



Dear Members of St. Charles:

We will take up a second collection today for our sister Diocese in the Dominican Republic. Over a hundred were drowned by the hurricane, thousands are homeless and lack water.

Next weekend you are asked to visit the cafeteria to learn about the problem of affordable housing and to offer your support to a resolution.

Please put the Oktoberfest and the Mission on your family calendar for October.

Peace,

Geray Creedon

BORROMEO HOUSING TENTH ANNIVERSARY

Borromeo Housing is excited to be celebrating its tenth anniversary on **Thursday, November 5 from 6:30-8:30 PM**. You are invited to attend our celebration to be held at the NRECA Conference Center, 4301 Wilson Blvd. in Arlington. Hors d'oeuvres, wine and beer will be served. There is complimentary parking using the Taylor Street entrance and it is convenient to the Ballston Metro. Tickets are \$30 per person and can be obtained by contacting Julie Brunson, Executive Director at 841-0139. **Please R.S.V.P. by October 15.** Hope to see you there!

ST. CHARLES MARRIAGE PREPARATION

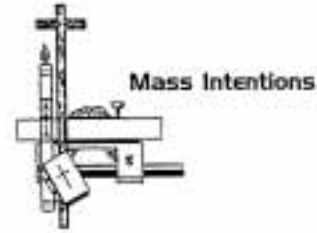
Are you engaged and planning to be married in 1999? If so, please note that the Catholic Diocese of Arlington **REQUIRES 6 months preparation prior to the wedding date**. St. Charles' initial preparation meetings are held once a month. **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!** Registration for the initial preparation meeting to begin the Pre-Cana process may be made Monday through Friday from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM in the Parish Office. No registrations will be accepted the day of the initial meeting. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

FALL FLING AND MORE! Now that the leaves are starting to change color, aren't you ready to try something different too? Experience a MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER weekend, a very personal and private time to renew your relationship with your spouse. An upcoming weekend is Nov. 13 -15, and it is filling up fast. For further information and registration, call Tony and Janet Ramos at 941-2889 or e-mail tnjramos@compuserve.com. Please visit the Marriage Encounter website at <http://www.erols.com/monje/wwme.htm>.

WEB TEAM MEETS THIS TUESDAY

The parish's Web Team meets this Tuesday, October 6, at 7:30 PM in the Memorial Room of the Church. Join us to discuss our next enhancements to our web site. And, click on www.stcharleschurch.org this week to find out what's going on in our parish. For more information call Mark D. Alves at 641-7968 or e-mail webteam@stcharleschurch.org.



SUNDAY, October 4:

- 7:30 Parishioners
- 9:00 Russell Brown by George Ruppert
- 11:00 Joseph Maskal family by Aldona Gurskis
- 1:00 Señor de los Milagros by
Devotos del Señor de los Milagros

*Readings: Habakkuk 1:2-3;2:2-4; 2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14;
Luke 17:5-10*

Monday, October 5:

- 9:00 Elwina Krug by Joe & Diane Boyle

Readings: Galatians 1:6-12; Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday, October 6:

- 9:00 Kathleen Deserio by Anhut family
- 7:30 (at the Arlington Detention Center) for the Inmates

Readings: Galatians 1:13-24; Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday, October 7:

- 9:00 Robert & Susan Palguta (L) by Patricia Kenny & Matthew Palguta

Readings: Galatians 2:1-2,7-14; Luke 11:1-4

Thursday, October 8:

- 9:00 Harold Morgan by Betsy Morgan Moyer

Readings: Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 11:5-13

Friday, October 9:

- 9:00 Gracie Thomas by Mr. & Mrs. Paul E. Gallagher

Readings: Galatians 3:7-14; Luke 11:15-26

Saturday, October 10:

- 9:00 Egbert & Trudy Tingley & family (L) by Susan Roberts
- 5:00 John F. Wert by Elaine & Michael Etnier

Readings: Galatians 3:22-29; Luke 11:27-28

Please pray for

Please remember to keep in your prayers, the elderly, those in distress, the lonely, and those who are sick, especially: John Doherty, Michelle Crosby, Gloria Ferrer, Jimmy Clark, Marina Ruiz, Henrietta Smith, Maria Massey, Juanita Whetzel, Mary O'Connell, and Jose Acosta. Let us also pray for those who have died, especially: ...

SPECIAL OUTREACH FOR THOSE WHO CARE...

KAIROS weekend of October 10-11 has been canceled! Unfortunately, there has been an incident at the prison which has temporarily halted all outside activities of any kind. Please give Michael Hartford a call (354-6876) if you are still interested in baking cookies for the Women's weekend. Thanks for all your participation in this work.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Our special thanks to **VAN CAFFI PLUMBING & HEATING, INC.** for supporting our Parish.

