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Mass Schedule

Daily Liturgy:
Monday—Friday: 8:00 am
In-Person or **YouTube Live**

Weekend Masses
4:00 pm Saturday*

8:30 & 10:30 am Sunday

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

Sacrament of Penance:
Saturday: 3:00-3:45 pm



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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, May 10—6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

4:00 pm (Sat.) Monthly Memorial Mass: *Rich Kowalski, Ronald Raleigh, Steven Burton, Paul DiBenedetto, David & Michael Cooke, Doris Sopko, Len & Mary Viccaro*

8:30 am Bernadine Gordon—*Palozzi Family*

10:30 am Tony Turrisi—*Sal Tripi*

Monday, May 11

Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a

8:00 am Larry Olewnik—*Paul & Nicky Olewnik*

Tuesday, May 12

Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

8:00 am For the People

Wednesday, May 13

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Jn 16:12-15

8:00 am Rich Kowalski—*Don & Mary Eggleston*

5:00 pm (Ant.) Roselin C. Sanguedolce
—*Wayne & Jean Penney*

Thursday, May 14—Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

8:00 am Patricia M. Trignani—*Claire & Bill Kelly*

Friday, May 15

Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

8:00 am Lisa Lavelle—*Mary Ellen & Bob Mount*

Saturday, May 16

Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

4:00 pm Thomas Fortunato—*Son, Anthony & Children*

Sunday, May 17—7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:12-14/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

8:30 am Judith DiAgosta-Falco—*Claire & Bill Kelly*

10:30 am Josephine Lima—*Phyllis & Sam Martin*

Week Ahead

Sunday, May 10—Happy Mother's Day

9:30 am Charley's Angels Choir Rehearsal—CH/MR

12:00 pm AA "Rebos" Group—BMC/2

Monday, May 11

Tuesday, May 12

12:15 pm Al-Anon Group—BMC/10

2:00 pm Easter Bible Study—BMC/7

6:30 pm Parish Council Meeting—BMC/7

7:00 pm AA "Sober" Group—PC

Wednesday, May 13

1:00 pm Fun Senior Group—BMC/22

6:30 pm Schola Rehearsal—CH

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Planning Mtg.—PC

7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal—CH

Thursday, May 14

Friday, May 15

Saturday, May 16

9:00 am Shoe Drop Off —BMC-Main (*until Noon*)

Sunday, May 17

9:30 am Charley's Angels Choir Rehearsal—CH/MR

12:00 pm AA "Rebos" Group—BMC/2

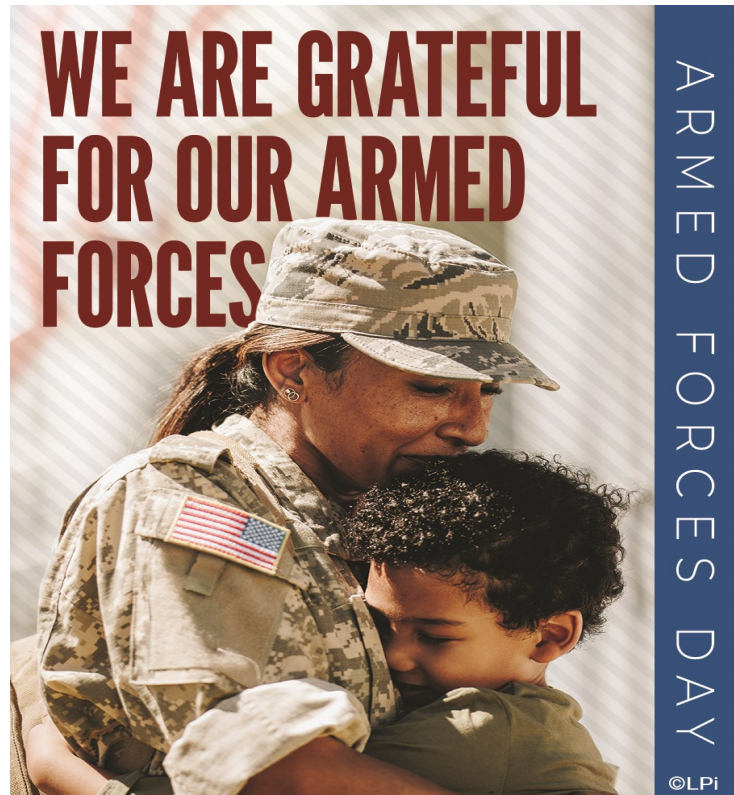
Legend: CH=Church BMC=Borromeo Ministry Center
PC=Parish Center



*The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week,
in Loving Memory of
Marlene Palozzi
at the request of her Family*



Ascension Thursday Masses at St. Charles Borromeo
Wednesday, May 13 at 5:00 pm &
Thursday, May 14 at 8:00 am.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

MAY 2/3, 2026

(WEEK 44 OF FISCAL YEAR 2025/26)

ATTENDANCE.....	190	4:00PM
	148	8:30AM
	286	10:30AM
STREAMING	14	
TOTAL ATTENDANCE:	638	

Sunday Offering\$9,886.00

PLUS: ONLINE (ACH/Credit Cards) Giving.....\$5,137.00

TOTAL Collected\$15,023.00

NOTE: 3rd Quarter Financial Update for the fiscal year is on Page 4 of the bulletin

WEEKLY BUDGET: \$13,175

Fr. John thanks you for your presence along with your spiritual & financial support!

