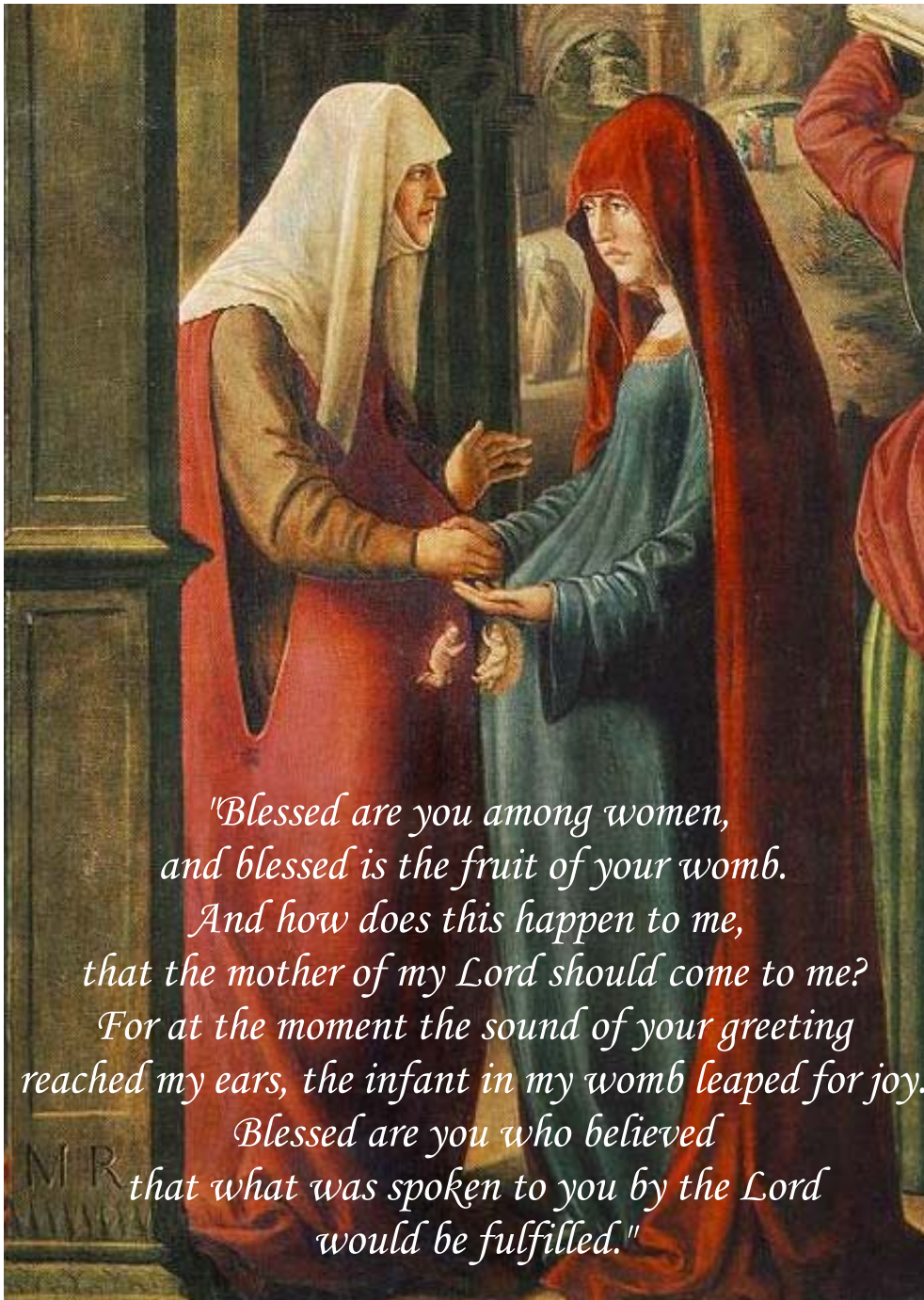




ST. CHARLES BORROMEO

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

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*"Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.
And how does this happen to me,
that the mother of my Lord should come to me?
For at the moment the sound of your greeting
reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy.
Blessed are you who believed
that what was spoken to you by the Lord
would be fulfilled."*

SUNDAY MASSES

5:00 PM Saturday
8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

DAILY MASS

8:00 AM Monday through Saturday

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays 8:30 to 9:00 AM
3:30 to 4:30 PM
Wednesdays 7:30 to 7:50 AM
5:00 to 5:30 PM

At Parish Office by appointment.

