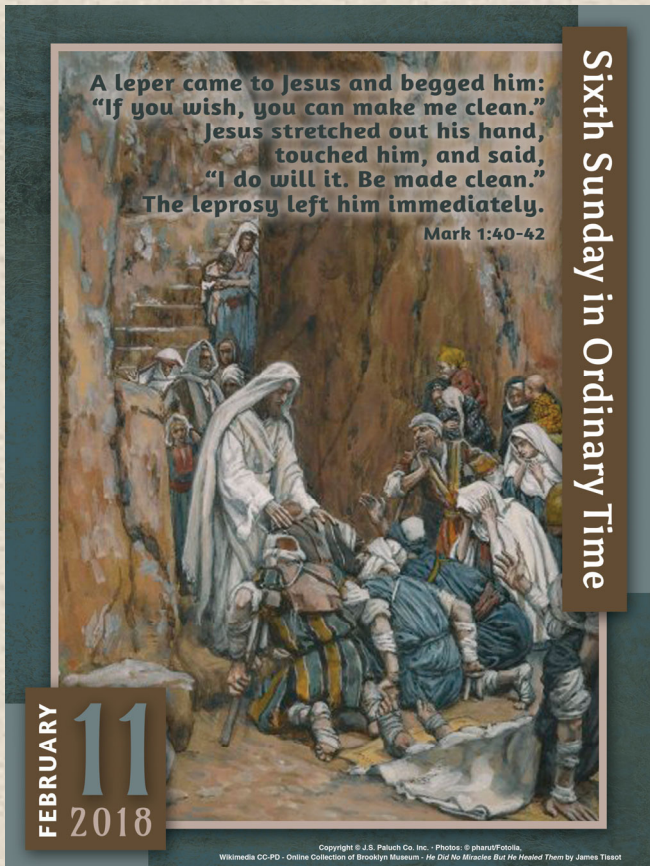


St. Charles Borromeo

1315 Lomitas Avenue - Livermore, CA 94550-6441

“Not a Place Where...But a People Who...”

“Together we share faith in Jesus, live the Gospel, and care for others.”



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Leave a clear message & phone number to call back.

Sacrament of Marriage: Discuss with Pastor 6 months prior.

Infant Baptism: Call rectory office for info x101. Pre-Baptism Class required for parents & Godparents. **Next class date to be determined. Likely late Spring 2018.**

Bulletin Articles: Email to Janie@stcharlesborromeo.org. Info for deadlines is found on page 6.

Parish Website: www.stcharleslivermore.org

St. Charles' 9:30AM Sunday Mass is now live-streamed for viewing at home live or during the week. Visit our website for the link.

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 5:00PM

Sunday 7:30AM , 9:30AM & 11:30 AM

Weekdays - Chapel

Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM

Friday- Communion Service 9:00 AM

Holy Days 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays, 4:00-4:30PM

Anointing of the Sick

For Individual (non-emergency) Anointing call the rectory 447-4549 x105 for appointment

Today's readings:
February 11, 2018

First Reading:

Leviticus 13: 1-2, 44-46

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 10: 31—11:1

Gospel:

Mark 1: 40-45



6th Sunday in

Ordinary Time

February 11, 2018

Next week's readings:
February 18, 2018

First Reading:

Genesis 9: 8-15

Second Reading:

1 Peter 3: 18-22

Gospel:

Mark 1: 12-15

A Note from Fr. Mark:

Last weekend, during the State of the Parish report, I mentioned that the 2018 Bishop's Appeal has officially kicked-off. This is a yearly appeal that assists our Bishop in funding a variety of ministries, services and programs that benefit many throughout the East Bay; ministries, services and programs that no one parish could provide but together we can make happen.

Last year our parish goal was the same as it had been for the last four years: \$35, 486.03. In 2017 our parish raised a little over \$54,000 or 155% of our parish goal! Thank you! This year, however, the overall appeal to the entire Diocese has been raised from 2.5 million dollars to 3 million dollars. As a result, the individual parish goals have all increased. This year, our parish goal is \$55,300.00. Based on your generosity last year, I think we have the ability to reach this goal. If we exceed it, our parish will receive 100% of all excess funds back to us for our own use.


