

# **Saint Charles Borromeo Catholic Church**

*Catholic Diocese of Richmond*

*Rev. J. Michael Breslin, Pastor*

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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.

**June 1, 2025**

## **The Ascension 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.**



## Mass Intentions

- May 31st SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:**  
 • The Living and Deceased of Our parish Family
- June 1st SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:**  
 • Irene & Stanley Mlodynia
- June 4th WEDNESDAY 9:30 A.M.:**  
 • Father John Leonard
- June 5th THURSDAY 9:30 A.M.:**  
 • Joe Witek
- June 6th FRIDAY 9:30 A.M.:**  
 • The Muench & Breslin Family
- June 7th SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:**  
 • Betty Webb  
 • For A Special Intention
- June 8th SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.:**  
 • The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family  
 • Dolores Elliot

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### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK:

- Saturday, June 7th 5:00 PM Mass:**  
**Greeters:** Audrey Brinkley, Robert Toner  
**Ushers:** Bob Leffel, David Partin  
**Lector:** Kevin Fallon  
**Altar Server:** Jeffrey Rathz  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Thom Hoover, Joe Murphy,  
 David Scott
- Sunday, June 8th 9:00 AM Mass:**  
**Greeters:** Maureen Bochman, Lori McDonald  
**Ushers:** John McCormick  
**Lector:** Chris Roll  
**Altar Server:** Bob Wells  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Judy Chuisano, Bob Crowley,  
 Maureen Donovan
- Domingo, 8 de junio a las 4:00 de la tarde:**  
**Lectores:** Edith Palacio, Cristal Adriana Palacio  
**Monaguillos:** Cristal Rodriguez, Anabel Clark,  
 Jasmin Jaramillo, Valentin Cruz  
**Ministro de eucaristia:** To be announced

May 24 & 25: \$ 4,757.00

Total Offertory for May: = \$ 16,656.00

May Preservation Fund: = \$ 2,303.00

Diocesan Home Mission Collection: \$ 1,026.00

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".

Mass attendance May 24 & 25: 82, 252, 83

### 2025 UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

May 31-June 1 Preservation Fund

June 28 & 29 Peter's Pence Collection

### **This Week's Altar Flowers**



**For the Special Request of**  
**Valentin y Maria Cruz**  
 Arranged by Susan Kovacs

### **My Gift to You Candles** **Sanctuary Light Month of May**



**In Memory of:**  
**Joan Woolaver-Watson and Tess Woolaver**  
**Given by John Woolaver**

This coming **Friday, June 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, June 4th 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. and**  
**Thursday, June 5th after 9:30 a.m. Mass**

El próximo viernes 6 de junio 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 4 de junio 17:30 a 18:30 horas. y**  
**Jueves 5 de junio después de la Misa de 9:30 a.m.**

**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.

**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 Bliss, El Paso, Texas. Daughter-in-law of Dick and Marge Surran.

**SPC Marisol Surran** – now stationed at Guantanamo Bay Detention Camp, Cuba (GITMO). 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)

**Save the Date!**

Our next Parish Blood Drive is **Friday, June 13 from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall**. Please visit **[RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org)** and enter: **SCCC** to schedule an appointment.

**¡Reserva!**

Nuestra próxima campaña de donación de sangre en la parroquia será el viernes 13 de junio de 12:00 p.m. a 5:00 p.m. en el Salón Parroquial. Visite **[RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org)** e ingrese: **SCCC** para programar una cita.

**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, 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, Walter Roll

**Oktoberfest 50/50** raffle tickets are on sale. Only 300 tickets will be sold. If all tickets are sold, the winner will win \$5,000 and the Parish will receive \$5,000. The drawing will be held at the **Oktoberfest on Sunday, October 12 (YES, SAVE THE DATE!!!)**. Tickets are \$35 each or 3 for \$100. (Rain Date for the Oktoberfest is: Saturday, October 18)

Los boletos de la rifa **50/50 del Oktoberfest** ya están a la venta. Solo se venderán 300 boletos. Si se venden todos, el ganador ganará \$5,000 y la Parroquia recibirá \$5,000. El sorteo se realizará en el **Oktoberfest el domingo 12 de octubre (¡SÍ, RESERVA LA FECHA!)**. Los boletos cuestan \$35 cada uno o 3 por \$100. (Si llueve, el Oktoberfest tiene una fecha límite: sábado 18 de octubre).

