

Saint Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Catholic Diocese of Richmond

Rev. J. Michael Breslin, Pastor

Rev. Mr. Donald T. Donovan, Deacon



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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Charles Borromeo Parish is a Catholic Community of Faith which is dedicated to prayerful worship of our Lord and Savior, providing a welcoming place to others, Christian service to all our neighbors and grateful stewardship of our earthly home.

Mass Schedule (subject to change)

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass

5:00 PM

Sunday Masses

9:00 AM English

4:00 PM Spanish

Daily

9:30 AM (Wednesday – Friday)

Holy Days

Please call for schedule

Welcome to Our Parish

We are happy to welcome you with great joy to our Faith Community! New Parishioners are requested to register. Please fill out a Parish registration form so we have a record of you and your family. We also welcome you to become an active member of the Parish. Please obtain a registration form from the rear of the Church or the Parish Office. Also, if you are moving, please notify the Parish Office.

**April 28, 2024
5th Sunday of Easter**

Saint Charles Parish Staff

Marta Rose, *Office Manager*

Michael Flanagan, *Music Director*

Alicia Brady, *Organist*

Marge Surran, *Archivist*

Gail McCormick, *Bulletin Editor*

E-mail: bulletinscc@gmail.com

Saint Charles Parish Ministries

Kevin Fallon, *Parish Council Chairperson*

David Scott, *Parish Council Vice Chairperson*

Karen Leffel, *Parish Council Secretary*

Bob Panek, *Finance Council Chairperson*

Mike Strub, *Social Ministry*

OPEN, *Ecumenical Ministry*

Tara Ashworth, *Fundraising Ministry*

Karey Fallon, *Migrant Ministry*

Joan Natali, *Helping Hands Social Ministry*

Jeanette Orzo and David Scott, *Parish Life Ministry*

OPEN, *Liturgical Ministry*

Jose Palacio, Adela Montalvo-Palacio & Leticia Palacio,
Hispanic Ministry

Karey and Kevin Fallon, *Religious Education Ministry*

Rob Harris, *Facilities Management*

Adoration – First Friday after the 9:30 a.m. Mass

Marriage – By Appointment:

At least 6 months prior to the marriage

Baptism – By Appointment

R.C.I.A. – Deacon Don Donovan,

Home: (757) 678-9019, Cell: (757) 999-1172

Reconciliation – By Request and

NEW: Before First Fridays:

Wednesday 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and

Thursday after 9:30 a.m. Mass

Religious Education – October through May

Parish Council – 3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Parish Office Hours – Tuesday–Thursday 10:00 am-3:30 pm

**Saint Charles Church is open for prayer
Wednesday through Sunday during the hours
of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.**



- APRIL 27th SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:**
 • The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family
- APRIL 28th SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:**
 • Ante Pinili
- MAY 1st WEDNESDAY 9:30 A.M.:**
 • Alice Muench and
 • In Thanksgiving
- MAY 2nd THURSDAY 9:30 A.M.:**
 • Sharon Sanderson
- MAY 3rd FIRST FRIDAY 9:30 A.M.:**
 • Michael & Frances Wong
- MAY 4th SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:**
 • The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family
- MAY 5th SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:**
 • Ann Conrad

Happy Anniversary Father Michael
 On 59 Years of Priesthood
 May 1, 1965 - May 1, 2024

Mass attendance 20 - 21:
 Saturday 90 Sunday 126 & 94

Collection for April 20 & 21: = \$ 3,129.00
 Total Offertory for April: = \$ 11,904.00
 April Preservation Fund: = \$ 2,094.00
 Migrant/Farmworkers Ministry: = \$ 1,447.00

Saint Charles Church depends on your weekly support for operating expenses. Average weekly collection needed for 2023-24 budget is \$4,140.00.

All checks (unless otherwise noted) should be made out to "Saint Charles Church".

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

- Saturday, May 4th 5:00 PM Mass:**
Greeters: Marge Surran, Robert Toner
Ushers: Bob Leffel, Dick Surran
Lector: Thom Hoover
Altar Servers: Scottie Paschall
Eucharistic Ministers: Mark Clarke, Karen Fallon, Kevin Fallon
- Sunday, May 5th 9:00 AM Mass:**
Greeters: Lori McDonald, Andrea Scott
Ushers: Bill Nottingham, David Scott
Lector: Luisa Gazzolo
Eucharistic Ministers: Maureen Bochman, Maureen Donovan, Bob Wells
- Domingo, 5 de mayo a las 4:00 de la tarde:**
Lectores:
Monaguillos: Cristal Rodriguez, Yoseline Palacio, Jasmin Jaramillo
Ministro de eucaristia: Karey Fallon

This Week's Altar Flowers:

In Memory of:
 Ante Pinili
 Given by Evelyn, Froi, Matt & Charly

Arranger: Joanne Hwang
 Arranger Next Week: Michael Flanagan

**My Gift to You Candles
 Sanctuary Light Month of April**



In Memory of:
 David Price
 Given by Andrea Price

**Pray for Peace and Protection
of Members of Our Uniformed Services**

Lord, bless the men and women of our military as they answer the call to serve our nation and defend our freedom. Protect them, particularly those in harm's way. Most of all let them know your love: that you are with them, and that you will never forsake or abandon them. We ask this in the precious name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. **Amen.**

Petty Officer Garrett Hedspeth, USCG, Stationed in Destin, Florida. Nephew of Tammy Hedspeth.