The theme the Bishop picked for this year's appeal is *Lighting the Way*. The Annual Bishop's Appeal funds day-to-day ministries and services essential to the spiritual, pastoral, educational and human needs of our brothers and sisters throughout the East Bay in programs such as: the youth retreat center, CYO operations, young adult ministries, safe environment programs, evangelization and outreach efforts, religious education teachers' training, the permanent diaconate program, priest retirement and long-term care, and operating subsidies and emergency funding support for catholic school and parishes in need. Nothing collected in the Bishop's Appeal is used to settle legal cases of any kind. It is used exclusively for the elements listed in the appeal brochure.

You may have already received information about the Bishop's Appeal by mail. If not, you should receive it soon. Additionally, informational brochures and Appeal pledge envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church.

I realize that everyone's financial situation is different. The decision you make is between you and God. Please discuss your pledge to the Bishop's Appeal with your family and prayerfully reflect upon the graces that God has bestowed upon you in your life. I know that through prayer and reflection you will come to a meaningful response. You are simply asked to make a 10 month pledge to the best of your ability. Next weekend has been designated as "Commitment Weekend" and we will collect your pledge envelopes during Mass. Please remember the Bishop's Appeal is *not a second collection*. Rather, it is a vital, annual commitment to our Diocese which you can spread out as a ten month pledge.

While this is our parish and our spiritual home, we are also part of a much larger, universal family and we have responsibilities to them as well. If we act together as members of one family united in Christ's love, we can realize and accomplish great things.

If you are interested, a detailed breakdown of the diocesan budget can be found on the home page of the diocesan website: www.oakdiocese.org. I thank you in advance for your generous response to the 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal.

Sunday 02/11/18	<p>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Pancake Breakfast 8-11:30AM 1st Eucharist Enrollment 9:10AM Confirmation 2 Class 9:30AM in Youth Rm Baptism at Mass 11:30AM</p>
Monday 02/12/18	<p>Mass 9AM Environment Workday 9:30AM Meditation 5:30 & 7PM High School YM 7PM What Makes Us Catholic? 7PM RCIA 7PM</p>
Tuesday 02/13/18	<p>Mass 9:00AM Prayer Group 10AM LTA Senior Support Program 1PM Mardi Gras Thank You Open House 6-9PM Perpetual Help Devotion 7PM</p>
 <p>wenesday 02/14/18</p>	<p>Ash Wednesday Day of Fast & Abstinence Communion Service 6:30AM & 12:15PM Masses 9:00AM & 7:00PM Soup Meal 5-6:30PM Happy Valentine's Day, too!</p>
Thursday 02/15/18	<p>Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9:00AM WINGS 9:30AM</p>
Friday 02/16/18	<p>Communion Service 6:30AM Communion Service 9AM Day of Abstinence from Meat Fish Taco Meal 5-7:30PM</p>
Saturday 02/17/18	<p>Grief Support Workshop 10AM Health Ministry Blood Pressure 4PM Individual Reconciliation 4:00-4:30PM Vigil Mass 5:00PM St. Charles Date Night Event 6PM</p>
Sunday 02/18/18	<p>1st Sunday of Lent Lent Collection for Livermore Homeless Refuge Small Faith Sharing Group Week 1 Preschool 9:30AM CLW 9:30 & 11:30AM Health Ministry Blood Pressure Clinic 8:30-11AM</p>



Patty Wiesner, Dino Ciarlo, Mike Feit, Rose & Bob Lyons, Jeff Perry, Norm Klino, Bob & Claudette Klein, Vaughn Brugman, Richard Flores, Bill Adams, Barbara Halco, Don & Alice Lynch, Lee Colvin, Tom Ramos, Beverly Bull, Joe Troiano, Molly Fisher, Yvonne Crawford, Joe Lennon, Lindsay Freeman, Rose Marie Litz, Eileen Hannigan, Patricia Potts, LarainDiMercurio, Fr. Dennis Steik, Jean & Kath Ferreira, Vince Foudy, Zig & Gretchen Piscotty, Dianne Stultz, Jim Leavitt, Gary & Susan Devine, Kim Swinkels, David Clarke, Anne Les, David Scalcini, Teresa Cartwright, Monika Vasey, Carmen Moeller, Ann Huber



