

# **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.

**February 2, 2025**

## **The Presentation of the Lord**

### **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@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*

**OPEN**, *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.**

**“Men’s Holy Hour”  
The 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 6:00 a.m.**



**FEBRUARY 1st SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:**

- Joe & Toni Isyk

**FEBRUARY 2nd SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:**

- The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family

**FEBRUARY 5th WEDNESDAY 9:30 A.M.:**

- Art Tross
- Thelma Fraim

**FEBRUARY 6th THURSDAY 9:30 A.M.:**

- Anthony Tanner

**FEBRUARY 7th FIRST FRIDAY 9:30 A.M.:**

- Helen David Basco

**FEBRUARY 8th SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:**

- The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family

**FEBRUARY 9th SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:**

- Irene & Stanley Mlodynia

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**MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Saturday, February 8th 5:00 PM Mass:**

**Greeters:** Audrey Brinkley, JoAnn Clark

**Ushers:** David Parin, Dick Surran

**Lector:** Donna Campbell

**Altar Server:** Jeffrey Rathz

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mark Clarke, Kevin Fallon,  
Marge Surran

**Sunday, February 9th 9:00 AM Mass:**

**Greeters:** Joe Murphy, Andrea Scott

**Ushers:** Pat James, Lori McDonald

**Lector:** Rip Phillips

**Altar Server:** Robert Toner

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Bob Crowley, Thom Hoover,  
Peggy Phillips

**Domingo, 9 de febrero a las 4:00 de la tarde:**

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

**Monaguillos:** Sofia Jaramillo, Miriam Diaz,

Perla Velásquez Roblero, Angel Alvarado Martinez

**Ministro de eucaristía:** To be announced

January 25 - 26: \$ 3,490.00

Total Offertory for January: = \$ 11,926.00

January Preservation Fund: = \$ 2,457.00

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 January 25-26: 91, 92 & 97

**2025 UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

February 15-16 Lighthouse Ministries

March 1-2 Preservation Fund

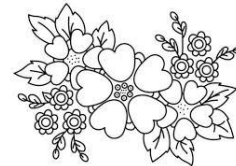
March 29-30 Catholic Relief Services

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**



The Knights of Columbus are major sponsors of the February 8th Virginia Beach Polar Plunge to benefit Special Olympics. Members of the St. Charles Council will be taking the Plunge! Please see our fundraising page to help us help those with Intellectual Disabilities. <https://impact.specialolympicsva.org/team/613226>

**This Week's Altar Flowers**



Arranged by Joanne Hwang

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



In Memory of:  
Toni & Joe Isyk  
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.

**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)

Our annual **"Soup Pot Sunday"** is next weekend in conjunction with **Super Bowl LIX**. Thank you for your contributions for the Food Bank of the Eastern Shore.

Nuestro **"Domingo de olla de sopa"** anual es el próximo fin de semana junto con el **Super Bowl LIX**. Gracias por sus contribuciones para el Banco de Alimentos de la Costa Este. Nuestro.

**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 Colanitha 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, Jackie Smith



This coming **Friday, February 7th 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, February 5th 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. and  
Thursday, February 6th after 9:30 a.m. Mass**

El próximo **viernes 7 de febrero 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 5 de febrero 17:30 a 18:00 horas. y  
Jueves 6 de febrero después de la Misa de 9:30 a.m.**

# FEBRUARY 2025

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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						<u>Anniversary:</u> Michael & Margaret Ziegler  <u>Birthday:</u> Humberto DeLuigi
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<u>Birthday:</u> Emiliano Cruz Shirley Karmilovich		<u>Anniversary:</u> Brian & Kimberly Heath  <u>Birthday:</u> Bruce Brinkley	<u>Birthday:</u> Marta Rose Ava Siegrist	<u>Birthday:</u> Donald Glowinski		<u>Birthday:</u> Michael Haney
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<u>Birthday:</u> Alicia Perez	<u>Birthday:</u> Helen Kinbacher Cristian Panuco				<u>Anniversary:</u> Alexander & Veronica Orlick Austin & Karen Davis  <u>Birthday:</u> Austin Davis Adrian Jaramillo	<u>Birthday:</u> Ed Apy
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	<u>Birthday:</u> Father Michael Imperial		<u>Birthday:</u> Edith Palacio	<u>Birthday:</u> Elizabeth Paschall	<u>Birthday:</u> Margaret Ziegler	<u>Birthday:</u> John Murphy James Neis
23	24	25	26	27	28	
	<u>Anniversary:</u> Kevin & Nilda Webb  <u>Birthday:</u> Mary Osmolenski	<u>Birthday:</u> Luanne Kolakowski Jeanette Orzo			<u>Birthday:</u> Leticia Panuco	