2nd Lieutenant Thomas Leffel – stationed at Fort Moore, Georgia. Son of Bob and Karen Leffel.

Admiral Erik Eslich – Son-in-law of Sherry and Ron Wrucke.

SPC Patrick P. Podlaski – Nephew of John Woolaver has been deployed to Central Europe.

Master Sergeant E7 Samuel David Fallon – Son of Kevin and Karey Fallon.

1st Lieutenant PA Jason Hill – Son of Grover and Pat Hill.

Staff Sergeant Maribel Surran – now stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado. Daughter-in-law of Dick and Marge Surran.

SPC Marisol Surran – now stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas. Granddaughter of Dick and Marge Surran.

Captain Samuel Davis McQuitty – Grandson-in-law of Peggy and Rip Phillips. Stationed at Fort Cavazos, Texas.

Lieutenant Colonel Tracy Martin – Son-in-law of Bob and Sue Panek.

Captain Katherine Lee – Daughter of Patricia and Robert James.

Staff Sergeant Dustin Goard, SERE Specialist – Son-in-law of Mike and Deirdre Purcell.

Captain Kevin Rech – Son of Kevin and Judy Rech.

Major Clay Lewin – Son of Kurt and Sally Lewin and Grandson of Maureen and Don Donovan.

Captain Sean Mitcham – Son of Denise Mitcham.

Please let us know the name of your loved one serving in the Armed Forces. E-mail to: bulletinscc@gmail.com

Healing Prayer

LORD, You invite all who are burdened to come to You. Allow Your healing hand to heal me. Touch my soul with Your compassion for others. Touch my heart with Your courage and infinite love for all. Touch my mind with Your wisdom, that my mouth may always proclaim Your praise. Teach me to reach out to You in my need and help me to lead others to You by my example. Most loving Heart of Jesus, bring me health in body and spirit that I may serve You with all my strength. Touch gently this life which You have created, now and forever. **Amen.**

Megan Thurston, Grace Buczny, Judy Adams, Matthias Ronning, Art and Eleanor Tross, Denise Kladis, Jon Antal, Val Evans, Jeanette Scott, Andrew Porche, Sara Colanthia Carignan, Angelo Collins, Jr., Liam Scott, Theresa Brady, Al Orlick, Kristin Huggins, Dorothea Rose and Elizabeth Grace Hubbard, Diane Cioffi, Sarah Stansberry, Marjorie Briden, Roberta Romeo, Jennifer Eder, Hunt Addison, Patricia Keane, Gerri Guyon, Joe Witek, Louise Weber, Roger Smith, Guy Doughty, Mike Strub, Bev Stetar, Chris Bannon, Billy Powell, Sherry Lawson, Michael Gazzolo, Eve Mlodynia, Marge Surran, Rita Loomis, Karen Webb, George Coates, Joan Natali, Kay Trower, Chica Golibart, Marta Rose, Charles Dumouchelle, Marshall Romeo, Wilhelmina Holman, Mike & Kathleen Kurgan, Judy Rech, Mary Beth Briggs, Marion Simonsen, Bernard Barrett, Terry Strub



Information & News

This coming **Friday, May 3rd** is the **First Friday of the Month**. Please join us for recitation of the Rosary before the 9:30 a.m. Mass, followed by Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass.

++Penance for First Friday++

**Wednesday, May 1st 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and
Thursday, May 2nd after 9:30 a.m. Mass**

Riverside Shore Memorial will be presenting a talk on **Advanced Directives**, what they are and why we all should have them this **Wednesday, May 1 at 2PM** in the Parish Hall. Please RSVP by calling the Parish Office.

Our **"Funeral Planning Questionnaire"** is available on our website as well as from a greeter or an usher. Please consider completing the form and filed at the office.

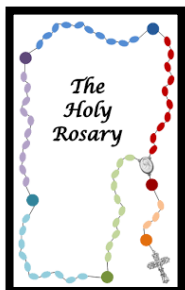
The Accomack Northampton Pregnancy Center **Walk for Life!** is **Saturday May 4th**. Please meet at the Cape Charles Baptist Church at 8:30 a.m. The walk will begin at 9:00 a.m. Please call Bob James. 561 445-6550, for information. If you would like to contribute to the Pregnancy & Parenting Center directly, please send a check to ANPC 26064 Onley Rd. Onley, VA 23418.

