

St. Charles Borromeo

1315 Lomas 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.”

FIRST SUNDAY OF

Lent



FEBRUARY
18
2018

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert,
and he remained in the desert for forty days,
tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts,
and the angels ministered to him.

Mark 1:12-13

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

Staff

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Hours & Information

Rectory:.....Mon-Thurs 9AM-5PM

Parish Phone.....925/447-4549

To Reach a Priest after hours for Medical or Pastoral Emergency : **447-4549 press option 9**

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 will be April 8, 2018. Call parish office to register by March 27th.**

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.

Today's readings:
February 18, 2018

First Reading:
Genesis 9: 8-15
Second Reading:
1 Peter 3: 18-22
Gospel:
Mark 1: 12-15

First Sunday of Lent



February 18, 2018

Next week's readings:
February 25, 2018

First Reading:
Genesis 22: 1-2a, 9a,10-13,
15-18
Second Reading:
Romans 8: 31b-34
Gospel:
Mark 9: 2-10

A Note from Fr. Mark:

Lent is a season of particularly intense spiritual effort in the life of the Church. It is a time of final preparation for those who will become members of God's people through the Sacraments at Easter. But it is also a time of penance and change of heart for those who are already members of the Church. True change of heart occurs when we realize we are loved beyond all imagining and change our lives to honor that love.

Lent has a purpose and a goal. Its goal is wonderful new life at Easter; its purpose is to help us rid ourselves of those things that keep us from embracing fully the life Christ offers us. It is important that we put forth the effort to take advantage of these days of penance and renewal in preparation for the great Feast of Easter. We are invited to examine our lives more closely, grow in understanding of how deeply God loves us, and allow ourselves to be changed by that love. While we engage in outward practices, most notably the traditional Lenten practices of almsgiving, prayer and fasting, what matters most is what happens within us. This is a season when hardness of heart can break away, and newness of life can blossom forth in us. Our outward spiritual practices are vitally important because, when done with intention and desire to see God, they place us where we allow God to work with us.

For many, it can be a challenging and difficult season. It is so much easier to "give something up" and let the rest of life continue through Lent as usual. But Lent is a season that calls us to honestly face the brokenness and sin in our life. We spend endless energy trying to present to those around us the image we wish them to see. Lent calls us to consider only one audience: God. God, we are aware, knows us better than we do ourselves. We are invited to come to understand ourselves more as God understands us — including how often and how far we fall short of the love He has offered us and the call He has given us to be his sons and daughters in baptism. Like the elephant in the room no one wants to acknowledge, we are reticent to acknowledge our sin, and quick to justify it away. We need to remember; our sin is precisely why Christ came. We do not sense our need for the Savior in the areas of our life where we think we are doing well and have it all together. It is in the areas where we are weak, where we fall, and where we sin, that we come in touch with the wonderful reality that God deeply loves us.

To ignore or justify our concrete sinfulness is to deny ourselves the opportunity to encounter the wonderful grace of God's mercy. It is in the dark places we find Christ waiting for us. He truly is light in our darkness. It is from our sinful ways that we can be changed the most.

At the Vigil of Easter we will proclaim "O truly necessary sin of Adam....O happy fault that earned so great, so glorious a redeemer!" Hopefully we will recognize how it is we have gained so great a Redeemer as well!

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>
Monday 02/19/18	<p>Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9AM Parish Office Closed for President's Day Meditation 5:30 & 7PM RCIA (Catechumenate only) 7PM</p>
Tuesday 02/20/18	<p>Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9:00AM Prayer Group 10AM Staff Meeting 1PM LTA Senior Support Program 1PM Faith Formation Class 3:45PM Perpetual Help Devotion 7PM</p>
Wednesday 02/21/18	<p>Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9AM Age of Grace Potluck Luncheon 12PM Faith Formation Class 3:30 & 7:00PM Middle School YM 7PM Choir 7PM</p>
Thursday 02/22/18	<p>Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9AM WINGS 9:30AM Finance Council Meeting 7PM</p>
Friday 02/23/18	<p>Communion Services 6:30AM & 9AM Day of Abstinence from Meat Fish Taco Meal 5-7:30PM</p>
Saturday 02/24/18	<p>Health Ministry CPR Class 9AM-1PM Individual Reconciliation 4:00-4:30PM Vigil Mass 5:00PM</p>
Sunday 02/25/18	<p>Second Sunday of Lent Lent Collection for Interfaith Sharing Preschool 9:30AM Children Liturgy of Word 9:30/11:30 Confirmation 1 & 2 Class 9:30AM</p>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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 Parish Office will be closed** on Monday, February 19 in observance of Presidents Day Holiday. We will be back to work on Tuesday morning.
- **Pre-Baptism Class for Parents and Godparents! We have set the date of Sunday, April 8, 2018 for our next class for parents and godparents.** Any adults considering having their child baptized at Mass on Sunday, May 6th or later in the summer should plan to attend this class. Call Janie at the parish office x101 to register for the class, or to get your questions answered. **Deadline to register is March 27.**
- Church Humor: How things happen...
 A seaman met a pirate and noticed that he had a peg leg, a hook, and an eye patch. "So how did you end up with the peg leg?" the seaman asked.
 "I was swept overboard and a shark bit my leg off", the pirate replied.
 "What about the hook?" the seaman asked.
 "Well, we were boarding an enemy ship and one of the enemy cut my hand off", the pirate said.
 "So how did you get the eye patch?", the seaman finally asked.
 "I got something in my eye", replied the pirate. When the seaman looked confused, the pirate continued: "It was my first day with the hook."



