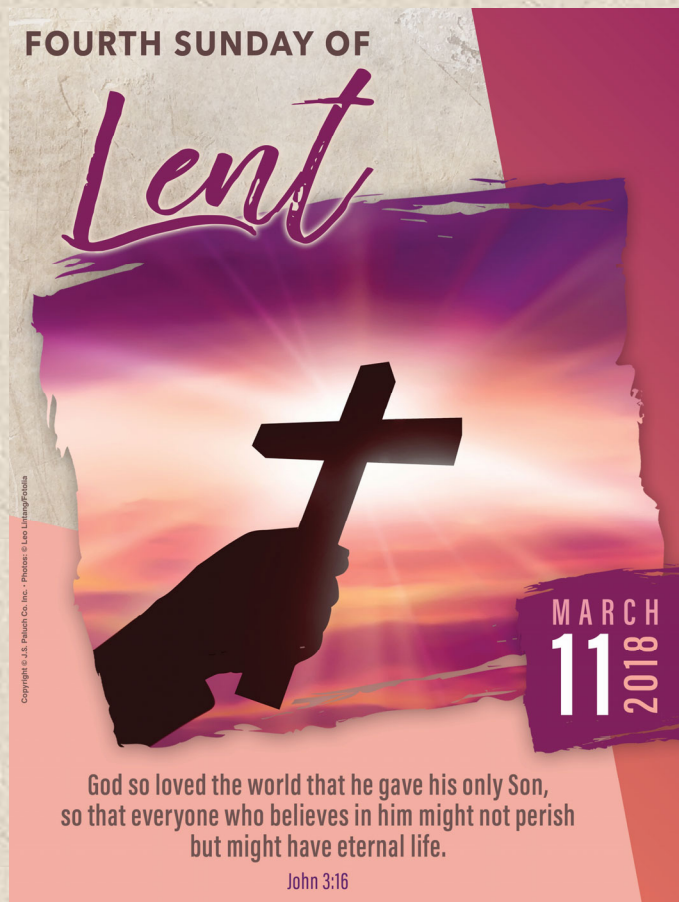


St. Charles Borromeo

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.”



FOURTH SUNDAY OF

Lent

MARCH
11
2018

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish
but might have eternal life.

John 3:16

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

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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:

March 11, 2018

First Reading:

2 Chronicles 36 ;14-16,
19-23

Second Reading:

Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel:

John 3: 14-21



**Fourth Sunday
of Lent**

March 11, 2018

Next week's readings:

March 18, 2018

First Reading:

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Second Reading:

Hebrews 5: 7-9

Gospel:

John 12: 20-33

A Note from Karen Miller:

PARISH MISSION: MARCH 12, 13 AND 14, 10:30AM AND 7:00PM

Last year, Fr. Mark and I spoke at the Sacramento Catechetical Congress. While we were waiting for our workshop in the afternoon, I attended a session given by Mr. John Sablan. I was amazed. In addition to being a young, Catholic, lay evangelist (how many of those are there??) and a powerful speaker, he happened to be talking about Intentional Discipleship. It felt like a sign. Fr. Mark had asked the staff and pastoral council to read this book last year to prepare for 2018, when he would ask the parish to focus on what it means to be an intentional disciple of Jesus. I immediately invited John to be our mission presenter this year.

The mission will offer three days that tell the story of the gospel of Jesus in three ways. The first night John Sablan will share some of his own faith journey, as Fr. Kwame, a Katrina survivor, did last year. John was homeless by the age of ten and faced many difficulties. He found Christ and committed himself to the Church in his twenties. The second day is "Their Story", reflecting on the faith and lives of people in the Gospels, and the saints. The third day is "Our Story". Through discussion and prayer, we will reflect on the importance of our personal faith stories.

Why have we chosen intentional discipleship our focus in 2018? Last year, in discussions with the pastoral council, the Men of Faith group, and numerous other parishioners, our staff heard a common thread of lamentation for loved ones who have left the church and lost their faith. These concerns were almost always followed by "...And I don't know what to say". Today, the statistics of those who leave the church are staggering. Studies show that many who stay do not know how to experience a personal relationship with Jesus, or share their faith with others. We are not famous for talking about Jesus with others, but we can learn.

Why is this focus important? Because our world is suffering. The values of a disciple of Jesus- forgiveness of enemies, care for the poor and frail, concern for outsiders, or setting aside individual gain for the benefit of all- are not clearly visible in the common landscape. This world needs what we have. We can make a difference. St. Pope John Paul II said that evangelization is the *only* reason the Church exists. Pope Francis says, "Out of love for God's lost children, we *must* share our faith." Our parish mission will be three days of deepening and expanding our understanding of, and commitment to, telling our stories of faith.

Childcare provided.

