

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 24, 2017

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO PARISH

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Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the faith family of St. Charles Borromeo Parish is to proclaim the Kingdom of God, to praise the name of Jesus and follow Him by loving God & our neighbor.

INFORMATION ON SACRAMENTS

Baptism for infants and Adults: Contact our Director of Religious Education to schedule a preparation session.

Confirmation preparation is part of our Formation process. Contact the parish office for information.

Holy Eucharist is celebrated at the following times:
Lord's Day: Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
Weekdays & Holydays: See the weekly Bulletin for times.

Reconciliation is available Saturdays 3:45-4:45 pm or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion to the home-bound can be arranged by contacting our Parish Office.

Marriage ceremonies are scheduled only after the required preparation process has begun. Please contact our priest at least six (6) months prior to your desired wedding date to begin the process.

Holy Orders and vocations to religious life. Interested individuals should contact our priest or Director for Vocations, Rev. Father David J. Hasser at 765-513-1800 for more information.

Prayer Line: contact our Parish Office if you or someone you know needs prayers.

NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to our Parish we welcome you and invite you to register by calling or visiting our Parish Office.



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BULLETIN DEADLINE

9 a.m. Monday mornings unless otherwise noted.

To schedule parish facilities, please call the Parish Office during normal hours.

Parish Activities This Week

Sunday, September 24th

**Our Parish Tithe this week is to Miami County
Helping Hands**

- 9:00 a.m. Children's Choir singing at Mass
- 10:30 a.m. Faith Formation
- 10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study, school rm 11
- 12:00 p.m. EDGE
- 6:00 p.m. Life Teen

Monday, September 25th

- 1:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, school rm 8
- 6:30 p.m. Book Club & Discussion group,
school rm 8

Tuesday, September 26th

- 6:00 p.m. Mission of Mary leading the Rosary,
church
- 6:30 p.m. Mission of Mary, school rm 11
- 7:00 p.m. RCIA, school rm 8

Wednesday, September 27th

- 9:00 a.m. Parish Staff meeting, library
- 1:00 p.m. Prison Ministry at MCF
- 4:00 p.m. Evangelization Committee meeting, rm 8
- 6:30 p.m. Friends of Haiti, school rm 8

Thursday, September 28th

- 1:00 p.m. The Quilters/Seamstresses, school rm 8
- 6:15 p.m. Sharing Christ, school rm 8

Friday, September 29th

- 8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration
- 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet, church

Saturday, September 30th

- 1:00 p.m. Blessing of Animals, circle driveway
- 3:45 p.m. Confessions before Mass

Sunday, October 1st Respect Life Sunday

**Our Parish Tithe this week is to St. Vincent de Paul
Society**

- 8:30 a.m. Rosary for Life led by the K of C
- 10:00 a.m. K of C Breakfast, gym
- 10:30 a.m. Faith Formation
- 10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study, school rm 11
- 12:00 p.m. EDGE
- 2:00 p.m. Life Chain, Main & Broadway
- 6:00 p.m. Life Teen

New Fundraising Opportunity!

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Parish Mass Schedule

Sunday, September 24, 2017

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Readings: Isaiah 55:6-9; Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a;
Matthew 20:1-16a**

9:00 a.m. Mass: Our Parish Family

Monday, September 25, 2017—Weekday

Readings: Ezra 1:1-6; Luke 8:16-18

7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer

8:00 a.m. Mass: Poor Souls

Tuesday, September 26, 2017—Sts. Cosmas & Damian

Readings: Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Luke 8:19-21

5:10 p.m. Evening Prayer

5:30 p.m. Mass: † Edward Sr. & Edward Jr. Brindle

Wednesday, September 27, 2017 - St. Vincent de Paul

Readings: Ezra 9:5-9; Luke 9:1-6

7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer

8:00 a.m. Mass: † Pat Hipkind

Thursday, September 28, 2017—St. Wenceslaus,

St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions

Readings: Haggai 1:1-8; Luke 9:7-9

5:10 p.m. Evening Mass

5:30 p.m. Mass: † Loraine Devine Shaffer

Friday, September 29, 2017—Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

**Readings: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 or Revelation 12:7-12a;
John 1:47-51**

7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer

8:00 a.m. Mass: Marsha Waters

Saturday, September 30, 2017—St. Jerome

Readings: Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a; Luke 9:43b-45

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Readings: Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11 or 2:1-5;
Matthew 21:28-32**

