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Mass Schedule

Daily Liturgy:

M, W, Th, F
8:00 am

YouTube Live or in-person

Weekend Mass

4:00 pm Saturday*

8:30 & 10:30 am Sunday *

Saturday 4 pm Mass is Live and
then available on YouTube for
viewing on-line

Sacrament of Penance:

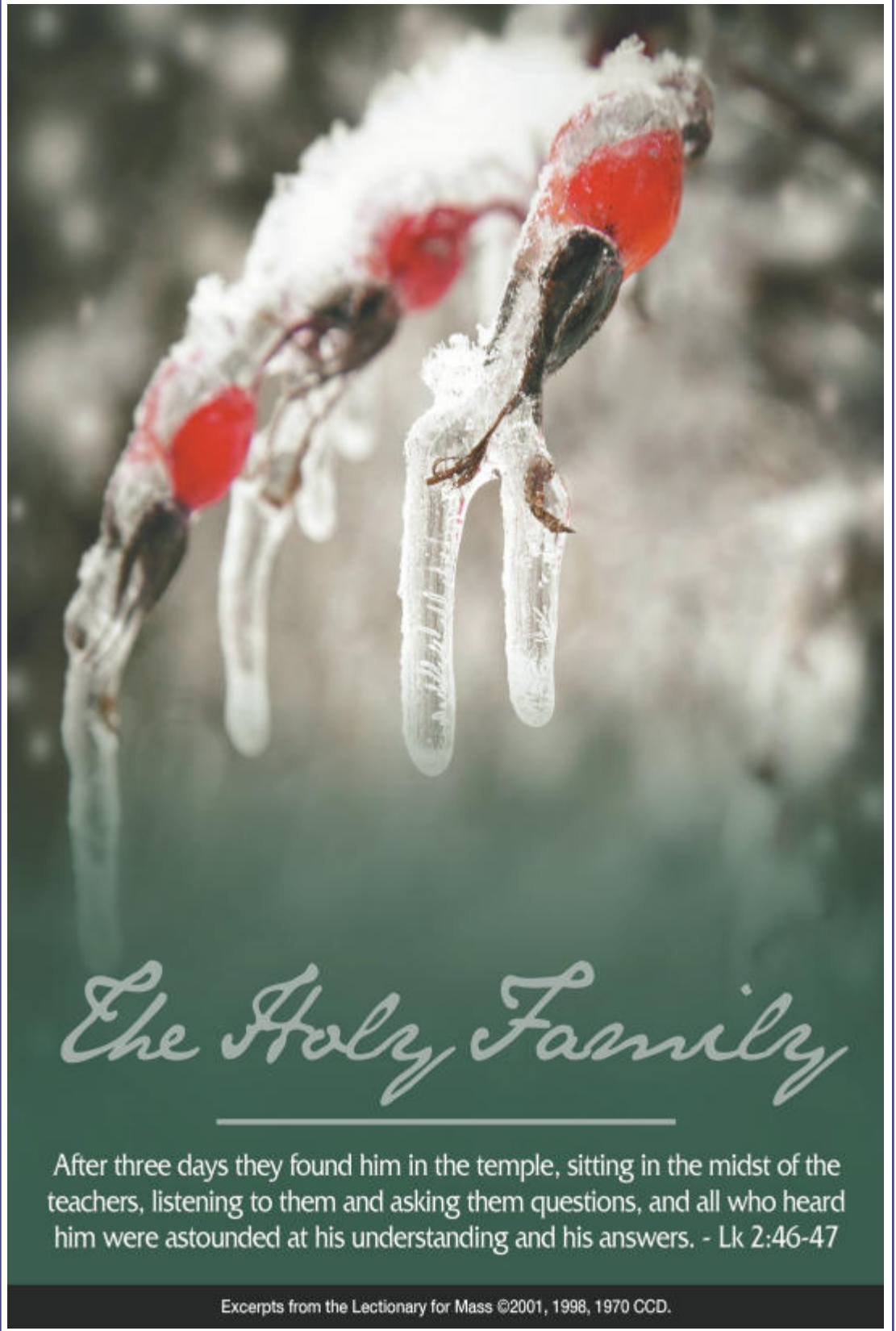
Saturday: 3:00-3:45 pm



Our church is equipped with a
hearing-loop for hearing aid
wearers. Switching your
hearing aid to the "T-Mode" position
should allow you to hear the service.

Parish Office Hours

Monday- Thursday
9:00 am- 3:00 pm



The Holy Family

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. - Lk 2:46-47

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Mission Statement

St. Charles Borromeo Parish is a Christ-Centered, Catholic worshipping community which serves the diverse needs and celebrates the God-given gifts of our parishioners and the global community in a spirit of joy and generosity.

