



ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH

Welcome to St. Charles Parish, serving the Rosslyn-Ballston corridor and neighborhoods in the heart of Arlington, as well as the George Mason University Arlington Campus. We invite you to join us in a personal encounter with Jesus Christ through his Church.

Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 7am* & 9am
Saturday: 9am & 5pm Vigil
Sunday: 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am,
12pm (Spanish), & 6pm
*not on Federal Holidays

Confession Times

Monday*: 6:30pm-7pm
Wednesday: 6:30pm-8pm
Friday: 6:30pm-7pm
Saturday: 3:30pm-4:30pm
*not on Federal Holidays

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9am-8pm Saturday 9am-5pm Sunday 9am-12pm
closed on federal Holidays

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February 17, 2019 – The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

UPCOMING AT ST. CHARLES

MONDAY, February 18

- **Parish Office & Center Closed**

TUESDAY, February 19

- 8:00PM: Grupo de Oracion
- 7:15PM – 9:00PM: Walking with Purpose

WEDNESDAY, February 20

- 6:30PM - 8:30PM: P3 (Prayer, Penance, & Pub)

THURSDAY, February 21

- 6:15 – 7:30PM: Religious Education
- 6:45 – 9:00PM: Dodgeball

FRIDAY, February 22

- 7:30PM: AA Meeting

SATURDAY, February 23

- 7:30AM - 9:00AM: Borromeo Brothers
- 7:00PM: Neo-Catechumenal Way

**The Parish Office & Center
will be closed
Monday, February 18 in
observance of President's Day**

“Could you not watch with me one hour?” Mt 26:40

Exposition and adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament is offered every Sunday from 5 - 6 PM in the Chapel. Come spend some quality time with our Eucharistic Lord!

Catholic Q&A Sunday

Have questions about the Catholic faith? Join us after the 10:30AM Mass in Room 103 for a conversational exploration on this week's topic. Open to all!

ST. CHARLES PARISH INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

St. Charles Parish follows Arlington Public Schools (APS) for delays, closures and cancellations:

- **Delays:** the Parish Office and Preschool open at the delayed time, and any activities scheduled before that time are cancelled.
- **Closures:** the Parish Office and Preschool are closed, and all activities at the parish are cancelled.
- **Cancellations:** when APS close early and/or cancel evening activities, the Parish Office and Preschool will close early and all evening activities at the parish are cancelled.

Masses and Confessions are never cancelled but always take place as scheduled.

Dear Friends,

ANNUAL BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL

Recently, many of you received a mailing regarding the 2019 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). This year's BLA theme is *"Together in the Light of Christ"*. This theme reminds us that Jesus Christ has conquered the darkness and, together, we can work to continue His Mission to serve others in our diocese through the BLA.

Please reflect upon the critically important ministries, services and programs funded by the 2019 BLA, and give prayerful consideration to making a sacrificial pledge of support. The BLA requires financial support from every one of us to be successful. We all can participate in the appeal, no matter how large or small our gift may be, joining together as one Body in Christ to support our Church and continue the good works that reach out to help thousands of people.

For information about the programs served by the BLA, for a video that focuses on the BLA and diocesan finances as they relate to the Church abuse crisis, and to make your generous gift easily, electronically, please go to the diocesan website: www.arlingtondiocese.org. There is also a link to the diocesan site on our own parish website homepage.

PRESIDENTS' DAY

We wish everyone a happy Presidents' Day holiday, as we recall Consider these important words of our first president's, George Washington's, "Farewell Address":

"Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable supports. In vain would that man claim the tribute of patriotism, who should labor to subvert these great pillars of human happiness, these firmest props of the duties of men and citizens. The mere politician, equally with the pious man, ought to respect and to cherish them. And let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion.... Reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle. 'Tis substantially true that virtue or morality is a necessary spring of popular government. Who that is a sincere friend to it, can look with indifference upon attempts to shake the foundation of the fabric?"

