. The baseball fans in old San Francisco were shocked at the arrival of a Caribbean fielder bearing the holy name, Jesús Alou.

In the old days, Catholics favored "Christ" and "Jesus Christ" as the holy name. "Jesus," we felt, was used too familiarly by the Protestants. Nowadays we commonly hear the name Jesus in preaching and prayer, above all as a mantra, or focus word, in centering prayer. The holy Infant's name on the lips of young and old has always been an expectation of Christmas. At the manger, when everything else about the Incarnation overawes us, what can we whisper to the Newborn but his precious name, Jesus?

Good News of Jesus Working *in our Borromeo Family*

Thanks to everyone who helped with all of the St. Vincent dePaul efforts during this past year!!!

- Over 550 families helped during 2011.
- 85+ families being assisted with our Christmas food baskets and Giving Tree gifts.
- Another very successful clothing drive held for the SVDP Thrift Store.
- Over 4500 meals being served by the SVDP Soup Kitchen.
- We've added 5 new members to our organization.

None of these accomplishments would have happened, had it not been for the generous donation of time and talents of so many of our parishioners!

Thank you and may you and your families have a blessed New Year!

Lenten Mission 2012: March 18-22!

Please pray daily for our Parish Mission:

Heavenly Father, You have blessed our parish, St. Charles Borromeo, for more than 200 years. As we prepare for our 2012 mission, let us open our hearts to all people who wish to have a closer relationship with Jesus. Through the intercession of our patron, St. Charles Borromeo, help us build a home filled with love, forgiveness, and acceptance. Help us reach out with the healing touch of Jesus to those who may be hesitant in returning to their faith and to those who yearn for a

stronger relationship with You. Through this mission, we pray that Your life is increased within us as we share the Good News of salvation. St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us.

Joke of the Week

Three priests sat discussing the best positions for prayer while a telephone repairman worked nearby.

“Kneeling is definitely the best,” claimed one.

“No,” another contended. “I get the best results standing with my hands outstretched to heaven.”

“You’re both wrong,” the third insisted. “The most effective prayer position is lying prostrate, face-down on the floor.”

The repairman could contain himself no longer. “Hey, fellas,” he interrupted, “the best praying I ever did was hanging upside down from a telephone pole.”

Spread the Gospel, the Good News about Jesus
and His Borromeo Family!
Your brother in Jesus,

Father John

PLEASE HELP!!!!

In order to put on a great Confirmation Retreat (Luke 18, January 6-8), I need help from as many parishioners as possible. Parents of teens on the retreat are encouraged to help following years, but not in the year their son/daughter attends.

Cooks, servers, dishwashers all are needed—so please volunteer . . . even if you can’t boil water!

An online signup is at

<http://www2.mysignup.com/scbluke18>

or call Scot McCullough at 922-9220 (leave a message) for questions or to signup by phone.

All SCB needed to pray for our Confirmation Class as they make their Retreat next weekend.

Please pray for our loved ones who are hospitalized or ill, including:

Rosalee Echele, Henry Elmendorf, Frank Niccoli, Gene Herrod, Latosha Schwartz, Diana Akers



We offer our prayerful sympathy to Patricia McDermott on the death of her husband **Mark McDermott**, and to the family of **Henry “Ernie” Schrader**. May they and all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Servers for 8am Weekday Masses

M/T/W: January 2/3/4

Peyton Eyster, Mitchell Box, Tyler Barteau, Michael Howard

T/F: January 5/6

Caleb Kelch, Clayton Vogt, Alex Shipman

S: January 7

Mike McGeorge, John Scheffel;

Ministry List, January 7/8

January 7

5:00 p.m.

L/C: Kurt Haefner, Rachel Kitzman Youth Choir

EM: Helene Schuetz, Anna Lee Schulte, Erin Dougherty, Francis Fessler (host) Linda Beeson, Tim Delicath

Serv: Justin & Andrew Stoker, Amy Edmondson

Ush: George Dallmeyer, Jack Pickering, Bob Rector, Dan Schulte

GB: Beth Norviel

Gr: Jack Muehlenkamp, Becky Barrett

January 8

7:00 a.m.

