

# **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.

**January 5, 2025**

**The Epiphany of The Lord**

## **Saint Charles Parish Staff**

Marta Rose, *Office Manager*

Michael Flanagan, *Music Director*

Alicia Brady, *Organist*

Marge Surran, *Archivist*

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E-mail: [bulletinscc@stcharlesbcc.org](mailto:bulletinscc@stcharlesbcc.org)

## **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*

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

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

**Hispanic Ministry “Holy Hour”  
every Monday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**



# Mass Intentions

**IANUARY 4th SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:**

- The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family

**IANUARY 5th SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:**

- Mary Siewers
- Angelo & Carmen Said

**IANUARY 8th WEDNESDAY 9:30 A.M.:**

- Blane Thomas Wilson

**IANUARY 9th THURSDAY 9:30 A.M.:**

- Bill Pearson
- Harry & Carolin Pearson

**IANUARY 10th FIRST FRIDAY NO MASS:**

**IANUARY 11th SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:**

- Russel Bradford
- The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family

**IANUARY 12th SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:**

- Lloyd Kellam

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## MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK:

**Saturday, January 11th 5:00 PM Mass:**

**Greeters:** Karen Leffel, Scottie Paschall

**Ushers:** Bob Leffel, Joe Murphy

**Lector:** Karey Fallon

**Altar Server:** Jeffrey Rathz

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mark Clark, Kevin Fallon,  
Walter Roll

**Sunday, January 12th 9:00 AM Mass:**

**Greeters:** Maureen Donovan, Andrea Scott

**Ushers:** Lori McDonald, Bill Nottingham

**Lector:** Susan Kovacs

**Altar Server:** Robert Toner

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Dennis Corbitt, David Scott,  
Bob Wells

**Domingo. 12 de enero a las 4:00 de la tarde:**

**Lectores:** Edith Palacio, Cristal Adriana Palacio

**Monaguillos:** Perla Velásquez Roblero,,Anabel Clark,  
Miriam Diaz, Alejandro Cruz

**Ministro de eucaristía:** To be announced

December 21 & 22: \$ 3,483.00

Christmas December 24 & 25: \$ 6,084.00

Catholic Charities Collection: \$ 1,280.00

December 28 & 29: \$ 3,314.00

Total Offertory for December: = \$ 18,937.00

December Preservation Fund: = \$ 2,282.00

January 1st Solemnity of Mary: \$ 875.00

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](https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stcharlescapecharles)

and enroll securely online

or text "Give" to 757-432-2040

Mass attendance:

Christmas Masses:

December 24 & December 25: 230 & 66

December 28 & 29: 68, 90 & 105

January 1: 87

## **2025 UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

January 18-19 Respect Life Collection

February 1-2 Preservation Fund

## **2025 My Gift to You Candles**

The 2025 "My Gift to You Candle" request book is now available on the information counter. Information and request form(s) are in the pocket(s) of the book.

## **2025 Altar Flower Request Book**

The 2025 Altar Flower Request Book is available on the information counter. We suggest at \$40.00 donation for each request.

## **"Men's Holy Hour"**

The Saturday morning Men's Holy Hour is taking a break and will resume the second Saturday in January 2025, January 11. Have a Blessed Christmas.

**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.

**1st Lieutenant Thomas Leffel** – stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado. 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](mailto: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, 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, Karen Foley, Evelyn Pinili



**A Prayer for The New Year**

Lord Jesus Christ, the prince of peace, make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice, and neighborly love. Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace. Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee and defend the great gift of peace. May all peoples of the earth become as brothers and sisters. May longed-for peace blossom forth and reign always over us all. **Amen.**

St. John XXIII

## *Information/Parish Events*

There will be no 9:30 a.m. daily mass this coming Friday, January 10.

The beautiful poinsettias in our Christmas Sanctuary will be available to take home after mass next weekend.

Hispanic Holy Hour will now be on Mondays, beginning January 6 from 7:00pm to 8:00 pm.

Please keep Bev Stetar and Family in your prayers on the recent loss of her mother, Ida Bailey and her sister Sherry Bailey. Thank you.

## *Información/Eventos Parroquiales*

No habrá misa diaria a las 9:30 a. m. el próximo viernes 10 de enero.

Las hermosas flores de Pascua de nuestro Santuario de Navidad estarán disponibles para llevar a casa después de la misa del próximo fin de semana.

La Hora Santa Hispana ahora será los lunes, a partir del 6 de enero.

Por favor, mantengan a Bev Stetar y a su familia en sus oraciones por la reciente pérdida de su madre, Ida Bailey, y su hermana Sherry Bailey. Gracias.