- **For Medical or Pastoral emergencies**, call the parish number and choose option 9 (**emergency phone message**). **Leave a clear message and call-back number.** Fr. Mark's business extension is 105, and should be used for non-emergency communications.
- The **2017 Annual Statements** have all been mailed. Contact the parish office (ext. 101) if you haven't received it, or if you have questions about it.
- The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 19 in observance of Presidents Day Holiday.

Do You Want to Fast This Lent?
In the words of Pope Francis...

FAST from hurting words and say kind words.
 FAST from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
 FAST from anger and be filled with gratitude.
 FAST from pessimism and be filled with hope.
 FAST from worries and have trust in God.
 FAST from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
 FAST from pressures and be prayerful.
 FAST from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
 FAST from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
 FAST from grudges and be reconciled.
 FAST from words and be silent so you can listen.



We honor those who have annual requests first. We would appreciate pre-payment on all Mass requests in 2018.
 If you have a Mass that you do not wish to continue in 2018, please let Janie know. Thank you.

Sunday	02/11	Ann Nelson	7:30AM
Sunday	02/11	St. Charles Parish Members	9:30AM
Sunday	02/11	Tony Giannotti	11:30AM
Monday	02/12	Agnes Blazewski	9:00AM
Tuesday	02/13	Remedios Santos	9:00AM
Wednesday	02/14	Rosanna Poco	9:00AM
	02/14	Lou & Janie Fisher	7:00PM
Thursday	02/15	Robert Patterson	9:00AM
Friday	02/16	Communion Service	9:00AM
Saturday	02/17	Tom Doczy	5:00PM
Sunday	02/18	Patty Wiesner (Happy Birthday!)	9:30AM
	02/18	Kathleen Ryan	11:30AM



"What Makes Us Catholic?"

Monday Evenings at 7:00PM in Pope Room

This ongoing meeting is for non-Catholics, Catholics who wish to prepare for Confirmation, and Catholics who just want to deepen their experience of their faith.

02/12: Prayer, Fasting & Almsgiving: The three spiritual practices of Lent are not for the faint of heart. If done intentionally, and relentlessly (meaning that we start again when we fail), they can be life-changing.

02/19: No class due to holiday



February 2nd Collection Info

There is no specific 2nd Collection requested by the Diocese for February. For those who have funds designated through EFT and credit cards, we will assign those funds to Capital Maintenance for the parish unless we hear from you otherwise. Email or call Janie ext. 101.

You will also be receiving information about the 2018 Bishop's Appeal very soon. Those donations will go directly to Oakland. Please make certain that your form lists St. Charles Borromeo as parish for us to get credit (especially if you have joined in the past year or two).



This Week with WINGS

Thursday, February 15, 2018

9:30—11:30AM in Borromeo Hall

Mary Fair will lead the women of WINGS in the Stations of the Cross. They will begin about 10AM. There will be no small group meeting. All are welcome to join us for this heartfelt reflection on Jesus' last hours.

Questions: Phyllis 925-337-4299 or Janet 925-373-9346



LTAA's Health & Well-being for Older Adults

The Senior Support Program of the Tri-Valley "Finding Wellness Program"

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1:00-2:30PM, in the **Pope Room**
Call Molly Fisher 449-8849 for info or to register.



It's that time once again!! Pancake Breakfast!! Sunday, February 11th

The St. Charles Men's' Club will be here from 8AM—11:30AM to provide a delicious pancake breakfast for the parish community.

Food is great and very plentiful—
Price is reasonable—
Fellowship is priceless!!

St. Charles Date Night Event

Married and engaged couples are invited to an evening of food and conversation in the St Charles Borromeo Hall on Saturday February 17th following the 5:00 PM Mass, from 6:30pm to 9:00pm. The evening's program will include a **pot luck dinner** (main dish provided) followed by a presentation by our own Fr. Mark to help us strengthen our marriages.

