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PARISH OFFICE

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Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m. **PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA**

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the faith family of St. Charles Borromeo Parish is to proclaim the Kingdom of God, to praise the name of Jesus and follow Him by loving God & our neighbor.

INFORMATION ON SACRAMENTS

Baptism for infants and Adults: Contact our Director of Religious Education to schedule a preparation session.

Confirmation preparation is part of our Formation process. Contact the parish office for information.

Holy Eucharist is celebrated at the following times: Lord's Day: Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Weekdays & Holydays: See the weekly Bulletin for times.

Reconciliation is available Saturdays 3:45-4:45 pm or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion to the homebound can be arranged by contacting our Parish Office.

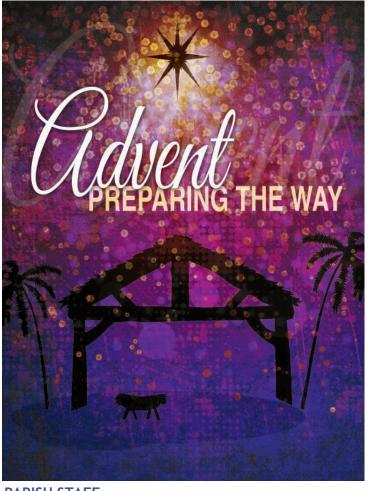
Marriage ceremonies are scheduled only after the required preparation process has begun. Please contact our priest at least six (6) months prior to your desired wedding date to begin the process.

Holy Orders and Vocations to religious life. Interested individuals should contact our priest or Director for Vocations, Rev. Father David J. Hasser at 765-513-1800 for more information.

Please contact our Parish Office if you or someone you know needs prayers. To schedule parish facilities, please call the Parish Office.

NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to our Parish we welcome you and invite you to register by calling or visiting our Parish Office.



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BULLETIN DEADLINE

9 a.m. Monday mornings unless otherwise noted.

Parish Activities This Week

Sunday, December 10th

Our Parish Tithe this week is to St. Vincent de Paul Society (special collection after Masses)

10:30 a.m.	Reconciliation Parent Meeting 2,
	school rm 8
10:30 a.m.	Faith Formation, school
10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study, school rm 11
11:50 a.m.	Children's Choir practice, church
12:00 p.m.	Jr. High Youth Ministry, school
6:00 p.m.	High School Ministry, school
6:00 p.m.	Music Ministry planning meeting, library

Monday, December 11th

12:30 p.m.	Cursillo Grouping, library
1:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study, school rm 8
6:30 p.m.	Book Club & Discussion group,
	school rm 8
7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Scheduling meeting, library
7:00 p.m.	Knights of Columbus 4th Degree
	meeting, school rm 2
7:40 p.m.	Knights of Columbus Rosary & Busi
	meeting school rm 2

Tuesday, December 12th

6:00 p.m.	Mission of Mary leading the Rosary,
	church
6:30 p.m.	Mission of Mary, school rm 11
7:00 p.m.	RCIA, school rm 8

Wednesday, December 13th

9:00 a.m.	Parish Staff meeting, library
1:00 p.m.	Prison Ministry at MCF
3:45 p.m.	Youth Rosary, church
7:00 p.m.	Advent Penance Service, church

Thursday, December 14th

1:00 p.m.	Quilters/Seamstresses, school rm 8
4:00 p.m.	St. Vincent de Paul Officer's meeting,
	thrift store
6:30 p.m.	Joint Finance & Pastoral Council meeting
	(holiday party), rectory
7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir practice, church

Friday, December 15th

8:30 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration, church
3:00 p.m.	Divine Mercy Chaplet, church

