

# **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.

**February 9, 2025**

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## **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 8th SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:**  
 • The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family
- FEBRUARY 9th SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:**  
 • Irene & Stanley Mlodynia
- FEBRUARY 12th WEDNESDAY 9:30 A.M.:**  
 • The Breslin & Siewers Family
- FEBRUARY 13th THURSDAY 9:30 A.M.:**  
 • Chris Bannon  
 • Scott Thomas Smith
- FEBRUARY 14th FRIDAY 9:30 A.M.:**  
 • The Breslin & Muench Family
- FEBRUARY 15th SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:**  
 • John Ezovski
- FEBRUARY 16th SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:**  
 • The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family

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**MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK:**

- Saturday, February 15th 5:00 PM Mass:**  
**Greeters:** Kathy Apy, JoAnn Clark  
**Ushers:** Bob Leffel, David Partin  
**Lector:** Karey Fallon  
**Altar Server:** Jeffrey Rathz  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mark Clarke, Walter Roll,  
 Marge Surran
- Sunday, February 16th 9:00 AM Mass:**  
**Greeters:** Joe Murphy  
**Ushers:** Robert James, Lori McDonal  
**Lector:** Joyce Kulakowski  
**Altar Server:** Robert Toner  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Maureen Bochman,  
 Maureen Donovan, Eve Mlodynia
- Domingo, 16 de febrero a las 4:00 de la tarde:**  
**Lectores:** Perla Velázquez, Leticia Rodriguez  
**Monaguillos:** Cristal Rodriguez, Jasmin Jaramillo,  
 1Denise Diaz, Valentin Cruz  
**Ministro de eucaristía:** To be announced

February 1 & 2: \$ 5,259.00  
**Total Offertory for February: = \$ 5,259.00**  
**February Preservation Fund: = \$ 1,592.00**

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".

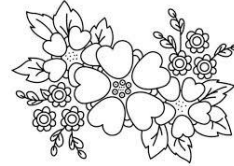
You can visit [giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stcharlescapecharles](https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stcharlescapecharles) and enroll securely online or text "Give" to 757-432-2040

Mass attendance February 1 & 2: 74, 182, 98

**2025 UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

- February 15-16 Lighthouse Ministries
- March 1-2 Preservation Fund
- March 29-30 Catholic Relief Services

**This Week's Altar Flowers**



Arranged by Susan Kovacs

**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)

The **Parish Council** will hold their monthly meeting on **Tuesday, February 18th at 6:30 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. All parishioners are encouraged to attend.

**El Consejo Parroquial** llevará a cabo su reunión mensual el **martes 18 de febrero a las 6:30 p. m.** en el Salón Parroquial. Se anima a todos los feligreses a asistir.

**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



**The Office of the Propagation of the Faith** has awarded our parish a **\$10,000 grant from the Diocesan Fuel and Hunger Fund.** The grant money will be distributed to “Northampton County Social Ministry” and to “Migrant Farm Workers.” This money is part of the **Annual Diocesan Appeal.** We thank you for your continued support.

**La Oficina de Propagación de la Fe** ha otorgado a nuestra parroquia una subvención de **\$10,000 del Fondo Diocesano para Combustibles y Lucha contra el Hambre.** El dinero de la subvención se distribuirá entre el “Ministerio Social del Condado de Northampton” y los “Trabajadores Agrícolas Migrantes”. Este dinero es parte de la **Campaña Diocesana Anual.** Le agradecemos su continuo apoyo.

# 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

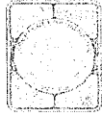
Franciscus

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



# County of Northampton

16404 Courthouse Rd, Eastville, VA 23347

Applications are currently open for the

## Real Estate Tax Relief program

for the **Elderly and/or Handicap**

- Do you own and occupy your home in Northampton County as your sole dwelling?
- Are you at least 65-years-old or permanently or totally disabled?
- Is your household income less than \$50,001?
- Excluding your home, is your combined net worth less than \$100,000?
- Are all your county taxes paid?

If you have answered **yes** to the above, you may qualify!