L/C: Madge Eisenbath Mary Baronovic

EM: Tom & Margie Pickering, Dan Nack

Serv: Morgan Booher, James Choinka

Ush: James Eisenbath, Cathy Herrod, Charles Weber, John Weber

GB: Marilyn Weber

Gr: volunteers please

January 8

8:30 a.m.

L/C: Kevin Dean, Lori Wiseman Children’s Choir

EM: Larry Beerman, Lu McElroy, Rich & Blanche Wessler (host) Kate Moreland, Stacy Hilker

Serv: Alec Cosher, Jayme Bergman, Ashley Norviel

Ush: Ken Kapeller, Ken Stoltman, John Waigand

GB: Chuck & Ginny Linsenmeyer

Gr: Betty Gutermuth, Ron Rozycki

January 8

10:00 a.m.

L/C: Mary Glenn, Aleece Vogt Choir

EM: Colleen Harmon, Cindy Haehnel, Marion Engelhorn, Carrie Kremer (host) Joe Briscoe, Judy Richardson

Serv: Tyler Beerman, Chase Dent, Eric Dickherber

Ush: Mike & Francis Hogan, Greg Jost, Raymond Powers

GB: Christine Henderson, Ivy Hall

Gr: Harriette Wayne, Thomas Oelklaus

January 8

11:30 a.m.

L/C: Carlos Quiroz, Ampelia V el coro

EM: Richard Veit, Maria Ramirez, Dionisia Zamudio, Jorge Perez (host) Steve & Betty Cave

Serv: Jess Silverio, Juan & Danny Garcia

Ush: Ken Blume, Jeff Kozich, Jorge Guerrero, Ramon Sandoval

GB: Ken & Anastasia Blume

Gr: Olivia & Carlos Chica

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 2, Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, bishops/doctors
6:30 a.m. Communion Service
8:00 a.m. Carolyn Robbins—5th anniv.

Tuesday, January 3, The Most Holy Name of Jesus
6:30 a.m. Larry Ortals
8:00 a.m. Felix Johannesmeyer—29th anniv.

Wednesday, January 4, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious
6:30 a.m. Joan Hawkins—7th anniv.
8:00 a.m. Bernice Boschert—4th anniv.

Thursday, January 5, St. John Neumann, bishop
6:30 a.m. Vic Parmentier
8:00 a.m. Walter W. Oetker

Friday, January 6, St. André Bessette, religious
6:30 a.m. Robert & Michael Keenoy—anniv.
8:00 a.m. Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life

Saturday, January 7, St. Raymond of Penyafort, priest
8:00 a.m. Henry Rauch
5:00 p.m. Vince Schneider—3rd anniv.

Sunday, January 8, The Epiphany of the Lord
7:00 a.m. Rose Williams—15th anniv.
8:30 a.m. Helen Schneider
10:00 a.m. Les Suchman
11:30 a.m. Our Parish Family

We welcome to our Parish Family
through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Toni Jean Keeven

daughter of Brian and Kelly (Promaroli) Keeven

Allison Leigh Kistner

daughter of Brian & Maranda (Britt) Kistner

Issabella Paige McCarthy

daughter of Sean and Katherine (Kuberski) McCarthy

Norma Michelle Diaz Guerrero

daughter of Rodolfo and Francisca (Guerrero) Diaz

Genevieve Rose Brazee

daughter of Kymson and Rianna (Meinert) Brazee

Financial Blessings: December 17/18

General contributions:	\$16,916.30
Loose:	\$1,702.62
Matching Gifts:	\$2,050.00
Total Contributions:	\$20,668.92

Seminary:	\$155.100
Capital Improvements:	\$223.77

December 24/25

General contributions:	\$28,513.70
Loose:	\$2,253.37
Matching Gifts:	\$2,995.00
Total Contributions:	\$33,762.07

Seminary:	\$1,234.00
Capital Improvements:	\$10,058.00

THANK YOU for the great love you show to our Borromeo Family carrying on the work of Jesus and to those in need by the generosity you display when you share your Treasure, and all God's gifts to you, given for others.

