

Saint Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Catholic Diocese of Richmond
Rev. J. Michael Breslin, Pastor
Deacon Donald T. Donovan



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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 Mass
10:00 AM September to May
9:00 AM Memorial Day Weekend to Labor Day Weekend
4:00 PM Spanish

Daily
9:30 AM (Wednesday – Friday)

Holy Days
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.

December 18, 2022
4th Sunday of Advent



Saint Charles Parish Staff

Irene Henderson and Marta Rose, *Office Managers*
Michael Flanagan, *Music Director*
Jeanne Roll, *Organist Sunday*
Alicia Brady, *Organist Saturday*
Marge Surran, *Archivist*
Gail McCormick, *Bulletin Editor*
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Saint Charles Parish Ministries

David Scott, *Parish Council Chairperson*
Kevin Fallon, *Parish Council Vice Chairperson*
Karen Leffel, *Parish Council Secretary*
Bob Panek, *Finance Council Chairperson*
Mike Strub, *Social Ministry*
Mary Beth Briggs, *Ecumenical Ministry*
Tara Ashworth, *Fundraising Ministry*
Karey Fallon, *Migrant Ministry*
Joan Natali, *Helping Hands Social Ministry*
Jeanette Orzo and David Scott, *Parish Life Ministry*
Pat Hill and Scottie Paschall, *Worship Ministry*
Guadalupe Panuco, *Hispanic Ministry*
Karey and Kevin Fallon, *Religious Education Ministry*

Adoration – First Friday after the 9:30 a.m. Mass

Marriage – By Appointment

At least 6 months prior to the marriage

Baptism – By Appointment

Order of C.I.A. – Deacon Don Donovan,

Home: (757) 678-9019, Cell: (757) 999-1172

Reconciliation – By Request

Religious Education – October through May

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

Parish Office Hours – Tuesday–Thursday 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

**Saint Charles Church is open for prayer
Wednesday through Sunday during the hours of
9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.**



DECEMBER 17TH SATURDAY 5:00 P.M.:

- The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family

DECEMBER 18TH SUNDAY 10:00 A.M.:

- Michael Mlodynia

DECEMBER 21ST WEDNESDAY 9:30 A.M.:

- Elton L. Merritt, Sr.

DECEMBER 22ND THURSDAY 9:30 A.M.:

- Adele Stelen

DECEMBER 23RD FRIDAY 9:30 A.M.:

- Odell R. Woods, Sr.

DECEMBER 24TH CHRISTMAS EVE 7:00 P.M.:

- The Living and Deceased of Our Parish Family

DECEMBER 25TH CHRISTMAS DAY 10:00 A.M.:

- Angelo & Carmen Said

DECEMBER 25TH CHRISTMAS DAY 4:00 P.M.:

- SPANISH MASS

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday, December 24th 7:00 PM Mass:

Greeters: Karen Leffel, Maureen Donovan

Ushers: Bob Leffel, Bob James

Lector: Peggy Phillips

Altar Servers: Karen & Neil Webb

Eucharistic Minister: Walt Roll, Roberta Romeo

Sunday, December 25th 10:00 AM Mass:

Greeters: Scottie Paschall, Jennifer Delarodene

Ushers: Pat James, Bob James, Bill Nottingham

Lector: Susan Kovacs

Altar Servers: OPEN/NEEDED

Eucharistic Minister: Bob Crowley

Domingo, 25 de diciembre a las 4:00 de la tarde:

Lectores: To be announced

Monaguillos: To be announced

Ministro de eucaristia: To be announced

Mass attendance December 10 & 11:

