October 18, 2026

Saint Charles Borromeo

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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

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. We also have a Bluetooth system available for use.

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29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." - Mt 22:21

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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, October 18—29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 45:1,4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21
4:00 pm (Sat.) Patrick Lahey—*Barb Gibney*
8:30 am John Anthony Toscano—*Mike & Ceal Schneider*
10:30 am David Swartz—*Ann Worth*

Monday, October 19
Eph 2:1-10/Lk 12:13-21
8:00 am Dennis Viele—*Theresa & Ken (Jr.) Whitney*

Tuesday, October 20
Eph 2:12-22/Lk 12:35-38
8:00 am Daniel O'Connell—*Lee Ventrella*

Wednesday, October 21
Eph 3:2-12/Lk 12:39-48
8:00 am For the People

Thursday, October 22
Eph 3:14-21/Lk 12:49-53
8:00 am Joseph Lima—*Phyllis & Sam Martin*

Friday, October 23
Eph 4:1-6/Lk 12:54-59
8:00 am Rich Kowalski—*Staff of St. Charles Parish*

Saturday, October 24
Eph 4:7-16/Lk 13:1-9
4:00 pm Carol Hodges—*Nora Casey*

Sunday, October 25—30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40
8:30 am Mark Frederick—*Family*
10:30 am Sue White—*Husband & Family*



The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in Loving Memory of
Dennis Gorman
at the request of ***his Wife, Barbara***

Altar Server Ministry is Returning at St. Charles Borromeo!

Do you feel called to be an Altar Server at weekend Masses or even curious about serving? The Altar Server Ministry is open to all youth in **grades 5 or higher** who have received their **First Holy Communion**. Serving at weekend Masses is a wonderful way to grow closer to Jesus, learn more about the Mass, and actively participate in our parish community.

If your child is interested in joining this vital ministry, please contact the Parish Office at 663-3230 or by email: gstcharl@dor.org. We are looking to start training in the new few weeks.

Week Ahead

Sunday, October 18
9:30 am Charley's Angels Choir Rehearsal—CH (MR)
11:45 am Pet Blessing—St. Charles (near Gym)
12:00 pm AA "Rebos" Group—BMC/2

Monday, October 19

Tuesday, October 20
12:15 pm Al-Anon Group—BMC/10
7:00 pm AA "Sober" Group—PC
7:00 pm Faith Sharing Group—BMC/7

Wednesday, October 21
1:00 pm Fun Senior Group—BMC/22
6:00 pm OCIA Meeting—BMC/1
6:00 pm Quilting Ministry Group—BMC/8
6:30 pm Schola Rehearsal—CH
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting—PC
7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal—CH

Thursday, October 22

Friday, October 23

Saturday, October 24

Sunday, October 25
9:30 am Family Faith Formation Gathering—Gym
9:30 am Charley's Angels Choir Rehearsal—CH (MR)
9:30 am Parish Breakfast—PC (*until 12:30 pm*)
12:00 pm AA "Rebos" Group—BMC/2

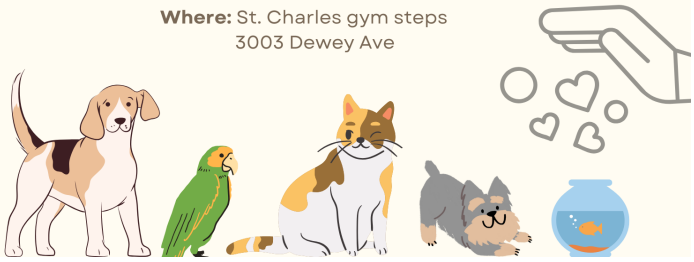
Legend: CH=Church BMC=Borromeo Ministry Center PC=Parish Center

ANNUAL PET BLESSING

Bring your special friends with fur, hair, feathers, or scales in celebration of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi! You will receive a St. Francis medal and holy card.