"And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart."
LUKE 2:19

How lightly Mary held Jesus. She did not clutch Him to her but held Him out for the world to know. She knew that He did not belong to her alone. From the moment of His birth she was called upon to share Him with strangers who flocked to see Him. In the same way, we are also called to hold our blessings lightly, being willing to share what God has given to us with those whom God may lead to us. As this New Year begins, let us look to Mary as a grace-filled model of sharing all that God might ask of us.

We pray that we may learn to share our blessings as generously and lovingly as Mary shared her son, Jesus, with the world.

NOT TOO LATE FOR PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: WE NEED YOU!



Have you made your appointment to be photographed for the new Pictorial Directory yet? If not, **it's not too late**. We have just opened up another block of appointment times: January 11-14. Setting your appointment is easy. On the internet, just go to the parish website at www.borromeoparish.com and click on the Lifetouch logo at the top right-hand side of the page. Use the drop-down menu to select the number of people in your family, and then choose from any of the available January appointment slots. Or if you need help setting your appointment, call the church office at 636-946-1893. The new directory won't be complete without every parish member's smiling face, so please take the time to set an appointment and come for pictures. Remember, every family receives a free 8x10 photograph, and there is no obligation to buy.

Families will receive a coupon for **\$5 off** portraits when they bring a non-perishable food item to their portrait session for **FEED the NEED** program.

~~ *Activities This Week* ~~

Monday, January 2

School resumes
Daisies, café, 3:00pm and 5:00pm
W-CRHP1, Pope John Room, 6:00pm
Baptismal prep, church office, 7:00pm

Tuesday, January 3

Cub Scouts, Bicentennial Room, 3:00pm
SCB Book Club, café, 6:30pm
RCIA, Bicentennial Room, 7:00pm

Wednesday, January 4

Quilting, rectory basement, 8:30am
Bridges, Bicentennial Room, 5:00pm
Girl Scouts, café, 5:30pm
Rosary Ministry, church office, 7:00pm
Parent Support Network, Pope John Room, 7:00p

Thursday, January 5

Boy Scouts, café, 7:00pm
Lenten Mission prep, Bicentennial Room, 8:00pm

Friday, January 6

Faculty meeting, noon dismissal

Friday/Saturday/Sunday, January 6/7/8

Luke 18 Retreat, gym, café, St. Charles Room

Saturday, January 7

Men's Fellowship, Bicentennial Room, 6:30am

Sunday, January 8

Pro Life Youth, Bicentennial Room, 9:30am
Girl Scouts, Bicentennial Room, 1:00pm
M-CRHP9, church office, 1:00pm
Take down Christmas decorations, 3:00pm



*Getting to Know Our
SCB Homebound:
Lorraine Pund*

Lorraine Pund, nee Heckmann, was born on January 1, 1927 in St. Charles. She attended SCB grade school (Class of 1942) and St. Peters High School (forerunner of DHS), Class of 1946.

Before she married, she worked at International Shoe Factory on the site of the present Boys' Club in St. Charles and then for a garment factory on 3rd and Tecumseh. Later she worked at McDonnell Douglas.

Her high school sweetheart, Harlan Pund, went into the Navy for 2 years after graduation. When he returned home, they were married at SCB on May 29, 1948.

Mary Jo was their first child, who died when she was 2 years old because of a heart condition. She then had David and Dan.

She is now the proud grandma of Heather, Holly, Jennifer, Mary and Grace—and also has one great-grandchild.

Because she has pulmonary fibrosis she had a tracheotomy 2 years ago, which makes her very short of breath and uses oxygen all the time. It is a real hardship for her, because she likes to talk and visit with her friends, but can only do so for short periods of time.

She loves antiques and has collected many over the years. She also loves working on the genealogy of her family. Since she is the oldest of 6 siblings, it has been a big job to keep up with their growing families.

She is most grateful that she has been able to stay in her home with a few hours of outside help each day.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LORRAINE!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

CATHOLIC MEN FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE:

Saturday, February 4, Peabody Opera House

CATHOLIC WOMEN FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE:

Saturday, March 31, America's Center

Please contact our Prayer Tree for your prayer intentions: 946-0993 or jmpray4us@juno.com

Send in Your Great Photos!