Knights of Columbus Council 14263 regular business meeting is Wednesday May 1st in the Parish Hall. Dinner at 6:30 p.m., Rosary at 7:00 p.m., and meeting at 7:30pm. Any man can join us for the dinner and Rosary.

Holy Hour for the men of the parish is Saturday May 4th at 6:00am in the Church.

K of C Pancake Breakfast is Sunday May 5th at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, beverage, and fruit cocktail served for \$10 per person. Under 12 years old eat for free.

Our Facilities Management has put reporting forms in the rear of the church and in the parish hall so that any needed maintenance items can be reported, tracked and corrected. Any forms that are completed can be put in the safe in the rear of the church or submitted to the parish office.



Month of May Rosary
During the month of May, the Rosary will be recited before our weekend Masses. Please remember to bring your rosary so that you can participate in this beautiful prayer to honor Our Blessed Mother.

Información y Noticias

El próximo **viernes 3 de mayo** es el **primer viernes del mes**. Únase a nosotros para rezar el Rosario antes de la Misa de las 9:30 a. m., seguida de la Adoración y Bendición del Santísimo Sacramento después de la Misa.

++Penitencia por el primer viernes++

**Miércoles 1 de mayo de 17:30 a 18:30 horas. y
Jueves 2 de mayo después de la misa de 9:30 a. m.**

Riverside Shore Memorial presentará una charla sobre Directivas Anticipadas, qué son y por qué todos deberíamos tenerlas este miércoles 1 de mayo a las 2 p.m. en el Salón Parroquial. Por favor confirme su asistencia llamando a la oficina parroquial.

Nuestro "Cuestionario de planificación funeraria" está disponible en nuestro sitio web, así como a través de un recibidor o un acomodador. Por favor considere completar el formulario y presentarlo en la oficina.

¡La caminata por la vida del Centro de Embarazo Accomack Northampton! es el sábado 4 de mayo. Reúnase en la Iglesia Bautista Cape Charles a las 8:30 a. m. La caminata comenzará a las 9:00 a. m. Llame a Bob James. 561 445-6550, para información. Si desea contribuir directamente al Centro de Embarazo y Crianza, envíe un cheque a ANPC 26064 Onley Rd. Sólo, VA 23418.

La reunión ordinaria de negocios del Consejo 14263 de Caballeros de Colón será el miércoles 1 de mayo en el Salón Parroquial. Cena a las 18:30 horas, Rosario a las 19:00 horas y reunión a las 19:30 horas. Cualquier hombre puede unirse a nosotros para la cena y el Rosario.

La Hora Santa para los hombres de la parroquia es el sábado 4 de mayo a las 6:00 am en la Iglesia.

El desayuno de panqueques de C de C será el domingo 5 de mayo a las 9:30 a. m. en el Salón Parroquial. Panqueques, huevos, salchichas, tocino, bebidas y cóctel de frutas servidos por \$10 por persona. Los menores de 12 años comen gratis.

Nuestra Administración de Instalaciones ha colocado formularios de informes en la parte trasera de la iglesia y en el salón parroquial para que se pueda informar, rastrear y corregir cualquier elemento de mantenimiento necesario. Cualquier formulario que se complete se puede guardar en la caja fuerte en la parte trasera de la iglesia o enviarse a la oficina parroquial.

For those who are interested, please complete the form below and place in the collection basket at Mass or you may drop it off at the Parish Office. Thank you.

An Invitation to Serve

**Greeter, Usher, Choir Member, Lector, Eucharistic Minister,
Adult/Youth Altar Server, Altar Flower Arranger, Polisher,
Fund Raising, Helping Hands, Parish Life, Religious Education, Liturgical**

Please consider serving at our Parish. All parishioners are invited to apply for any of these Ministries at Saint Charles Church. Training will be provided for adults and children (who have received their First Eucharist). If you are interested in being part of any of these Ministries complete the application below and return it to the Parish Office or call the Parish Office at 331-2040.

Parents can be assured that children participating in the Altar Server Ministry of our Parish are safe and well protected by the policies that have been established by the Diocese of Richmond.

