



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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January 8, 2017
The Epiphany of the Lord

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.

TUESDAY – January 10

- 8 PM - Grupo de Oracion

WEDNESDAY – January 11

- 7 PM - Neo-Catechumenal Way
- 8 PM - P3 – Prayer, Penance & Pub

THURSDAY – January 12

- 6:15 PM – Religious Education (Grades K-6)
- 6:15 PM – Reflect on the Readings: Scripture study for Parents
- 7:30 PM –Bible Study (Upcoming Sunday's Readings)

FRIDAY – January 13

- 7:30 PM – AA Meeting

SATURDAY – January 14

- 7 PM – Neo-Catechumenal Way

SUNDAY – January 15

- 7 PM On the Way (7th & 8th Grade)
- 7 PM WAY (High School)

Catholic Charities Counselor at St. Charles Parish

St. Charles Borromeo Parish has partnered with Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington to provide counseling services. A Licensed Clinical Social Worker, will be available at the parish office on Mondays between 9AM and 5:00PM for appointments with adults, couples and children. Catholic Charities is able to offer sessions on a sliding scale fee in order to provide services to all those seeking assistance. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, please call CCDA intake coordinator Hannah Navarro at (703) 224-1630.

PADRE'S PAGE

Dear Friends,

I draw your attention to two important matters this week.

*First, Our new **bishop is hosting a series of Masses and receptions** throughout the diocese to meet his new flock. The event for our area is this week: everyone is invited to join Bishop Burbidge this Tuesday, January 10, at St. Thomas More Cathedral at 7:00 PM for Mass followed by a "meet and greet." I encourage St. Charles parishioners to "represent," to pray with and to get to know our new bishop. I hope to see you there!*

Second, when our church was renovated in 1990, the tabernacle was placed outside the church but in the back corner of the chapel. Now we are faced with:

- *increased attendance at daily Masses, sometimes beyond the chapel's capacity;*
- *increased visits to the Most Blessed Sacrament by the faithful with very little room in which they can adore;*
- *increased confessions and only one "Reconciliation Room."*

*Indeed, our chapel would be more useful and is better suited as a place of silent prayer and of confessions: that is, making it a **Eucharistic Reposition and Confession Chapel**, while celebrating all Masses in the church. When I consulted with our priests, with our parish staff, with our parish Pastoral Council, with our Sacred Liturgy Committee, and with a number of parishioners, all agreed. So, I asked Bishop Loverde if we could renovate our chapel and permission was given. Therefore, for about a month all daily Masses will be held in our parish center as the chapel is renovated (and noise affects the adjacent church), and in about a month our new chapel will be finished and all Masses will be held in the church. I believe you will like our new chapel and having more space for prayer in front of the Most Blessed Sacrament as well as real confessionals for going to confession! I remain*

**your servant in Christ Jesus,
Father Don**

What does it mean to be a "practicing" Catholic?

On a basic level, it means attending Mass faithfully on Sundays, since we "practice" our faith by celebrating it in Word and Sacrament. Indeed, our faith, hope and love are expressed concretely in the way we live, including observing the 3rd Commandment to "Keep holy the Lord's Day." Since the celebrations of the Sacraments are not mere family or social occasions, but celebrations of faith for active believers, those who seek to have their children baptized, to serve as sponsors ("godparents") for Baptism or for Confirmation, or to receive the Sacrament of Marriage, must demonstrate that they are faithful, practicing Catholics who have been registered and attending Mass regularly at the parish for at least three months.

SUPPORT

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!



	<u>Week of</u> <u>25-Dec</u>	<u>Fiscal</u> <u>Yr to Date</u>
<i>Offertory Collection</i>		
Actual	\$50,606	\$732,557
Budget	\$29,396	\$676,161
Surplus(Deficit)	\$21,210	\$56,396
<i>Building Fund</i>	<u>Dec MTD</u>	<u>Yr to Date</u>
Actual	\$8,150	\$47,634
Budget	\$10,109	\$38,764
Surplus(Deficit)	(\$1,959)	\$8,870

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Liturgical Volunteers: St. Charles is always looking for more ministers to serve at Mass - please inquire with the Liturgy Director for more information on how you can serve as an:

Usher: Greet people, help with the collection, and usher people to pews

Lector: Proclaim the most Holy Word of God at Mass

Altar Server: Aid the priest throughout Mass

Eucharistic Minister: Aid in the distribution of the Most Precious Body and Blood

Lead-EM: Set-up books and items necessary for Mass

Sacristan: Come in during the week to care for and clean the Sacred Vessels

Music ministry: Seeking some volunteers willing to come in periodically to help reorganize, refile and relabel our large sheet music library. Please contact the Music Director if interested!

