



July 26, 2026

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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:

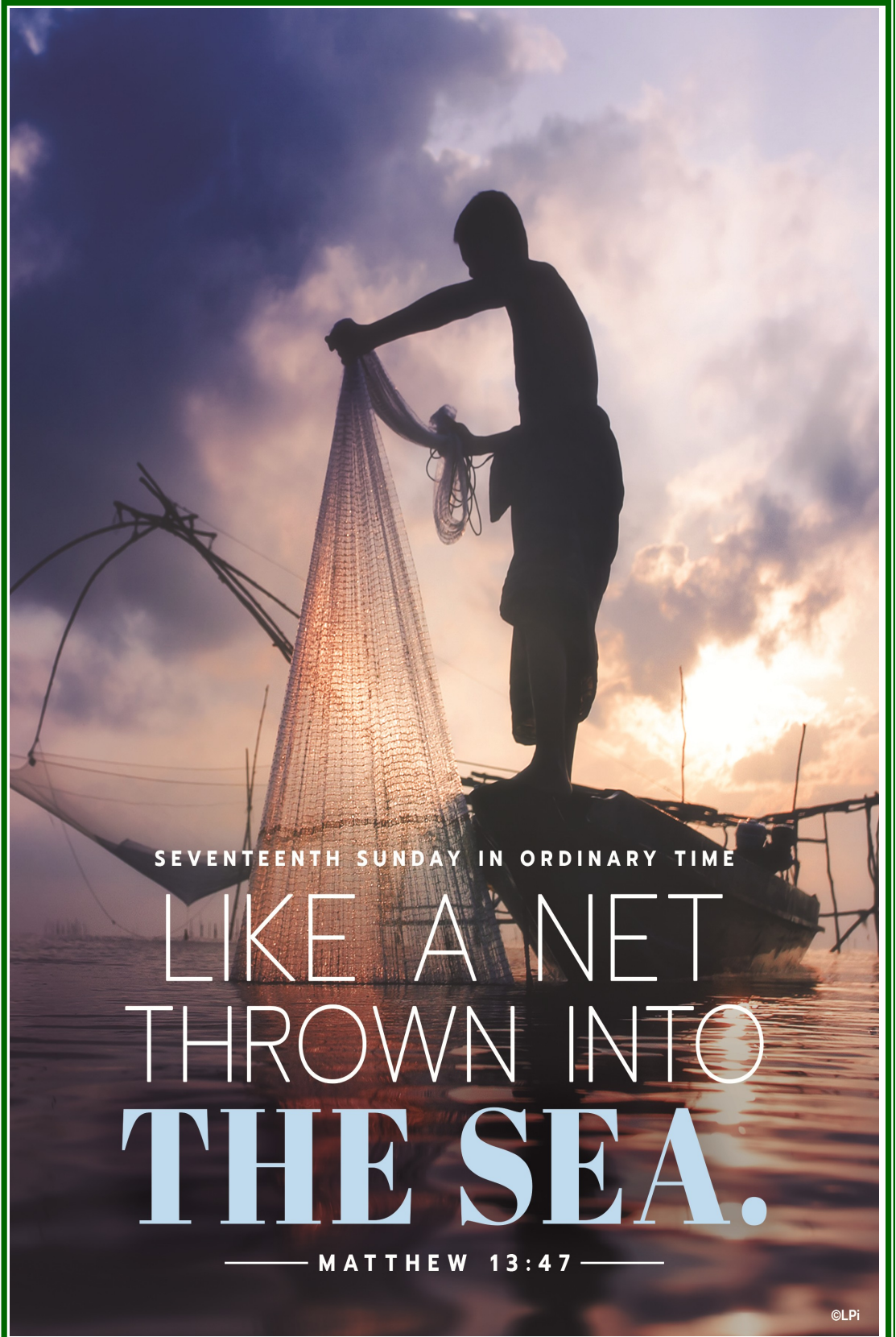
Saturday: 3:00-3:45 pm



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— MATTHEW 13:47 —

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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, July 26—17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1 Kgs 3:5,7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52

4:00 pm (Sat.) Chuck Mangione—*Joseph & Teri*8:30 am Margaret Keller—*Family*10:30 am Steven Burton—*Lee Ventrella***Monday, July 27**