Yes, let us be conscious of—not be indifferent to—that is, let us speak and act in favor of, religion and morality being necessary supports of our system of popular government. In fact, without a moral consensus—without clarity about what is right and what is wrong—democracy deteriorates into anarchy. May God preserve our republic from such a fate!

I remain,

Your servant in Christ Jesus,

Father Don

GIVING

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR FAITH DIRECT YET?

Please take **10 minutes** (if you haven't already done so) to sign up to make all of your contributions to St. Charles electronically: faithdirect.net, parish code VA681.
Faith Direct makes it easy to be generous!

2019 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL BEGINS!

At the end of January many of us received a mailing regarding the 2019 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). The theme for the 2019 BLA is "Together in the Light of Christ." After reflecting upon the blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this important appeal that funds many programs and ministries that serves thousands of people in our diocese. Together, through the BLA, let us renew our personal commitment to furthering the Lord's work in our diocese.

• Employment Opportunities •

Assistant Director of Evangelization and Media – will work closely with the Director of Evangelization to foster a culture of encounter within the parish. Responsible for all parish communications and for the coordination of evangelization and faith formation programs. Please see our ad at: catholicjobs.com, Job ID: #6612135412

• VOLUNTEER •

St. Charles Early Childhood Education Center - Did you know...Our parish preschool is the largest Early Childhood program in Arlington County! The 185 students benefit spiritually from weekly Chapel time in the former convent chapel, attending three annual prayer services in the Church for major liturgical celebrations, and most students also have the chance to participate in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd on a weekly basis.

We are currently seeking a volunteer to assist with Atrium ministry on Friday mornings. If you are interested, please contact our Director, Amy Fry, at afry@stcharlesarlington.org

SHARE - SERVE

*Because of your kindness and your truth; for you have made great above all things
your name and your promise. When I called, you answered me;
you built up strength within me. Ps 138:2-3*

PARISH CHARITIES

Parish Charities Donations - Thank You! - Thank you to all who have donated to Parish Charities. In the month of January, we helped five families with \$1,250 to help cover rent payments, shared Scripture with men and women at the Arlington County Jail, served a home cooked meal in Benedict Hall, and handed out 57 family bags. Also, thank you to those who have donated gift cards to local restaurants to allow those on limited incomes or the homeless to have an extra meal. To continue to support our outreach, visit www.stcharleschurch.org, click on "Support", then "Give", and the top Faith Direct button. Scroll down to find the Parish Charities donation button, or donate by check and note "Parish Charities" in the memo line. Thank you again for your generosity.

Food Pantry Donations - Thank you to all who have donated to our food pantry and have provided non-perishable food items that serve both needy families and homeless individuals in Arlington. Please make sure all donations are not expired as this honors the dignity of those we serve. Please place all donations in marked bins at church entrances.



Immediate Needs

Cereal
Canned fruit and vegetables
Soup
Bottled water (small size)
Canned tuna, salmon, or chicken
Peanut butter

Other Needs:

Canned entrees (chili)
Cereal/oatmeal
Granola Bars
Spaghetti sauce
Jelly
Soap
Shampoo

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Act Today to Protect the Unborn - The Virginia Assembly will be voting on several key legislative issues over the next couple months. One legislation is the Equal Rights Amendment, which "at first glance appears to be a neutral measure advocating for the equality of women which is a worthy endeavor; however, the ambiguity of the language disguises significant negative consequences and legal uncertainty particularly when it comes to protecting the unborn." (Virginia Catholic Conference). However, this legislation removes protections for women and the unborn during the second and third trimesters. Read HB 2491 in detail at: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?191+sum+HB2491>. And visit www.vacatholic.org for more information and to advocate for the rights of the unborn and women.

Post-Abortion Healing Retreat for Women - An Entering Canaan Day of Prayer & Healing for women who have experienced abortion will be held on Saturday, April 6th, 2019. Come begin your healing journey and experience God's hope and mercy. You are not alone. There is hope. There is healing. For more information and confidential registration, please contact Project Rachel Ministry at 888-456-HOPE (4673) or info@helpafterabortion.org.