Thank you for your thoughtful and prayerful consideration,

J. Michael Breslin, Pastor

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Please **CHECK** which Mass time(s) you would prefer to serve:

- Saturday @ 5:00 p.m.**
- Sunday 9:00 a.m.**
- Sunday @ 4:00 p.m. (Spanish)**
- or I will serve where I am needed**

I will attend practice and training sessions when scheduled. I will faithfully serve on weekend and holy days of obligation and I will do my best to follow through with my commitment or get a substitute if I am unable to attend my scheduled service.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If applicable: I approve of my child's desire to be an Altar Server at Saint Charles Church and I will support him/her in getting to Church and in keeping to the schedule. Also, please provide the following information:

Child's Grade: _____ Child's Age: _____

Parent(s) Name(s): _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

MAY 2024

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			Birthday: Joan Natali Justin Suarez	Birthday: Pedro Bermudez	Birthday: Jose Rodriguez Nilda Webb	Anniversary: Marvin & Patricia Milton John & Editha Lockwood
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Birthday: David Rodriguez Sherry Wrucke	Birthday: Simon Cruz Pineda Zayden Hernandez	Birthday: John Hwang		Anniversary: Kevin & Judy Rech	Anniversary: William & Tarisa Ashworth Birthday: Evelyn Gildo Vaca	Birthday: Lisa Lombardozi
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Anniversary: Gregory & Kimberly Coates Birthday: Alfred Discepolo	Birthday: Susan Vanvelzor	Birthday: Joanne Regalbuto	Birthday: Jack MacDougall Joseph Paschall		Birthday: Daniel Coffey Elizabeth Hayward Anthony Regalbuto	Birthday: Bonnie Nelson
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Birthday: Brellyn Coates Karen Lee Fallon Corinne MacDougall Avianna Rodriguez	Anniversary: David & Andrea Scott	Birthday: Raul Rodriguez	Birthday: Jaylynn Suarez	Birthday: Ismael Jaramillo		Birthday: Jose Palacio
26	27	28	29	30	31	
				Birthday: Fernando Palacio Servin Neill Webb	Anniversary: Victor & Luisa Gazzolo	



The Pruning Process

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The common myth is that we receive a new body every seven years as cells die and are replaced. However, stomach cells are renewed every two days or so because of acids and enzymes. Skin cells are replaced every two to three weeks. Bone cells last about ten years, and our brain cells stay with us for our entire lives. In a sense, then, we might say that our bodies are pruned, part of us remaining long-term to nurture and sustain like the trunk of a tree, and part of us severed so that life may be renewed and continue on.

If so with our bodies, are not our spirits also pruned? There is a core part of who we are that wends its way throughout our lives. Yet that “who” has rough edges in need of being smoothed; barbs need to be dulled; and certain inclinations simply need to be severed. Spouses tend to prune one another, the grace of a loving marriage. Children sometimes keep parents honest. Life events may grind down our independence and self-sufficiency. Illnesses, aging, job loss, the death of loved ones—all forcing us to recognize that we are not in control of life. We are thus pruned, forced to surrender much of what we once thought we could control.

Where is God in all of this? If God is woven into the warp and woof of all life, then all the events and rhythms of life can draw us closer to God, pruning us into goodness and fruitfulness. ●

Reflect

How have you been pruned and has this pruning led to new growth, new life?



[Jesus said,] “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit.

JOHN 15:1–2

Dear Padre,

Several months ago my son died in a tragic car accident. Life, work, family, and even religion seem so meaningless now. How can I find my way back?

You have suffered a great loss. When you are able, you can choose to live in a way that will respect both your son's memory and your own ongoing life. Here are a few gentle steps that might help.

- Expect to feel numb at first. This is nature's way of helping you deal with your loss. Keep following the normal patterns of your life and, eventually, meaning will return.
- Allow your friends to help. "Sorrows shared are sorrows lessened."
- If you are sad, let the tears come! Even Jesus cried at the death of his friend Lazarus (John 11:32-35).
- If you are angry, look for a healthy release. Focus the energy of your anger into productive work, even if it's just doing dishes or yard work.
- Use your experience to help others. While helping others, the Lord often reveals to us the meaning of our own losses.
- Don't be afraid to seek professional help. A therapist has the expertise to help you talk about your loss and cope with your grief.
- Pray for yourself, for your son, for all whose lives he touched, for all those who are grieving.
- After you have done everything you can, leave your loss in God's hands. The Lord will do for you what you cannot do for yourself. ●



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The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
April 29 <i>St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i> Acts 14:5-18 Jn 14:21-26	April 30 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 14:19-28 Jn 14:27-31a	May 1 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 15:1-6 Jn 15:1-8	May 2 <i>St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> Acts 15:7-21 Jn 15:9-11	May 3 <i>Sts. Philip and James, Apostles</i> 1 Cor 15:1-8 Jn 14:6-14	May 4 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 16:1-10 Jn 15:18-21	May 5 <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i> Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Jesus needs us, like the vine with the branches. Perhaps to say this may seem bold to us, and so let us ask ourselves: in what sense does Jesus need us? He needs our witness. The fruit that as branches we must bear, is the witness of our lives as Christians.

REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 2, 2021