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## Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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### St. Charles Mass Schedule

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

#### Weekdays

Tuesday 6:00 pm

Wednesday through Friday 8:00 am

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fridays 8:30 to 9:30 after Mass  
or by Appointment

#### Pastoral Council Chair

Karen El-Tawil

#### Finance Council Chair

Mary Erwin

#### Director of Religious Education

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### Our Lady of the Lake Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

At St. Charles on Fridays 8:30 to 9:30

After Mass or by Appointment

#### Pastoral Council Chair

Chad Darilek

#### Finance Council Chair

Rick Schmidt

## Time and Talent Dedication weekend is September 24-25.



Are you being called to help others? Do you want to have closer relationship with your church family?

Prayerfully consider becoming a volunteer for St. Charles Borromeo or Our Lady of the Lake.

*Ephesians 2:10*

*"For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them."*

## Prudent Stewards:



## Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings:

Amos 8:4-7

Psalm 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8

1 Timothy 2:1-8

Luke 16:1-13

The steward in today's Gospel confronts the reality that he can't go on living the way he has been. He is under judgment. He must give account for what he has done.

The exploiters of the poor in today's First Reading are also about to be pulled down, to be thrust from their stations (see Isaiah 22:19). Servants of mammon, or money, they're so in love with wealth that they reduce the poor to objects; they despise the

new moons and sabbaths—the observances and holy days of God (see Leviticus 23:24; Exodus 20:8).

Their only hope is to follow the steward's path. He is no model of repentance. But he makes a prudent calculation—to use his last hours in charge of his master's property to show mercy to others, to relieve their debts.

He is a child of this world, driven by a purely selfish motive—to make friends and be welcomed into the homes of his master's debtors. Yet his prudence is commended as an example to us, the children of light (see 1 Thessalonians 5:5; Ephesians 5:8). We too must realize, as the steward does, that what we have is not honestly ours, but in truth belongs to another, our Master.

All the mammon in the world could not have paid the debt we owe our Master. So He paid it for us. He gave His life as a ransom for all, as we hear in today's Epistle.

God wants everyone to be saved, even kings and princes, even the lovers of money (see Luke 16:14). But we cannot serve two Masters. By His grace, we should choose to be, as we sing in today's Psalm, "servants of the Lord."

We serve Him by using what He has entrusted us with to give alms, to lift the lowly from the dust and dunghills of this world. By this we will gain what is ours and be welcomed into eternal dwellings, the many mansions of the Father's house (see John 14:2). In the company of His angels and saints, we rejoice that He has wiped out our offense. We celebrate with Him that we have turned from the evil way that we might live (see Ezekiel 18:23).

**PARISH LIFE...come and be with us**

**Rosary & Holy Hour**

The Rosary is prayed every Sunday at 8:30 AM before Mass at St. Charles and every Saturday at 3:25 PM before Mass at Our Lady of the Lake.

**Join us in praying the Rosary.**

**Please join us for a Holy Hour of prayer and the rosary on Monday evenings from 7 to 8 PM at St Charles in Kingsland. The Holy Hour is to pray for all priests, and especially our own priest, Father Uche.**

**Requesting Mass Intentions**

Mass intentions can be booked in the office on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday or you can fill out the envelope found in the narthex of the church and drop it in the offertory or in the black box in front of the office. You can book Mass for your family members, the sick, the dead, personal needs and God's blessing.

**Mass Intentions: Sept 17—Sept 25**

**OUR LADY OF THE LAKE**

Sat 09-17	4:00 PM	Shreve Children
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**ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO**

Sat 09-17	6:00 PM	Nick Erwin + & Family
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Sun 09-18	9:00 AM	Senchak - Graham family
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Tue 09-20	6:00 PM	Donnie & Margaret Jung - Happy Anniversary
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Wed 09-21	8:00 AM	Mary McGrath
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Thur 09-22	8:00 AM	Darwin Brokmeyer +
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Fri 09-23	8:00 AM	Jeff Williams family & James Urbanovsky
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**OUR LADY OF THE LAKE**

Sat 09-24	4:00 PM	Shreve Children
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**ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO**

Sat 09-24	6:00 PM	James Urbanovsky & Jeff Williams family
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Sun 09-25	9:00 AM	Karson Jung - Happy Birthday
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**VOLUNTEER**

**NEEDLERS** is a group of ladies from St. Charles and OLOL who make lap blankets for children, babies and the elderly. These are distributed throughout Llano, Burnet Mason, Lampasas and Travis Counties through the CPS, Elves for the Elderly and any organization that contacts us. We meet in Lee Hall every Monday (except the second week of the month) from 9am to 11:00am. We have kits made up for those who would like to try sewing at home. We always welcome newcomers and visitors and donations of cotton. If you have any questions, please call June Schuh at 325-388-3789.