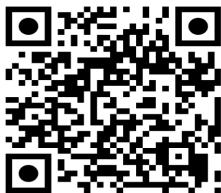


\$125 went to **Bethany House** this past weekend. **Women's Care Center** will be this weekend's Parish Sharing recipient.

St. Charles has a long history of association with the **Women's Care Center (WCC)** (although that was not its name in the beginning). WCC was formed in 1990 as a Catholic lay ministry to help women struggling with an unplanned pregnancy. It is located on Lake Avenue just north of Charlotte Furniture. They provide counseling, self-administered pregnancy kits, material support. They also make referrals to doctors and service agencies. Their phone line (585-865-0360) is always available. The office is open on Wednesday afternoons, at which time they generally see 15-20 clients. Many agencies refer women to them. For more information, go to: www.womenscareroc.com. We are designating them as the recipient of this weekend's parish sharing.

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St Charles



Giving

Your Support Helps Keep Our Parish Ministries Going!

Did you know that on-line giving:

- saves you time,
- prevents you from having to "catch-up" on donations while you are away,
- is the preferred method of giving by the parish
- **AND** saves parish resources?

Contact the Parish Office for more information.....

Thank you!

THE 2026 ST. CHARLES

GREAT GARAGE SALE

Garage Sale Dates:



May 21, 22, 23 & May 28, 29, 30

NOTE: Sale weekends will be Thursday, Friday and Saturday this year.



**Saint Charles Borromeo Church
9-Month Financial Summary
July 1, 2025 – March 31, 2026**

<u>Income</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Regular Collections ¹	\$553,467	\$563,458	(\$9,991)
Other income ²	\$152,336	\$138,750	\$13,586
Total Income	\$705,803	\$702,208	\$3,595
<u>Expense</u>			
Fixed Expenses ³	\$449,480	\$474,758	\$25,278
Other Expenses ⁴	\$318,462	\$232,626	(\$85,836)
Total Expenses	\$767,942	\$707,384	(\$60,558)
<u>Net Operating Revenue</u>	(\$62,139)	(\$5,583)	(\$56,963)

Summary: The results for the first three quarters of the 2025-26 fiscal year are somewhat less encouraging than those for the 2nd quarter. Our regular collections are somewhat short of our hopes, but continued excellent performance in other sources of revenue, especially gifts and donations and parish services have resulted in positive total income vs budget.

Unfortunately, we have had significant, unplanned expenditures of about \$51,000 over budgeted amounts in the maintenance of our aging HVAC systems and buildings. Both the Staff and the Finance Council continue to work to minimize all controllable costs and the success of this effort can be seen in the excellent positive variance in our fixed expenses – the ones over which we have most control.

Overall, the \$57,000 negative variance in net operating revenue against our budget is concerning, and indicates that it will be difficult to reach our year-end goal of a balanced budget. We hope that the majority of our large maintenance expenses are behind us so that our income can drive improved net revenue. It is important that our revenue performance and strong expense control continue for the remainder of the fiscal year so that we can finish with a budget in balance.

Notes:

1. Regular Collections include Sunday, Holy Day and Holiday giving.
2. Other Income includes income from Fund Raisers and social events, rental income, etc.
3. Fixed expenses include items such as salaries, benefits, insurance, etc.
4. Other expenses include items such as utilities, parish supplies, maintenance, fund raising expenses, ministries and programs, etc.

Readings for May 10, 2026 • 6th Sunday of Easter*

1st Reading (Acts 8:5-8,14-17)

Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Christ to them. With one accord, the crowds paid attention to what was said by Philip when they heard it and saw the signs he was doing. For unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice, came out of many possessed people, and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured. There was great joy in that city. Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, who went down and prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for it had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

2nd Reading (1 Peter 3:15-18)

Beloved: Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence, keeping your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who defame your good conduct in Christ may themselves be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit.



Gospel (John 14:15-21)

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

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St. Charles Quilting Ministry Update

COME JOIN US! The St. Charles Quilting Ministry is looking for new members to join them. All levels of quilters welcome. It's an opportunity to express your creativity. We make lap-sized quilts which are donated to local organizations such as Birthright, Lifetime Assistance, local nursing homes, Veterans, dialysis centers, the annual Father's Day Baby Shower collection, and the homebound of our parish.

We have an abundance of donated fabric, batting and thread — all we need is YOU!

Our group meets from 6-7:30 pm the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays (September to April).