When: Sunday, October 18
11:45 a.m. - noon

Where: St. Charles gym steps
3003 Dewey Ave



REMINDER: ***Pets need to be either on a leash or in a carrier.... Thank you!***

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

OCTOBER 3 & 4, 2026
(14TH WEEK OF FISCAL YEAR 2026/27)

ATTENDANCE	188	4:00PM
	120	8:30AM
	212	10:30AM
STREAMING	16	
TOTAL ATTENDANCE:	536	

Sunday Offering** $10,670.50
PLUS: ONLINE *(ACH/Credit Cards)* Giving..... $6,052.00
TOTAL Collected..... $11,287.50

**As of the End of September 2026:
Fiscal Yr 2026/27 Total Budget $171,275.00
FISCAL YR 2026/27 TOTAL ACTUAL $169,493.49
Difference (short by) $1,1781.51

WEEKLY BUDGET: $13,175

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

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Giving

Your Support Helps Keep Our Parish Ministries Going!

Did you know that on-line giving:

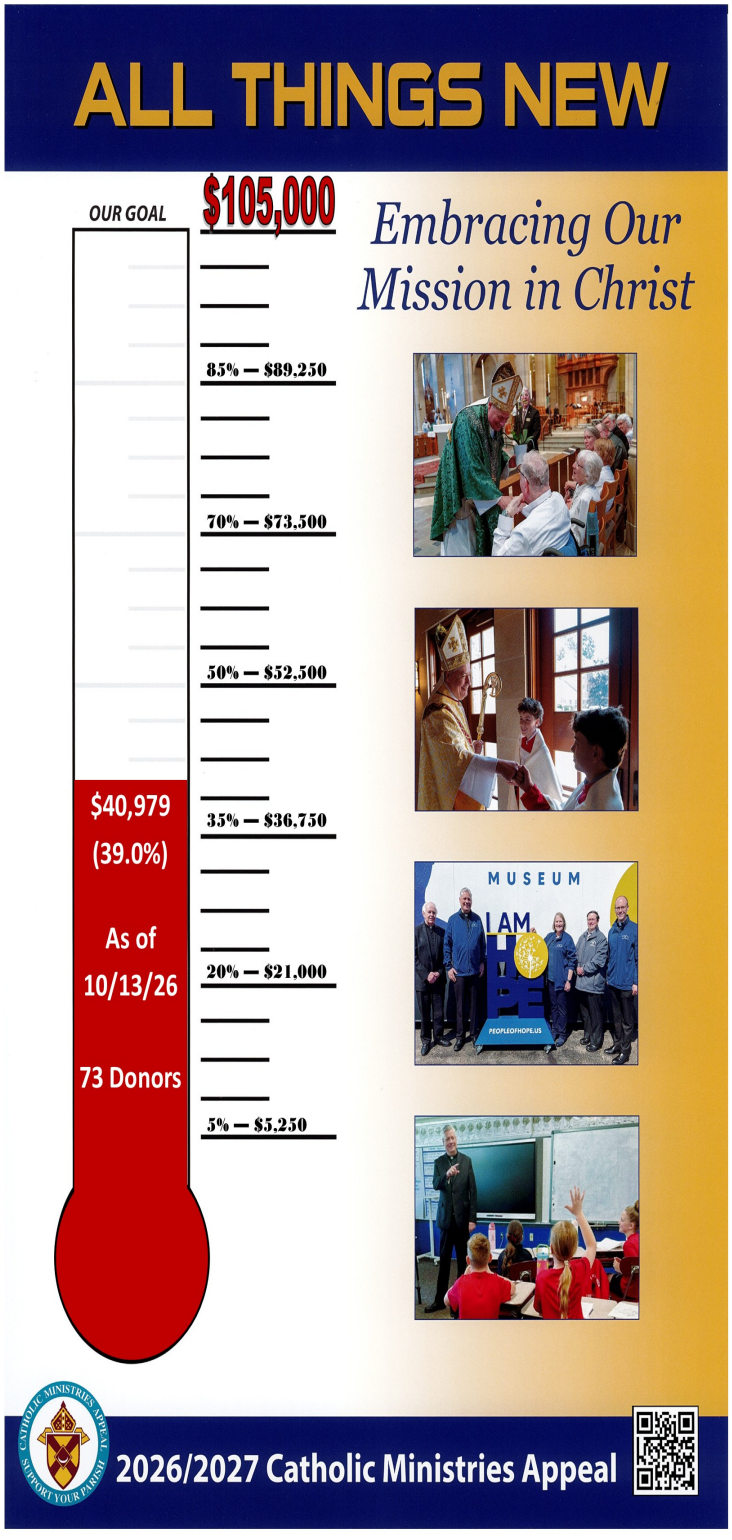
- saves you time,
- prevents you from having to "catch-up" on donations while you are away,
- is the preferred method of giving by the parish
- ***AND*** saves parish resources