5:00 p.m. Mass: Our Parish Family

Sunday, October 1, 2017

9:00 a.m. Mass: † Ann Saddlemire



Greenery Sale



It's that time of year again. The youth are taking orders for Christmas greenery. We are utilizing a new company, Sherwood Forest Farms from Washington State, who offers garland! Sales due by **NOV 1st** in order for you to receive them before Thanksgiving. Orders will be taken by our youth or in the parish office. Don't miss out!

Family Religious Education

FIRE

The next FIRE class is a Specialized level class called *Primary/Elementary Learner*. It will be Wednesday, Oct. 11, at 6:30 p.m. in Room 8.

Adult Bible Study

The Sunday Adult Bible Study led by Tammy Nystrom is learning about the Gospel of St. John. Come join us at 10:30 a.m. in room 11.

Also, don't forget that there is a bible study group led by Pat Draving on Monday at 1:00 p.m. in room 8.

Jesse Tree Ornaments

It may seem early, but we'll be putting up the Jesse Tree before you know it! We need several children, teens, or even adults to color ornaments on Wednesday, October 4, at 6:30 p.m. in room 11.

Ronald McDonald House

Help is needed to prepare soups (vegetable, potato, and chicken noodle) and dessert (apple crisp) for the Ronald McDonald House. We will be doing the food prep on Monday, October 9 at 5:00 p.m. in the kitchen. **Give Rita Cook a call at the parish office if you are able to help.** Also, don't forget to drop off your pop tabs to the DRE office by Oct. 11.

RCIA for Children

RCIA for Children will begin this week, September 24, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. in room 12.

MIAMI COUNTY HELPING HANDS

The Helping Hands food basket is located in the narthex of the church. Please leave your donations there for a volunteer to pick up.

The following items are needed to stock their pantry;
Jelly, Peanut Butter, Pork & Beans, Canned Fruit,
Canned Juice, Tuna Helper, Rice, Jello, Pudding,
Canned Milk, Kleenex, Dish Soap.

Fresh Produce

There is also a table set up in the narthex for anyone who has a garden with fresh produce and would like to share their abundance. For those with no garden or anyone would enjoy some fresh produce, please stop by after the weekend Masses and see what is available. Whatever is left will be donated to Helping Hands. Free will donations will also be accepted and given to Helping Hands.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. Saturday, September 30, 2017

Reader: Dan Banina

Communion Ministers: Helene Banina, Angie Braden, Pat Carver, Ellie & Leon Crist

Hospitality: Dave Wahlig, Tom Casper, Bill Wood, Carl Edwards

Altar Servers: Angie Case, Addy Miller, Francis Downing

Bell Ringer: Phillip Finnerty

Cantor: Oliver Goodwin

Accompanist: Jacob Minns

9:00 a.m. Sunday, October 1, 2017

Reader: Sandy Brooks

Communion Ministers: Linda Cobler, Barb & Bud Day, Lisa Comerford, Jan Connolly

Hospitality: Brian Gabriel, Millie Burchett, Lloyd Roberts, Wendy Langer

Altar Servers: Kate Cobler, Chris & Kim Brooks

Bell Ringer: Alex Davis

Cantor: Mary Revelant

Accompanist: Contemporary Group



Stewardship Report 09/17/2017

Regular Sunday Collection:

Adult envelopes and loose.....	\$5,160.51
Grade school collection envelopes.....	\$6.00
High School envelopes.....	\$47.00
Total.....	\$5,213.51

Monies sent out from our Parish

Haiti envelopes.....	\$404.00
Catholic Relief Services.....	\$470.00

Church Interior Renovation Debt

As of August 30, 2017.....\$115,806.89

As St. Augustine wrote, "Find out how much God has given you, and from it take what you need; the remainder is needed by others."