# JUNE 2025

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>Anniversary:</b> Anthony & Joanne Regalbuto <b>Birthday:</b> Richard Riley Daniela Siegrist	<b>Birthday:</b> Brian Heath		<b>Birthday:</b> Jasmin Jaramillo Laura Rodriguez	<b>Birthday:</b> Michael Kolakowski Kurt Lewin Jayden Talbot	<b>Anniversary:</b> Daniel & Macy Coffey <b>Birthday:</b> Charles Dumouchelle	<b>Birthday:</b> Anabel Clarke
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
<b>Birthday:</b> Mark Clarke Margaret Surran	<b>Birthday:</b> Michael Flanagan	<b>Birthday:</b> John Monaco	<b>Anniversary:</b> Robert & Sue Panek <b>Birthday:</b> Umberto Bettolo Jeffrey Rathz Brooke Schimek	<b>Birthday:</b> Amaeli Clarke	<b>Birthday:</b> Thomas Nelson	<b>Birthday:</b> Andy Morales
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
<b>Birthday:</b> Jose Eduardo Gomez Andrea Price Noah Rudmin	<b>Birthday:</b> Susan Mumford	<b>Birthday:</b> Freddie Meditz	<b>Birthday:</b> Jaxx Orsinger	<b>Birthday:</b> Anne Ashworth William Ashworth	<b>Birthday:</b> Roland Mumford	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
<b>Birthday:</b> Kathy Apy Sally Lewin		<b>Anniversary:</b> Jose & Herlinda Palacio Servin <b>Birthday:</b> Andrew Morris Jonathan Stringfellow	<b>Anniversary:</b> Ian & Lori McDonald	<b>Anniversary:</b> Walter & Jeanne Roll <b>Birthday:</b> Ron Wrucke	<b>Birthday:</b> Andrea Scott	<b>Birthday:</b> Geri Crumb Sue Kellam
29	30					
<b>Birthday:</b> Thomas Leffel Louise Weber						



# Encountering THE SEASON

Easter for the Family

Ascension of the Lord (C)

Acts 1:1–11  
Ephesians 1:17–23 or  
Hebrews 9:24–28; 10:19–23  
Luke 24:46–53

## Dear Family:

Read the reflection about the Ascension, and discuss the “Ponder and Pray” questions and prompts, thinking about how Our Lord is calling you to act. Then, consider the challenges of the “Live It” section, and have fun with the family activities.

## Eternal Access

The Solemnity of the Ascension celebrates the moment when Jesus, fully God and fully man, brought his glorified, resurrected Body into heaven. In doing so, he united his earthly sacrifice with the eternal presence of the Father. This act transformed his once-for-all sacrifice into an offering constantly present to the Father for all eternity, granting us access to his mercy and love through the Eucharist.

The Ascension invites us to reflect on this profound gift. Jesus’ eternal offering reminds us that we are no longer distant from God but are invited into a personal and transformative relationship with him. We are called to approach the Father with confidence, knowing that Christ’s sacrifice has made this access possible.

“ Then he led them out as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. ”

—Luke 24:50–51



Ascension of the Lord by Miguel Vagner

This feast also challenges us to prepare our hearts to receive the fullness of this gift. Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation and prayer, we can approach the Eucharist with gratitude

and openness, allowing Christ’s love to change us. The Ascension is more than a reminder of what Jesus has done; it is an invitation to live in his grace and love every day.

## Ponder and Pray

- Jesus' Ascension gives us access to the Father. How often do you take advantage of this access through prayer, the sacraments, or Adoration?
- Jesus' sacrifice was not merely about enduring suffering but, more importantly, offering it in love. How can you turn moments of suffering in your own life into offerings of love for God and others?
- When you face challenges, how does reflecting on Jesus' continual intercession for you give you strength and hope?

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**A**s a family, reflect on the meaning of the Ascension. Share what it means to know that Jesus is continually offering his love to the Father on your behalf. Attend Mass together, and discuss how the Eucharist connects us to his sacrifice. Afterward, make a family commitment to show love in action this week—whether by helping a neighbor, volunteering, or praying for others. End your reflection with a prayer thanking Jesus for the gift of access to the Father.