Saturday 66 = Sunday = 66 & 81

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, Art and Eleanor Tross, David Price, Bob Gleason, Denise Kladis, Jon Antal, Val Evans, Jeanette Scott, Andrew Porche, Sara Colanthia Carignan, Angelo Collins, Jr., Liam Scott, Judy Calistri, Theresa Brady, Al Orlick, Kristin Huggins, Dorothea Rose and Elizabeth Grace Hubbard, Diane Cioffi, Sarah Stansberry, Marjorie Briden, Roberta Romeo, Jennifer Eder, Hunt Addison, Sharon Sanderson, Patricia Keane, Gerri Guyon, Joe Witek, Rosemarie Della Penna, Louise Weber, Roger Smith, Guy Doughty, Rip Phillips, Mike Strub, Bev Stetar, Chris Bannon, Billy Powell, Lloyd Kellam, Sherry Lawson, Michael Gazzolo, Steve Welde, Wilhelmina Holman, Betty Webb, Eve Mlodynia, Marge Surran, Rita Loomis

Whenever a parishioner is sick or in the hospital, please call the rectory or send e-mail to: bulletinscc@gmail.com for inclusion in our bulletin.

If a person is no longer in need of our ongoing prayers, please let us know.

2023 Altar Flower Request Book

The 2023 Altar Flower Request Book is available on the information counter. We suggest at \$35.00 donation for each request. Please make your check to "St. Charles Church".

2023 My Gift to You Candles

The 2023 "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.

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.**

2nd Lieutenant Thomas Leffel – stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia. Son of Bob and Karen Leffel.

Admiral Erik Eslich – Son-in-law of Sherry and Ron Wrucke.

PVT Patrick P. Podlaski – Nephew of John Woolaver.

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 serving at Fort Carson, Colorado. Daughter-in-law of Dick and Marge Surran.

PFC Marisol Surran – deployed to Germany. Granddaughter of Dick and Marge Surran.

1st Lieutenant Samuel Davis McQuitty – Grandson-in-law of Peggy and Rip Phillips. Stationed at Fort Hood, Texas.

Lieutenant Colonel Tracy Martin – Son-in-law of Bob and Sue Panek.

1st Lieutenant Katherine Lee – Daughter of Patricia and Robert James.

Staff Sergeant Dustin Goard, SERE Specialist – Son-in-law of Mike and Deirdre Purcell.

1st Lieutenant Kevin Rech – Son of Kevin and Judy Rech.

Captain 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

**Our 2nd Collection at our Christmas Masses
is for Catholic Charities of Eastern Virginia.
Thank you for your kind generosity.**



Christmas Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 24th Christmas Eve

7:00 p.m. Vigil (Choir at 6:30 p.m.)

Sunday, December 25th Christmas Day

10:00 a.m. Festival Eucharist

4:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Saturday, December 31st

5:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday, January 1, 2023

10:00 a.m.

4:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Solemnity of the Epiphany

Saturday, January 7, 2023

5:00 p.m. Vigil with The Three Kings

Sunday, January 8, 2023

10:00 a.m. Mass with The Three Kings

4:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Collection for December 10 & 11: = \$ 2,389.00

Total Offertory for December: = \$ 6,048.00

Immaculate Conception Collection: = \$ 647.00

December Preservation Fund: = \$ 1,889.00

Saint Charles Church depends on your weekly support for operating expenses. Average weekly collection needed for 2022-23 budget is \$3,925.00.

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

Thank you for your cooperation.

My Gift to You Candles Sanctuary Light Month of December



**In Memory of:
Deceased Members of the Rydzewski Family
Given by Andrea Price**

Information

Christmas Poinsettias

You will find the "Christmas Flowers" envelope with your December contribution envelopes. We are suggesting \$15.00 per plant which can be designated "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" your loved ones. Please place your envelope in the collection basket. Additional envelopes are on the counter.

Helping Hands Ministry

Helping Hands continues the drive for Christmas Meals. If you still would like to make a donation, please place your check marked "Christmas Meals" in the collection basket.

2023 COLLECTION ENVELOPES

For parishioners that use weekly collection envelopes, an email was sent from the office last week to advise everyone that the 2023 envelopes will arrive at your mailing address directly from our supplier. Some parishioners have reported not receiving the email. Please call or email the office at 331-2040 if you have any concerns.

In observance of the Christmas and New Year Holidays, the Parish Office will be closed from Friday, December 23rd through Monday, January 2nd.