The Pictorial Directory Committee is actively seeking great photographs of recent activities to **highlight parish life** in the new directory. Specifically we are seeking photos of: Sacraments, Fish Fry, Vacation Bible School, Parish Picnic, All Saints Day, Unity Mass, CRHP groups, bible study groups, school sports (Athletic Association), Pro Life Trip, and any other recent parish events and activities. We can't promise your photos will be used, but the more photos we have to choose from, the better the book will be in the end. We are also seeking beautiful photos of the church building itself. Do you have any to submit? If so, please send them to Dee Gerstenkorn either by email to deegerstenkorn@sbcglobal.net or by mail to 2 Trailridge Ct., 63301 **before January 4, 2012**. If you must send originals, you can drop them at the school or parish office; they will be handled with care, scanned and returned (if they are professional photos, we will need a signed release form from the photographer). We know this is a bad time of year to be digging through pictures, but we greatly appreciate any you can take the time to send! P.S. Parish organizations and ministries, watch for a letter soon that will give details on how you should submit your group photos.



SCB Religious Education

Dear Parishioners,

Our Religious Education ministry prays you have a Blessed New Year's Day! Though we are in the midst of winter, a winter that may prove to be colder and snowier than it is right now, the new calendar year gives us an opportunity for new beginnings. The New Year is a great time to make resolutions to strengthen our Catholic faith life. Maybe one of these ideas speaks to you:

Prayer – Add more time to your daily prayer life. Traditional prayers like the Rosary, simply talking to Jesus, giving thanks for His wonderful creations, reflecting on the daily Mass readings and praising God for all His good works are only a few ways to enrich your life with a longer period of daily prayer.

Be Active and Get Involved – Participate in Mass on Sunday! Plus, there are so many ministries in our parish and all of them need volunteers to keep them running. Plan to attend the Ministry Fair and get involved later this month.

Participate in Mass – In addition to Sunday, attend daily Mass as often as your schedule will allow. What better way to start the day than with our Lord? And when you come to Mass, sing, respond, and spend time in quiet reflection. All these actions bring us closer to God our Father and His Son, Jesus.

Take Your Christianity with You – Don't leave it behind at Church! Strive to live as Jesus commands us. Mass, attending faith formation programs, spending time with Jesus in daily prayer and being involved in our parish gives us the strength, knowledge and tools to live our faith.

Our Confirmation Students are on Retreat this weekend . . .

right here on our campus! The Luke 18 retreat is designed to invite these young teens into the Church community by helping them understand that they are not the church of the future, but the Church right now!

More than 65 Confirmation students and 30 high school students, a dozen college students and several adults gather from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon to experience God and His love. The high school and college students give talks, and lead a variety of activities to help the Confirmation students relate to the experience of living a Christian life at home and school!

We ask that you pray for the success of this retreat and many people involved including the team of adults cooking for the retreat and the many families who have opened their home to host the participants overnight.

In the Peace of Jesus Christ – Mrs. Becca McCullough



BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

Any parent wishing Baptism for their child must attend a Baptismal Preparation class. Our next session is scheduled for Monday, January 2 in the church office. Pre-registration is required. Please call the church office at 946-1893.

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29 -- 3:6; Jn 1:29-34
Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38
[23, 31-34, 36, 38]
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 2:1-11
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

DONE YOUR EVANGELIZATION TODAY? THIS IS EASY!!

We are proud to present a **new evangelization opportunity here**: Lighthouse Catholic Media—a practical and effective program to help Catholics know their Faith, keep their Faith, and share their Faith! **We all have friends or family members who have fallen away from the Church**, loved ones who are searching for answers about their Faith. For anyone who wants to increase their knowledge and understanding, especially to defend the Faith, but don't know where to begin, this is an easy answer. Now you can reach out by offering a wonderful learning tool: a Lighthouse CD. Whether in the car or at home, people can deepen their understanding of the Faith when they listen to inspiring talks given by some of the best Catholic speakers in the world. In the back of the church, you will see a stand offering many different CDs. We ask for a donation of \$3 per CD so that we may continue this program. **Reach out and help bring someone home today!**





UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

No meeting on New Year's Day
Sunday, January 15th, 7-8:30pm
Sunday, January 29th, 7-8:30pm

Youth Ministry meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month in the Youth Room below the gym. We welcome all 9th—12th grade teens to join us!