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December 23, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Advent



From the Pastor's Desk

Blessed Advent and Merry Christmas!

Advent is again very short this year. For some you may not feel ready for Christmas. You may still have gifts to buy. In the hustle and bustle, did you ever think about what gift you will get for Jesus? After all, it's His birthday.

Mass is what Advent and Christmas is all about. In Advent we are awaiting the coming of our Savior and, at Mass, He comes to each of us. At Christmas, the infant is born in Bethlehem, which means "House of Bread," and the baby Jesus is laid in a manger, which was a feeding trough. This prepared people for the time when Jesus would say, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." (Jn. 6:51). At the Last Supper Jesus took bread and said, "This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me." (Lk. 22:19). When we come to Mass we hear these same words and receive the same Lord who came to us as an infant 2,000 years ago. We should think about giving Jesus a gift this year by making a commitment to attending Mass every Sunday or, if you go every Sunday, give Him the gift of attending daily Mass.

We also have the privilege of being able to adore Him throughout the day at our adoration chapel. We sing at Christmas, "O come let us adore Him..." Another gift that you can give Jesus is to make a commitment to pray for an hour each week in our adoration chapel. It's the greatest gift that you can give Him; the gift of yourself. However, what you soon will discover is that while we may think we are giving Him a gift, He IS the Gift.

Thank you

In anticipation for Christmas I want to thank ahead of time everyone who will be working extra hard this year to help us adore our Lord at Mass this Christmas. I would like to

take this opportunity to thank the choir, musicians and director, the decorators, the servers, lectors, and ushers. There are so many wonderful volunteers who help make our liturgies beautiful and worthy of our newborn King.

I pray that all of you have a blessed Advent and a merry Christmas!

God Bless,

Fr. Przybilla



Stewardship

Thank You for your generous giving to St. Charles Borromeo in 2018! We are grateful to all of our parishioners for supporting our most vital ministries. If you would like to make a special gift to St. Charles before the end of the year, please note that all contributions for 2018 must be either postmarked or received in the collection or the parish office on or before Monday, December 31. Gifts received on Tuesday, January 1 or after without a postmark of 2018 will be credited to 2019 giving, not 2018, regardless of the date on the check or the envelope used.

Looking for other ways to give? Gifts of stock, bonds or mutual funds – It's simple and easy to donate stock to St. Charles, and you'll generally take a tax deduction for the full fair market value – possibly increasing the value of your contribution and tax deduction by over 20%. Check with your tax adviser to find out what works best for you. If you prefer to donate bonds or mutual funds, the same benefits apply. Electronic giving – the Donate Now button on our website offers the convenience of donation withdrawals directly from your bank account or debit/credit card on a scheduled, automatic basis. Parish members are encouraged to set up an account and manage contributions, having complete control over the contribution amount and frequency of payments. Please call or email Mary Perrin or Tom Pomeroy with questions. Thank you for considering these additional ways of giving!



SAINT CHARLES
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Dear St. Charles Parishioners,

This past week we had our middle school band and choir Christmas Concert and it was an amazing performance! I'd like to acknowledge the hard work of the St. Charles middle school students, our choir director Mrs. Suzanne Reyburn, and our band director Mrs. Jessica Haut. With our all of our concerts in the books, our community is glowing with the spirit of Advent and the anticipation of celebrating Christ's first moments on earth.