If you have an emergency, please call the Rectory at 331-1724.

Also, there will be **no 9:30 a.m. daily Mass** on December 28, 29 & 30.

Welcome

to Saint Charles Borromeo Parish:

Catherine Talbert

Welcome

to Saint Charles Borromeo Parish:

Tammy Hedspeth

Información

Nochebuenas navideñas

Encontrará el sobre "Flores de Navidad" con sus sobres de contribución de diciembre. Sugerimos \$15.00 por planta que se puede designar como "En memoria de" o "En honor de" sus seres queridos. Por favor coloque su sobre en la canasta de recolección. Hay sobres adicionales en el mostrador.

Ministerio Manos que Ayudan

Helping Hands continúa la campaña de Christmas Meals. Si aún desea hacer una donación, coloque su cheque marcado como "Comidas navideñas" en la canasta de recolección.

SOBRES COLECCIÓN 2023

Para los feligreses que usan sobres de recolección semanal, la oficina envió un correo electrónico la semana pasada para informarles a todos que los sobres de 2023 llegarán a su dirección postal directamente de nuestro proveedor. Algunos feligreses informaron que no recibieron el correo electrónico. Llame o envíe un correo electrónico a la oficina al 331-2040 si tiene alguna inquietud.

En observancia de los días festivos de Navidad y Año Nuevo, la Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada desde el viernes 23 de diciembre hasta el lunes 2 de enero.

Si tiene una emergencia, llame a la Rectoría al 331-1724.

Además, **no habrá misa diaria de 9:30 a. m.** los días 28, 29 y 30 de diciembre.



Holy Voices

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Instincts come in various shapes and sizes. They may simply be gut feelings, or dreams that seem to speak more than a nighttime fantasy trip. Sometimes they appear in the form of daydreaming that takes us to another place, or they can be the silent voice of God. Whatever they may be, there are those times when they demand our attention.

In *Saint Joan*, a play by George Bernard Shaw, Joan of Arc has a conversation with Robert about her conviction regarding what God is calling her to do. Joan says to him, “I hear voices. They come from God.” Robert disagrees, “They come from your imagination.” “Of course,” says Joan, “that is how messages of God come to us.”

Saint Joseph, the husband of Mary, placed a heavy credence on his dream, believing that the dream to keep pregnant Mary as his wife was the voice of God, and so Joseph does just that. Much later he again listens