Liturgical Ministry Schedules are available. If you participate in a ministry, please pick up your copy.

Annual Bazaar Numbers

The final financial numbers for the Bazaar will be coming soon. Thank you again for all of the hard work and community effort to make it so successful.

Youth & Young Adult Ministry



You still have time to turn in your M&M containers! Look for the green box in the back of Church after Mass or drop them off in the Parish office during the week.

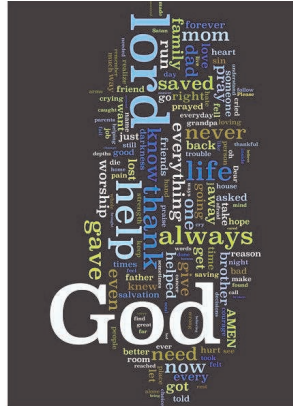
This week at Youth Ministry...

Junior High 12pm – *Long Live the King*
High School 6pm– *Shattering Night*

Consider this your sign!

Have you felt a call to serve the youth but are unsure about how to help? Are you interested in growing and sharing your faith with others? If you answered 'yes' to these questions, then we need to have a conversation!

I am looking for volunteers to walk with me alongside the youth as we come together each week to grow deeper into relationship with God and the Church. Please consider whether or not you are feeling called to help with this very important task of mentoring the young Church. Please contact me (Katie) for more information.



News about Antioch Retreat

Dear High School students, this semester, St. Charles will not be conducting our own Antioch Retreat. Instead, we have been invited to participate in Our Lady of Mount Carmel's Antioch Retreat on October 27-29—both for new retreatants and those who wish to be on team. Contact me for more information.



Annual Blessing of Animals

Saturday, September 30th
at 1:00 p.m.

In the circle drive at the rear of St. Charles Church.

Open to the whole community!

There will be treats for all to enjoy.
All pets must be on leashes or in crates, and a responsible adult owner must accompany them.

WORKS OF MERCY

Is your time and talent used for God? Are you "other" focused or "I" focused? God has asked us, through the teachings and actions of His son Jesus Christ, to practice the works of mercy.

The Corporal Works of Mercy are found in the teachings of Jesus and give us a model for how we should treat all others as if they were Christ in disguise. They are "charitable actions by which we help our neighbors in their bodily needs". They respond to the basic needs of humanity as we journey together through this life. The Corporal Works of Mercy are found in Matthew 25:35-40.

The Spiritual Works of Mercy have long been a part of the Christian tradition, appearing in the works of theologians and spiritual writers throughout history and throughout the bible. Just as Jesus attended to the spiritual well-being of those he ministered to, these Spiritual Works of Mercy guide us to "help our neighbor in their spiritual needs".

Corporal Works of Mercy

feed the hungry
give drink to the thirsty
clothe the naked
shelter the homeless
visit the sick
visit the imprisoned
bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

counsel the doubtful
instruct the ignorant
admonish sinners
comfort the afflicted
forgive offenses
bear wrongs patiently
pray for the living and the dead

As Catholics we live out our faith by Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. How will you use your time and talent?

Opportunities available for each of us at Saint Charles include, but are not limited to:

- Soup Kitchen (volunteer or donate)
- St Vincent de Paul (arrange clothes or make a donation)
- Helping Hands (help bag groceries, work in office, or donate food or money)
- Represent Saint Charles Parish on various community committees
- Pray the Rosary for the sick
- Participate in the Life Chain October 1 starting at 2:00 pm at Old Firehouse
- Attend funerals of Parishioners who have died

If you would like to volunteer or donate to any of these activities, please contact Wendy Langer through the Parish Office anytime.