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

Truly great must be the value of human life if the Son of God has taken it up and made it the instrument of the salvation of all humanity!

- John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae*, 33



OKTOBERFEST '98

ST. CHARLES SCHOOL OKTOBERFEST

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Remember to mark your calendars for **October 24th (rain or shine) from 8 AM to 7 PM**

and join us for a FULL day of fun! This year all proceeds will continue to go to the "Cool the School" fund which will provide the money for air conditioners for the school. As in years past, we will have our huge Oktoberfest Yard Sale, Silent Auction, Krafthaus, Bake Sale, Carnival Games, Face Painting, Sr. B's BBQ, Beer Tent and Spaghetti Dinner and entertainment provided by the award winning O'Neil-James School of Dance, and our favorite clown Bongo will be on hand for lots of fun. If you are a crafter and could donate a few of your creations to the Krafthaus, Jenny Sullivan would love to hear from you at 532-5457. All yard sale items will be accepted the week before Oktoberfest - for more information, call Jan Prisco at 536-2823, or drop by the Parish Office for a copy of donation guidelines. the raffle ticket sales for our \$1,000 raffle are starting to come in. Each ticket is \$1.00. More tickets are available from the School or Parish Office. If you would like to volunteer to help with this annual event, or need more information, please call Mike Flaherty at 920-2689.

YOUTH NEWS

"On the Way" invites all 7th and 8th graders to a cookie bake! Join us tonight from 7 - 8:30 PM in the Upper Room to meet for a little while before heading to the Cafeteria to bake cookies for Kairos Prison Ministries and to put our faith into action.

ST. CHARLES YOUNG ADULTS (C'YA)

Summer may be over, but C'YA still has some great outdoors activities planned. Call Jim O'Connor (527-5189) if your interested in our annual flag football and tailgate party after the 11 AM Mass on Oct. 11. We're also planning a canoe outing on Oct. 18. Call Larry Prikockis at 312-9463 for full details. As always, you can pick up a copy of our "Dead C'YA Scroll" at the church entrances for more information on October activities.

"AN EVENING OF JOYFUL NOISE" -- Come fill your spirit with song and join C'YA on Thursday, October 15 at 7:30 PM in the church for a sing-along. Bring your voice or other favorite instrument and sing or plan along with your favorite songs of praise from the liturgical hit lists over the years. There's nothing like a little rhythm and melody to shake off the dust of your day and open your heart to the Spirit (and don't forget, 1998 is the Year of the Holy Spirit!). For more information, call Monica Perz-Waddington (486-2825).

IN OUR PARISH...

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Council reminds you of these important upcoming activities:

October 12: Pastoral Team/Parish Council Retreat -- We ask you to pray for the success of our retreat as we come together to review recent activities and share ideas for the future of our parish.

October 21: Parish Council Meeting -- Send us your comments and suggestions by dropping a note in the collection basket or in the "Parish Council" mailbox in the Parish Office.

October 24: Oktoberfest -- Feel the Spirit and support St. Charles School at this annual fund-raiser!

October 25-29: Parish Mission -- Invite a friend to this special event exploring Christian Life in the 21st Century.

November 4: Parish Town Hall -- We celebrate the Feast of St. Charles Borromeo by inviting parishioners to come to the Church for a dialogue with St. Charles Clergy, Pastoral Team and Parish Council on the past and future of our parish.

HELP STOP HUNGER - 10K WALK

Join fellow parishioners in Arlington's 17th Annual CROP Walk on Saturday, October 17th.. CROP events help; make possible grassroots development initiatives worldwide and right here at home. Twenty-five percent of what is raised goes to assist the Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC) to meet local needs. Come to the cafeteria after Mass to sign up (look for the colorful T-shirt) or call Carol Wear at 524-6133 for more information!

PARISH MISSION

Why should I attend the Parish Mission on October 25-29? Because as other parishes have discovered, "if you have never made a mission given by the friars, you have a delightful surprise in store. You will come away touched by the grace of God, deeply convinced of His love for you and healed in your heart." So, join us as we welcome Frs. Smith and Kelleher from St. Anthony of Padua friary. They will lead us in prayer and reflection every night. Be sure to invite your friends and family to join in the celebration. For more information, you can contact Jennifer Cole (525-6925) or Jean Sweeney (527-5500).



- Last Week's Collection: \$11,547.50
- Last Week's tithe of \$1,154.75 was for Project Lazarus and the Diocesan 2nd Collection of \$2,308.61 was for Catholic University.
- This Week's tithe is for our sister parishes in Cavaillon and Gros Marin, Haiti. Our special second collection is for our sister Diocese in the Dominican Republic.
- Next Week's tithe is for St. Charles Outreach.