Sunday 03/11/18	<p>Fourth Sunday of Lent Lent Collection: Project RoadRunner Daylight Savings Time Begins 2nd Collection: Catholic Relief Services Preschool & Children Liturgy of Word 9:30AM New Member Luncheon 1PM</p>
Monday 03/12/18	<p>Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9AM Parish Mission 10:30AM Meditation 5:30 Parish Mission 7:00PM</p>
Tuesday 03/13/18	<p>Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9:00AM Prayer Group 10AM Parish Mission 10:30AM Faith Formation Class 3:45PM Parish Mission 7:00PM</p>
Wednesday 03/14/18	<p>Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9AM Parish Mission 10:30AM Children's Parish Mission at 3:30PM Faith Formation Class 3:30 & 7:00PM Children's Choir Rehearsal 5-6:30PM Parish Mission 7:00PM Middle School YM 7PM Choir 7PM</p>
Thursday 03/15/18	<p>Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9:00AM</p>
Friday 03/16/18	<p>Communion Services 6:30AM & 9:00AM Day of Abstinence from Meat</p>
Saturday 03/17/18	 <p>Happy St. Patrick's Day!! Health Ministry Blood Pressure Clinic 4PM Individual Reconciliation 4:00-4:30PM Vigil Mass 5:00PM</p>
Sunday 03/18/18	<p>5th Sunday of Lent Lent Collection for Open Heart Kitchen Health Ministry Blood Pressure Clinic 8:30-11A Preschool 9:30AM Children Liturgy of Word 9:30/11:30 FF Seder Meal 5:30PM</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.
- Watch your mailbox this week for our Easter Mailing—it will have all the details for Lent Reconciliation, Triduum, and Easter Sunday service times.
- Church Humor (yes, it's back again!) The Border...

While crossing the US-Mexican border on his bicycle, the man was stopped by a guard who pointed to two sacks the man had on his shoulders. "What's in the bags?", asked the guard. "Sand," said the cyclist.

"Get them off—we'll take a look." said the guard.

The Cyclist did as he was told, emptied the bags, and proving they contained nothing but sand, reloaded them on his shoulders and continued across the border.

Two weeks later, the same thing happened. Again the guard demanded to see the two bags, which again contained nothing but sand. This went on for six months, until one day the cyclist with the sand bags failed to appear.


A few days later, the guard happened to meet the cyclist downtown. "Say, friend, you sure had us crazy", said the guard. "We knew you were smuggling something across the border. I won't say a word, but what was it you were smuggling?"

"Bicycles!"



Rest In Peace

Bill Klino, brother of Norm Klino



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	03/11	Owen Robert Aurelio	7:30AM
Sunday	03/11	St. Charles Parish Members	9:30AM
Sunday	03/11	Millie Brugman	11:30AM
Monday	03/12	Gene Eason	9:00AM
Tuesday	03/13	Eva Rivas-Lahud	9:00AM
Wednesday	03/14	Bill Murray	9:00AM
Thursday	03/15	Daniel Dayton	9:00AM
Friday	03/16	Communion Service	9:00AM
Saturday	03/17	Paul & Josephine Polesnak	5:00PM
Sunday	03/18	Don Kusko	7:30AM
	03/18	Lillian Settrini	11:30AM



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, 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, Helen Principe, AnnMarie Swift



"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.

03/12: No Class! Please attend Parish Mission

03/19: The Life of Prayer: According to Mathew Kelly, Prayer is one of the signs of a Dynamic Catholic. How do successful praying people do it? What are some of the various prayer forms or styles? What does a person actually do when they pray?

Happy
Anniversary



Happy 50th Anniversary
Buzz & Linda Valente
March 17th

Blessings and best wishes to you on this very special occasion!

Easter Youth Choir and Band Rehearsals Begin This Week!!

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

Rehearsals begin this week: 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



This Week with WINGS
Thursday, March 15, 2018
No Meeting—LA Congress

WINGS will return on March 22nd with Guest Speaker
Fr. Ron Shirley



March 2nd Collection Info

The Diocese asks us to support the Catholic Relief Services (CRS) with a second collection at all Masses on March 10/11. Funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people here at home and abroad. Learn more at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

You may also contribute all month through your white tithing envelope, marking it on the 2nd Collection line.

As always, we appreciate your generosity.



The Monthly Grief Support Group facilitated by Claire La Scola will meet on Saturday, March 24 (rather than the 17th) in the St. Ignatius Room in the Keeley Center, from 10:00-11:30AM.

This group is a safe place to share your grief experience with others who understand. If you have not attended before, please contact Claire at clairelascola@gmail.com or call her at 925-447-9800.

Infant Pre-Baptism Class for Parents & Godparents

The next Pre-Baptism Class for parents and godparents will be on **Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 1PM in the church.**

If you have a child from infant to age six that you wish to have baptized here at St. Charles, this is the first step in the process. If your chosen godparents live in the Bay Area we ask that they attend also.

You should be a registered member of the parish for a minimum of 90 days, and worshipping with us on a regular basis. **Please contact the office at 925-447-4549 x101 to register for the class. Deadline to register is March 27th.**

If you are planning to be a godparent for a friend or family member's child, be sure to check and see if a class is required by that parish, and if so, then you can register to attend, also. Our next class after this one will likely not be until mid-summer.