Catechists for our Religious Education Program: Thursdays, 6:15-7:30 PM.

Please contact Francesca Gross to receive more information.

RCIC Assistant Catechist: Sunday nights from 7:15-8:30 PM for our high school teens. Please contact Francesca Gross to receive more information.

SERVE

PARISH CHARITIES

"Closeness to the poor, the refugee, the immigrant, the sick, the exploited, the elderly living alone, prisoners and all God's other poor, will teach us a different way of resting, one which is more Christian and generous."
– Pope Francis

Giving Tree

A final thank you to all who donated so generously to the Giving Tree. We collected 1290 gifts for 430 children from 182 families; 63 gifts for Migration Refugee Services; and 90 gifts total for MiRAH and Hope crisis pregnancy centers. Please continue to pray this year for all those we served through this outreach.

Parish Charities On-line Donations

St. Charles provides emergency assistance to parishioners and residents of Arlington County who have been unable to pay their rent or utility bills. We help approximately 30 people each month with an average of \$5,000. We rely on donations from parishioners to fund our emergency assistance. Please consider donating online through Faith Direct. Visit our website, click on "Support", "Give", and either Faith Direct link. A one time or monthly donation will ensure that St. Charles is able to continue providing assistance to those facing financial hardship.

Food Pantry

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the food pantry. We currently are low on peanut butter, jelly, cereal, fruit in its own syrup (no added sugar), and pancake mix and syrup. Please purchase these and other non-perishable food items to help keep our shelves stocked. Each week we give out 60-70 family bags and 30-40 homeless lunch bags, and so the shelves empty quickly.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

National Migration Week, January 8-14

"The Catholic Bishops and the Church support humane immigration reform. We must reform our broken system that separates families and impedes due process." To raise awareness and advocate for those immigrating to our country, the United States Catholic Bishops has celebrated National Migration Week for nearly half a century. "Immigration is about real people who are trying to find a better life and a new beginning. As Pope Francis stated, 'Each migrant has a name, a face and a story.'" (USCCB, National Migration Week) For more information, including facts and action items, visit www.usccb.org and click on "National Migration Week" at the top of the page.

USCCB Poverty Awareness

January has been designated as Poverty Awareness Month by the United States Catholic Bishops. In the words of Pope Francis: "...loving attentiveness is the beginning of a true concern for the person of the poor which inspires [us] effectively to seek their good" (Evangelii Gaudium, 199). For daily reflections and more information on addressing poverty in the United States, visit www.usccb.org and click on the link at the top of the page.

YOUNG ADULTS

P3—PENANCE, PRAYER, PUB – EVERY WEDNESDAY!

6:30 PM: Adoration and Confession • 8:00 PM: Meditation and Benediction
8:40 PM: Fellowship

FORUM ~ QUODLIBET – January 20, 2017

7:30pm: Happy Hour with wine and beer specials
All FORUM lectures are free and open to the public

Quodlibet (Whatever You Wish) – Open discussion with five panelists

Dr. John Cuddeback (Philosophy)
Dr. Thomas Stanford (Literature)
Professor Bracy Bersnak (Political Science)
Professor Joseph Arias (Theology)
Professor Mary Stanford
Moderator: Professor Michael Brown

8:00PM Quodlibet Session I
9:00PM Food and drink break
9:15PM Quodlibet Session II

FORMED

A website with the best Catholic content all in one place!

All parishioners have access to FORMED, which offers

PROGRAMS: everything from Baptism to Bible Study to Evangelization

MOVIES: inspiring Catholic films...

AUDIO: on a number of faith and spiritual topics...

BOOKS: providing solid formational and devotional reading.