This past Tuesday, the St. Charles school and parish staffs were treated to an elegant lunch in Doran Hall. This lunch is put on each year by Home and School as an appreciation of the hard work St. Charles staff members gladly put in for our children. I'd like to thank the leadership and funding of Home and School and all the parents who volunteered to put on the lunch and fill playground and lunchroom duties so the staff could have a FULL HOUR LUNCH! They

really did not know what to do with themselves with all of that time to eat; I told them not to get used to such luxuries. ;-)

Charger the pup visited our school this week, but with all the social media and coverage on KSTP, FOX 9, and The Catholic Spirit I feel like I'd be sharing old news if I went on. If you missed the coverage you can go to the television networks' websites to view the clips. I mentioned this heartwarming story in previous weeks and the news spread quickly! Charger will probably be placed with United States Veteran this spring and we hope to stay in touch with our four-legged friend.

May your days be blessed and may your heart be light,

Danny Kieffer
St. Charles Principal

Sacraments & Liturgy

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 16, 2018

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-18 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45
Monday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/Lk 1:67-79
Tuesday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14
Wednesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17 [6]/Mt 10:17-22
Thursday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Friday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35
Next Sunday: 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

10:00 AM Mass or Following Mass.

For more info: stchb.org/baptism or contact the parish office at 612-781-6529.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY

Contact one of our clergy at least six months prior to date of marriage to begin marriage preparation.

For more info: stchb.org/marriage.



CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS for former pastor **Fr. Paul La Fontaine**, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated recently.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.



Wedding Banns:

Samuel Ryan & Kristin Cardinal



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 16, 2018

Sunday	23—8 am Deceased Members of the Jensen & Welter Families
Monday	24—8 am Simon, Marie, & Michael Jacobs
Tuesday	25—8 am The Nativity of the Lord
Wednesday	26—8 am Daniewicz, Stanek, & Warpeha Families
Friday	27—8 am Patrick & Christine Shannon 50th Wedding Anniversary
Saturday	28—8 am Janet Thiel 5 pm Dorine Salvi and Marvin Thull
Sunday	29—8 am Deceased Members of Bickman & Schwartz Families & Emily Rosweth

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 24, Christmas Eve

Prelude 4:30 pm

Vigil Mass 5 pm

December 25, Christmas Day

Christmas Morning 8 and 10 am



News & Upcoming Events at Our Parish

Advent Sock and Mitten Tree. As we end the Advent Season and start to celebrate Christmas, let us remember the less fortunate in our local communities. This is the last week for donations. Please leave your donation under the Christmas tree in the Atrium or at the main entrance of the Church. A special request is a focus on men's warm winter socks and gloves. Thank you for your generosity!

WITTMAN LIBRARY. You will find a selection of our Christmas DVDs on the display table in the Library. There are many classics for the children to enjoy.

Annabelle's Wish - The cutest movie with a great lesson. Highly recommended for any age. *Star* - This version of the First Christmas is told in a light-hearted manner. The whole family will laugh at the antics of the animals. *Precious Moments: Timmy's Gift* - A little angel is asked to deliver the jeweled crown to Baby Jesus in the manger. Come browse through the selections!

Family fare includes *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, *Miracle on 34th Street*, *Christmas Carol* and *It's a Wonderful Life*. There's more. Stop in and see for yourself!

Save the Date! 2019 Evening to Affirm Life will be Saturday, January 19. The evening will feature a talk, *On Wings of Change: Planting Seeds of Transformation in the Urban Core*, by Nancy Utoft, executive director of Abria Pregnancy Resources. Mass will be at 5 pm, followed by a free spaghetti dinner at 6:30 pm. The event is free but you will need a ticket, which will be available online as well as after Masses January 5/6 and 11/12. Come enjoy spaghetti and meatballs and celebrate LIFE!

Youth & Young Adults

To members of the parish, we are hoping to be able to provide scholarships to some of our St. Charles college students. If young people in the Church are a cause close to your heart please consider helping send some of our young adults to SEEK. Any donation can be dropped off in the parish office. Thank you for your support of our young adults!