Rest In Peace
 Vicentico Garaygay,
 Father of Cathleen Graymez



Say a prayer for...
 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,
 Monika Vasey, Carmen Moeller, Ann Huber



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	02/18	St. Charles Parish Members	7:30AM
Sunday	02/18	Patty Wiesner (Happy Birthday!)	9:30AM
Sunday	02/18	Kathleen Ryan	11:30AM
Monday	02/19	Vicentico Garaygay	9:00AM
Tuesday	02/20	Leon Hartsock	9:00AM
Wednesday	02/21	Patricia Ramirez	9:00AM
Thursday	02/22	Mary Riedy	9:00AM
Friday	02/23	Communion Service	9:00AM
Saturday	02/24	Alvin & Elayne Wright	5:00PM
Sunday	02/25		7:30AM
	02/25	Chon Lopez	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.

02/19: No class due to holiday...

02/26: Intro to the Bible—How Catholics Use Scripture:
 Catholics are often accused of not being bible readers. On the contrary, we are in many ways-worship, study, and prayer. But what is the bible? What makes it the word of God?



This Week with WINGS
 Thursday, February 22, 2018
 9:30—11:30AM in Borromeo Hall

Amateur Astronomer and Astrophotographer, Chris Ford, is the presenter at WINGS this week. He will speak on “The Star of Bethlehem” and will walk us through the four theories about the star that led the wise men to Jesus.

Chris is an Advisor for CosmoQuest, and the President of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific. His special interest is explaining the universe through advanced visualization techniques. A Senior Director in Business Development, Product Management and Go-to-Market Strategies, he has more than 25 years of experience in computer graphics, software development for feature film visual effects, animation, and scientific and astronomical visualization. His most recently held key positions have been as Director of Product Management at Roblox Corporation, Vice President of Business Development at Rokoko Electronics (Smartsuit) and RenderMan Business Director at Pixar Animation Studios (Walt Disney Company). All are welcome!

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. 20, 1:00-2:30PM, in Borromeo Hall
 Call Molly Fisher 449-8849 for info or to register.



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).**

Easter Youth Choir and Band

Singers and Instrumentalists, grades K-12, are invited to join in leading our music at the 9:30AM Easter Sunday Mass.

Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays, March 14th, 21st and 28th.

Grades K-5 5:00– 6:00PM

Grades 6-12 5:00—6:30PM

All of our young musicians must attend at least 2 of the 3 rehearsals in order to participate. Questions: Email our music director, Hannah Newell: Hannah@stcharlesborromeo.org

Age of Grace & Wisdom
Potluck Luncheon!



Wednesday, February 21
at Noon In Borromeo Hall

We invite all parish members age 50+, especially LTAA members, to come together to enjoy a delicious potluck luncheon and to share fellowship with one another.

If you have joined St. Charles in the past two years and never attended this event, please try and be there to meet some really delightful folks!

Please bring a dish to share—invite a friend to join you if you’d like!

No RSVP needed—Just join us!!!

Questions? Call Kristin Barton 925-321-6620

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.



~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.

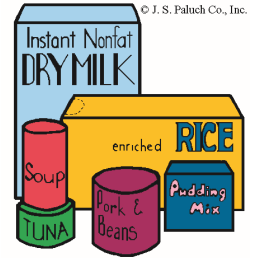
~Abstinence—Catholics of age 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

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.

Lenten Collections February 17 through March 29, 2018

2nd Sunday of Lent — February 24-25

Interfaith Sharing Food Pantry (IFSFP), 678 Enos Way, Livermore

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church (<http://www.saintbartsLivermore.com/ministries.php>)

Needs List: Family sized peanut butter, honey, oatmeal, cereal, powdered milk, cereal bars, canned fruit, canned tuna, lunch box juices, rice, *plastic* jars of jam & jelly, mayonnaise, *1-lb packages* of spaghetti, macaroni, rice, dry pinto/black beans, cooking oil, coffee, hamburger / tuna helper.