Friends of Haiti

(Everyone Welcome)

We will meet to discuss our sister parish, fundraising ideas, and even an upcoming visit from Father Claude. See you at 6:30 p.m. on

September 27th in school room 8.

St Vincent de Paul: Serving the Poor for over 400 Years!

You may often hear about St. Vincent de Paul, but did you realize this year marks “the 400th anniversary of the birth of the Vincentian charism”?

In 1617, St. Vincent de Paul began to preach from the pulpit the needs of a sick family that had come to his attention. From that call a crowd of people went to bring relief to the unfortunate family. I learned that this event marks the birth of the first institution created by St. Vincent de Paul: the Charities, known nowadays as the International Association of Charities.

Later, many congregations, associations and confraternities would be founded by St. Vincent de Paul, but his life would also inspire others to serve Christ in the poor (Cf. Matthew 25). Through his contemporaries, and later through individuals like Blessed Frederic Ozanam (1813 - 1853), St. Vincent de Paul inspired generations of Christians to put our faith into action (Cf. James 2:14-26). Frederic began the “Society of St. Vincent de Paul” in 1833 with the intention of helping impoverished people living in the slums of Paris, France.

While historians are not certain about some details, there is no doubt that the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was established in St. Louis, Missouri at the Basilica of St. Louis in 1845. Father John Timon, an American Vincentian priest from Pennsylvania, was the one who brought copies of the Rule of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul back from Dublin (Ireland) to St. Louis.

Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul.

As we celebrate the feast day of St. Vincent de Paul (September 27th) I pray that we may all strive “to do a great deal of spiritual good [for one another] through the exercise of charity, and to do a little spiritual and temporal good to a few poor families in the name of Jesus Christ.” May God continue to bless the volunteers, staff, visitors and patrons of our local St. Vincent de Paul store. Learn more by visiting <https://www.svdpusa.org/>

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Ask the Apologist

Dear Apologist, my friend, who is a Christian, says she will not “force her faith upon her kids”, but will instead allow them to decide for themselves when they are older. What should I say?

Jesus repeatedly warns us to remain vigilant toward the end of the Gospels. In particular, we must be vigilant against attitudes absorbed from our culture which effectively sterilizes our Christian faith, rendering us unable to pass it along to the next generation. This happens when we adopt the idea that religion may be “true for me”, but that it is rude and presumptuous to think it is absolutely true. This attitude leads Christian parents to the mistaken conclusion that they should not raise their children in the faith, but instead opt for religious neutrality.

Perhaps start by pointing out other things we “force upon” our children. We teach them right from wrong. We teach them how to read, how to work, how to play, and how to avoid danger. In brief, parents are constantly instructing their kids on things which they believe are true and important. Thus, you should ask your friend if she believes her Christian faith is both true and important. Does she think the lordship of Jesus is as factual as “2+2=4” and as vital as “don’t play in the street”? Because if she decides to refrain from teaching the faith to her children, they will naturally conclude it isn’t. Far from being neutral, she’ll actually be teaching them a bias against her faith.

Therefore, you need to help her realize she’s thinking of the faith as a kind of hobby, and this is wrong. Encourage her to see it as crucial to the wellbeing of herself and her children. If the Christian faith is true at all, it is the most important thing we could possibly know.

Steven O’Keefe (the ACTS Apologist)

If you want to ask a question, send an email to:
OLMC.ACTS@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus invite our Faith Community to join us for breakfast, October 1st, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The cost is \$15 per family, \$5 per individual. Children 6 and under are free. The proceeds from these events go to projects in our community, such as scholarships.

National Life Chain

Right to Life of North Central Indiana is sponsoring the annual Life Chain on Sunday afternoon, October 1st from 2:00-3:00 p.m., rain or shine. Participants will stand along Main and Broadway in downtown Peru, holding nongraphic signs furnished at no cost. Those who can’t stand are welcome to bring a lawn chair. The signs can be picked up at the Old Fire Station located at Main and Cass at 1:45 p.m. on October 1st.

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