**STEUBENVILLE ST. LOUIS MID-AMERICA:
July 13-15, 2012**

The dates for SCB Youth Ministry to attend Steubenville St. Louis Mid-America have been confirmed for July 13-15. Registration opens February 8th and commitments will be due before that time. An informational meeting will be held once more details become available.

LUKE 18 Retreat Formation Meeting 1/2/12

The retreat weekend is almost here! The final formation meeting for teens in grades 9-12 and college age young adults will be held on Monday, January 2nd from 2pm—7pm in the SCB Youth Room. Dinner will be provided. Attendance is mandatory and permission slips and code of conduct forms are due at this time. No exceptions! Questions? Contact Melissa at 636-544-9066 or malthouser@gmail.com.

Find our Group on Facebook under "Saint Charles Borromeo Youth Ministry" to keep up with all of the Youth News!

New Wording in the Mass

INTRODUCTORY RITES (FORM A):

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

...and the communion of the Holy Spirit: The word "communion" replaces "fellowship." The word is a more exact rendering of the Latin *communicatio*, which suggests not simply a settled state of love, but the dynamic act of sharing or imparting that love. The Holy Spirit imparts to us the same love that is given and received by the Persons of the Trinity. We are called to enter that communion, that life of love. The blessing is taken word for word from the conclusion of Saint Paul's second Letter to the Corinthians.



Please pray for our expectant moms:

- Kimberly, Genevieve (January)
- Irene, Arasely, Tracy, Elizabeth (February)
- Mandy, Michaela, Mary (March)
- Melissa, Christina (April)
- Kristin (May)
- Claudet, Kori (June)

Let us pray: for children who are orphaned, abandoned, or whose mothers cannot care for them, that they will be strengthened and comforted by the knowledge of the Blessed Mother's tender love for them.

**PENNIES FROM HEAVEN BABY
BOTTLES due this weekend!
Boxes in the narthex. Thanks!**



***Understanding Mass Offerings
and Memorial Gifts***

Did you know there are two ways to remember your deceased loved ones throughout the year? Many people like to have a deceased loved one remembered at a Mass on that person's birthday, anniversary of death or other special day. You simply need to contact the parish office at 946-1893 to schedule the Mass.

Another significant way to remember a deceased loved one is through a memorial contribution. Like Mass offerings, memorial contributions can be made for any special occasion. You simply need to state in the obituary, "Memorial contributions to St. Charles Borromeo appreciated." The benefits of a memorial contribution include:

- The gift may be as large or as small as a donor wants it to be.
- Memorial contributions can be used for any of the many operating needs of the parish including scholarship assistance for school children, maintenance and upgrading of our facilities or support of our many ministries.
- For large memorial gifts the parish can work with the donor(s) to determine a way to use the gift that would be most appropriate to the interests and preferences of the individual who is being memorialized through the gift.

If you would like to offer friends and family the opportunity to make memorial gifts to our parish when you visit the funeral home for a deceased loved one, simply contact our parish office for a supply of memorial gift cards, or pick one up from the table in the Church Narthex.

PARROQUIA SAN CHARLES BORROMEO
MINISTERIO LATINO

Oficina: Tel: (636)946-1893
Fax (636)946-5598

BAUTISMO: Se debe participar en 2 pláticas: La de Liturgia y la de Sacramentos

Enero: 2^{do} Domingo La de Liturgia y 3^{er} Domingo la de Sacramentos. 9:30am oficina parroquial.

No se aceptan llegadas tarde. Bautismos en Español 2^{do} y 4^{to} domingo de mes, en Inglés 1^{do} y 3^{to}. Requisitos: traer identificación y acta de nacimiento del niño (solo si el bautismo es en nuestra parroquia). La plática de Sacramentos es para adultos. Favor dejar los niños en casa. Traer un lapicero.