IFSFP is operated by Interfaith Sharing, Inc., a non-profit coalition of local congregations, of which St. Charles is a long-time member. Volunteer opportunities include collecting food from local stores and working at the food pantry. Pantry hours are 8am to 9am Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Approximately 1,000 patrons are served each month, including working families, seniors and the homeless. Anyone is welcome to receive food from the pantry; no questions are asked. St. Charles supports the pantry via the special Lenten Collection as well as through quarterly donations. Call Brian O'Reilly (925-449-1336) or Dick Shimada (925-443-0248) to get information about volunteering. To read more, go to St. Charles Social Concerns blog.

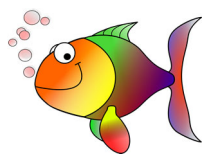
Health Ministry News

February is Heart Awareness Month. Learn to save a life by learning to do cardiopulmonary (chest compressions) resuscitation (CPR) and how to use our AED (Automated External Defibrillator). Class will be on Saturday, February 24 from 9am to 1 pm in the Pope Room. There is no cost. Wear comfortable clothing. For more info and to sign up, email Joanne Berven - nevreb@gmail.com. Maximum class size is 8 individuals.

Our church is equipped with our own AED, located in the entry hall of the Keeley Center. To become familiar with its location and use, please watch our YouTube video, which is only 6 minutes in length. Go to the St. Charles website, click on Videos at the top menu, and scroll down to the AED video.

Our next blood pressure clinic is Feb 17-18. Monitoring your blood pressure is a quick and easy way to check your risk for heart disease. Do it not only for yourself, but also for your loved ones. Your health and heart are important to them. Look for our blood pressure signs outside church after Mass which will show where we will be stationed. We will hand out free Go Red Dress pins to each person getting their blood pressure checked. We also have info on the new changes to the blood pressure guidelines, as well as handouts on diabetes, stroke, nutrition, and more.

Questions: email Maria at mgo2462@me.com



Friday Fish Tacos

The Knights of Columbus are hosting Friday Fish Taco Meals in Borrromeo 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



Join the Camp Shelly Tradition!

Do you like to camp? Annually, a group of St. Charles families camps at Camp Shelly (operated by LARPD near South Lake Tahoe) the first weekend of August. For some families, this adventure has been a tradition for more than 20 years.

The goal is to fill the 25 camp sites with St. Charles families August 3-5, and there is room for a few additional campers. If you are interested in joining the group or more information, contact Chris Siegfried at csiegfried@yahoo.com or 925-518-5575 no later than Sunday, April 5.

To learn more about Camp Shelly, visit the LARPD website – LARPD.org.

**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)
Jonathan Villaneva (US Army)
Tony Schwarz (US Navy)



** 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.

RETREAT FOR MEN:

“Mercy...A Disciple’s Response...”

A Retreat on being a living example of Mercy

The Men’s Spiritual Network of St. Bonaventure Catholic
Church in Concord is sponsoring a Men’s Retreat at San Dami-
ano Retreat Center the weekend of March 2-4, 2018.

Their retreat master will be (none other than!) Fr. Mark
Wiesner, Pastor of St. Charles Borromeo in Livermore.

For more information, call Matthew Remington at 925-672-
4006 or Joe Talarico 925-680-7767. Registration forms are
available online at [http://www.stbonaventure.net/parish-
ministries/adult-faith/mens-spiritual-network](http://www.stbonaventure.net/parish-ministries/adult-faith/mens-spiritual-network).

CATHOLIC DOCTORS NEEDED: March 9-11

Mission Doctors Association will hold a weekend Retreat /
Seminar at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles for
Catholic MD, DDS, PA, NP who have considered serving for
one month at Catholic Missions in Africa and Latin America.
Visit the website to learn more: www.MissionDoctors.org/lmu

Since 1959, Mission Doctors Association has trained, and sent
and supported Catholic doctors and their families who come
from across the United States to serve people of all faiths in
some of the most under-served areas of the world. This mis-
sion of healing provides direct patient care and training for
local professionals striving toward the goal of sustainable
health care.

This weekend is offered free of charge to those considering
serving at a Mission Hospital or Clinic.

Italian Catholic Federation Br. 285 Fundraiser BINGO BASH!

Saturday, March 3, 2018

St. Augustine Church Hall
3999 Bernal Ave., Pleasanton, CA

\$10 per Bingo Pack (10 games) Prizes & Raffles
Food, Snacks & Beverages available

Limited Seating—Reservations required!!
RSVP Christine: 925-462-3704 by February 26th

Doors Open 6:00PM Bingo starts at 6:30PM
Proceeds Benefit Children's' Hospital
treatment of Cooley's Anemia

Bulletin Deadlines for 2018

Bulletin Date / Deadline (all 4PM)

February 25 was due February 12

March 4 is due February 22

March 11 is due February 26