Pope Francis has designated the 2025 Holy Year  
(December 24, 2024 Opening of the Holy Door St. Peter's Basilica, Rome to  
December 28, 2025 Closing of the Holy Doors Around the World  
Jan 6, 2026 - Closing of the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica, Rome)  
as a time to renew ourselves as "Pilgrims of Hope."

"Hope Does Not Disappoint." – Pope Francis

"Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts  
through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us". – Romans 5:5

"La esperanza no defrauda, porque el amor de Dios ha sido derramado en nuestros  
corazones por el Espíritu Santo que nos ha sido dado". – Romanos 5:5

Father in heaven,  
may the *faith* you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of *charity* enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within  
both humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever. Amen

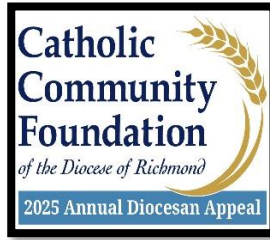
Franciscus

Padre que estás en el cielo,  
la *fe* que nos has donado en  
tu Hijo Jesucristo, nuestro hermano,  
y la llama de *caridad*  
infundida en nuestros corazones por el Espíritu Santo,  
despierten en nosotros la bienaventurada *esperanza*  
en la venida de tu Reino.

Tu gracia nos transforme  
en dedicados cultivadores de las semillas del Evangelio  
que fermenten la humanidad y el cosmos,  
en espera confiada  
de los cielos nuevos y de la tierra nueva,  
cuando vencidas las fuerzas del mal,  
se manifestará para siempre tu gloria.

La gracia del Jubileo  
reavive en nosotros, *Peregrinos de Esperanza*,  
el anhelo de los bienes celestiales  
y derrame en el mundo entero  
la alegría y la paz  
de nuestro Redentor.  
A ti, Dios bendito eternamente,  
sea la alabanza y la gloria por los siglos. Amén.

Franciscus



### **2025 Diocesan Annual Appeal: Sharing His Love with Others**

With a fundraising goal of \$4,676,409, this campaign will provide the essential resources for many diverse and impactful ministries that touch the lives of thousands of people in our Diocese, responding to the most urgent needs of our community.

Stewardship isn't just about giving; it's an act of love and gratitude for the countless blessings we've received from God. By participating in this campaign, we are investing in the future of the Church, ensuring that we can continue to serve those most in need, educating our seminarians, supporting our priests, and bringing the message of the Gospel to every corner of our Diocese.

In early February, many of you will receive a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2025 Appeal. We ask you, with a heart full of generosity, to respond to this invitation and commit to helping this mission continue to grow. Your contribution is an investment in the hope, faith, and love that God calls us to share with others.

It is our sincere hope that, in responding to our Bishop's request, we can all make a generous and proportionate commitment that reflects the abundance of God's love and grace in our lives.

### **Campaña Anual Diocesana del 2025: Compartiendo Su Amor con los demás**

Con un objetivo de recaudación de \$4,676,409, esta campaña proporcionará los recursos esenciales para muchos ministerios diversos e impactantes que tocan las vidas de miles de personas en nuestra Diócesis, respondiendo a las necesidades más urgentes de nuestra comunidad.

La corresponsabilidad/mayordomía no es solo acerca de dar; es un acto de amor y de gratitud por las innumerables bendiciones que hemos recibido de Dios. Al participar en esta campaña, estamos invirtiendo en el futuro de la Iglesia, asegurando que podamos continuar sirviendo a los más necesitados, educando a nuestros seminaristas, apoyando a nuestros sacerdotes y llevando el mensaje del Evangelio a todos los rincones de nuestra Diócesis.