Jer 13:1-11/Mt 13:31-35

8:00 am Bill Bianchi—*Family***Tuesday, July 28**

Jer 14:17-22/Mt 13:36-43

8:00 am Rose & Walter Olewnik—*Nicky & Paul Olewnik***Wednesday, July 29**

Jer 15:10,16-21/Jn 11:19-27

8:00 am Betty Kelly—*Claire & Bill Kelly***Thursday, July 30**

Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53

8:00 am Joe Fede—*Gene & Annette Driscoll***Friday, July 31**

Jer 26:1-9/Mt 13:54-58

8:00 am Dick Keirsbilck—*Rick Farnand***Saturday, August 1**

Jer 26:11-16,24/Mt 14:1-12

4:00 pm Kelly Doran—*Mom & Family***Sunday, August 2—18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35,37-39/Mt 14:13-21

8:30 am Ron Tingley—*Lynn & Larry Lathrop*10:30 am Janeen Bartlett Bruhn—*Lee Ventrella***Week Ahead****Sunday, July 26**

12:00 pm AA "Rebos" Group—BMC/2

Monday, July 27**Tuesday, July 28**

9:30 am Card Ministry Group—BMC/7

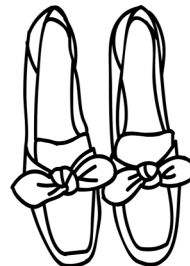
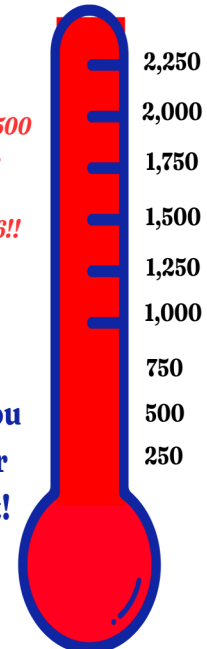
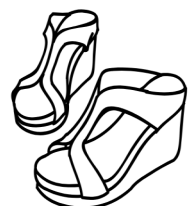
12:15 pm Al-Anon Group—BMC/10

1:00 pm Bible Journaling Session—BMC/Library

7:00 pm AA "Sober" Group—PC

Wednesday, July 29**Thursday, July 30****Friday, July 31****Saturday, August 1****Sunday, August 2**

12:00 pm AA "Rebos" Group—BMC/2

Legend: CH=Church BMC=Borromeo Ministry Center
PC=Parish Center**Thank You!****2,500 Pairs of Shoes in 60 Days!****"KNOT" just an ordinary Shoe Drive****We Made Our Goal! THANK YOU!****Goal: 2,500****OVER 2500
pairs
as of
7/15/26!!****Thank you
for your
support!**

*The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week
in Loving Memory of
James J. Quirk
at the request of Claire and Bill Kelly*

2026 Mission Visit

We welcome **Fr. Ambrose** from the Diocese of Malindi, Kenya this weekend. The Catholic Diocese of Malindi is seeking financial help to train 180 catechists and lay leaders drawn from 24 parishes across the diocese. The diocese has 23 diocesan priests and more than 40 religious priests working in vast parishes with many people receiving primary evangelization. The training goes hand in hand with the formation of lay leaders to ensure proper church leadership across all church structures.

The estimated cost of training these personnel is \$75,000. There will be a second collection this weekend to help support Fr. Ambrose and the Diocese of Malindi's wonderful work. **Your generosity is very much appreciated!**

STEWARDSHIP REPORT**JULY 18 & 19, 2026****(3RD WEEK OF FISCAL YEAR 2026/27)**

ATTENDANCE	123	4:00PM
	131	8:30AM
	252	10:30AM
STREAMING	24	
TOTAL ATTENDANCE:	530	

Sunday Offering..... \$7,754.00**PLUS: ONLINE (ACH/Credit Cards) Giving..... \$4,303.00****TOTAL Collected.....\$12,057.00****WEEKLY BUDGET: \$13,175**

***Fr. John thanks you for your presence along
with your spiritual & financial support
throughout the year!***



\$125 went to **Greece Ecumenical Food Shelf & Clothing Closet** this past weekend. **Saints Place** will be this weekend's Parish Sharing recipient.

Saints Place was started over 26 years ago with the mission of helping newly arrived refugees. Since then they have served more than 33,000 refugees. They house a Clothing Closet (the largest one in Rochester) and household inventory in former classrooms at St. John of Rochester. In January of 2025, they moved their administrative offices and donation intake center from Pittsford (St. Louis) to the same building as their Clothing Closet. They also have a 7,000 square-foot warehouse holding all of their donated furniture, new beds and mattresses.

The number of newly arrived refugees has greatly decreased but those already here still need a lot of support. This is done with tutoring programs, job training, scholarship grants (\$350,000 in tuition assistance already given), repeat visits to their clothing closet, and home assistance where needed. Refugees are at risk for years after their arrival.