Children are welcome for dinner, after which childcare will be provided. This is an excellent opportunity to give dedicated attention to your relationship with your spouse.

RSVP and get further information via email with Dave and Lisa Hipple at david.hipple.live@gmail.com. Walk-ins are welcome. Check out St. Charles Borromeo Family Connection on Facebook!

Lenten Fast and Abstinence— The Church teaches that Catholics in good health are to observe the following practices during Lent unless for some serious reason they are unable to do so.



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~Fast—Catholics from age 18-59 are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On a fast day, one limits oneself to one full meal and two smaller meals, with no snacking between meals.

~Abstinence—Catholics of age 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Please note that if you are not within the above age ranges, you are not required to follow the guidelines for fast and abstinence. If you are pregnant, diabetic, or have other dietary restrictions, you should follow your health professional's guidelines.



Wednesday, February 14, 2018

A Day of Fast & Abstinence

6:30AM: Lay Presided Communion Service

9:00AM: Mass

12:15PM: Communion Service

5:00-6:30PM: Soup Meal in Borromeo Hall

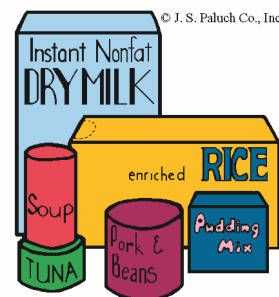
7:00PM: Mass

We hope that you will make time to attend one of these many services to begin the season of Lent. Ashes will be distributed at both Mass and Communion Services.

Lenten Collections February 17 through March 29, 2018

February 17-18: 1st Sunday of Advent — Livermore Homeless Refuge

New or gently used sleeping bags/blankets, paper coffee/beverage cups, heavy duty paper plates, bowls small and large, to-go clam shell containers, laundry soap, dish soap, toilet paper, Lysol/Febreeze air spray, plastic bags (snack, sandwich, quart, gallon and garbage sizes), disinfecting wipes, hand wipes, hand sanitizer; \$5.00 gift cards (Mc Donalds, Jack in the Box, Dollar Tree, Grocery Outlet). \$10.00 gas cards from Safeway, BART tickets to Hayward and Oakland for Social Service visits, pillows, pillow cases, decaf coffee, powdered creamer. Ear plugs, deodorant, chapstick; underwear all sizes men & women, wash cloths.

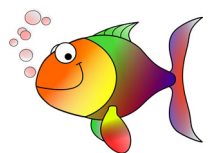


Livermore Homeless Refuge is open on nights from November-April if rain or below 45 degree weather is forecast. A varying number of men/women guests are accommodated whenever it is open. Several St. Charles members currently volunteer at LHR; additional volunteers are needed, especially for the 12-3:30AM and 3:30-7am shifts. You are invited to contact parishioners Bob & Donna McKenzie (925) 895-4167 for more information.

Website: www.livermorehomelessrefuge.org.

You can also learn more about the Livermore Homeless Refuge on St. Charles Social Concerns blog:

<http://stcharlesborromeo.org/socialjustice/>



Friday Fish Tacos

The Knights of Columbus are hosting Friday Fish Taco Meals in Borromeo Hall on the first three Fridays in Lent: February 16, 23 & March 2 from 5:00PM-7:30PM.

Come and enjoy these fun, family friendly events. Fish Tacos, Grilled Cheese, Coleslaw, Tossed salad, Assorted desserts, coffee & tea. Other beverages are available for an additional cost.

Proceeds benefit local charities and our parish.

\$8 / person \$4/ child 4-8 yrs Free / ages 3 and under
Family of 4 or more: \$28



DRESS A GIRL AROUND THE WORLD!

Consider this an invitation to make simple dresses for girls in third world countries! We meet once a month and our next Sew-Fest is **Saturday, February 17th, from 9AM to 3PM at St Michael's Hall, 325 Maple St., Livermore.**

We need all kinds of help, sewing, ironing, cutting; bring your sewing machine or serger, iron, ironing board, scissors, along with your helping hands and we will put you to work!