Human Trafficking Awareness - "According to the FBI, human trafficking is the second fastest growing crime sector in the United States...and Northern Virginia has become a hub for this activity." (www.justaskprevention.org) This modern day slavery crosses socio-economic boundaries and is happening within our own communities. Visit www.justaskprevention.org or www.novahiti.org.

LEARN - ADULTS

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

stcharleschurch.org/adultfaithformation



We are men of **all ages** on pilgrimage together to know and love God and strive to become who He has called us to be. Join us each Saturday morning for brotherhood and discussion about living out our vocation as Christian men.

For updates text "BB" to 84567 or subscribe by email at bit.ly/borromeobros

YOUNG ADULTS

stcharleschurch.org/youngadults

P3 (Prayer, Penance, and Pub)
Join us Wednesday, 6:30PM-8:30PM

UPCOMING:

CHRISTENDOM GRADUATE SCHOOL
MINI-COURSE

**Liturgy & the Christian Life
Part III**

DR. ARIAS
7:00PM | Monday, February 25
Benedict Hall

CHRISTENDOM COLLEGE
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INQUANTUM OMNIA IN CHRISTO
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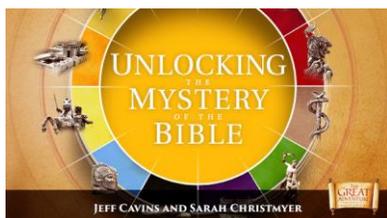
Topic of Part III: *Unity and Diversity in Catholic Liturgy*



Walking with Purpose: Keeping in Balance

Tuesdays from 7:15pm-9pm in Benedict Hall

The St Charles parish WWP 22-week study is still open for registration. We welcome past participants and invite new women to join us! For more info on WWP or the Connect Social, please contact wpp@stcharleschurch.org



Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

Uncover the mysteries woven through Scripture with Jeff Cavins' clever narrative and ingenious color-coded Bible Timeline. It is a great way to get the "big picture" of the Bible and see how our Catholic Faith is rooted in Scripture. The study includes a series of **eight** informative and engaging half-hour videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Each video will be followed by a lively group discussion.

Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30 in Room 105 from Mar 12 – Apr 30
Register at www.stcharleschurch.org/adultfaithformation.

LEARN – YOUTH & CHILDREN

Religious Education

First Holy Communion Parent & Student Meeting at 6:30PM in Benedict Hall on **Thursday, Feb 21**

On the WAY – Middle School

2/17: No class

2/24: Workshop Night

3/2: Confirmation Retreat – **mandatory for all students receiving Confirmation this spring.**

WAY - High School Events

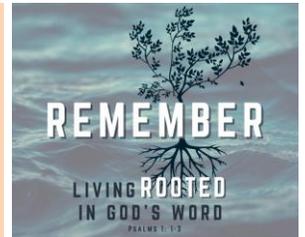
St. Charles works with 6 other parishes (St. Leo, Holy Spirit, St. Mary of Sorrows, the Basilica of St. Mary, and St. Louis) to host our **winter high school retreat!**

WHEN: February 15 – 17 (President's Day weekend)

WHERE: Northbay Camp in Northeast Maryland

COST: \$75 (includes meals, transportation and housing)

RSVP: by January 31 to fsayre@stcharleschurch.org



Work Camp 2019 Registration is now **OPEN!**

WHEN: June 22 – 28, 2019

WHERE: King George, VA

COST: \$150 (includes meals, transportation, and housing)

Fundraising is required for each teen

RSVP: by January 31 to fsayre@stcharleschurch.org

CELEBRATE

SACRED LITURGY NEWS

Erin Bullock | ebullock@stcharleschurch.org

St. Cecilia Children's Choir - A fun & educational group who learn about music and God by praising him through song! We sing for the 9AM Children's Mass monthly & rehearse weekly from 10:15 – 11:00am on Sundays. Open to kids in grades 2-6. Older children may also join to be special section leaders & choir helpers!

