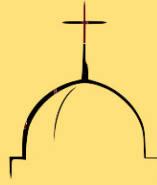




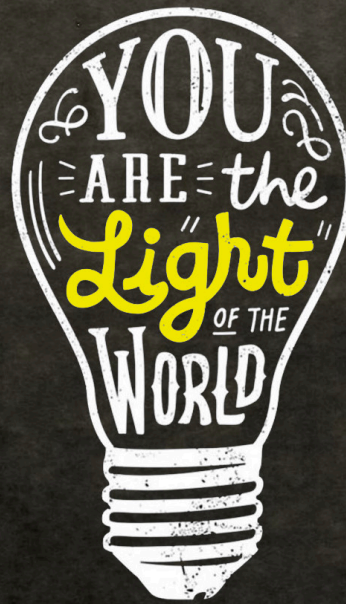
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February 9th
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Weekly Services

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:30

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Communion Service Mon 8:00 AM

Tues - Fri Mass 8:00 AM

Adoration & Benediction -

Tuesday 8:30 - 9:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation-

Saturday 3:15 - 4:00 PM

or by appointment

The Gathering

All 9-12 graders are invited to attend our regular Monday night youth group meetings (Called The Gathering) from 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. If you have yet been able to come to a meeting we encourage you to attend! They are packed with fun and excitement and we promise you'll make great friendships. No registration required and friends are welcomed. Contact Nicky Knuff for more information at Nicky@GatheringMinistry.com. March 13-15 Spring Retreat.

Jr High Gathering

Jr Gathering (grades 7 & 8) meets at St Agnes in the youth hall from 6:30-8:30pm. All are welcomed! Upcoming meetings are January 13th and 27th - come join the fun! Find out more information online at GatheringMinistry.com and click on Jr High tab. Or email Kara at kara@GatheringMinistry.com

YAM (Young Adult Ministry) NEWS

Upcoming Events: LA Congress Feb 21-23. \$150.00. VRBO Lodging blocks from the Anaheim Conventions Center and registration. YAM Retreat: March 13-15 \$100.00 Featuring Father John and Bob Schrimpf discussing Jesus and the Young Adult. Next Social Nigh Feb 6th at The Wine Pub. Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Thurs 6-7:30pm in the Borromeo Room Lots of info and registration on the Saint Charles website. Please Follow us on Insta @scbyam. For more Information email Brandon & Stephanie Martinez at ba.martinez6@yahoo.com.

Register to be an Adorer:

www.adorationpro.org/saintcharlespl

Men's and Women's Group

Men and Women. We will finish out the Advent study. Both groups will have their last meetings this week. We restart the our grouping of Ash Wednesday for women and the following Saturday for the men. Please see the below information on Dynamic Catholic's "Best Lent Ever" study. We will be using this for both groups. A work book we will use will 'Discovering the Saints' book handed out at Christmas. Don't worry if you gave yours away, we have more.

Dynamic Catholic - Best Lent Ever

Lent is right around the corner and we have a great suggestion for you. Go to DynamicCatholic.com/40days and sign up for 'Best Lent Ever'. You will receive daily reflections that come to you right on your phone. You will be amazed and inspired at this wonderful journey through Lent.

DON'T GIVE UP Chocolate FOR LENT

This year, do something different. Join St Charles for BEST LENT EVER, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that will help you have a life-changing Lent. Each day, you'll receive an email with....

- Inspirational Videos
- Practical Tips
- Encouraging Stories

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Salt of the Earth

Reflections by Bob Schrimpf pastoral associate

Today's Gospel talks about us being salt to the world and a light on a hill for all to see. We know a light being covered becomes extinguished, but what about salt? How does it lose its taste? The only way is for it to become diluted so that it no longer has flavor. The Gospel today warns us not to become diluted because we are literally the flavor of Christ. Do people taste His goodness in you? Are you always prayerful, patient, loving, and kind to those around you? Even when no one is around, are your thoughts holy and pure?

If you continue reading in the bible past today's verse Matthew writes: "You have heard it said you shall not commit adultery, yet I say anyone who looks lustfully at a woman has already committed adultery in his heart." (Mt 5:28) The truth is pretty black and white. Yet, we can compromise and justify things so as to not have to live and act as Christ implores us to live and act. We become diluted. And when that happens, will anyone be able to taste 'Christ' in how you live life?

For many years I had a career playing pick-up basketball at our local recreation center and I made many acquaintances. Generally, people played their games and went home without much interaction. However, I got to know an older man named Jerry. He had a mental illness. It caused him to leave a teaching career, his wife and family, and drift to California from the Midwest only to live alone and on welfare. His only interaction with the outside world was to come to the rec center and hang out with 'the guys'.

One Thanksgiving I asked what he was doing to celebrate. I was secretly hoping a family member might have reached out to him. He said he had no plans and before I could stop myself I asked if I could bring Thanksgiving to him? He eagerly accepted and when the day arrived I brought my 10-year-old son with me and my wife packed a full Thanksgiving meal to share with him. Later, he had severe dental needs that impaired his speech. I called a dentist friend who treated him for free. Another time he had lost his lease and we found a new place for him to live. I never said why I was doing it, but he often teared up and hugged me each time I saw him at the rec. Jerry could taste the salt.