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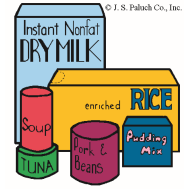
~Fast—Catholics from age 18-59 are to fast on **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday**. On a fast day, one limits oneself to one full meal and two smaller meals, with no snacking between meals.

~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.

Lenten Collections Reminder: March 17/18 5th Sunday of Lent

Wish list for Open Heart Kitchen, Livermore (OHK) www.openheartkitchen.org/



Open Heart Kitchen appreciates donations of **healthy food in bulk.**

Canned fruit, Canned vegetables, Canned tuna/chicken, Cream of chicken soup, Cream of mushroom soup, Individually wrapped granola bars, 4 oz 100% juice boxes, 2# Coffee (especially decaf), Individually wrapped sugar (equal, sweet n low), Cooking oil, Bottles of salad dressing (ranch, Italian, blue cheese, thousand island), Paper towels, Toilet paper, Laundry detergent (gel packs, or liquid), Dryer sheets and grocery store Gift certificates for purchasing fresh produce

Saint Charles has been active in volunteering at Open Heart Kitchen since 1999. At present, we have around 75 volunteers, men and women, who assist in feeding the hungry. Some have been volunteering from the very beginning. As parishioners, we can be extremely proud of the generous support we have given Open Heart Kitchen. St Charles covers the first Tuesday each month, serving lunch and dinner, lunch on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, as well as dinner on the fourth Wednesday. The volunteers are comprised of eight teams and work either 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or 2:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Each St. Charles team works every other month. You are invited to contact Linda Nidever-Galles (925) 443-4943 or linda.nidevergalles@yahoo.com to volunteer for this very worthwhile effort. To learn more about Open Heart Kitchen, go to St. Charles Social Concerns blog. <http://stcharlesborromeo.org/socialjustice/> or to <http://www.openheartkitchen.org>.

Monetary donations are greatly appreciated. Please **make checks payable to St. Charles and note on the memo line: Lenten Collections organization name.** (If no group is specified, cash and checks designated for "Lenten Collections" will be divided equally among the seven agencies.)

Thank you for your generous support!

If you have questions, please call Linda Nidever-Galles, 925-443-4943 or email at linda.nidevergalles@yahoo.com



How is your Lent prayer time going??
Never too late to get started...

Easter Memorial Flowers

A Beautiful St. Charles Tradition...

Once again, the beautiful cut flowers, plants and shrubs that will decorate the church for the Easter season can be memorial gifts provided by parishioners who wish to remember a special loved one. Please complete the form below and place it with your donation in the collection basket, or send/bring it to the rectory office. (Mailing address 1315 Lomitas Ave. 94550) Memorials will be acknowledged in the Easter bulletin if **received by 10AM on March 19th (We have a very early print deadline.)**

In Memory of: _____ (print clearly)

From: _____ Daytime or Cell Phone: _____

Offering: \$10 _____ \$20 _____ \$25 _____ \$50 _____ Other _____



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Names are published, but never the amount of the offering. Make checks payable to St. Charles Church. Questions: please call Janie (ext. 101) at the rectory office 447-4549.

**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.



GREAT IDEA!

Two Things on the Horizon...

Women's Morning Retreat: Save the Date!
Saturday, April 21, 9AM—12:30PM
Includes lunch. Childcare provided.

Retreat leader, Ms. Lisa Tolido will offer a morning on spiritual growth for women. Watch bulletin for registration details.

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Yoga and Meditation at St. Charles: Wendy McGee will lead yoga and meditation in honor of the Easter Season, as part of our parish focus on creating more opportunities for prayer. It will be on Thursday evenings in Borromeo Hall. April 12, 19 and 26; May 3. \$20 donation payable to St. Charles Church. Bring your yoga mat. Watch bulletin for registration details.

Transforming Lives Tour

All are invited to attend the **Transforming Lives Tour** on **March 15** from **9:15-10:15AM** at **St. Michael Catholic Church in the Parish Hall in Livermore**. The one-hour mission based tour is your opportunity to learn about the programs of Catholic Charities of the East Bay. You will hear about:

- Legal immigration and refugee resettlement services
- Homelessness prevention through housing and utilities support
- An update on "Claire's House", a home for trafficked minors
- School-based behavioral health services for youth
- Grief counseling and family support for victims of crime



In March, Young Adults of the Tri Valley (YATV) are hosting events for young adult Catholics from St. Charles, CCOP, St. Michael and St. Raymond. For information, call Tadei Shayo: 650-787-6890

Tuesday Evenings of Lent at 7:00pm- St. Charles Y.A. small group - 865 Beryessa Ct., Livermore
12th, 13th & 14th at 7:00pm- Parish Mission at St Charles
Speaker, Mr. John Sablan
14th & 21st at 7:00pm - Bible Study at St. Raymond Church
18th at 9:30am – Mass and Brunch at St. Michael Church in Livermore
24th at 10:00am – Serve at St. Anthony's Dining Room, 121 Golden Gate Ave Floor 1 San Francisco

Bulletin Deadlines for 2018

Bulletin Date / Deadline (all 4PM)

March 18 was due March 1

March 25 was due March 6

April 1 (Easter) is due March 12

