

Saint Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Catholic Diocese of Richmond

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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.

**November 24, 2024
Our Lord, Jesus Christ
King of the Universe**

Saint Charles Parish Staff

Marta Rose, *Office Manager*

Michael Flanagan, *Music Director*

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Saint Charles Parish Ministries

Kevin Fallon, *Parish Council Chairperson*

David Scott, *Parish Council Vice Chairperson*

Karen Leffel, *Parish Council Secretary*

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Mike Strub, *Social Ministry*

OPEN, *Ecumenical Ministry*

Tara Ashworth, *Fundraising Ministry*

Judy Chuisano, *Homebound Ministry*

Karey Fallon, *Migrant Ministry*

Joan Natali, *Helping Hands Social Ministry*

Jeanette Orzo and David Scott, *Parish Life Ministry*

Kevin Fallon, *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

Before First Fridays on

Wednesday 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and

Thursday after 9:30 a.m. Mass

Religious Education – September through May

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

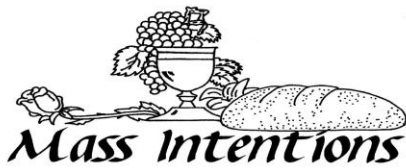
Parish Office Hours – Tuesday–Thursday 10:00 am-3:30 pm

Hispanic Ministry “Holy Hour”

every Friday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

“Men’s Holy Hour” is the second and fourth Saturday of the month. This hour of prayer, instruction, and fellowship begins at 6:00 A.M. in the Church.

Saint Charles Church is open for prayer Wednesday through Sunday during the hours of 9:00am and 5:00pm



NOVEMBER 23rd SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:

- Marshall Romeo, Sr.
- The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family

NOVEMBER 24th SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:

- Carol DeKler
- Lindy Seabrook

NOVEMBER 27th WEDNESDAY 9:30 A.M.:

- The Breslin and Siewers Family

NOVEMBER 28th THANKSGIVING 9:30 A.M.:

- Ruth Ann Leffel
- All Our Living and Deceased

NOVEMBER 29th FRIDAY NO MASS

NOVEMBER 30th SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:

- The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family

DECEMBER 1st SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:

- Betty Brown

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

Saturday, November 30th 5:00 PM Mass:

Greeters: Kathy Apy, Diane Partin

Ushers: Joe Murphy, Dick Surran

Lector: Donna Campbell

Altar Server: Scottie Paschall

Eucharistic Ministers: Thom Hoover, Walter Roll,
Marge Surran

Sunday, December 1st 9:00 AM Mass:

Greeters: Lori McDonald, Robert Toner

Ushers: Pat James, Bill Nottingham

Lector: Susan Kovacs

Altar Server: Bob Wells

Eucharistic Ministers: Maureen Bochman,
Maureen Donovan, Rip Phillips

Domingo, uno de diciembre a las 4:00 de la tarde:

Lectores: To be announced

Monaguillos: To be announced

Ministro de eucaristía: To be announced

Mass attendance November 16 & 17:
Saturday 81; Sunday 115 & 78

2024 UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:
12/7-8 Retired Religious
12/24-25 Catholic Charities

Collection for November 16 & 17: = \$ 3,344.00

Total Offertory for November: = \$ 11,885.00

November Preservation Fund: = \$ 2,200.00

Saint Charles Church depends on your weekly support for operating expenses. Average weekly collection needed for 2024-25 budget is \$4,230.00.

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

You can visit
giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stcharlescapecharles
and enroll securely online
or text "Give" to 757-432-2040

**My Gift to You Candles
Sanctuary Light for the Month of November**



In Memory of Tess Woolaver and
In Honor of Father J. Michael Breslin
Given by John Woolaver



Your gift donation(s) should be returned by the weekend of December 7 & 8. Thank you for your generous contributions.

DECEMBER CALENDAR

Advent/Christmas Church Decorating

The Church will be decorated for Advent/Christmas next **Saturday, November 30 at 9:30 a.m.** The decorations are stored in the hall basement and will be moved to the church for set up. Any help that you can give is appreciated.

Pot Luck Supper & Posada December 1st

Please join us in the Parish Hall after the 4:00 p.m. Mass.

Immaculate Conception

Monday, December 9th is The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be at 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

On Wednesday, December 12, there will be procession at 6:00pm with Mass at 6:30pm.

**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 is now stationed at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

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, 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, 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, Wilhelmina Holman, Mike & Kathleen Kurgan, Judy Rech, Mary Beth Briggs, Marion Simonsen, Bernard Barrett, Terry Strub, Dick Surran, Sue Panek



This Week's Altar Flowers:

**In Memory of:
Ante M. Pinili**

Given by Evelyn Pinili and Family

In Memory of:

**Robert & Magalis Waters
Given by Sue Waters Kellam**

Flowers arranged by Sherry Wrucke



Information/Parish Events

Cristo Rey Procession, a representation of Jesus Christ as the universal King, **Sunday, November 24th** at 3:30PM followed by 4:00 Mass.