Masses**Sunday, December 26—Feast of the Holy Family***1 Sm 1:20-22,24-28/1 Jn 3:1-2,21-24/Lk 2:41-52***No 4:00 pm (Sat.) Anticipated Mass**8:30 am Ruth & John Flanigan—*Friend*10:30 am Doris Sopko—*Peggy Cooke***Monday, December 27***1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a,2-8*8:00 am Mr. & Mrs. Barney and Mr. & Mrs. Hendrick
— *Daughter/Granddaughter, Marie***Tuesday, December 28***1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Mt 2:13-18***NO Daily Mass****Wednesday, December 29***1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35*8:00 am John Miller—*Wife, Judy***Thursday, December 30***1 Jn 2:12-17/Lk 2:36-40*8:00 am Donald Artlip—*Friends***Friday, December 31—New Year's Eve***1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18***NO Daily Mass**5:30 pm Silva Vujanovic—*Husband, Dusan***Saturday, January 1, 2022—Solemnity of Mary***Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21*

9:30 am For the People

No 4:00 pm Anticipated Mass**Sunday, January 2, 2022—Epiphany of the Lord***1 Sm 1:20-22,24-28/1 Jn 3:1-2,21-24/Lk 2:41-52*8:30 am Mark Baltes—*Friend*10:30 am In thanksgiving for Peggy & Jerry Owen & Family
—*Friend*

*The Sanctuary Candle
will burn this week in Loving Memory of*

Deacon Joe Dwyer
at the request of his Family



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All of Us
- the People of Saint Charles
(Parish Office #: 663-3230)

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We Welcome You to St. Charles Borromeo Parish

Thank you for joining us. We are glad you have chosen to worship at St. Charles this weekend. Are you interested in becoming a member of the parish? If you need more information or would like to register, contact: Joanie Bigham in the Parish Office at 663-3230 x108 or by e-mail at: Joan.Bigham@dor.org

PARISH SUPPORT

SUNDAY PLATE FOR DECEMBER 18 & 19, 2021

Due to an earlier deadline for the Christmas Holiday, the financials will be included in the January 2, 2022 bulletin. Merry Christmas to all!

(OUR FISCAL YEAR IS 7/1/21—6/30/22)

Fr. John thanks you for your continued financial assistance!



\$125 went to **Birthright** this past weekend. **The Margaret Home** will be this weekend's Parish Sharing recipient.

The Margaret Home (themargarethome.com) is a converted convent in East Rochester which provides a home environment for pregnant women and women who have a child already born. Clients can stay there for up to 2 years. The women have access to life skills & parenting support, educational support, professional training. They live in an environment that 2 promotes a healthy lifestyle with structure and the expectation of accountability. It is a place of healing & unconditional love. The Home was founded in 2016 and now serves 4 women at a time. We will send them this weekend's parish sharing.



Sign Up for Our Weekly Parish E-mail to stay up-to-date with what is going on in the parish....



REMINDER: Items for publication in the bulletin are due in the St. Charles Borromeo Parish Office at least 12 days before the date of the bulletin in which they are to appear. A contact name and phone number must be included for each item submitted, and this information will appear in the bulletin. Articles will appear at the discretion of the bulletin editor & staff members. Thank you for your help.

Forward in Faith
OUR GOAL! **\$99,607**

WE DID IT! We are OVER 100% of our goal....Thank you!

\$99,607	100%
\$64,000	64%
\$48,000	48%
\$32,000	32%
\$16,000	16%

2021/2022 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL



Come Home to Mass! Updated Mask Guidance (12/10/21)

On December 10, Gov. Kathy Hochul announced a statewide mandate that will require masks to be worn in all indoor public places. This mask mandate went into effect on Monday, December 13. It will be in effect until January 15, 2022, at which point the state will reassess its effectiveness based on Covid-related public health conditions.

Beginning Monday, December 13, masks will be required for all people attending any indoor gathering at St. Charles Borromeo- this includes but is not limited to weekday Mass, weekend Mass, funerals, ministry meetings in the School, CYO functions in the gym, and when conducting any business in the Rectory and School offices.

As a reminder, masks must be worn properly- fully covering your nose and mouth and left on at all times.

We appreciate your cooperation in making sure we are in compliance with this mandate!

Readings for December 26, 2021 • Feast of the Holy Family

1st Reading (Sirach 3:2-6,12-14)

God sets a father in honor over his children; a mother's authority he confirms over her sons. Whoever honors his father atones for sins and preserves himself from them. When he prays, he is heard; he stores up riches who reveres his mother. Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children, and, when he prays, is heard. Whoever reveres his father will live a long life; he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother.

My son, take care of your father when he is old; grieve him not as long as he lives. Even if his mind fails, be considerate of him; revile him not all the days of his life; kindness to a father will not be forgotten, firmly planted against the debt of your sins – a house raised in justice to you.