Saturday, December 16th

7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast at Helping Hands
	sponsored by the
	Knights of Columbus
3:45 p.m.	Confessions before Mass
6:30 p.m.	Baptisms of Raymi and Laityn Campbell,

and Elias Brown

Sunday, December 17th

Our Parish Tithe this week is to Help the Needy

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10:30 a.m.	Faith Formation, school	
10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study, school rm 11	
11:50 a.m.	Children's Choir practice, church	
12:00 p.m.	Jr. High Youth Ministry, school	
6:00 p.m.	High School Ministry, school	

Parish Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 10, 2017 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Readings: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Peter 3:8-14;

Mark 1:1-8

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9:00 a.m. Mass: Youth of the Parish

Monday, December 11, 2017—St. Damasus I Readings: Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 5:17-26 8:00 am COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday, December 12, 2017 – Our Lady of Guadalupe Readings: Zechariah 2:14-17 or Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Luke 1:26-38 Luke 1:39-47

5:10 p.m. Evening Prayer 5:30 p.m. Mass: † Betty Kingery

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 –St. Lucy Readings: Isaiah 40:25-31; Matthew 11:28-30

7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer 8:00 a.m. Mass: Poor Souls

Thursday, December 14, 2017—St. John of the Cross Readings: Isaiah 41:13-20; Matthew 11:11-15

10:00 a.m. Mass: † Richard & Henrietta Markiewicz Mass is at Aperion Care. All are welcome.

Friday, December 15, 2017—Advent Weekday **Readings: Isaiah 48:17-19; Matthew 11:16-19** 7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer

8:00 a.m. Mass: † Jane Watkins

Saturday, December 16, 2017—Advent Weekday Readings: Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11; Matthew 17:9a, 10-13

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Readings: Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28

5:00 p.m. Mass: † Tudie Bessignano

Sunday, December 17, 2017

9:00 a.m. Mass: Our Parish Family

5:00 p.m. Mass: Latin Mass



Planning Ahead

Parish Advent Penance Service

Wednesday, Dec. 13th

7:00 p.m.

Nativity of the Lord

Sunday, Dec. 24th Vigil (Children's) Mass

7:00 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 25th Midnight Mass

12:00 a.m.

Monday, Dec. 25th Christmas Day Mass 9:00 a.m.

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Monday, Jan 1st Mass 8:00 a.r

Family Religious Education

RCIA

RCIA meets on Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. in room 8 and everyone is welcome. The upcoming topics are:

Dec. 12—Sacraments: Baptism and Confirmation

Dec. 19—The Eucharist

Dec. 26—Christmas Break, No class

Jesse Tree

Once you have purchased and wrapped your gifts, return them after weekend Masses to the giftwrapped box in the narthex; otherwise take them to the parish office no later than Wednesday, December 13th. Thank you!!

Another Family in Need

Another family in need has been brought to my attention. While it is too late for the Jesse Tree, if anyone would like to help provide Christmas for this family of six, please call Rita Cook at the parish office.

Bambinelli Sunday



We will celebrate Bambinelli Sunday on the Third Sunday of Advent, December 17. Saint John Paul II started this tradition to help put the focus back on the coming of our Savior.

Bring the baby Jesus from your home Nativity set for a blessing in the church immediately following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. A suggestion for follow up at home: Place your infant Jesus that has been blessed in a gift box, wrap it, and place it under your Christmas tree. Let this be the first gift your family opens on Christmas. Then together, place the Christ-Child figure in the manger and sing a Christmas hymn.

Reconciliation Meeting

The next required parent Reconciliation meeting is this Sunday, December 10th at 10:30 a.m. in room 8.

Christ Life

You are invited to join us for the 3rd season of the Christ Life series. Christ Life is a great opportunity for you to grow in your personal relationship with Jesus Christ as well as with your fellow parishioners. It is a 21 week series meeting on Thursdays at 6:15pm beginning January 25th. Please sign up by calling the parish office by January 11th.

We Remember ...