CLINICAS

Casa de Salud: (314)762-1250/1251. Lun-Vier 9^a -5p. Sáb 9a-12 mediodía. Grace Hill: (314)814-8700

Health & Dental Care: Cuidados dentales y de salud. Niños 0-18 años : 4055 Lindell Blvd. Saint Louis MO 63108. Teléfono: (314)535-7701. Cuidados de rutina: Lun.-Viernes 4p-9p. Cuidado urgente (que no requieren ir a la Emergencia de un hospital): Sábado y Domingo 10^a-4p

CLASES DE INGLES

St. Charles Community College: (636)922-8227

LA FAMILIA

Este año la Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia cayó el viernes, 30 de diciembre. Es una Fiesta siempre muy importante para todos, y me gustaría enfocar en ella este domingo. En la cultura hispana la familia es primordial, tanto las personas de la célula hogareña como las de parentesco, o sea, la familia extendida. La Iglesia aprecia mucho a la familia y se preocupa por su bienestar y protección. La Iglesia dice lo siguiente sobre el tema.

La familia cristiana está llamada a ser una comunidad de fe, esperanza y caridad en un entorno de oración. Ayudada por algunas de las otras virtudes, como la prudencia, la justicia, la fortaleza y la templanza, la familia que las ejerce comienza a actualizar su llamada espiritual a ser una iglesia doméstica. Cuando una familia se convierte en una escuela de virtud y en una comunidad de amor, la familia es una imagen de la comunión del Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo. Es entonces un icono de la Santísima Trinidad y Espíritu Santo. Es entonces un icono de la Santísima Trinidad.

El respeto de los padres proviene de un corazón.

El respeto de los padres proviene de un corazón agradecido a aquellos quienes nos dieron el don de la vida y quienes nos nutrieron, amaron y apoyaron a lo largo de todas las etapas de nuestra vida. El amor filial se demuestra por medio de la obediencia genuina de los hijos hacia sus padres mientras que viven en el hogar de sus padres y a través de una preocupación responsable de los hijos crecidos hacia sus padres ya mayores.

Dios ofrece a cada miembro de la familia la gracia para crear solidaridad familiar, para que la familia pueda crecer como iglesia doméstica. Los padres usan las energías de su amor, su educación y sus experiencias para el bien de sus hijos. De esta manera realizan una contribución positiva y esencial hacia el desarrollo de una familia verdaderamente humana y cristiana. Los hijos responden con amor y deberían esforzarse para disminuir las rivalidades, enfados, daños y hostilidades entre hermanos. La familia cristiana se inspira por el ejemplo de la Sagrada Familia, compuesta de Jesús, José y María. Gracias a ustedes por vivir y reflejar tantas cualidades cristianas en sus familias. Dios los bendiga.

P. Donaldo



Directorio Pictorial nuevo

Te necesitamos para hacer una cita. Todavía tenemos espacios disponibles. Hay una enlace en la página web de la parroquia que le permitirá programar una sesión, o llame a Silma Rodriguez 636 332-2342 y estaremos encantados de ayudarle.

Las familias recibirán un cupón de \$5 de descuento en los retratos cuando traen un alimento no perecedero para su sesión de fotografía para el programa NECESIDAD DE ALIMENTACIÓN.

January 1

11:30 a.m.

L/C: Maria & Rosa Martinez el coro
EM: Maria Ramirez, Guadalupe Damian, Marie Fuentes, Richard Veit
(Host) Antonia Hernandez, Bernardo Silverio
Serv: Arely Aragon, Carlos & Alma Quiroz
Ush: Ken Blume, Jeff Kozich, Diego Damian, Leobardo Aguilar
GB: First Communion Children
Gr: Rafael & Antonia Hernandez

Pray for Peace on Earth in the New Year

Father Gerry Kleba, Pastor, St. Cronin's

If we take the words of the angel that we have heard sung or seen artistically splashed on greeting cards seriously, we know that it is the time to pray, hope and work for peace on earth. I was relieved when I heard the news that the last U.S. troops were pulling out of Iraq. On that very same day I was saddened to hear that Vaclav Havel had died at the age of 75.

On March 19, 2003 the U.S. began to bomb Baghdad. One time during the past nine years the U.S. had over 180,000 troops in Iraq. During that time over 4,000 U.S. soldiers died, over 30,000 were physically injured; countless thousands have post traumatic stress. Add to that all the spouses, parents, children and friends who will mourn the loss of their loved one who is still alive, but not functioning at an acceptable level. If the past is any indicator we know that these young men and women will never be capable of high level functioning, will end up in failed marriages and likely end up homeless on our streets and in our shelters. We can't predict the cost in V.A. benefits owed to them.