Our quilts will be on display this weekend, **May 9 & 10**, after all Masses in Church.

For more information or any questions, please contact

**Christine McNally at
(585) 455-7198.**





The Road Less Traveled

—Deacon Don Eggleston

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My friends, last week, we reflected on the words of Socrates: *“The unexamined life is not worth living.”* It is a statement that invites us to pause—to look more closely at how we are living, what we are choosing, and who we are becoming.

But the question naturally follows: *what do we discover when we begin to examine our lives?*

Centuries later, Saint Augustine of Hippo offered a deeply personal response. After years of searching for meaning in many different places, he came to this realization: *“You were within me, but I was outside.”* In Augustine’s sense, “outside” means living mostly focused outward—caught up in activity, achievement, distractions, or even good things—while overlooking the deeper place within where God quietly dwells. It’s not about physical location, but about a kind of inner distance and noise: being busy around life and even around God, yet not truly present to Him *within*.

Augustine discovered that the search he had carried outward into the world was, all along, leading him inward—to the quiet place where God had been present the entire time.

The examined life, then, is not simply a life of reflection. It can be a life of divine encounter.

When we begin to look honestly at ourselves—our hopes, our struggles, our restlessness—we may expect to find only our own thoughts and limitations. But if we remain there, gently and honestly, we may begin to notice something more. We may begin to sense that we are not alone.

God meets us there, for *God is always there*.

Not at the end of our plans. Not only in moments of clarity or strength. But in the very midst of our ordinary, and often unsettled lives.

This kind of examination does not require great effort or complicated methods. It begins simply—with a willingness to be *present*, to be *honest*, and to be *still*.

We might ask ourselves:

- Where did I experience peace today?
- Where did I feel distant or unsettled?
- Where might God have been present, even if I did not recognize it at the time?

These are not questions to solve, but invitations to notice.

Socrates invites us to examine our lives. Saint Augustine gently reminds us that, in doing so, we may discover that God has been quietly present within us all along.

My friends, a life examined with God becomes a life of peace, gently opened to His grace. Let us accept this invitation to examine our lives with honesty, trusting that God is quietly present within.

Thanks be to God.





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Congratulations to this years Joshua Opladen Scholarship Recipients!

Fr. John and the Joshua Opladen Scholarship Committee congratulate this year's scholarship recipients.

These students will be attending Holy Cross School, Aquinas Institute, St. Bonaventure University, and Molloy Catholic University this Fall.

We wish all the recipients continued success in their academic studies.

The Joshua Opladen Scholarship Fund was established through the generosity of the Opladen family. It is our wish to continue to grow the resources in this scholarship fund and to continue to provide needed assistance to Parish families in helping to finance a Catholic education. Thank you to those who have supported this fund with your generous donations.



St. Charles Borromeo Summer Camp

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For more information, contact the Faith Formation Office at 663-8000

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Kids Corner

Prayer

Jesus, help me be kind and helpful to my family and friends.

Mission for the Week

Every morning and every night I will thank God for my family and friends.

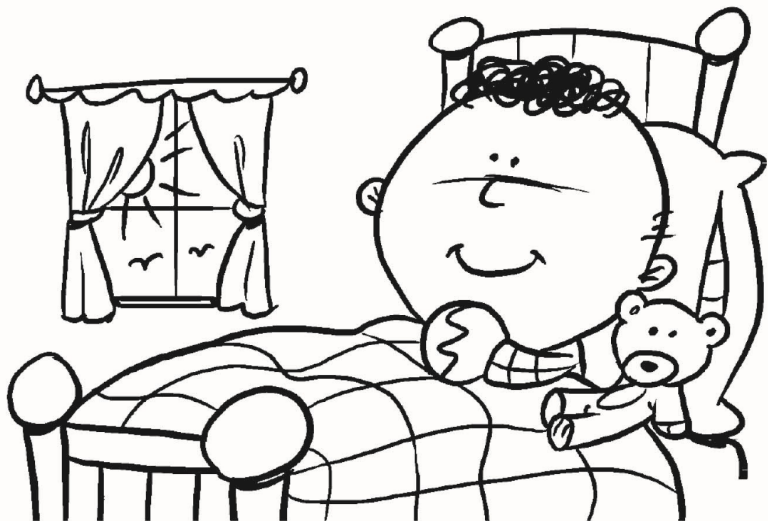
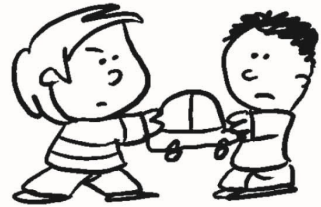
Sharing the Gospel

Jesus gave us two commandments. The first is Love God above all things and the second is Love your neighbor as yourself. Make good choices. Put God first in your life. Say a prayer before getting out of bed every morning. Say a prayer every night. Treat others like you would like to be treated. If you love Jesus and obey his commandments, the Holy Spirit will be sent to help you.

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