To obtain an application, please contact the Commissioner of Revenue's Office:

- Call (757) 678-0446, ext. 505, or
- Visit us at 16404 Courthouse Rd, Suite 127, Eastville, VA, 23347, or
- Go online to the Commissioner of Revenue's webpage by selecting the ***Tax Relief for Elderly/Handicap and Disabled Vets*** tab or the ***Commissioner of Revenue - Forms*** tab

Please keep in mind the deadline to apply for this program is  
**Friday, April 18, 2025.**





They left everything  
and followed him.

LUKE 5:11



## Unsolicited Calls

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**S**ometimes life calls us to a place that feels just right, as if it's where we're meant to be. I know a person who has always wanted to be a dad, and so he is—a stay-at-home dad of three, and he loves it. On the other hand, sometimes life's calls unfold in directions beyond our plans and seem to flow from a wisdom greater than our own. Author John Grisham studied to be a lawyer, something that unfolded into his becoming a writer of mysteries and thrillers instead. Calls seem to be written upon our spirits. How else would God call us?

Isaiah, Paul, and Peter found themselves called by God into lives they never wanted, baffled by God's whys and wherefores. Their calls pushed them into lives they initially resisted.

Such calls can happen to us as well. A man finds himself caring for his aged mother after his father's death. His siblings seem unwilling or unable to help, so there is no one else. Grandparents find themselves raising their grandchildren because their son's or daughter's life is frayed beyond repair, and there is no one else to nurture and love the children. The calls of God at times are calls into lives not of our own choosing. They arise from greater needs when there seems to be no one else but us to say "yes." Our reluctance and anxiety may attest that these calls come from God. They then become paths to ever-deepening faith and trust in God. ●

### Reflect

**Do you experience God calling you?  
What is your answer?**

# Dear Padre,

**Who was St. Valentine? Do our Valentine's Day traditions of love and romance have anything to do with the actual St. Valentine?**

There were actually three St. Valentines. One was a priest who was beheaded in Rome on February 14 in the year 269. Another was a bishop, who was also martyred in the third century. Both are buried on the Appian Way in Rome. The third St. Valentine is a lesser-known saint who died in Africa with a number of companions during the early centuries of the Church. The tomb of this St. Valentine became a center of popular devotion in the early Middle Ages. In 496, Pope Gelasius set aside February 14 to honor this particular St. Valentine.

The popular romantic customs that surround our present Valentine's Day trace their origins back to the Middle Ages. The English writer Geoffrey Chaucer noted that halfway through the second month of the year, February 14, the birds begin to choose their mates. For this reason, the day was looked upon as specially consecrated to lovers and as a proper occasion for writing love letters and sending lovers' tokens. People who gave or received these tokens or letters were referred to as "valentines." In the Middle Ages, a legend also developed that St. Valentine the priest left a farewell note for his jailer's daughter, who had become his friend, and that he signed that note "From Your Valentine." ●



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**The Redemptorists / 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 10 <i>St. Scholastica, Virgin</i> Gn 1:1-19 Mk 6:53-56	February 11 <i>Weekday</i> Gn 1:20-2:4a Mk 7:1-13	February 12 <i>Weekday</i> Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17 Mk 7:14-23	February 13 <i>Weekday</i> Gn 2:18-25 Mk 7:24-30	February 14 <i>Sts. Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop</i> Gn 3:1-8 Mk 7:31-37	February 15 <i>Weekday</i> Gn 3:9-24 Mk 8:1-10	February 16 <i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Jer 17:5-8 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 Lk 6:17, 20-26



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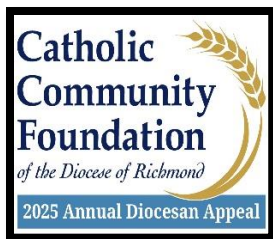
## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*With Jesus, we sail the sea of life without fear...without giving up and saying, "there is nothing more that can be done." Always...there is something beautiful and courageous that can be done, always. We can always start over.... So let us accept the invitation: let us...put out to sea with Jesus!*

ANGELUS, ROME, FEBRUARY 6, 2022

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### **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.