Community



Abria Pregnancy Resources offers a safe, non-judgmental and supportive environment for women and couples facing an unexpected pregnancy. Our clients experience friendship, hope, and encouragement through positive and life-affirming medical and personal support services, education, and resources. Help put a choice for life within reach! Abria Pregnancy Resources seeks volunteers to join in their mission of helping women and couples facing an unexpected pregnancy. We greatly need volunteers in Resource Navigation and Parent Education. Resource Navigators are a source of connection and support for clients. Parent Education Facilitators support clients by providing curriculum-based learning that empowers them to confidently assume their parenting role. Training provided. Locations in St. Paul and North Minneapolis. For more information call Gwen at 651-348-7799 or visit our website: supporters.abria.org.

DANCING ON DAD'S TOES



Father – Daughter Breakfast. Sunday, January 13. Most every young lady wants to dance with her Dad! Make it happen at the Father-Daughter Breakfast on Sunday, January 13, following the 10 am Mass. Make your reservation online, in the parish office, or after Masses the weekend of January 5 and 6. Cost is \$12 for adults, \$8 for children 13 and under, with a family maximum of \$30. Dance with the "Stars" in your life!

FORMED PICK

The Story of the Nativity

Explore the Birth of Christ

This fast-paced look at the true story of the Nativity clears away misunderstandings about Jesus's origin and is invaluable for learning more about the truth of Christmas. Explore the true story of Mary and Joseph, Jesus's miraculous conception, the journey of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem, the Star of Bethlehem, and more.

Watch on formed.org



"I LOVE the biblical referencing tying the Old and New Testaments together."

—Sandy S., Eustis, FL

A Blessing On Your Anniversary:

Patrick & Christine Shannon

May God bless you and grant you joy. May He deepen your love for each other. May He bless you in your family and friends, and lead you to unending happiness in Heaven.

V.I.P. Club

White Elephant Games! The VIP Club’s White Elephant Games will be held Tuesday, January 8 in Doran Hall. We will be rolling dice to claim a white elephant prize. Please search for any White Elephants in your closet to donate as prizes! Please wrap and bring them to add to our fun! Lunch will be served (or bring your own for dietary reasons). Door fee of \$3 for lunch. Come and have some fun! Bring a friend!

Women’s Council

Ladies, mark your calendar! The January Women’s Council meeting will be Tuesday, January 8 at 7 pm in Doran Hall. Our speaker for the evening will be Dianne Johnson, founder of Curatio Apostolate for healthcare workers.



Help support our Parish Food Shelf this Christmas season! We collect non-perishable food and household items such as paper products, soap and toiletries, on a weekly basis. These items can be dropped off in the atrium coatroom. Donations will be delivered to the following three organizations: Franciscan Brothers of Peace, the Northeast Food Shelf, and Sharing & Caring Hands. Thank you for helping families in need during this Christmas season!

CHRISTMAS 2018 SCHEDULE:

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Tuesdays and Thursdays during Advent 8:30– 9 am
 December 20, 21, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
 December 22, 8:30– 9:30 am, 2:30– 3:30 pm

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 24, Christmas Eve

Prelude 4:30 pm
 Vigil Mass 5 pm

December 25, Christmas Day

Christmas Morning 8 and 10 am

SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD

MASS SCHEDULE

December 31 5 pm
 January 1 9 am

At St. Charles This Week

Sunday, December 23

No Preschool of Religion
 No Youth Group

Monday, December 24 CHRISTMAS EVE

Parish Office Closed
 Adoration Chapel Closed, 8 am (reopens Wednesday)
 Christmas Vigil Prelude, Church, 4:30 pm
 Christmas Vigil Mass, 5 pm

Tuesday, December 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

Parish Office Closed
 Christmas Mass, Church, 8 am & 10 am

Wednesday, December 26

NO Confessions, Church, 7:30– 7:50 am; 5– 5:30 pm
NO Confirmation Class
 No ESR
 Choir Practice, Choir Loft, 7 pm