Take advantage of this excellent resource: **VISIT: FORMED.ORG**
LOGIN USING OUR PARISH ACCESS CODE: 7G6RCD

LEARN – YOUTH & CHILDREN

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This Week's Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12 The Feast of the Epiphany is considered by Eastern churches to be far more important than Christmas, the day celebrating Jesus' birth. On Epiphany, which means manifestation, Jesus is revealed as far more than the King of the Jews. He is revered by secular kings, showing that his Kingship is for a kingdom that reigns over all the world. Just as the three kings sought out Jesus to pay him homage, Matthew's story of the visit of the Magi from the East makes it clear that Jesus comes to all people, of his time and ours, who seek God.

Vacation Bible School: Save the Date! July 17th - July 21st

We invite all families with children ages 4-13 for this year's Vacation Bible School. The theme this year will most likely be "Summertime Blast!" Registration forms will be available in the next few weeks. We hope to have you all join us again this year for a very fun, sunny Vacation Bible School week! To learn more please, email our VBS Coordinator, Carolyn Lange at carolynlange@verizon.net

Altar Server Training: Saturday, January 21st 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

We are inviting all interested youth, 3rd grade - high school, for an Altar Server day of training and fun! This training is for new and current servers. Please, call the parish office to learn more!

ON THE WAY (OTW)

Confirmation: Monday, June 12th 7:00 PM Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Micheal F. Burgidge

WAY

WAY Wednesday: January, 11th 7:30 PM We invite all high school teens to join our youth group every other Wednesday at the Silver Diner for milkshakes and fellowship. Please, bring \$10.00 to contribute to the cost of the meal if you can! To learn more please call our parish office.

WORK CAMP Kick-Off: Sunday, January 22nd 3:00-8:30 PM in the gym. This is for all current registered teens for Work Camp 2017. Mass & Dinner will be part of our schedule. For questions please, email Francesca Gross fsayre@stcharleschurch.org

High School Winter Retreat: "I Thirst" John 19:28 February 17th - 19th at Northbay MD. We will be partnering with several other parishes in the Diocese for this year's overnight retreat! Over 75 teens will be participating! Cost \$40.00 which covers all transportation, lodging, and meals. To learn more please, email Francesca Gross fsayre@stcharleschurch.org



Everyone is invited to attend our Catholic School's Week Open House on January 29th from 10:00 am - Noon! Come and see for yourself what has changed and how much has stayed the same. Our parish preschool currently serves 155 students, ages 2-5 years-old, making us the largest stand-alone Catholic preschool in the state of Virginia. Please check us out in the current issue of Arlington Magazine!

CELEBRATE

SACRED LITURGY NEWS

Ministry Scheduler Pro

Ministry Scheduler Pro, or MSP, is a scheduling software which St. Charles will begin using with all Liturgical Ministries. Through the free Website and app, volunteers will be able to view their current schedules, request subs, set-up email reminders, and put in date when they are away from St. Charles and unable to serve at Masses. The Software is currently being rolled out to **current** Liturgical Volunteers - if you have not received log-in information via email yet, or would like more information about the software, please contact the Liturgy Director.

St. Cecilia Children's Choir

A fun and educational group, where we get to learn about music and God by praising him through song!

We sing for the 9AM Children's Mass periodically.

Directed by Madelaine Mentyka.

Open to: Kids in grades 2-5, older children may also join to be special section leaders and choir helpers!

Rehearsal time: 10:15 - 11:00am Sundays (right after the Children's Mass) in the parish community center

Adult Volunteers are always needed to aid our youngest singers, so please contact the Music Director if you might be interested in helping!

10:30 am Choir (St. Charles Choir)

Our traditional church choir, which sings classical and contemporary standards of sacred music. Directed by Mark Ohnmacht, sings weekly at the 10:30am Mass, in addition to some high Holy Days. New Members are always welcome!

Open to: Everyone, youth included, some previous musical experience recommended

Rehearsal times: 9:30am Sunday in Rm. 104

6:00 pm Choir (St. Gregory's Chorus)

A smaller musical group, directed by Madelaine Mentyka, focuses on more advanced sacred choral music and sings weekly at the 6pm Mass. Repertoire covered includes harmonized hymn singing, classical choral pieces, renaissance polyphony, and Gregorian chant. Because of the more advanced nature of the music covered in this choir, previous musical experience and knowledge are required.