You can come for as long as you want--an hour or all day! (Please bring a bag lunch if you plan to stay all day!)

We are always accepting cheerful cotton fabric donations!

If you can't make the Sew-Fest but would like to sew, please contact us for kits that you can sew from home.

Questions? Suzanne Beck 925-352-8447 or email her at suzbeck@yahoo.com.

**Thank you to all of the men and women
serving our country!!**

We pray for the safety of all extended family members of
St. Charles who are serving in the military.

Jared Boyd (US Marine Corps),
William Bliss (US Army)
Lisa Northway (US Army)
Roy Eckroth (US Navy)
Chris Johnson (US Air Force)
Daniel Rowland (US Air Force)
Christine Neuman (US Army)
Joshua Leibovich (US Navy)
Theresa Lewis (US Navy)
Linda Havens (US Navy)
Chris Woofter (US Air Force)
Greg Felver (US Army)
Carlos Santos III (US Army)
Gregory Churlik (US Air Force)
Cameron Lennier (US Navy)
Jacob McKenzie Kirby (US Navy)
Scott Stiehr (USAF)
Weylin Leavitt (USAF)
Garrett Northway (US Army)
Christopher D'Ambra (US Navy)
Sean Carano (US Marine Corps)
Dominique Carey (US Navy)
Adam P. Liby II (US Air Force)
Tyler Marciel (US Marine Corps)
Carson L. Fisher (US Air Force)
Kyle Suggs (US Marine Corps)
Timothy DeMartini (US Marine Corps)
Cameron Kellogg (US Marine Corps)
Manuel Smith (US Air Force)
Jacob Metcalfe (US Navy)
Thomas N. Tiemeyer (US Navy)
Sarah Turner (US Air Force)
Michael Stiehr (Air National Guard)
Paul Stiehr (US Army)
Zach Dolan (US Marine Corps)
Collin Hennegan (US Navy)
Jaclyn Hennegan (US Navy)
Donnie Buchanan (US Army)
Trevor Lynch (US Army)
Philip Tadena (US Marine Corps)
Joshua Noem (US Army)
Kyle Roy (US Navy)
Tyler Justin Godbey (US Navy)
Michael D. Smith (US Air Force)



** If you have someone in your family to add to this list, send
the name and branch of armed forces in which they serve to
Janie@stcharlesborromeo.org.

Flu Season Is Upon Us!!!

As you all know, the flu season has arrived and has become very wide-spread in the area this year! The flu spreads easily. Offices, schools, grocery stores, the library, and even churches are just a few places where you're at risk. The flu changes every year. This year's vaccine was created to target this year's viruses. But it is not 100% effective.

Bishop Barber sent out guidelines to all of the parishes last week, and he clearly said that if you are feeling unwell, you are permitted to stay home from Mass until you are better.

You can always view our 9:30AM Mass online either live or at anytime later. We will pray for you and welcome you back when healthy!

In addition, any minister for a Mass should try and arrange for a substitute if you are feeling ill.

Good common sense is always the best practice! Be sure to use wipes on all your own phones, door knobs, shopping carts, and other electronic devices that might harbor germs.



Lay-- Presided Communion Services
Weekdays 6:30AM during Lent
In our Chapel

You are invited beginning Ash Wednesday (February 14) at 6:30AM to use these Monday-Friday Communion Services as a tool in your spiritual journey.

These daily Lenten Communion Services are a 30+ year tradition here at St. Charles. They are led by trained lay people of our parish. The minister will share scripture, present a short reflection on the Word, and distribute Communion.

It takes less than 30 minutes, and so you can then be off to your commute or other daily activities.

Give it a try!!! All are welcome for as many days as you can be there! We promise that it will enhance your experience of Lent 2018, and can be a powerful part of your daily prayer life.

Ash Wednesday (only) will be in church and include distribution of ashes.

Bulletin Deadlines for 2018

Bulletin Date / Deadline (all 4PM)

February 18 was due February 8

February 25 is due February 12

March 4 is due February 22