# JANUARY 2025

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
						<b>Birthday:</b> Tammy Hedspeth
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<b>Birthday:</b> Oscar Panuco Walter Roll Constance Welde	<b>Birthday:</b> Karalyn Schimek	<b>Anniversary:</b> Aaron & Jennifer Siegrist	<b>Birthday:</b> Bill Nottingham	<b>Birthday:</b> Jeanne Hollister	<b>Birthday:</b> Charles Kolakowski	<b>Birthday:</b> Norman Mitchell Clelia Sheppard
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<b>Birthday:</b> Valentine Evans Jose Palacio Servin		<b>Birthday:</b> Louis Weber		<b>Birthday:</b> Tara Ashworth	<b>Birthday:</b> Dominik Hartley	<b>Birthday:</b> Michael Stevens
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<b>Birthday:</b> Thomas O'Connor Richard Surran	<b>Anniversary:</b> Louis & Louise Weber <b>Birthday:</b> David Graney Emmanuel Palacio Panuco	<b>Birthday:</b> Bernard Barrett Minerva Morales	<b>Birthday:</b> Veronica Diaz Mesina Ralph Orzo	<b>Birthday:</b> JoAnn Clark Alexandra Clarke Bernadine Neis	<b>Birthday:</b> Sofia Panuco Helen Walker	
26	27	28	29	30		
<b>Birthday:</b> Virginia Osmolenski	<b>Anniversary:</b> Fred & Robyn Lee	<b>Birthday:</b> Daisy Riley	<b>Birthday:</b> Lily Rose Riley			

# Catholic Diocese of Richmond



## Information from Catholic Community Foundation of the Diocese of Richmond



Behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

MATTHEW 2:1B-2

## In Search of God

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**W**e are always in search of something or other, it seems—an intangible something that tends to shift and change over the course of our lives, like the tumbling pieces of a kaleidoscope. Sometimes, it is love we seek. Other times, meaning. Or inner peace, freedom from anxiety or guilt. Or perhaps freedom from all that ties us down. And sometimes, it is God we seek. Like the Magi, we too are on a quest for the Holy One.

One afternoon, Tom, a high-school sophomore, stopped by. He asked if we could talk about God—or, more exactly, about what God was like. He had been in a study hall, waiting for the bell to ring, when the person behind him asked, "When you die, do you think you're going to see God?" Tom said he thought he would, but then the other student replied, "Well, you won't, because God doesn't have a body. There isn't something to see."

The bell rang, Tom said, and they never finished the conversation. Tom wondered whether God had a body or not, and, if not, then what was God like? Tom was searching for a God that made sense amidst galaxies and black holes and light years of time, but also a God who was personal and knowable and lovable. He wasn't sure how to put the two together. He had become one of the Magi on a journey to find God. ●

### Reflect

***Where are you on your journey to know and discover God?***

# Dear Padre,

I'm into horoscopes. A friend told me that astrology is nonsense and against the Catholic faith. What do you say?

Stargazing is as old as the human race. We know with certainty that ancient Chaldea was known for its stargazers. Many of the constellations' names originated during that time. Some scholars believe that the three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the newborn Savior were themselves Chaldean stargazers.

Astrologers believe that the zodiac signs under which we were born largely control our human destiny. The Christian objection to astrology is that it insults almighty God, who alone knows the future. God alone, in cooperation with the free will of humans, controls the future. To suppose that stars, planets, animals, or inanimate objects can, independent of God, direct or influence our lives opposes the first commandment: "I am the LORD your God.... You shall not have other gods beside me" (Exodus 20:2-3).

The Old Testament clearly spells out that it is vain to imagine "either fire, or wind, or the swift air, or the circuit of the stars, or the mighty water, or the luminaries of heaven" as "the governors of the world" (Wisdom 13:2).

Don't give credit to or blame the stars for what you do and who you are. See past them to the God who made them, and who made us, and who cares for all creation. ●



TANYA ANTUSENOK / SHUTTERSTOCK

*The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org*

## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*God made us: brimming with desire, directed, like the Magi, towards the stars.... We are what we desire. For it is our desires that...drive our lives forward, beyond the barriers of habit, beyond banal consumerism, beyond a drab and dreary faith, beyond the fear of becoming involved and serving others and the common good.*

HOMILY, ROME, JANUARY 6, 2022



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## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

### Monday

January 6

*Christmas Weekday*

1 Jn 3:22-4:6

Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

### Tuesday

January 7

*Christmas Weekday*

1 Jn 4:7-10

Mk 6:34-44

### Wednesday

January 8

*Christmas Weekday*

1 Jn 4:11-18

Mk 6:45-52

### Thursday

January 9

*Christmas Weekday*

1 Jn 4:19-5:4

Lk 4:14-22a

### Friday

January 10

*Christmas Weekday*

1 Jn 5:5-13

Lk 5:12-16

### Saturday

January 11

*Christmas Weekday*

1 Jn 5:14-21

Jn 3:22-30

### Sunday

January 12

*The Baptism of the Lord*

Is 42:1-4, 6-7

or Is 40:1-5, 9-11

Acts 10:34-38

or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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