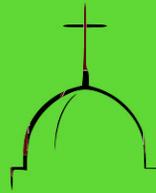




*Counting the Cost*



23rd Sunday  
Ordinary

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEO  
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Sept 08,  
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**Weekly Services**

Sunday 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  
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### **Hurting from a Miscarriage?**

Take the first steps in healing by exploring your feelings in a safe place.

RACHEL'S HOPE HEALING MINISTRY - Small Grp Support Sessions  
**Thursday, September 19, 2019 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**  
Culture of Life Family Services – 362 W. Mission Avenue Suite 105 – Escondido, CA

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Contact Leslie Brunolli at 760-224-2361 or Patti Smith at

Interested in advertising? We need your support so we can support you! Call Yani Hernandez 619.850.4640

### **Faith Formation Registration K-6**

Registration starts now! Faith Formation gatherings do not begin until October. However, we are asking all parents and caregivers to register *each* child in their family who will be in grades K-6. We are also in need of fabulous volunteers who are willing to share in this journey of teaching and expanding the faith of our little ones! For child registration, please visit our Parish website (click on Ministries - Faith Formation). To volunteer please contact the parish office. No experience necessary.

### **Hearing Assistance**

Download "AudioFetch" app to your smart phone. Now connect to the 'AudioFetch' WiFi and listen clearly on your mobile device to the homily.



### **High School Ministry**

#### **Gathering Starts September 23rd**

This year will be filled with fun, friends, retreats, and camps. Our Fall retreat will be coming soon and you can go online to register. We will also be going to Utah for our annual ski and board trip as well as Magic Mtn, Disneyland and much more!

#### **Confirmation**

Registration for 2019 and 2020 classes are now open. Please go online at [saintcharlespl.com](http://saintcharlespl.com) to register. Click on the Ministries tab then Confirmation tab. You may register online, it's simple!

**Mark you Calendar: Sept 22 parent / teen meeting in the hall immediately following the 10am Mass.**

#### **Jr Gathering**

Jr Gathering is starting! Sunday Sept 8th is our big kick off. We meet at St Agnes in the youth hall from 630-830. All are welcomed! Our next meeting will be Sept 23rd. Find out more online at [GatheringMinistry.com](http://GatheringMinistry.com) and click on Jr High tab. Or email Kara at [Kara@GatheringMinistry.com](mailto:Kara@GatheringMinistry.com) Kara@gatheringministry.com.

### **Counting the Cost**

Reflections by Bob Schrimpf

I believe one of the big challenges of following Jesus is trying to understand His teachings. They can seem so harsh that we just discount them. For example, in this week's Gospel, we are being asked to hate our father and mother, wife and children, even brother and sisters in order to follow Jesus. Is Jesus that narcissistic that he needs us all to hate everyone and love only Him? Of course not. Let's look at this passage a little more closely. It's all about Counting the Cost.

Many are following Jesus because of the notoriety, the spellbinding teachings of authority, and all the free lunches and medical healings (not to mention the show of demons being chased away). It was fun, exciting, and captivating. Yet, He knew their hearts. He knew the cheering would turn to jeering and the 'Blessed is He' to 'Crucify Him'. This is because many of those would-be followers had their feet firmly planted in the world. It was a shallow 'me first' faith that crumbles the first time they are hit with a tragedy or challenge. There is no cost in that kind of faith.

I might decide to follow Jesus and maybe go to Church as often as it fits my schedule. I might even give up a major sin in my life and put a Christian bumper sticker on my car. Yet, if I don't change my lifestyle and continue to make my own rules and live my own life, I am not a true disciple of His. There's no cost to that. I'm just a fair-weathered follower.

There is an old joke that goes something like this. A man fell off a cliff and miraculously grabbed a branch and now hung between life and death. He yells out "Is there anyone up there?!" And a voice echos down "Yes, it is I, God". The man responds "Can you help me?" And God responds "Yes, all you have to do is trust me. Now just let go of the branch". After a brief moment the man asks, "Is there anyone ELSE up there I can talk to?". Letting go is difficult.