Frank Mittica and Betty Ann McBride, who were called to Christ's heavenly banquet. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5:00 p.m. Saturday, December 16, 2017

Reader: Helene Banina

Communion Ministers: Bob & Doreen Holler, Nancy Siders, Annie Speth, Brian Stoneking Hospitality: Pete Speth, Elaine Swander,

Chuck & Penny Wise

Altar Servers: Knights of the Holy Temple

Bell Ringer: Kate Davis Cantor: Dorothy Wormuth Accompanist: Jacob Minns

9:00 a.m. Sunday, December 17, 2017

Reader: Sandy Brooks

Communion Ministers: Leora Jackson, Nate Hagan,

Diana Hand, Jack Kilcrece, Gib Keller

Hospitality: Tom & LaVonne Eddy, Max Weaver,

Brian Gabriel

Altar Servers: Knights of the Holy Temple

Bell Ringer: Molly Nord **Cantor**: Jennifer Nord

Accompanist: Jacob Minns, Adult Choir



Stewardship Report 12/03/2017

Regular Sunday Collection:

Monies sent out from our Parish

Haiti envelopes\$372.00

Church Interior Renovation Debt

As of November 29, 2017.....\$64,999.00

Knights of Columbus

Each year the Knights ring bells for the Salvation Army. This year, they will be ringing them from December 18th through December 23rd at Kroger and Family Farm and Home. This is an opportunity to help the Brothers meet the needs of the poor as we come into the Christmas season.

If you can help for just an hour or two, please call the parish office or call Gib Keller at 765-985-2253 or email him at roseandgib@gmail.com and he will assign you a time.

Thanks to Our Advertiser of the Week F.C. Tucker Miles Realty

Youth & Young Adult Ministry

On January 13th and 14th, the Youth Ministry program will be handing over the keys to St. Peter as we lock ourselves in the school building for some fun, prayer, and of course plenty of food.

YOU ('you' defined in this context as being a student in high school) are invited to St. Charles High School Lock-in Extravaganza.



Join us by RSVPing by

January 3rd to Katie or emailing kslonina@stcharlesperu.org. All high school students welcome so be sure to invite your friends!

End of the year YM schedule:

12/10 Place of Worship JR@12pm

O Antiphons HS@6pm

12/17 O Antiphons JR@12pm

Jesse Tree Delivery (timing will be announced) HS





Gift Baskets for Our Homebound and Nursing Home Parishioners! Barb Day is putting together gift baskets for our parishioners that are homebound or in nursing homes. She is asking for homemade cookies and candies, fresh

fruits, cheese and crackers, pudding or fruit cups, hot chocolate, etc. to fill the gift baskets. Food items can be donated on the <u>18th of December</u>. Monetary gifts will also be accepted to purchase food items for the baskets. Volunteers are needed to help put the baskets together on <u>December 20th at 10:00 a.m.</u> in room 8 and then deliver them afterward. If you have any questions, please contact Barb Day at 765-985-2792 or the Parish Office at 765-473-5543.



SPIRITUAL POINSETTIAS

If you wish to provide a poinsettia "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" a loved one, please identify the person or persons and specify "In Memory of" or "In Honor of"

on your offering envelope marked "Christmas Poinsettias." Their names will be listed in the December 24th Bulletin. If you do not receive offering envelopes and wish to provide a poinsettia, red order forms are located in the parish office. Also, if you donate through ParishPay, you will need to fill out a red order form in order to submit the names to the parish office. The deadline to order your "Spiritual Poinsettia" is Sunday, December 17th.

3rd Annual Cassock Classic

Priests vs Seminarians
December 28th
at Guerin Catholic High School
Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

with tip-off at 6:30 p.m. \$5 per person/\$20 per family All proceeds benefit the Frassati Society of Young Adult Catholics

Tickets may be purchased at the door

Manna on Main Street Work of Mercy

Manna on Main Street soup kitchen is still going strong. Kris Gilbert, Julia Gunderson and Linda Spear recently volunteered to serve food at the soup kitchen; the smiles



are there because it is such an enjoyable time. The kitchen is still in need of volunteers to help serve food, chat with those who come in, provide a bible meditation and general clean-up. It is a beautiful way to offer God's love to others in Peru. Volunteers are asked to be there 11:00 to 12:30 and if possible take Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of a week; if not a full week, then just one day would be helpful. It takes three volunteers per day. If you would like to sign up please call Wendy in the Parish Office today.