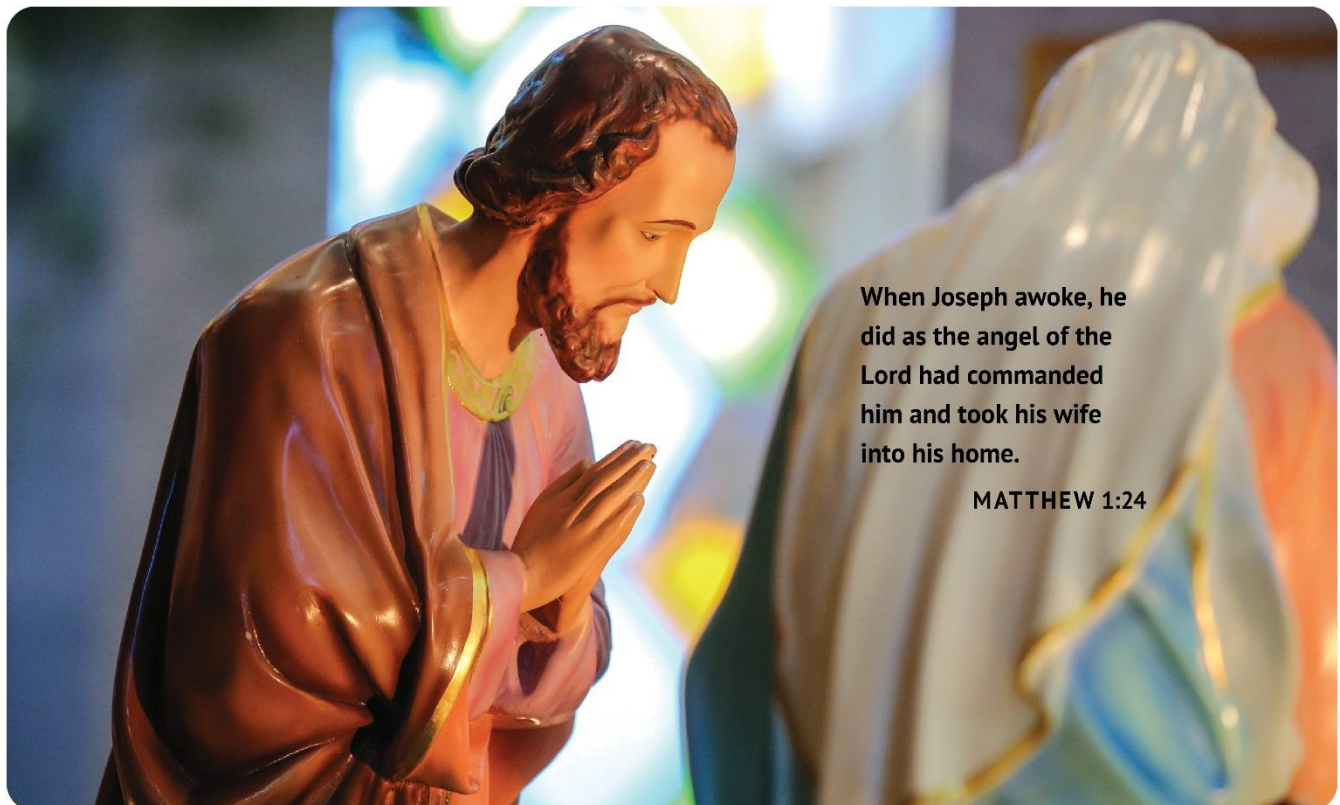
to a dream and takes his young family to the safety of Egypt and then back home to Nazareth. Those nighttime dreams could have easily become daytime nightmares. Yet for Joseph there was something that kept him from simply dismissing them.

Sometimes our inclinations and inner voices may not seem practical, and yet, even as we find ourselves second-guessing them, we think they need to be listened to. When the inclination is one toward goodness, that may very well be the voice of God. ●

Reflect

Have you ever followed an inner voice with which others disagreed? What came of it?

Is there someone you trust to tell you if your instinct about something is good?



When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.

MATTHEW 1:24

Dear Padre,

My children, who go to Catholic school, refer to our Sunday celebration as the “Eucharist.” I grew up calling it the “Mass.” Why the difference?

Eucharist comes from the Greek word *eucharistein*. This word simply means “to give thanks.” In the Eucharist we Catholics celebrate, we give thanks to God for giving us Jesus. We also give thanks to Jesus, who shares his Body and Blood with us. “Eucharist” was used to describe the early Church’s gathering, where the people repeated the stories of the Lord and shared the bread and wine, as the Lord commanded them to do.

The word *mass* comes from the Latin word *missa*, which means “the sending.” This refers to the words of dismissal at the end of Mass. The priest or deacon invites us to “go in peace to love and serve the Lord.” In the Latin Mass, this phrase is “*ite missa est*.” No one quite knows why the Eucharist came to be known as the “missa” or “mass.” Some think it is because of the way monastic prayers were conducted in the early Middle Ages. When the monks gathered for prayers, they often concluded with a short eucharistic celebration. These celebrations sometimes lasted only ten minutes or so, and as they marked the end of the whole set of prayers, they signaled the end of the service. This, it is suggested, is why the Eucharist came to be known as the “dismissal,” or the “Mass.” ●