Our prayers and support also go out the families of the over 100,000 civilians killed by the war. Since 2003 over 600,000 of the one million Christians who lived in Iraq have left their home country—the largest migration of Christians ever.

I haven't mentioned the hundreds of billions of dollars spent, the environmental disaster visited on the world, the waste of natural resources and the havoc reeked on our general economy that is in a second depression. All of this money was not available for basic at-home needs or to help people suffering from natural disasters around the world. And the Iraq War was started on false pretenses.

Vaclav Havel died on December 18, 2011. He was the Czech writer and dissident whose eloquent dissections of Communist rule helped to destroy Communism and free the Czech nation. He spent five years in and out of Communist prison, lived for two decades under close secret-police surveillance and endured the suppression of his plays and essays. When Communism fell (without a battle, but in the Velvet Revolution) he served 14 years as president and came to personify the soul of the Czech nation. He united the country to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in 1999 and to the European Union five years later. As a dissident Mr. Havel most clearly championed the ideals of a civil society. In his 1998 essay, "The Power of the Powerless," he foresaw that opposition could eventually prevail against the totalitarian state.

At the beginning of 2012 I challenge us to consider whether President Bush or President Havel best personifies the gospel value, "Blessed are the Peacemakers:?" Will we learn anything?

Quick-Start Annulment Program for Divorced and Separated Catholics

To help divorced and separated Catholics more fully understand the annulment process and begin whatever process may be necessary, Quick-Start sessions provide (1) a brief overview of the sacrament of marriage with an explanation of the annulment process and (2) personal assistance by an advocate the discuss an individual's situation and begin any application process which may be required. Please bring your marriage history including the date and location of any marriage and divorce as well as your ex-spouse's name and address.

Registration is **not** required for these **one-hour sessions** to be held on:

Saturday, January 7—St. Joseph-Clayton—10am

Monday, January 9—St. Monica-Creve Coeur—7pm

Wednesday, January 18—Cardinal Rigali Center—5pm

Monday, January 23—Our Lady of Lourdes-Washington—7pm

Living and Breathing our Faith The Essentials of Catholic Spirituality

by Rev. Joseph F. Classen

What are the essentials of Roman Catholic doctrine and spirituality? This work takes a detailed look at the most relevant facets and dynamics of our Catholic faith. And he does so with the hope that his readers will not just gain a better knowledge of their faith, but will be able to put this information into practice in order to live and breathe it. Look for it at Catholic book stores or online.



Rev. Joseph F. Classen, the son of Tom and Kathy Classen, is a Borromeo and DHS graduate. He was home in December from his assignment in Kodiak, Alaska and told us he's staying very active with all the multicultural Christmas/Advent festivities. "I had no idea there were so many different traditions to prepare for, and celebrate Christmas."

He wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, "and be assured of my prayers for the SCB parish family."



OF GODS AND MEN Movie Presentation and Discussion

Tuesday January 3, 2012

6:30 p.m.

St. Charles Borromeo Café

Written and directed by one of France's top filmmakers, Xavier Beauvois, *OF GODS AND MEN* is loosely based on the 1996 kidnapping and subsequent murder of seven members of the Trappist Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance (O.C.S.O), all of them French, living in a monastery in Tibhirine, Algeria. Although an Islamic fundamentalist group reportedly claimed responsibility for abducting the monks in late March 1996 and killing them almost two months later, the true identities of the murderous criminals remains a mystery. Fear swept the region during the Algerian Civil War in the 1990s when an Islamic fundamentalist group massacred a crew of foreign workers. The Cistercians refused military protection, choosing instead to stay and continue their work despite the growing threat of violence.

"The film's portrait of daily monastic life; of the goodness of local Muslim villagers, of the monks' struggle with fear and courage as violence closes in -- all these things combine expertly to make 'Of Gods and Men' one of the most powerful films dealing with matters of faith in recent memory," says Archbishop Charles Chaput of Denver. "Whether one is a believer or not, it simply should not be missed."