10:30 am Choir (St. Charles Choir) - Our traditional church choir, which sings classical & contemporary standards of sacred music. This choir sings once a month at the 10:30am Mass, in addition to some high Holy Days. New Members are always welcome! Open to: everyone 18 and up – no musical experience necessary.

6:00 pm Choir (St. Gregory's Chorus) - A smaller musical group which focuses on more advanced sacred choral music and sings weekly at the 6pm Mass. Repertoire covered includes harmonized hymn singing, classical choral pieces, polyphony, & Gregorian chant. Previous musical experience & a small audition are required. Open to: everyone 18 and up.

Please contact the Director of Sacred Liturgy and Music if you'd like to help in one of the ministries listed below or if you're interested in lending your voice to any of the St. Charles Choirs.

- **Lectors**
- **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**
- **Altar Servers**
- **Ushers.**
- **Sacred Art & Furnishings**

Sing with the St. Charles Chorale! To celebrate our 25th year we will sing Broadway music! Practices are Sundays from 7:30 – 9PM in Room 104 of the Parish Center from 3/10 – 5/19 (except for Easter Sunday, 4/21). There will be four performances in June at selected independent living facilities and nursing homes. Contact Becky G. bgeig5@comcast.net, or Jack W. jackwells1@mac.com

Baptism - Pre-registration is required for the preparation sessions and for the celebration of Baptism.

Marriage - A minimum of 6 months of preparation is required. You must have an initial meeting with the priest before setting any date or making any reservations for reception venues or for other churches.

Please visit our website or contact Celeste White for more information: [\(703\)527-5500](tel:7035275500) | parishsecretary@stcharleschurch.org

MASS INTENTIONS

GIVE THE GREATEST GIFT ~ THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS, OFFERED AT ST. CHARLES FOR YOUR INTENTIONS

for any person or persons, living or deceased, please contact the parish office. Beautiful Mass cards available. Suggested donation (stipend): \$10

Saturday, February 16

9am Diana Banister by Therese Bempohl
5pm †Nicholas D' Ambrosio by Mario D' Ambrosio

Sunday, February 17

730am †John Morgan by the Rinaldi Family
9am †Maria Newberry by Ann & John LaBarge
1030am †Angelino Rendaje by Rene & Yvonne Dimaranan
12pm †Ulises Maria Morel by the De Los Santos & Morel Families

6pm The People of the Parish

Monday, February 18

9am †Veronica Rolla by Andrew Vivirito

Tuesday, February 19

7am †William T. Carson by Doug & Carolyn Lang

9am Belenia Vilches by the Vilches Family

Wednesday, February 20

7am James Kabcenell by Julie Erhardt

9am James Zadie by Mary Ackourey

Thursday, February 21

7am †Ramon Penaranda Ayarza by Rocia Penaranda Salas

9am †Lowell C. Wallace by Dcn Forrest Wallace

Friday, February 22

7am †Augusto Rivero by Rocia Penaranda Salas

9am Carl Occhipinti by Mary Ackourey

Saturday, February 23

9am John Ackourey by Mary Ackourey

5pm Margaret Scully by Kathy Scully

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please pray for our sick,

Maggie Musser, Alexandria Musser, Jack & Mary Sirotniak, Susan Sheppard (mother of Rebekah Conlon), **Paul Geiger** (brother of Becky Geiger), **Paul Duane, Naod Ermias, Jackson Huffman, Rebecca Cataldi, Lani and James Cataldi** (parents of Rebecca Cataldi), **Jacqueline Merz, Gregory Dessert** (nephew of Beth Nicholson), **Owen Eickel** (nephew of Kathleen Talley), **Bob Giusti, Alfred Gomez** (Husband of Rectory Housekeeper, Leonor Herrera), **Susan Currier** (mother of Meghan Currier), and **Nolan Mernin** (Son of Meghan & Daniel Mernin), **Madelyne Respicio-Cabatic, Rosa Maria Santos,** and †deceased

Mother Perpetua Giampietro (sister of Fr. Anthony Giampietro), **Wilton McGowan** (father of Julie Flynn), **John Long** (husband of Mireya Long), **Patricia Schmergel** (grandmother of Sean Schmergel), **Lonnie Adams** (father of Mary-Frances Vivarelli), **Barbara A. Roche** (mother of Bill Roche), **James Murrin** (longtime parishioner), **Wilma Ghiardi** (grandmother of Francesca Gross), **Armin Feller** (neighbor of Becky Geiger), **Mary Burke, Hilde Newberry** (mother of Monica Craven).