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

Thank you!.

$125 went to **Sr. Regis Food Cupboard** this past weekend. **St. Charles Holiday Food Baskets/Collection** will be this weekend's Parish Sharing recipient.

This weekend will be the first **Holiday Food Baskets** donation through parish sharing. Non-perishable food items will be collected in church this fall. Parish sharing dollars will supplement our Christmas/Advent/ Holiday food "baskets" collection. Thank you!



*Readings for October 18, 2026 • 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading (Isaiah 45:1,4-6)

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, Cyrus, whose right hand I grasp, subduing nations before him, and making kings run in his service, opening doors before him and leaving the gates unbarred: For the sake of Jacob, my servant, of Israel, my chosen one, I have called you by your name, giving you a title, though you knew me not. I am the LORD and there is no other, there is no God besides me. It is I who arm you, though you know me not, so that toward the rising and the setting of the sun people may know that there is none besides me. I am the LORD, there is no other.

2nd Reading (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b)



Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father, knowing, brothers and sisters loved by God, how you were chosen. For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.

Gospel (Matthew 22:15-21)

The Pharisees went off and plotted how they might entrap Jesus in speech. They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion, for you do not regard a person's status. Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Knowing their malice, Jesus said, "Why are you testing me, you hypocrites? Show me the coin that pays the census tax." Then they handed him the Roman coin. He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They replied, "Caesar's." At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

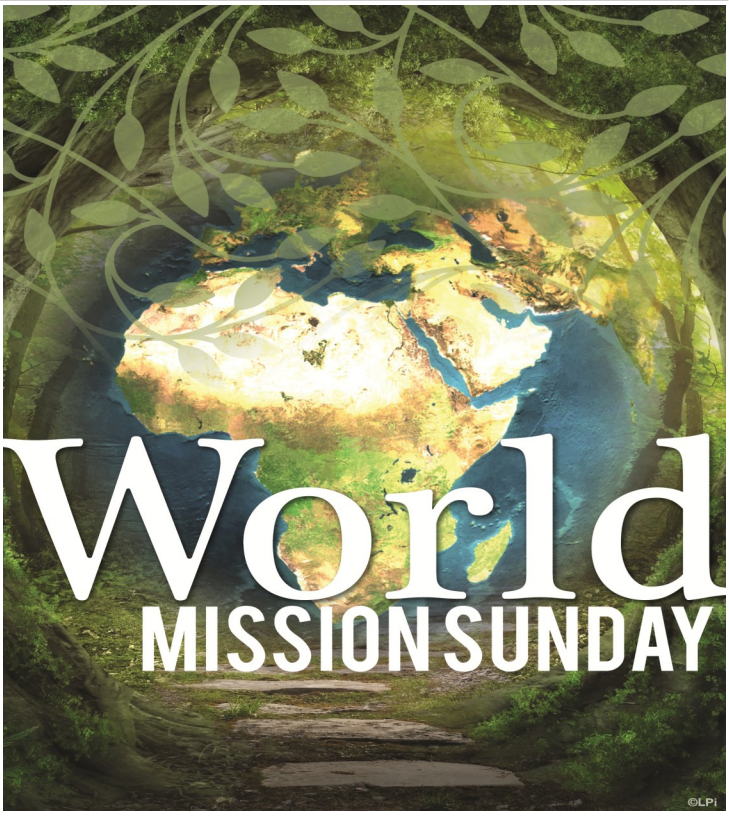
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A Message from Bishop Bonnici….