Advent Wreaths and Candles

Wreaths and candles will be available for purchase after all masses this weekend. A wreath and candle set is \$20.00; wreath only is \$15.00; box of candles only is \$5.00.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Because of the extremely generous support of the friends and families of the Knights of Columbus Council and the Belles of St. Charles, the **Ultrasound Initiative** for the Accomack Northampton Pregnancy Center has reached its goal. The Council received 50% of the cost of a new ultrasound machine. The application for matching funds has been submitted to the State Deputy for review and submission to the Supreme Council. Thank you for your unbelievable response to this life saving effort.

Coats for Kids – Please leave a new coat for a child in the box in the back of the Church. Thank you for the incredible generosity you have shown in the past.

Peanut Sales – Order forms are on the counter in the back of the Church. Orders will be taken through December 1st.

Friday, December 6th 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, December 4th 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. and

Thursday, December 5th after 9:30 a.m. Mass

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Additional Penance Dates for Christmas are:

Wednesday, December 18th 5:30 to 6:00 pm.,

Thursday, December 19th after 9:30 a.m. Mass and

Saturday, December 21st at 4:00 p.m.

Invitation to Join Our RCIA Group

If you are not Catholic and are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, with the possibility of becoming Catholic or if you are a Catholic adult who has not been Confirmed or not made First Eucharist, you are invited to join our **RCIA Group**. For more information, please contact **Don and Maureen Donovan at 678-9019 or 999-1172**.

Información/Eventos Parroquiales

Procesión de Cristo Rey, representación de Jesucristo como Rey universal, **el domingo 24 de noviembre** a las 15:30 horas, seguida de la Misa de las 16:00 horas.

Coronas y velas de Adviento

Las coronas y velas estarán disponibles para su compra después de todas las misas a partir del tercer fin de semana. Un juego de corona y vela cuesta \$20,00; la corona solamente cuesta \$15,00; la caja de velas solamente cuesta \$5,00.

CABALLEROS DE COLÓN

Gracias al generoso apoyo de los amigos y familiares del Consejo de los Caballeros de Colón y las Belles of St. Charles, la **Iniciativa de Ultrasonido** para el Centro de Embarazo Accomack Northampton alcanzó su meta. El Consejo recibió el 50% del costo de una nueva máquina de ultrasonido. La solicitud de fondos de contrapartida se envió al Diputado de Estado para su revisión y presentación al Consejo Supremo. Gracias por su increíble respuesta a este esfuerzo para salvar vidas.

Abrigos para niños: deje un abrigo nuevo para un niño en la caja que se encuentra en la parte trasera de la Iglesia. Gracias por la increíble generosidad que ha demostrado en el pasado.

Venta de maní: los formularios de pedido se encuentran en el mostrador que se encuentra en la parte trasera de la Iglesia. Se aceptarán pedidos hasta el 1 de diciembre.

El viernes 6 de diciembre es el primer viernes del mes. Únase a nosotros para rezar el rosario antes de la misa de las 9:30 a. m., seguido de la adoración y bendición del Santísimo Sacramento después de la misa.

++Penitencia para el primer viernes++

Miércoles 4 de diciembre de 5:30 a 6:00pm y

Jueves 5 de diciembre después de la misa de las 9:30am

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Las fechas adicionales de penitencia para Navidad son:

Miércoles 18 de diciembre de 5:30 a 6:00pm,

Jueves 19 de diciembre después de la misa de las 9:30am y

Sábado 21 de diciembre a las 4:00pm

Invitación a unirse a nuestro grupo RCIA

Si no eres católico y estás interesado en aprender más sobre la fe católica, con la posibilidad de convertirte en católico o si eres un adulto católico que no ha sido confirmado o no ha hecho la Primera Eucaristía, estás invitado a unirse a nuestro **grupo RCIA**. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Don y Maureen Donovan al 678-9019 o 999-1172.

What is Advent?



Sunday, December 1, 2024 - Tuesday, December 24, 2024

Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of Christmas.

The Advent season is a time of **preparation** that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and to the anniversary of Our Lord's birth on Christmas. From the earliest days of the Church, people have been fascinated by Jesus' promise to come back. But the scripture readings during Advent tell us not to waste our time with predictions. Advent is not about speculation. Our Advent readings call us to be alert and ready, not weighted down and distracted by the cares of this world (Luke 21:34-36). Like Lent, the liturgical color for Advent is purple since both are seasons that prepare us for great feast days. Advent also includes an element of penance in the sense of preparing, quieting, and disciplining our hearts for the full joy of Christmas.

As we prepare for Christmas, the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* notes some differences to the Mass that should be observed during the season. For instance, the priest wears violet or purple during Advent, except for the Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) when rose may be worn (GIRM*, #346). Aside from what the priest wears, other aesthetic changes in the Church can include a more modestly decorated altar.

The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, we focus on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord at Christmas. In particular, the "O" Antiphons are sung during this period and have been by the Church since at least the eighth century. They are a magnificent theology that uses ancient biblical imagery drawn from the messianic hopes of the Old Testament to proclaim the coming of Christ as the fulfillment not only of Old Testament hopes, but of present ones as well.