Psalm Refrain: *Blest are those who love you, happy those who follow you, blest are those who seek you, O God.*
(Psalm 128)

2nd Reading (Colossians 3:12-21)

Brothers and sisters: Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put-on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Wives, be subordinate to your husband, as is proper in the Lord. Husband, love your wives, and avoid any bitterness toward them. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is pleasing to the Lord. Fathers do not provoke your children, so they may not become discouraged.

Gospel (Luke 2:41-52)

Each year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but no finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you now know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY

O Lord Jesus,
you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph in Nazareth.
There you grew in age, wisdom and grace
as you prepared to fulfill your mission
as our Redeemer.

We entrust our family to you.

O Blessed Mary,
you are the Mother of our Savior.
At Nazareth you cared for Jesus
and nurtured him in the peace and joy of your home.

We entrust our family to you.

O Saint Joseph,
you provided a secure and loving home for Jesus and Mary,
and gave us a model of fatherhood
while showing us the dignity of work.

We entrust our family to you.

Holy Family,
we consecrate ourselves and our family to you.

May we be completely united
in a love that is lasting, faithful
and open to the gift of new life.

Help us to grow in virtue,
to forgive one another from our hearts,
and to live in peace all our days.

Keep us strong in faith, persevering in prayer,
diligent in our work, and generous toward those in need.

May our home, O Holy Family,
truly become a domestic church
where we reflect your example in our daily life. Amen.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!



St. Charles Borromeo Parish Sacramental Preparation 2022



Are you considering **Sacramental Preparation** for your child this year? Here are the requirements to prepare for First Penance, First Communion and Confirmation:

- Children prepare and receive sacraments at their home parish where their family is registered and attend Mass.
- Weekly Mass attendance in-person or on-line is an essential and spiritual part of your family's faith journey!
- ♦ Children need to be enrolled in either a Catholic School or be enrolled in St. Charles Home-based Religious Education or another Faith Formation program.
- ♦ Children do **not** prepare for the Sacraments in their Catholic School classroom or in Religious Education. Our preparation will include:
 - * Textbooks, activities, and resources for children to complete with parents, guardians, and/or sponsors.
 - * the child accompanied by a parent or guardian attends Sacrament meetings held on Sundays, after the 10:30 Mass is finished.
- ♦ Children 2nd grade or older may be ready to prepare for:
 - * **First Penance** (also known as First Reconciliation)
 - * **First Communion** (also known as First Eucharist)
 - * Preparation for First Penance must be completed before preparing for First Eucharist.
- ♦ Students 8th grade or older may be ready to prepare for the Sacrament of **Confirmation**:
 - * This is the beginning of a **2-year process**, with immediate preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation taking place in the spring of the 2nd year.
 - * Formation continues throughout the two-years by attending religion classes at Catholic School or being enrolled in St. Charles Home-based Religious Education.

Registration forms can be found on our website (www.stcharlesgreece.org) under Sacramental prep. For more information, please contact Mary Toot via email Mary.Toot@dor.org or call the Faith Formation Office at 663-8000, ext. 3



Prayer Chain

"For when two or three are gathered in my name, there I am among them."

Matthew 18:20

Praying is one of the most ancient of human practices. God is with us as well when we pray singly, but praying as a group fulfills a basic human need: to connect, both with a power greater than ourselves, and with each other. A prayer chain is a powerful way to enlist God's help when we become aware of a need for prayer.

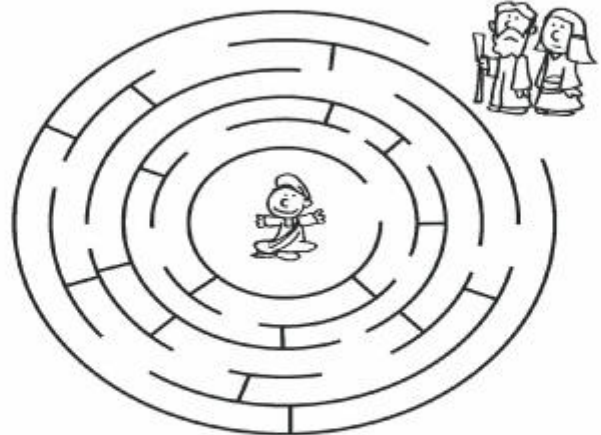
If you would like to take part in this fulfilling ministry, call **Peggy Malvaso** at **585-764-0463**. She looks forward to talking with you and going over the details at that time.

Also, if you would like to have someone prayed for by the group, please call Peggy or call Joanie in the Parish Office (663-3230 x108)



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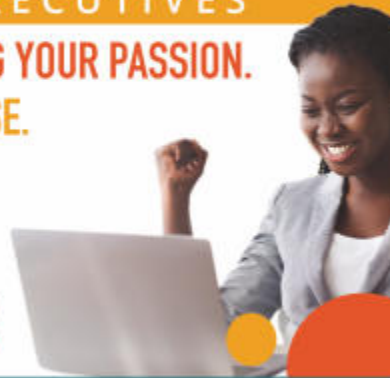
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