Thanks to the generosity of the Diocese of Peoria and Bishop Louis Tylka, the Diocese of Rochester will be receiving a "substantial" first-class relic of Bishop Sheen. The week after Bishop Sheen's Beatification in St. Louis on September 24, Bishop Tylka will be visiting the Diocese of Rochester to bring us the relic.

Also, I would like to use this special occasion to make an appeal: pray for vocations to the Priesthood. I ask that all of the faithful of the Diocese of Rochester to join me in asking Blessed Fulton Sheen ***every day*** *to send us good and holy priests. So, I humbly beg you, pray for vocations. I ask every person in the Diocese of Rochester to pray* ***one Hail Mary*** *everyday for vocations, and to add Bishop Sheen's prayer:* **"Lord, infuse young hearts with vocations."** *What a great thing if we all unit in this common prayer, and what a great thing to ask Blessed Fulton Sheen, the Sixth Bishop of Rochester, to pray for.*

LOCATIONS & DATES:
Wednesday, October 28 @ St. Joseph, Penfield
Thursday, October 29 @ St. Mary Our Mother, Horseheads
Wednesday, November 4 @ Immaculate Conception, Ithaca



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(Parish Office #: 585-663-3230)

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Parish Pastoral Council Members

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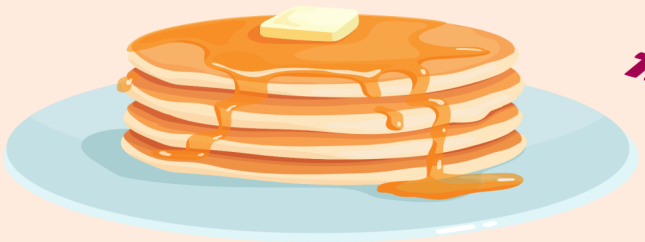
Sean Carnahan, Randy Cook, Lisa Coon, David Falzarano, Pattie O'Connell, Paul Olewnik, David Steklenski *(Chair)*, Terry Trumpowsky, Gina Reeder *(Parish Council Liaison)*

Parish Breakfast!

Sunday, October 25 in Parish Center

(use the Main Entrance Doors of the Borromeo Ministry Center)

Includes Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Coffee, Tea, and LOTS of Syrup!



9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

FREE

Donations are gratefully accepted!
Stop in to enjoy breakfast with your fellow parishioners. Hope to see you there!

WHAT IS GOD DOING IN YOUR LIFE?

Have you ever wondered how God is working in your life—or wished you had someone to talk with about your faith?

You are invited to join us for a **4-week Faith Sharing Group!**

This will be a relaxed opportunity to come together, listen to God's Word, share our experiences and reflections, and discover how God is present in our everyday lives.

You don't need to be a Bible expert. You don't need to have all the answers. Just come with an open heart and a willingness to listen and share.

What We'll Do

📖 Reflect on a short Scripture passage
💬 Share our thoughts and experiences
🙏 Pray together and for one another
💚 Grow in faith and friendship

All Are Welcome to Attend....

When & Where

October 20, October 27, November 3 & November 10
7:00–8:00 PM
Borromeo Ministry Center — Room 7

Give yourself an opportunity to pause, listen, reflect, and discover **what God may be doing in your life.**

Come and be part of the conversation! All are welcome.

Sessions Facilitated by David Wakefield

Grandparents Faith-Sharing Group

Are you a grandparent interested in **prayer, fellowship, and sharing ideas about passing our Catholic faith to the next generation?**

Our parish is exploring the possibility of forming a **Grandparents Faith-Sharing Group** where grandparents can pray together, share experiences, and encourage one another in their role within their families and our parish community.

If you are interested in learning more or participating, please complete the information below and return it to the parish office or place it in the collection boxes at church.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

☐ **I would like more information.**

☐ **I would be interested in participating in a future Grandparents Faith-Sharing Group.**

15th Annual Women's Luncheon & FUNDRAISER

Saturday, October 3

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Thank You!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated to, supported and attended the 15th Annual Women's Luncheon and Fundraiser!