**Cleaning the Sacred Altar Linens**

Volunteers are needed for the Cleaning of the Sacred Altar Linens. If you are interested, Please call Dana Schuld at 972-342-5354, or there is a sign up sheet in the sacristy behind the altar. We have openings in two week intervals. Thank you for your gift of time and service.

**Last Week's Collections**

**St. Charles**                    **\$ 7987.75**  
**OLOL**                                **\$ 544.00**

**“Give and it shall be given to you... For the measure you measure with will be measured back to you.”**

*Luke 6:38 We've been promised that God will not be out-done In generosity. May God bless you a hundred-fold for your generosity to His Church.*

**Announcements**



**THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL**  
 Conference of St. John/St. Paul Catholic Churches  
 Serving the needy in zip codes 78654 and 78657,  
 And Kingsland and Sunrise Beach  
 Phone (512) 755-3299 to request assistance or obtain information.

On September 27, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, who knew that “God had sent him to bring good news to the poor.” Together with your gifts, the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul continue his work and mission in our parish.

**Thank You for bringing ‘good news to the poor’ through your support!**

Our annual fundraiser is underway - the **Friends of the Poor Walk**, September 30th. Please consider an on-line donation at <https://www.fopwalk.org/event/2798> or considering mailing your check to SVDP, 201 Dalton Circle, Horseshoe Bay, TX 78657 designated ‘FOPW’. Thank

**MARRIED COUPLES, STRENGTHEN YOUR MARRIAGE:** The Marriage Encounter Weekend offers every couple the Insights, tools and the confidence to strengthen and enrich their marriage at a private weekend for couples to focus on just each other. Upcoming weekends are scheduled for September 9-11 at the Wingate Hotel in Round Rock and November 4-6 at Cedarbrake Retreat center in Belton. To apply online visit: [www.austinme.org](http://www.austinme.org) or call 512-677-WWME (9963) or email [wmeaustin@gmail.com](mailto:wmeaustin@gmail.com). Apply early to ensure a space.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS R.C.I.A.** is the process whereby adults are received into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church. It is a spiritual journey of discernment, instruction, and prayer designed for:

- Unbaptized Adults
- Adults baptized in other Christian traditions
- Couples married outside the church, who wish to have their marriage convalidated in the Catholic Church
- Baptized Catholics who either want to learn more about the Catholic faith and/or want to complete the Sacraments of Initiation.

If you are interested in this journey of faith, please contact the church office.

# PARISH MINISTRIES...come and be with us.

## MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of God of St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Kingsland, Texas and Our Lady of the Lake, Sunrise Beach, in the Diocese of Austin form a faith community that challenges each to love and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ based on Faith, Hope and Love with no regard to race, gender, nationality religion or social standing.

## Share the Harvest

Don't forget our "Share the Harvest Food Wagon" at St. Charles and the "Box" at OLOL. When you are out doing your grocery shopping please consider picking up an extra item or two and bring when you come to Mass. Also cash is five times as good. Every \$1.00 given buys \$5.00 from the food bank. Thank you for your generosity. God Bless You.

Send bulletin announcements to [stcharles@nctv.com](mailto:stcharles@nctv.com) by **5:00 PM on MONDAY**. You **MUST** put "**bulletin announcement**" in the subject line of your email. This will help us and it will ensure your important information is not overlooked.

## Statues of our Blessed Mother



at St. Charles

at Our Lady of the Lake

## Rosary

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

Read more at:  
<http://www.catholic.org/prayers/merton.php>

## "A Sacrificial Gift"

How can I determine how much is a "sacrificial gift"? One way to determine a sacrificial gift is by relating your gift to your income. Some people reach into their pocket to see what is left from Saturday night.

As a good steward, you are being asked to consider donating one hour (2 1/2%) or two hours (5%) of your weekly income. As circumstances change, increase gradually toward the ideal of 10% to your church and other charities. Some will be able to do more while others may need to do less.

There are two important points: first is that your gift be a sacrifice and second is that you relate your donation to your income. If your income is \$1000/week or \$4333/month then a weekly sacrificial gift would be 2.5% = \$25, 5% = \$50 and 10% = \$100.



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