Advent devotions including the Advent wreath, remind us of the meaning of the season. Our Advent calendar (linked below) can help you fully enter into the season with daily activity and prayer suggestions to prepare you spiritually for the birth of Jesus Christ.

<https://www.usccb.org/resources/2024-advent-calendar>

***General Instruction of the Roman Missal**

DECEMBER 2024

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Birthday: Cynthia Mitchell	Birthday: Kevin Webb Michael Ziegler			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Anniversary: Ralph & Jeanette Orzo		Birthday: Luisa Gazzolo Roberto Reyez Moutoy	Birthday: Sixta Alvarez	Birthday: Jonas Panuco		Birthday: Michael O'Brien
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Birthday: Alicia Brady Katherine Eastmond	Birthday: Fred Lee David Scott	Birthday: Charlie Apy Maureen Donovan				Birthday: Emanuel Said
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Birthday: Terri Britles Guadalupe Panuco Lawrence Riley	Birthday: Rodolfo Clake Jennifer Delaroderie Pablo Perez		Birthday: Kimberly Heath Daniel Rodriguez	Birthday: Mary Rose Cunningham Edward Stetar	Birthday: Sabina Brown	Birthday: Karen Gliedman
29	30	31				
Birthday: Johanna Ashworth	Birthday: Randy Rodriguez Blanca Rodriguez	Birthday: Ryan Webb				



[Jesus answered Pilate,]
“For this I was born and for
this I came into the world,
to testify to the truth.
Everyone who belongs to
the truth listens to my voice.”

JOHN 18:37

His Life as Truth

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

We are bombarded by many statements professing to be true. Advertisers seek our endorsement, political parties seek our allegiance, and friends seek our agreement. Each purports to offer truth. In the Gospel this week, Pilate asks Jesus whether he is a king. Jesus replies, “You say I am a king. For this...I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice” (John 18:37). What is Jesus’ truth?

We tend to go through life taking stands on various issues: how to raise children, what kind of exercise is best, which political approach to endorse, and countless others. Once we decide, we often make that stance one of life’s truths and proclaim all others

false. Jesus, on the other hand, offers his life as truth, much bigger than our petty truths. His truth stretches us beyond what we already are, more than life issues that change daily. His life’s truth declares that meaning is found only by living for others, that loving someone can heal their pain, that wisdom is found in the struggle, that less is more. Jesus’ ultimate truth is doing his Father’s will. The fact that it is difficult or that we tend not to live it very well makes it no less the truth. ●

Reflect

**How does your life witness to the truth
Jesus’ life reveals?**

Dear Padre,

When receiving the Body and Blood of Christ, I feel the need to respond, "Thank you, Jesus. Amen." Is this OK or should I just stick to "Amen"?

"Amen" is an appropriate response, in and of itself. An emphatic, heartfelt "Amen" is an affirmation of faith meant to capture our feelings of profound gratitude and awe in the presence of God. It's also a statement of belief, roughly translated as "truly," "most assuredly," or "so be it" to what has been said.

For example, when we conclude the Creed with "Amen," it repeats and confirms the first words "I believe." "To believe is to say 'Amen' to God's words, promises and commandments; to entrust oneself completely to him who is the 'Amen' of infinite love and perfect faithfulness" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1064). "Jesus Christ is...the definitive 'Amen' of the Father's love for us. He takes up and completes our 'Amen' to the Father.... That is why we utter the Amen through him, to the glory of God" (CCC 1065).

Sharing in the one bread and the one cup is a time of unity with God and with God's people. Each individual communicant's "Amen" is also meant to be an expression of our unity together in receiving the Body and Blood of Christ. Responding with something other than "Amen" may serve to disrupt that unity and draw attention to yourself. So, yes, stick with a sincere, mindful "Amen!" ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR / DearPadre.org



ALDIN KAMBER / SHUTTERSTOCK

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.



RICCARDO DE LUCA / UPDATE

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

The best proof that Christ is our king is detachment from what pollutes life, makes it ambiguous, opaque, sad.... When we live under the lordship of Jesus, we do not become corrupt, we do not become false, inclined to cover up the truth. We do not live double lives. Remember this well: all of us are sinners, yes; corrupt, never.

ANGELUS, ROME, NOVEMBER 21, 2021

Monday

November 25

Weekday

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5

Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday

November 26

Weekday

Rv 14:14-19

Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday

November 27

Weekday

Rv 15:1-4

Lk 21:12-19

Thursday

November 28

Weekday

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23;

19:1-3, 9a

Lk 21:20-28

Thanksgiving Day (US)

Sir 50:22-24

1 Cor 1:3-9

Lk 17:11-19

Friday

November 29

Weekday

Rv 20:1-4, 11-

21:2

Lk 21:29-33

Saturday

November 30

St. Andrew, Apostle

Rom 10:9-18

Mt 4:18-22

Sunday

December 1

First Sunday of Advent

Jer 33:14-16

1 Thes 3:12-4:2

Lk 21:25-28,

34-36