

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.”

Palm Sunday

OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



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Christ became obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
Because of this, God greatly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.
Philippians 2:8-9

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 25, 2018
First Reading:
 Isaiah 50: 4-7
Second Reading:
 Philippians 2: 6-11
Gospel:
 Mark 14: 1—15:47



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March 25, 2018

Next week's readings:
 April 1, 2018
First Reading:
 Acts of Apostles: 10:34a, 37-43
Second Reading:
 Colossians 3: 1-4
Gospel:
 John 20: 1-9

A Message from Fr. Mark:

Beginning this weekend we enter into the holiest week of the year. During the course of the next seven days we recall in profound ways the mystery of God's mercy for us as expressed in the death and resurrection of Jesus. If you are here for Palm Sunday, and the next time you come to church for services is Easter Sunday, you will miss the most important and central days of our faith as Catholic Christians; the heart of our entire liturgical year beats on *Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil*. The schedule for these most important days is located on page 3 of this bulletin. **You are encouraged to attend each of these three important celebrations, known collectively as the "Triduum."**



Reconciliation Service

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With such important and holy days ahead of us, it is always good to prepare spiritually for their celebration. **While we have been preparing for Easter for almost 40 days through prayer, fasting, almsgiving and other Lenten practices, one of the best ways to prepare ourselves spiritually is by celebrating the Sacrament of Mercy; the Sacrament of Reconciliation.** While I could try to provide theological and reasoned arguments as to why this Sacrament is so important and powerful,

the best argument for the Sacrament is understood by simply coming to celebrate the Sacrament! If you have not been in a while, fear not! The priest will always help guide you through the Sacrament. I have seen people return to the Sacrament who have been away 10, 20, and even more than 80 years! The joy they have experienced has been palpable. Someone said to me, "I don't know why I stayed away so long!" Several others have expressed a similar sentiment. As confessors, it is always our privilege and honor to celebrate the Sacrament with you.

To maximize your opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Mercy, on Monday, March 26 we will have priests available for six hours during the day to celebrate with you.

From 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon we will have four priests present. We hope this will be a convenient time for the retired members of our community, and those who do not have to work in the morning, to come celebrate God's love and mercy. Please come by anytime between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.

From 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. we will have four priests present. We hope this will be a convenient time after school for students and parents to stop in and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please come by anytime between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

From 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. we will have five priests present as confessors. We hope this will be a convenient time for those who work during the day and cannot come earlier. Please come by anytime between 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m...

Please come during any of the above hours that are most convenient for you. Between the times we have set aside and the number of priests coming we will spend 26 (or more) hours celebrating God's mercy on Monday! Because of everything else that happens during Holy week, these times will also be the last opportunity to celebrate Reconciliation before the Holy days arrive.

However you choose to keep this week, please remember that it is Holy Week, and therefore should not feel or be like every other normal week of the year. While we all still need to go to work or school, doing the shopping and run errands, there should be something different about this week for us. In addition to what we offer here at the Church, perhaps some extra time in prayer, or before the Blessed Sacrament, or helping those in need could be part of this week. Maybe you could turn off the TV, spend more time together as family, opt out of unnecessary social gatherings, or take extra time to read the Scriptures this week. **Somehow in whatever you do, let us together strive to keep this week differently and make it truly "holy".**