OF GODS AND MEN stars Lambert Wilson and Michael Lonsdale. It topped the French box-office charts last fall and already has earned a number of major cinematic awards, including:

- Grand Prix: 2010 Cannes Film Festival
- Ecumenical Jury Prize: 2010 Cannes Film Festival
- Best Foreign Language Film, National Board of Review 2010

Six Ways I Can Make My Parish Better

Today, parishioners are expected to feel a true sense of ownership in their parish. That means looking at our parish as more than just a place where you go to Mass. A parish can be:

- † A sacred place where the human and the divine meet, where people of all ages grow in the knowledge and understanding of what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ.
- † A place where people receive spiritual nourishment, guidance, inspiration, and strength—not just from the priests but from other members of the parish as well.
- † A spiritual home where people share in each other's joys, support each other in times of sorrow, offer encouragement to those who are struggling, and help to heal anyone who feels battered or broken by life's trials and tragedies.
- † A social place where people make new friends, reach out to those less fortunate, and invite others to become part of a community of believers who try their best to live the Gospel message.

Maybe our parish is already all of this and more, but even the best parishes can become even better when parishioners take an active interest in making the parish grow and prosper. Here are six ways to do just that!

- ☺ Think of yourself as part of a parish family.
- ☺ Be welcoming.
- ☺ Use your gifts and talents for the good of the parish.
- ☺ Attend parish events.
- ☺ Support our parish financially.
- ☺ Pray for our parish.

Seven Little Things Anyone Can do

1. Think about one message that spoke to you in the readings, the music, the homily, or your Communion meditation at Mass. Share these spiritual insights with a family member or friend.
2. Pray for the sick and suffering in our parish.
3. Talk about the good things that are happening in our parish during the coming week.
4. Offer to introduce family members or friends who are going through difficult times to a priest or parish staff member.
5. Ask new people in the neighborhood if they would be interested in checking out our parish.
6. Invite someone who lives alone to come to Mass with you.
7. Take a copy of our parish bulletin to someone who is sick or homebound.

Prayer in Action

**Do one thing this week
that will make this parish a better place.**

Saint Charles Borromeo's Second Biennial Family Trivia Night

Night of the Stars

Friday, February 10th. 2012 at St. Charles Borromeo Gym

Walk down the red carpet at this family friendly event with a Hollywood Star Theme!!!!!!

**Open to all ages 5-99!

**Only \$70 per table-10 people maximum! Combine families to enjoy the fun!

**Snacks, candy and beverages (beer, soda) available to purchase

**Bellacino's pizza available for pre-order

**Decorate your table for the theme and come in costume. The Doormen will be waiting for your star studded arrival! Don't forget to dress up in fun "bling and glitz!" The sky's the limit for creativity!

Doors open at 6pm with our own SCB student Joe Tierney entertaining kids with balloon making!

Other fun activities include:

**Face painting

**Beads to buy for "Heads n Tails"

**Balloon pop chances for prizes to win!

**Minute to Win It!

Mail the below entry form along with full payment (including pizza order) no later than Friday, Feb. 3rd to: Tammy Buehler 2993 Landau Ct. St. Charles, MO 63301 Questions: tcbuehler@hotmail.com

Proceeds support tuition assistance. **Make check payable to SCB Home and School with Family Trivia Night** line. **Hurry and get your table reserved right away-last Family Trivia night sold out fast!!!!!!**

Family Trivia Night Table Order Form

Family Names at your table: (will be table name: example: Smith/Jones) _____

Participants at table Adults _____ Kids _____ Total Participants at your table: _____

Pizza Order (12 " pizzas): \$7/each # _____ Cheese # _____ Sausage # _____ Pepperoni

Amount Enclosed: \$ 70 Table Fee + \$ _____ Pizza Order = _____ **Total**

Table Captain Contact Information: If you are sharing a table, we only need one family's contact info.

Name/Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____



Shopping list for **January 21/22:**
*beef stew, sugar, pears,
canned gravy, syrup, laundry soap,
paper grocery bags*

Protecting God's Children Workshop January 26, 6:30pm in the cafe

All employees and volunteers having contact with parish children are required to attend this workshop. Please call the church office to register: 636-946-1893.

Welcome to St. Charles Borromeo Parish!

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