Jesus is going to finish His teaching about 'counting the cost' of being a disciple with a breathtaking statement. We must 'renounce all that we have' to be His disciples. Renounce isn't to give up, it's to detach from something. Detach from worldly desires, greed, fame, fortune, and selfishness. It's to allow Christ to lead you into humility and poverty of Spirit. We tithe, serve, show compassion, love our enemies, and pray with one another at a cost. It's our time, ego, and finances, inconveniences that add up. Now you can start counting -

To be a disciple the cost will be everything. He wants your life. All of it. No fair-weathered disciples. If Jesus means everything to you, then the challenge is to detach yourself from this world. But, there is a twist. Those who lose their lives for Him will find their life (Mt 10:39). It's a wonderful paradox. If you find your life in Him you will find contentment, peace, and joy that surpasses all understanding. You only need to trust and let go.



# ParishFair

We will be hosting our annual Parish Fair next weekend, September 14/15 after all Masses. Each of our wonderful ministries will host a booth and you are invited to come see what

might be of interest to you. Some groups need volunteers, others are ministries you can get involved with, and others will allow you to register for RCIA, Youth Group, Faith Formation and more. Get involved!



If you are grieving the loss of your marriage through **death, divorce or separation**, join us at the **Prince of Peace Abbey Oceanside, CA. Oct. 11-13, 2019**. A trained team leads

participants through a healing and growth program. If you are ready to move through your feelings of grief, into the light of a new beginning and hope, this weekend may be for you. Contact Cathy 619-222-9093 or Beginning Experience.org for more information

## Prayer Teams Coming to St Charles

In the upcoming weeks Saint Charles will begin training and then placing prayer teams to be deployed after the Masses for parishioners who wish to receive additional support. Father John will share his vision for these teams and you will be encouraged to seek out prayer after Sunday liturgies. We want to support you and spread the healing power of the Holy Spirit throughout our community.



Each Thursday evening our Young Adult Community gathers to meet in the Parish Hall. We have some social time with food, have a little fun and then sharing and prayer. Also planned are social nights out, upcoming retreats, and more! Check us out on the website

or for more information email Bob at [bob@saintcharlespl.com](mailto:bob@saintcharlespl.com).



Choose the U R Loved network and the password is windowroom. Please remember to silence your phones during the service.

## Women's Altar Guild

Wednesday Sept. 11, is our first meeting following the summer break. We will meet from 1-2:30 PM in the Parish Center to discuss our ministries and the year ahead, and then enjoy some fellowship and light refreshments.

If you are not a member of the Women's Altar Guild, please consider joining this group of dedicated women who gather throughout the year for fellowship, prayer, guest speakers, and just a little bit of fundraising to supply our church with candles, altar linens, and seasonal flowers and decorations. Dues are just \$10 for the year.

You are warmly invited to join us at our next meeting and throughout the year. You are sure to gain endearing friendships along the way. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Kaspar at 619-952-4477 or



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## Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sept 7, 4:30pm - William & Fran Dolan †  
Sunday, Sept 08  
8:00am - Dan Huber †  
10:00am - Mary Xavier †  
Tues, Sept 10, 8:00am - Rita Moran  
Wed, Sept 11, 8:00am - Gene Huffman †  
Thurs Sept 12, 8:00am - Mary Donovan †  
Fri, Sept 13, 8:00am - Charlotte Nielsen †

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Saint Charles has agreed to a partnership with one of the country's leading advocates for parish renewal and growth. Dynamic Catholic will help train us and provide us with resources for small groups and more. We are also planning our first parish wide (age 18-118) retreat at the beginning of 2020.



Is your son or daughter interested in becoming an Altar Server? Please contact Dcn Lane at [deaconlanelitke@icloud.com](mailto:deaconlanelitke@icloud.com) Or contact the church office for more

## Interested in becoming Catholic?

### Please inquire about our RCIA ministry

If you, a spouse, friend, or loved one would like to look into becoming Catholic please write to Fr John. Classes start in October. They are called inquiry classes for those 'inquiring'! A very casual setting to learn about the Catholic Faith.

[Frjohn@saintcharlespl.com](mailto:Frjohn@saintcharlespl.com)



### Collection Basket

Last Week's Basket: \$3,714.32  
Online offering: \$3,707.40  
Parish Envelopes: \$2,805.00

## Project Updates:

We are excited to start a few projects around our campus. Starting next week with the entrance receiving a much need face lift (note picture). Also stained glass windows are being considered. The Bell Tower is also being considered for new tiles, painting and lighting. Finally there will be some landscape upgrades. Interested in sponsoring one of the three stained glass windows? Please contact Fr John.