Open to: ages 18 and up

Rehearsal times: one hour before Mass each week (5:00pm)

MASS INTENTIONS

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, January 7

9am †Kathy Follo by the Women's Small Group

5pm †Salvatore Cacciato by the Gomes Family

Sunday, January 8

730am †Helen Jakubowski by Stanley Jakubowski

9am †Dr. David O. Davis by the Fagerstrom Family

1030am †Bernhard Pohl by the Pohl Family

12pm †Elina Reyes Contreras by Teresa Reyes

6pm The People of the Parish

Monday, January 9

7am Santa & Michael Condell by Michael Condell

9am Talavera-Gutierrez Family by the Gutierrez Family

Tuesday, January 10

7am †Marcos Mendez by Alvaro Chavez

9am †Mark Savageau by Lisa & Rocky Conception

Wednesday, January 11

7am †Joan Klein by Randy Bender

9am †Gordon Wricks by Carol & John Shottes

Thursday, January 12

7am †George MacDonald by the Stoffel Family

9am †Eve Lawler by the People at the Jefferson

Friday, January 13

7AM †Albert Pyne by Johanna McKenna

9am †George Waringo by the Waringo Family

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please pray for our sick

Alfred Gomez (Husband of Rectory Housekeeper, Leonor Herrera), Susan Currier mother of Meghan Currier and **Nolan Mernin** (Son of Meghan and Daniel Mernin);

and deceased

Juanita Villanueva (Wife of Rafael Villanueva),

William Brown (Husband of Maria A. Brown),

Salvatore Cacciato (Father of Sylvia Cacciato), Mary Tilman (Mother of Bob Tilman), and **Eve Lawler** (Daughter of Mary Lawler and Sister-in-law of Michael Leahy)

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REQUESTS

Parish Scheduling requests:

scheduling@stcharleschurch.org

Bulletin requests: bulletin@stcharleschurch.org

Requests are due one week prior
to the next issue.

PLEASE REGISTER

We encourage Parishioners to register in the Parish,
and please to notify the Parish Office when they
move.

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PÁGINA 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 12:00 Mediodía

Rectoría: 703-527-5500

Párroco: Reverendo Padre Donald J. Planty Jr.

Directora del Ministerio Hispano: Teresa Reyes: 703-527-5500 X 123

Misa: 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 de los Domingo:

- **1:45-3:15 P.M.** Formación Religiosa Pre-kínder a 6to grado
- **1:45 – 3:00 P.M.** Formación Religiosa de adultos
- **1:45 – 3:00 P.M.** Clases de Inglés para adultos
- **6:00 – 7:00 P.M.** Clases de alfabetización para adultos
- **7:00 – 8:00 P.M.** Clases de Inglés para adultos
- **7:00 – 8:30 P.M.** Clases de Ciudadanía para adultos

NOTICIAS

Formación Religiosa: El 24 de Diciembre celebramos **LA NAVIDAD**, es decir, el nacimiento de Jesús.

- Después de la Navidad, la Iglesia Católica celebra, el 6 de Enero, la **FIESTA DE LA EPIFANÍA** que nos recuerda la visita de los Reyes Magos al Niño Jesús para adorarlo.

Después de haber nacido Jesús en Belén de Judea, en el tiempo del Rey Herodes, unos Magos de Oriente se presentaron en Jerusalén diciendo: "¿Dónde está el que ha nacido, el Rey de los Judíos? Porque hemos visto su estrella en el oriente y venimos a adorarlo".

Hoy todos los niños de todos los niveles se concentraran en el Evangelio de Mateo 2: 1-12

Grupo de Oración "La Divina Misericordia del Señor": El Grupo de Oración les desea Muchas **Felicidades en este próximo año** y les invitan a que sean parte del Grupo que se reúnen todos los sábados a las 6:00 PM., para mayor información por favor ponerse en contacto con Julio Barrientos al 571-707-9720

Campamento de Trabajo para jóvenes: Este es el sexto año que nuestros jóvenes se integran con todos los jóvenes de la diócesis de Arlington para ir al Campamento de Trabajo que se realiza todos los años Este año el campamento se llevara a **cabo del 24 al 30 de junio.**