Thursday, December 27

Men’s Lectio Divina, Doran Hall, 6:30 am

Friday, December 28

Saturday, December 29

Sunday, December 30

No Preschool of Religion
 No Youth Group
 K of C Rosary, Church, 9:30 am

Online Calendar: www.stchb.org/calendar

Email updates: stchb.flocknotes.com

Annual Prayer Service for Life. Please join us at the Cathedral of Saint Paul, Tuesday, January 22, 10:30 a.m. for the Annual Prayer Service for Life, followed by MCCL’s March for Life at the State Capitol. This prayer service commemorates the millions of lives lost to abortion and the many women and men wounded by abortion’s aftermath. All are invited and welcome. Please consider carpooling or utilizing buses as parking and street access are limited. For more information, please contact the Office for Marriage, Family & Life at 651-291-4488.



Opportunities to Pray & Serve

WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

- Sunday 23—Rev. Robert Monaghan
Monday 24—Rev. Michael Monogue
Tuesday 25—Rev. Raymond Monsour
Wednesday 26—Rev. Hugo Montero Pazmino
Thursday 27—Rev. Mark Moriarty
Friday 28—Rev. Paul Moudry
Saturday 29—Rev. William Murtaugh
Sunday 30—Rev. Robert Mutui



Perpetual Adoration—Adorers Needed!

Table with 2 columns: Adorers needed (2, 1, or none) and corresponding status.

Please check the table below and contact Tom or Bonnie Brever at bonnitamom@gmail.com or 612-789-6318 if you are able to spend an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Thank you to all of our faithful adorers. If you are not able to commit to a regular weekly hour, all are

welcome to stop by for whatever amount of time you are available—from 5 minutes to 50!

Adoration schedule grid showing times from 12am to 11pm across days Sun-Sat.

May your help be with the man of your right hand, with the son of man whom you yourself made strong. Then we will no more withdraw from you; give us new life, and we will call upon your name. ~Psalm 80

Weekly Content Suggestions from FORMED! visit stchb.formed.org

Sunday, Dec. 23 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- Study: Advent, Session 4: The Gift
Study: YDisciple: Advent, Session 4: The Gift
Watch: Christmas in Rome

Tuesday, Dec. 25 CHRISTMAS

- Study: Symbolon Knowing the Faith, Session 4: The Story of Salvation
Study: Kristoph and the First Christmas Tree
Watch: Joseph of Nazareth
Watch: Mary of Nazareth
Read: God is Love
Read: Mary: God's Yes to Man
Read: God Sent His Son: A Contemporary Christology
Read: Love: A Fruit Always in Season
Read: My Path to Heaven
Read: The Year and Our Children
Read: Christmas with Bernadette
Read: Come, Lord Jesus
Listen: The True Meaning of Christmas
Listen: God Made Man
Listen: The History of Salvation
Listen: The Story of Christmas
Listen: The King is Born

Wednesday, Dec. 26 ST. STEPHEN Deacon and Martyr

- Study: Lectio: Evangelization, Session 7: Leadership in the Church
Study: Lectio: Evangelization, Session 9: Joy in Persecution
Read: Holiness is Always in Season

Thursday, Dec. 27 ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

- Study: Jesus
Study: Lectio: Eucharist, Session 10: Revelation
Study: Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 3: The Bible
Study: Symbolon: Living the Faith, Session 2: The Eucharist
Study: YDisciple Activities: Lectio Divina
Study: YDisciple Activities: The Word
Study: YDisciple Sacraments: Session 3, Eucharist
Study: YDisciple Sacraments: Session 4, The Mass
Watch: Lost Gospels or False Gospels?
Read: You Can Understand the Bible
Read: Sacraments in Scripture
Listen: Searching the Scriptures: The Gospel of John
Listen: Lectio Divina
Listen: The Lamb's Supper

Saturday, Dec. 29 ST. THOMAS BECKET

- Read: Crossbows and Crucifixes
Read: The Young People's Book of Saints

*The clergy and staff of St. Charles Borromeo wish
you and your family a very*