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**Dive Deeper**

Scan here to watch Ascension Sunday  
Mass with Fr. Mike Schmitz



Or go to:  
[https://www.youtube.com/  
watch?v=H0toLFC5C4Y](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H0toLFC5C4Y).

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Fr. Mike Schmitz, a Catholic priest and evangelist, is the award-winning host of these Ascension podcasts: *The Bible in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz)*®, *The Catechism in a Year*® (with Fr. Mike Schmitz), and the *Fr. Mike Schmitz Podcast*. Fr. Mike is the director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry for the Diocese of Duluth as well as the chaplain for the Newman Center at the University of Minnesota-Duluth (UMD).

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## Why Doesn't God Do Something?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**I**t is said that we never grow up until both parents have died, when we can no longer go home. Yet, for each of us, there may also be a symbolic moment that moves us from childhood into adulthood. It may be achieving financial independence, graduating from school, or moving out on our own. Whatever it may be, we say to ourselves, “I am now grown up.” Whenever such moments occur, we feel empowered to shape our lives and our future.

The feast of the Ascension is that sort of marker: God has empowered us to shape the world in the image of Jesus. Just as our parents empower us into an adulthood that contributes to life, it is now God who empowers us with the very same power by which he raised Jesus from the dead. It is a power and a presence by which God makes the world new through us.

There are those who say they no longer believe in God, because if there is a good God, then he would not allow violence, the death of children before their time, and all sorts of evil that mars human life. Perhaps the greater question is not “Why doesn’t God do something?” but rather “Why do we not do something?” To pass on the responsibility to God is to abdicate our own responsibility and deny the fact that God continues to empower us as adults and expects us to utilize that power and presence to make all things new. ●

### Reflect

*In what ways do I act like an adult?  
How is the world a better place because of me?*

[Jesus said,] “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

ACTS 1:8





# Dear Padre,

## What does the Catholic Church teach about miracles?

Miracles are extraordinary occurrences without natural explanation that manifest the presence and power of God. We believe in miracles “because of the authority of God himself who reveals them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 156).

Christ’s multiplication of the loaves is the only miracle recorded by all four evangelists. He performed many other natural miracles—calming the storm, walking on water—and numerous healings as well—curing the deaf and mute, the woman with a hemorrhage. These signs attest that the Father sent Jesus and “they invite belief in him” (CCC, 548). Moreover, Jesus’ miracles “also confirm that the kingdom has already arrived on earth...” (“Dogmatic Constitution on the Church,” 5).

Today, God still manifests his presence in the Church through miracles. For example, potential medical healings are rigorously investigated by the Vatican for sainthood causes. Other supernatural occurrences—such as apparitions and eucharistic phenomena—are likewise thoroughly and prudently investigated with caution to maintain the Church’s credibility and prevent confusion among the faithful.

To that end, in May 2024, the Vatican updated its guidelines for assessing apparitions, visions, and alleged revelations, and reaffirmed that a bishop cannot rule on the validity of a particular case before the pope formally deems it to be “supernatural” for pastoral value. (Search “Norms for Proceeding in the Discernment of Alleged Supernatural Phenomena” at [Vatican.va](http://Vatican.va).) ●



Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org)



### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

***Do we know how to make ourselves intercessors for others, that is, do we know how to pray for them and bless their lives?... Let us learn this: intercessory prayer, interceding for the hopes and sufferings of the world, interceding for peace. And let us bless with our eyes and our words those we meet every day!***

REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 29, 2022

#### Monday

June 2  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 19:1–8  
Jn 16:29–33

#### Tuesday

June 3  
St. Charles Lwanga and  
Companions, Martyrs  
Acts 20:17–27  
Jn 17:1–11a

#### Wednesday

June 4  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 20:28–38  
Jn 17:11b–19

#### Thursday

June 5  
St. Boniface, Bishop  
and Martyr  
Acts 22:30; 23:6–11  
Jn 17:20–26

#### Friday

June 6  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 25:13b–21  
Jn 21:15–19

#### Saturday

June 7  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 28:16–20, 30–31  
Jn 21:20–25

#### Sunday

June 8  
Pentecost  
Acts 2:1–11  
1 Cor 12:3b–7, 12–13  
or Rom 8:8–17  
Jn 20:19–23 or  
Jn 14:15–16, 23b–26