Sunday 03/25/18	Palm Sunday Lent Collection for Tri-Valley Haven Pantry Preschool 9:30AM Children Liturgy of Word 9:30/11:30 Confirmation 1 & 2 Class 9:30AM
Monday 03/26/18	Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9AM Meditation 5:30 & 7:00PM LENT RECONCILIATION 10AM-Noon, 3PM-5PM, and 7PM-9PM
Tuesday 03/27/18	Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9:00AM Environment Workday 9:30AM Prayer Group 10AM Vineyard Care Center Mass 11AM Faith Formation Class 3:45PM Pastoral Council Meeting 6:30PM
Wednesday 03/28/18	Communion Service 6:30AM Mass 9AM Environment Workday 2PM Children's Choir Rehearsal 5-6:30PM Middle School YM 7PM Choir 7PM
Thursday 03/29/18	Holy Thursday Lent Collection: Elizabeth House Environment Workday 9:30AM Mass of the Lord's Supper 7PM (see pg. 5)
Friday 03/30/18	Good Friday Day of Fasting & Abstinence from Meat Devotional Services 12PM-3:30PM (see p. 5) Official Church Good Friday Liturgy 7PM
Saturday 03/31/18	Holy Saturday Great Vigil of Easter 8PM (see pg. 5) Reception following Vigil
Sunday 04/01/18	Easter Sunday Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Mass times: 7:30AM, 9:30AM (with overflow in Borromeo Hall), & 11:30AM



- **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.
- **Just a reminder that Good Friday IS a day of both Fast and Abstinence—details are on page 4 of bulletin.**
- Church Humor: Mistaken Identity...

A Lutheran pastor and his wife were driving along Chicago's Lake Shore Drive when flashing blue lights appeared in their rear-view mirror and they were pulled over for speeding.

As Officer O'Malley approached the driver's side of the car, he spotted the pastor's collar, and mistook him for a Catholic priest.

"Oh, sorry about dat, fader. Uh, just try and slow it down a little. Okay?"

As they drove away, the pastor's wife said, "Shame on you, Harold! That was unethical. You know who he thought you were!"

"Oh, I knew who he thought I was," replied the pastor. "I'm just wondering who he thought you were."



Rest In Peace

Nicanor Aguirre, Brother-in-Law of Carmela Chy



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	03/25	Kiera Boyd	7:30AM
Sunday	03/25	St. Charles Parish Members	9:30AM
Sunday	03/25	C. Bell Probert	11:30AM
Monday	03/26	Cara Kelly	9:00AM
Tuesday	03/27	Dan Sheldon	9:00AM
Wednesday	03/28	Andie Hutton	9:00AM
Thursday	03/29	Holy Thursday	7:00PM
Friday	03/30	Good Friday	7:00PM
Saturday	03/31	Great Vigil of Easter	8:00PM
Sunday	04/01	Bernie Kraemer	7:30AM
	04/01	Adrienne Wood	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, Eileen Hannigan, Patricia Potts, Larain DiMercurio, 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, Carmen Moeller, Ann Huber, Helen Principe, AnnMarie Swift, Frank Ramos, Chris Sladek



“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.

03/26: No Meeting; All Day Lent Reconciliation in church

04/02: Easter Monday: no class



This Week with WINGS

Thursday, March 29, 2018

NO MEETING—EASTER BREAK

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

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.



2nd Collection: Good Friday for Holy Land

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land.

The collection will be taken up at the Evening Service on Good Friday, as well as through your white tithing envelope under 2nd Collection: Holy Land.

As always, thank you for your generosity.

Senior Singles Get-Together!

The Senior Singles group will be meeting the first Friday evening of the month for dinner. Any single person, sixty years of age or older, may join the group. For further details, call Karen Adams at 925-417-0880.

Little Lambs Babysitting



Childcare is offered during the 9:30AM Mass every Sunday. Parents may drop off their children ages 1-3 in the St. Benedict Room of the Keeley Center prior to Mass.



How is your Lent prayer time going??

Never too late to get started...

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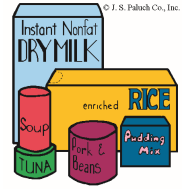
~Fast—Catholics from age 18-59 are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On a fast day, one limits oneself to one full meal and two smaller meals, with no snacking between meals.