Put a little salt in your life and be Christ to those around you. Then you will be a light on the hill for all to see. A shining example. And when you are feeling diluted? Pray and get to confession to experience the cleansing power of forgiveness so you may continue to be the Light and the Salt of life to all those around you.

The Catechism calls us to love, proclaim, and serve as Jesus did. This is how the world will know about Christ. 897-913

Online Giving:

Leave your checkbook at home and never miss a Sunday again. Please go to our website at SaintCharlesPL.com and click on the "Online Giving" tab. After a few bits of information you will be securely registered. Advantages to online giving: It is customizable, choose where your donations will be directed, give to multiple ministries (youth, school, building fund, and more... Online giving is the best way to help our parish plan for the future.

Hearing Assistance:

Please download the "AudioFetch" app to your smart phone. Then connect to our WIFI also labeled 'AudioFetch'. Now, sit back and clearly listen through your headphones from your phone.

SaintCharlesPL.com

WIFI: UR Loved
PW: windowroom



Life in the Spirit Registration Now Open

Adoration:
If you'd like to be an adoror, use the QR code to the left. Point your smart phone at the box!



St Charles will be offering a Life in the Spirit Seminar April 21st - June 9th. Parishioner Carol Inacio will be organizing the weekly evenings that will focus on personal spiritual gifts. Guest speakers, small groups, and personal reflection time will fill the evening. Men's and women's ministries will not be meeting during this time and are encouraged to attend this mini-retreat. Meetings will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Please go online and find us under the "Parish Life" tab to register and get more information.

Faith Formation (Grades K-6)

There will be *no* Faith Formation classes on February 9th or on February 16th. Our next class meeting will be *Sunday, February 23rd @ 9:00am*. We look forward to being with you soon.

For students and families preparing for First Reconciliation: First Reconciliation service is on Saturday, March 7th @ 10:00am. Please keep practicing your prayers with special attention to the Act of Contrition, and keep on using those CDs!

Please email Liberty Hebron at liberty.hebron@gmail.com or Sherie Richards at sherie@saintcharlespl.com for more information. Be blessed!



Women's Altar Guild

Our next meeting is Wednesday, February 12, at 100 PM in the Parish Center. Fr. Gino Correa, O.F.M., will be our guest speaker. Fr. Gino is the University Chaplain at USD. We will also be discussing our spring fund raiser, lenten preparations, and our upcoming field trip to see "Nun Sense". Light refreshments will be provided following the meeting.

If you are not yet a member, please consider joining our ministry. We meet the second Wednesday of the month. You will be warmly welcomed and are sure to make enduring friendships. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Kaspar by phone or text, (619) 952-4477, or e-mail donna.kaspar@gmail.com

Save the Date!

Mass In the Park Update:
Please mark your Calendars for
May 31, 2020.

Your Donations

Sunday
Basket: \$ 4,299.93
Online: \$4,416.90
Envelopes: \$3,446.00
Total: \$12,162.83



Mass Intentions

Sat, Feb 8, 4:30pm - Jane Church Welch †
Sunday, Feb 9, 8:00am - Doug Sadoski †
Sunday, Feb 9, 10:00am - Maria Jose Skrinjar †
Tuesday, Feb 11, 8:00am - Mr & Mrs Harry Welch †
Wed, Feb 12, 8:00am - Doris Boone †
Thurs, Feb 13, 8:00am - Charlotte Nielsen †
Fri, Feb 14, 8:00am - Charles Andros †



Dream Window

Our Dynamic Catholic I-Team has created a space at the entrance of the Church where you can post your Dreams.

Choose from any of the categories Tony went over with us in our books (if you missed it, please pick up a book from an usher or at the back of the church). Feel free to post your dream onto the Window. Let's continue to DREAM.

Project Updates

Church Sound and Video

Systems: Installation has begun on our major revamping of our sound system as well as integrating a video system throughout the Church and Parish Hall. You will be able to see new speakers in the Window Room, Borromeo Room, and outside in the Breeze Way leading to the bathrooms as well as above our main entrance doors so you will be able to take children outside and not miss the homily. The project will take another 3 weeks to complete.

Adoration Chapel: Fr John is currently waiting for a response from Bishop McIlroy. A request has been sent on request of the diocese to get final approval. In the mean time, a termite problem has been treated as well as a sink being removed, shelving being added, lighting improved, as well as new pews and an altar are being custom built.

Borromeo Room: A new painting of our patron saint has arrived and will be hung shortly to enhance the newly created space. We are also upgrading the lighting and adding LED bulbs to replace the old florescent bulbs.

Railings: We recently contracted work to be done one the interior as well as exterior railings leading up to the Choir Loft. The spacing is out of code and additional rails will be added to narrow the gaps.

Widow Room: A number of glass panels are being repaired in our stained glass window due to vandalism.

Thank You to our newly formed Buildings and grounds committee!