Our guest speaker, Jennifer Lewke from 10NBC, loved the warm and friendly reception she received, and we are so grateful for the incredible support from our parish community!





Together, we made this event a huge success!

2026 Holiday Pie Fundraiser
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These *DELICIOUS* **10"** pies come **FROZEN** so you can use them anytime during the Thanksgiving/Christmas season. You will find brochures at the entrances of Church. After making your pie selections, there are **3** options to place an order:

Option #1: Place your completed order form in an envelope along with a check payable to St. Charles Church in the offertory collection. The cutoff date is **Sunday, November 1**. Please retain a copy of your order form to bring with you at pick-up on **Friday, November 20.**

Option #2: Orders may be placed on-line through our website: www.stcharlesgreece.org . Look for "News & Events" found on the top menu, then **click** on "Register for Event" & then finally **click** on the *2026 Holiday Pie Fundraiser* Click Here! tab.

Option #3: Mail* your Pie Order Form & Payment to:

(*write* "Holiday Pies" *in the memo line of the check*)

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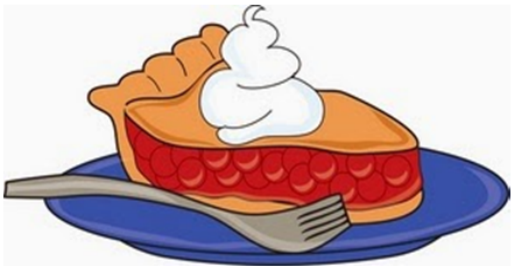
* The last day to **mail** your order form is **Monday, October 26** *(this will ensure your order form is received in time to place the order).*

You **must** Pick Up Your Pies on **Friday, November 20** (between the hours of 4-6 pm) at the Gym. Please plan accordingly.

NOTE: When you arrive, please use the Maiden Lane entrance to the parking lot and you will be directed to drive to the Gym. To make your pickup go smoothly, a volunteer will come out to your car, pick up your copy of the order form/receipt, select your pies & bring them to your car.

Don't forget to invite friends & family to purchase pies as well! Remember-stress can not exist in the presence of a pie!

Thank you for participating and helping to make this fundraiser a great success!!!



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****FULL payment MUST accompany the order form when turned in. Thank You!**

Remember to keep copy of order form for your records.

Name of Person Placing Order: _____

Phone Number of Person Placing Order: _____

Name of Person Picking Up Order (if different from above): _____

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Orders Due by: Sunday, Nov. 1, 2026	Apple Crumb	Cherry	Chocolate Cream	Pumpkin	Rumble Berry	Strawberry Rhubarb	Pecan	Cannoli	Chocolate Peanut Butter	Pick-Up Date: Friday, Nov. 20, 4 to 6 pm @ Gym
Price per Pie	$19	$19	$19	$19	$19	$19	$21	$26	$26	
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Kids Corner

Sharing the Gospel

When you grow up and earn money, you will have to pay taxes. Taxes pay for many good things that keep us safe and healthy. When you grow up in your faith, you will want to give God some of the money you earn, because all you have is a gift from God.