~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 29 Holy Thursday**Wish list for Elizabeth House, Oakland**

Needs: Family-size non-perishables, especially sugar, rice, vegetable oil. Dishwashing detergent, Laundry Detergent, Women's Feminine Products, Soap, Bleach, Pine Sol



Oakland Elizabeth House is a transitional program that serves women with children who have experienced homelessness, domestic violence, addiction and poverty. In the Catholic Worker tradition, EH is dedicated to cultivating a cooperative living environment of hospitality and respect while helping women learn the necessary skills and lessons for self-sufficiency and effective parenting. In addition to this special Holy Thursday collection, St. Charles supports EH with quarterly donations. To learn more about Elizabeth House, go to St. Charles Social Concerns blog. <http://stcharlesborromeo.org/socialjustice/>

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

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



Our Parish Family Continues to Grow!!

Be sure to introduce yourself to someone each and every week at Mass!

January 2018

Joselyn & Olsen Baez
 Carol & Paul Carroll
 Andrew Cyronek
 Rebecca & Ryan Heal
 Erica & Tre Kendrick
 Melina & Antonio Manipis
 Cheryl & Keith Sawyer
 Sarah & Jonathon Shidler

February 2018

Mary Deggelman
 Trisha & Christopher Garber
 Eileen & Anthony Klinkatsis
 Linda Lamoreaux
 John Linney
 Megan Norwood
 Karen & Seamus O'Connor
 Remo Scagliotti
 Amy & Brian Wilson

Triduum 2018**March 29: Holy Thursday**

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7PM
 (Incense will be used at this Mass)

Reception of the Holy Oils for the coming year
 w/ Washing of Feet Ritual (plan for appropriate footwear)
 Procession to the Altar of Repose
 Adoration in Borromeo Hall 9PM-12AM

March 30: Good Friday

Devotional Services in the church 12PM—3:30PM
 12PM-1:15PM: Biblical Stations of the Cross
 1:15PM-2:15PM: Rosary with Scriptures
 2:25PM-3:30PM: Seven Last Words of Christ

7:00PM: Official Liturgy of the Church
 Liturgy of the Word
 Veneration of the Cross
 Simple Communion service

March 31: Holy Saturday

The Great Vigil of Easter 8PM
 (Incense will be used at this Mass)
 Holiest Night and High Mass of the Church Year
 Lighting of the Easter Fire
 Hear ancient stories of our Faith
 Joyfully initiate new members into Church
 Renewal of our Baptismal Promises
 Light Refreshments following in Borromeo Hall

**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)
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.

Gregory Churlik has completed his four years of service in the United States Air Force! He now has a job in law enforcement with the state of Alaska in Juneau. Gregory and his family appreciate all of your prayers, and we thank him for his service to our country!

**Catholic Community of Pleasanton
Stepping Stones On Your Grief Journey (Spring Session)**

The death of a loved one is unlike any other loss. Whether the death was sudden and tragic, or one with warning and preparation, the reality of death leaves most of us in a state of shock, confusion and sadness. Grieving people need time and space to honor their grief. Each person's grief journey has its own path and its own timeline. Although there is no right or wrong path, there are stepping stones that are part of each grief journey and we'll explore them in this eight-week series of workshops.

Join us and let us accompany you on your healing journey.

Location: St. Elizabeth Seton Church
4001 Stoneridge Dr., Pleasanton, CA 94588

Dates & Times: Thursday evenings beginning on April 5, 2018
and ending on May 24, 2018 at 7:30PM

Program Information: Pre-registration is required. Space is
limited. A one-time \$15 donation is requested.

For more information or to register by phone: Call Eleanor
Flatley at 925.846.8708.

These sessions are open to all, regardless of religious affiliation.



Tee Off for Healthy Families on April 23

Golf for a difference at the 34th Annual Catholic Charities Golf Classic. A day of golf at the renowned Lakeside Course at Blackhawk Country Club, followed by dinner, raffle, and auction. Benefits programs that help children, youth, and families in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties overcome obstacles resulting from poverty, trauma, and violence so they can move forward in life with greater independence. For more information, to sponsor, or register visit www.cceb.org/golf.

Bulletin Deadlines for 2018

Bulletin Date / Deadline (all 4PM)

April 1 (Easter) was due March 12

April 8 is due March 26

April 15 is due April 5