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Retired

Father Anthony Giampietro, C.S.B.

Catholic University of America

Please register in the parish – you can do so online.

www.stcharleschurch.org/register

Sign up to stay informed of the latest parish news and activities

St. Charles Challengetext "schallenge" to 84576

Tips and reminders for spiritual growth

St. Charles Weekly Bulletintext "stcharlesweekly" to 84576

The parish bulletin delivered electronically

St. Charles Alertstext "stcharlesalerts" to 84576

Holy Days, weather closings, & urgent news

Social Medialook for us @ stcharleschurch

Find us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter

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Scheduling requests:

parishsecretary@stcharleschurch.org

PAGINA EN ESPAÑOL

Horas de Oficina:

De lunes a viernes de 9:00 AM a 8:00 PM

Sábados: de 9:00 AM a 5:00 PM

Domingos: de 9:00 AM a 12:00PM Mediodía

Rectoría: 703-527-5500

Párroco: Reverendo Padre Donald J. Planty Jr.

Directora del Ministerio Hispano: Teresa Reyes:

703-527-5500 X 123

Misa: Domingos a: 12:00 del mediodía

Confesiones: Domingos: 11:30AM

Rezo del Santo Rosario: Domingos: 11:30 en la Capilla

Preparación pre bautismal: El segundo domingo del mes

Bautizos: El segundo sábado del mes

Actividades del domingo:

1:00 - 1:45 P.M. Hora Comunitaria

1:45 - 3:15 P.M. Formación Religiosa Pre-kínder – 8vo. grado

1:45 - 3:00 P.M. Formación Religiosa de adultos

2:00 - 3:00 P.M. Clases de Inglés para adultos

7:00 - 8:30 P.M. Clases de Ciudadanía para adultos

Noticias:

Formación Religiosa: En el evangelio de san Lucas, es menos completo en detallar el número de las Bienaventuranzas, pero nos da perfectamente el significado, entre la humildad, la justicia y la alegría porque a través de este evangelio el Señor nos hace ver que quizás suframos desprecios, hambre, humillaciones, abusos, pero ante todo esto nos da la fuerza para tratar de permanecer y aceptar lo que estamos viviendo y trabajar en mejorar nuestra voluntad y esfuerzo para poder seguir adelante para poder recibir una recompensa que se menciona en las Bienaventuranza.

Nota Importante para los Padres de Familia: El equipo de catequistas de nuestra comunidad, quiere dejar saber a los padres de familia cuyos hijos asisten a la catequesis, sobre todo a los niños que ya han recibido la Primera Comunión que todos los domingos de 11:30 a 12:00 del mediodía hay confesiones en español, también pueden llegar los sábados de 3:30-4:30 en Inglés, ya que nuestros niños pueden confesarse en ambos idiomas.

Grupo de Oración: “La Divina Misericordia del Señor” agradece a todos los que llegaron a la Cena Concierto, ya que pasamos un tiempo agradable entre amigos y familia.

También les queremos invitar a nuestras noches de comunidad todos los sábados, para más información puede ponerse en contacto Javier Iraeta al 571-253-0198, o con Isela García: 571-278-9667

Work Camp: Tenemos 12 jóvenes de nuestra comunidad que asistirán al Campo de Trabajo, más conocido como “Work Camp” y agradecemos a nuestra comunidad que nos colabora en recaudar fondos participando de los almuerzos que se vende en nuestra Hora Comunitaria.