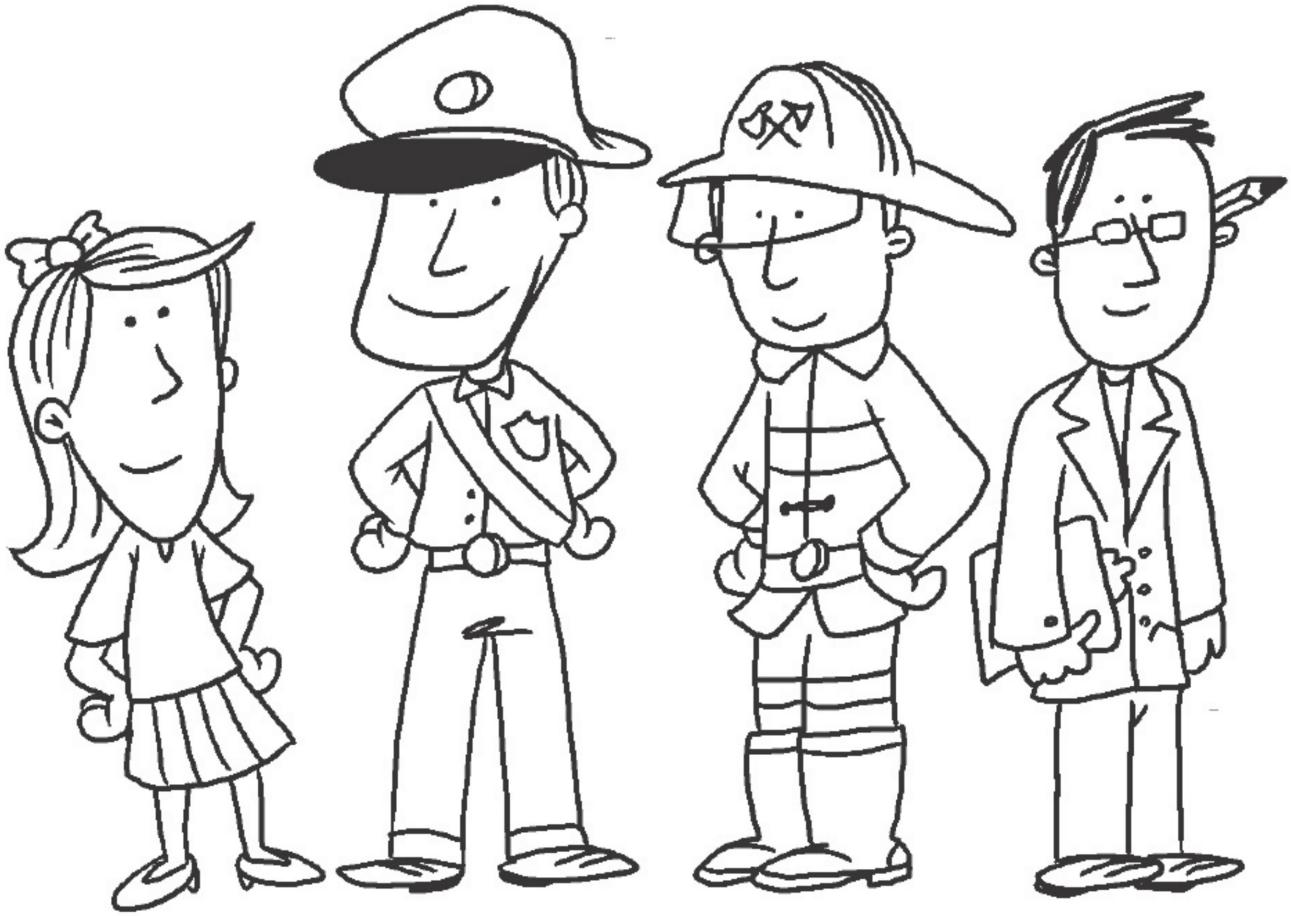
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Prayer

God, teach me to use money wisely so my community and my church can grow.

Mission for the Week

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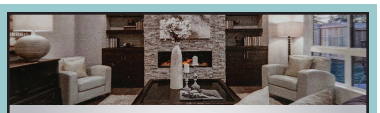
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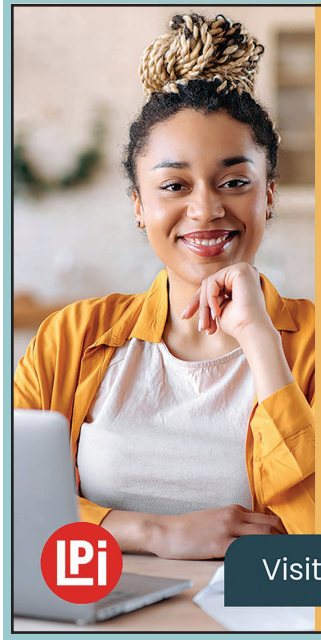


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