A principios de febrero, muchos de ustedes recibirán una carta del Obispo Knestout solicitando su apoyo a la Campaña del 2025. Le pedimos que, con un corazón lleno de generosidad, respondan a esta invitación y se comprometan a ayudar a que esta misión continúe creciendo. Su contribución es una inversión en la esperanza, la fe y el amor que Dios nos llama a compartir con los demás.

Es nuestra sincera esperanza que, al responder a la solicitud de nuestro Obispo, todos podamos hacer un compromiso generoso y proporcional que refleje la abundancia del amor y la gracia de Dios en nuestras vidas.



## Blessings of Many Shapes

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**I**t is always a blessed and holy occasion when parents bring their child to the parish church for baptism. They gather family and friends and proudly present their child to both God and the faith community. Somewhere in the midst of it all, they will wonder who their child will become, what their child's gifts and talents will be, and what hopes and dreams their child will have. Yet like Simeon, who blessed the Holy Family in the Temple, they will also realize that life is not always favorable to us. As Simeon foretold, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many...and you yourself a sword will pierce" (Luke 2:34-35).

Although we recognize that suffering is a part of everyone's life, and we would never wish it upon a child, we might hope that the child does not run from every suffering, for it becomes the path to wisdom and compassion—perhaps the only path. We might also wish on the child a bit of loneliness, for it teaches us to treasure friends. And amid hoping for the blessing of success, losing can also be a gift and a blessing, for it is how we learn to deal with failure and understand the important lesson that we cannot always have our own way. Failure can be the seed of humility. Fortunately, while doing our best as parents, we must allow God to decide how our children will be blessed and what will nurture their growth into the image of Jesus. We simply present them to God from whom they came. ●

### Reflect

***Call to mind someone you love deeply and remind yourself that God loves him or her even more.***



When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] took [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord.

LUKE 2:22

# Dear Padre,

**What happened to Candlemas? When I was a child, there was one day when everyone brought candles to church to have them blessed. At the end of Mass, the priest would bless everyone's throats with the candles.**



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Candlemas is another name for our celebration of the Presentation of the Lord: the day Mary and Joseph presented their child to God in the Temple at Jerusalem in accordance with the law of Moses (Luke 2:22–38). We remember how the elderly believers Simeon and Anna recognized Jesus as their longed-for Messiah and how, addressing God in a canticle, Simeon proclaimed Christ to be “a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel” (Luke 2:32).

Mass on this day often begins with the blessing and lighting of candles, which the priest and people carry into the church. The name Candlemas springs from this ritual blessing.

The day after the feast of the Presentation is the memorial celebration of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr. According to tradition, St. Blaise was instrumental in healing a person who was choking. The Church remembers this encounter and celebrates the intervention of the Spirit of God through the blessing of throats, using the blessed candles from the feast of the Presentation. It is a wonderful and very practical spiritual practice that is much appreciated and anticipated each year. ●

**Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org**

## 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	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
February 3 Weekday	February 4 Weekday	February 5 St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr	February 6 St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs	February 7 Weekday	February 8 Weekday	February 9 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Heb 11:32–40 Mk 5:1–20	Heb 12:1–4 Mk 5:21–43	Heb 12:4–7, 11–15 Mk 6:1–6	Heb 12:18–19, 21–24 Mk 6:7–13	Heb 13:1–8 Mk 6:14–29	Heb 13:15–17, 20–21 Mk 6:30–34	Is 6:1–2a, 3–8 1 Cor 15:1–11 or 15:3–8, 11 Lk 5:1–11



DANIEL IBAÑEZ / CNA

## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

**Like Simeon, let us also pick up this child, the God of newness and surprises.... Let us be restless, let us be moved by the Spirit, like Simeon and Anna.... If, like them, we live in expectation, we will embrace Jesus, who is the light and hope of life.**

**HOMILY, ROME, FEBRUARY 2, 2024**

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