Their website is: saintsplace.org. Their Super Sale (usually receives media coverage) is August 4-7 at the Parish Center of St. John of Rochester (Fairport).

This weekend's parish sharing will go to Saint's Place.

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St Charles



Giving

*Your Support Helps Keep Our
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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!

BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HAS A LIFESAVING NARCAN BOX

The Monroe County Department of Health (MCDOH) has installed a **Naloxone Box** by the steps in front of Bethany Presbyterian Church on Dewey Avenue (across the street from St. Charles Borromeo).

In the box are free doses of Narcan, the medication that counteracts opioid overdoses. This nasal spray will restore normal breathing to a person whose breathing has slowed or stopped as a result of overdosing on opioid medications, heroin, or other drugs that have been laced with the opioid fentanyl. Slowed or stopped breathing can cause brain damage or death. Naloxone (Narcan) does not cause any harm to a person but may save a life!

MCDOH is grateful to Bethany to allow the placement of the Naloxone Box on their property, as it is the only box available to the public in the Dewey-Stone area. MCDOH will keep the box stocked as product is taken.

Readings for July 26, 2026 • 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

1st Reading (1 Kings 3:5,7-12)

The LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream at night. God said, "Ask something of me and I will give it to you." Solomon answered: "O LORD, my God, you have made me, your servant, king to succeed my father David; but I am a mere youth, not knowing at all how to act. I serve you in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a people so vast that it cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong. For who is able to govern this vast people of yours?" The LORD was pleased that Solomon made this request. So God said to him: "Because you have asked for this—not for a long life for yourself, nor for riches, nor for the life of your enemies, but for understanding so that you may know what is right—I do as you requested. I give you a heart so wise and understanding that there has never been anyone like you up to now, and after you there will come no one to equal you."

2nd Reading (Romans 8:28-30)

Brothers and sisters: We know that all things work for good and those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those he predestined he also called; and those he called he also justified; and those he justified he also glorified.

Gospel (Matthew 13:44-52)

Jesus said to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind. When it is full they haul it ashore and sit down to put what is good into buckets. What is bad they throw away. Thus it will be at the end of the age. The angels will go out and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. "Do you understand all these things?" They answered, "Yes." And he replied, "Then every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old."



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Diapers, onesies, quilts, crocheted blankets, hygiene products, toys, food, baby shampoo, soaps and so much more were collected from generous St. Charles Borromeo parishioners and given to Birthright, Women's Care Center and Willow Domestic Violence Center.

These agencies were most grateful for the large donations and the Social Ministry Committee was happy to deliver the Baby Shower "Gifts".





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Gospel Meditation for the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (*Matthew 13:44-52*)

Around the time that the gold rushes ended in the nineteenth-century West, a curious phenomenon arose in New England known as money diggers. These were men who roamed the countryside with shovels, divining rods, and superstitious hope, convinced that treasure lay buried beneath their feet. Surely there must be gold under our feet. But there was not. The craze of these wild goose chases caused many to lose farms, families, and sanity.

In this week's Gospel, Jesus inaugurates a new era of spiritual money digging. He announces, "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field." He invites us to become treasure seekers who search in the right place. What is of greatest value is not money beneath our feet, but the infinite treasure hidden deep in the humanity of Jesus himself, God's own blessed life. The glory of heaven lies veiled in his ordinary life, his teaching, his suffering, his Church.

This teaching about the Kingdom changes things. Now we see the Church's doctrinal and moral teachings are not arbitrary rules. They are a treasure map. Follow them, and we will uncover divine happiness. Ignore them, and we will wander aimlessly, spade in hand, digging in empty fields, discouraged.

Where have we wasted energy seeking treasure in the wrong places? How have we given up on seeking the treasure of truly finding God's love for us? If so, let us repent of both. Then let us dust off our shovels and get back to digging deep into the field of Christ Jesus and his Church. After all, He never ceases seeking his treasure in us.

— Father John Muir (LPi)

Kids Corner

Prayer

God, help me to love your kingdom more than the things I have.

Mission for the Week

Put God's kingdom first.
Read a Bible story
every morning.

Sharing the Gospel

Your toys can break. Your books can tear. Your clothes can shrink and stain. Things don't last forever. The kingdom of heaven does last forever. It is like a treasure. Heaven is worth more than anything you own. In both stories, the person who found the treasure sold everything else just to be a part of God's kingdom.

Now color
the picture!



Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

KINGDOM
HEAVEN
TREASURE

HIDDEN
FIELD
FOUND

PEARLS
SOLD
BOUGHT

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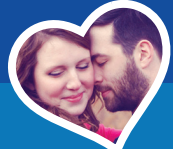
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