Presbyteral Council

Recently I received notice that I was elected to serve on our Diocesan Presbyteral Council. This is a consultative body, similar to our Parish Pastoral & Finance Councils, but it is made up of priests from throughout the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana. Our purpose is to share in open reflection and fraternal dialogue with Bishop Doherty, and I represent our Logansport Deanery in these discussions.

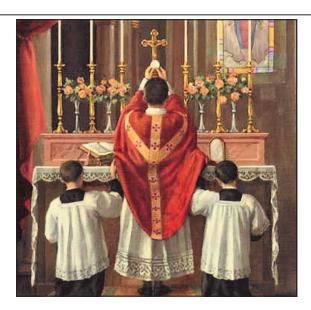
Not unlike our Pastoral & Finance Councils, the Presbyteral Council meets approximately once a month, which also means I'll be out of town on the first Tuesday of each month (returning in time for afternoon appointments and our evening Mass)!

Pastoral & Finance Councils

I would like to extend a word of gratitude to all the members of our parish who take time to serve on our councils, and I encourage you to take time to reach out to any one of these parishioners with concerns or observations you may have about our own parish community.

SCB Pastoral Council Members: Tom Webster, Tim Comerford, Beth Barker, Brad Nord, Evie Powell, Angie Braden, Diana Hand, Ron Mullett, and Brad Rogers.

SCB Finance Council Members: Mary Alexander, Dick Hammond, Jack Kilcrece, Polly Dobbs, Michael Kuepper, Sam Redmon and Helene Banina.



LATIN "TRIDENTINE" MASS
Sunday, December 17, 2017 at 5:00 pm
St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Ask the Apologist

Dear Apologist, what does the Church teach about being "born again"?

The phrase "born again" is used frequently in Christian circles. It comes from a famous exchange between Jesus and Nicodemus in John's Gospel. Jesus says, "Unless a man is born again of water and spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the spirit is spirit" [John 3:5-6]. Modern evangelicals use the term to refer to a powerful, emotional experience of God's mercy which one receives after acknowledging one's need for salvation.

As Catholics we place a high value on acknowledging our need for salvation and having powerful experiences of divine consolation. However, this is not the traditional Christian usage of the term "born again". That term has always been connected to Paul's descriptions of dying and rising in Baptism found in Romans 6:4 and Colossians 2:11. This is why the earliest Christian writings which mention Baptism identify it as the way we are "born again". In 152AD, Saint Justin Martyr wrote the following in his First Apology: "[Converts] are brought by us to where there is water, and they are regenerated in the same manner in which we ourselves were regenerated. For, in the name of God, the Father and Lord of the universe, and of our Savior Jesus Christ, and of the Holy Spirit, they then receive the washing with water. For Christ also said, 'Unless you be born again, you shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven."

So the Church teaches what the Bible teaches about being "born again"; It happens in Baptism when we are made members of Christ. The powerful spiritual experiences which others mistakenly identify as being "born again" – while praiseworthy – are not what the term means.

Steven O'Keefe (the ACTS Apologist)
Email: OLMC.ACTS@gmail.com

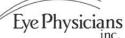
MIAMI COUNTY HELPING HANDS MONTHLY FOOD EFFORT

The Helping Hands <u>food basket is located in the nar-thex of the church</u>. Please leave your donations there for a volunteer to pick up.

The following items are needed to stock their pantry;

Jelly, Peanut Butter, Pork & Beans, Canned Fruit, Canned Juice, Tuna Helper, Rice, Jello, Pudding, Canned Milk, Kleenex, Dish Soap.

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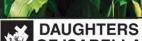






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