— **The Redemptorists**
DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| December 19 | December 20 | December 21 | December 22 | December 23 | December 24 | December 25 |
| Advent Weekday | Advent Weekday | Advent Weekday | Advent Weekday | Advent Weekday | Advent Weekday | Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) |
| Jgs 13:2–7, 24–25a | Is 7:10–14 | Sg 2:8–14 | 1 Sm 1:24–28 | Mal 3:1–4, 23–24 | 2 Sm 7:1–5, 8b–12, 14a, 16 | Is 52:7–10 |
| Lk 1:5–25 | Lk 1:26–38 | Lk 1:39–45 | Lk 1:46–56 | Lk 1:57–66 | Lk 1:67–79 | Heb 1:1–6 |
| | | | | | | Jn 1:1–18 |



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Saint Joseph appears as a strong and courageous man, a working man, yet in his heart we see great tenderness, which is not the virtue of the weak but rather a sign of strength of spirit and a capacity for concern, for compassion, for genuine openness to others, for love.

**HOMILY, MASS FOR BEGINNING OF
PETRINE MINISTRY, MARCH 19, 2013**

JANUARY 2023

Birthdays and Anniversaries

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| | | | <u>Birthday:</u> Tammy Hedspeth | <u>Birthday:</u> Walter Roll Constance Welde | | <u>Anniversary:</u> Aaron & Jennifer Siegrist |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| <u>Birthday:</u> William Nottingham | <u>Birthday:</u> Laurie Klingel | <u>Birthday:</u> Charles Kolakowski Carl Lewis | <u>Birthday:</u> Gerald Bono Lucy Chavez Norman Mitchell Clelia Sheppard | <u>Birthday:</u> Valentine Evans Jose Palacio Servin | | <u>Birthday:</u> Lou Weber |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| | <u>Birthday:</u> Tara Ashworth | | | <u>Birthday:</u> Thomas O'Connor Richard Surran | <u>Anniversary:</u> Lou & Louise Weber <u>Birthday:</u> Emmanuel Palacio Panuco | <u>Birthday:</u> Minerva Morales Elizabeth Plionis |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| <u>Birthday:</u> Ralph Orzo | <u>Birthday:</u> JoAnn Clark Alexandra Clarke Bernadine Neis | <u>Birthday:</u> Sofia Panuco Lee Walker | | | | <u>Birthday:</u> Jeffrey Klingel Daisy Riley |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | | | | |
| <u>Birthday:</u> Lily Rose Riley | <u>Birthday:</u> Jeffrey Tucker | | | | | |
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For those who are interested, please complete the form below and place in the collection basket at Mass or you may drop it off at the Parish Office. Thank you.

An Invitation to Serve

**Greeter, Usher, Choir Member, Lector, Eucharistic Minister,
Adult/Youth Altar Server, Altar Flower Arranger, Polisher,
Fund Raising, Helping Hands, Parish Life, Religious Education, Worship**

Please consider serving at our Parish. All parishioners are invited to apply for any of these Ministries at Saint Charles Church. Training will be provided for adults and children (who have received their First Eucharist). If you are interested in being part of any of these Ministries complete the application below and return it to the Parish Office or call the Parish Office at 331-2040.

Parents can be assured that children participating in the Altar Server Ministry of our Parish are safe and well protected by the policies that have been established by the Diocese of Richmond.

Thank you for your thoughtful and prayerful consideration,

J. Michael Breslin, Pastor

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Please **CHECK** which Mass time(s) you would prefer to serve:

- ☐ **Saturday @ 5:00 p.m.**
- ☐ **Sunday 9:00 a.m. (English Memorial Weekend to Labor Day Weekend)**
- ☐ **Sunday 10:00 a.m. (English)**
- ☐ **Sunday @ 4:00 p.m. (Spanish)**
- ☐ **or I will serve where I am needed**

I will attend practice and training sessions when scheduled. I will faithfully serve on weekend and holy days of obligation and I will do my best to follow through with my commitment or get a substitute if I am unable to attend my scheduled service.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If applicable: I approve of my child's desire to be an Altar Server at Saint Charles Church and I will support him/her in getting to Church and in keeping to the schedule. Also, please provide the following information:

Child's Grade: _____ Child's Age: _____

Parent(s) Name(s): _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____