



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

January 4 - January 10

Mon.	8:30	Danica Cavina †
Tues.	8:30	Mary Sweeney Lokyer †
Wed.	8:30	Alice Formea †
Thurs.	8:30	Rommel Aganon †
Fri.	6:30	Susie Caturegli †
	8:30	Jill Grove †
Sat.	8:30	Helen Darby †
	5:00	Bob Varni †
Sun.	7:30	Pietro Caturegli †
	5:00	Merrill & Lynn Lewis †

*Please pray for the faithful departed of St. Charles Church.*

### *Sick Relatives and Friends*

Please remember in your prayers: Violet Bahre, Larry Panozzo, Eddie Beaudreault, Noreen Baker, Betty Cirigliano, Dawn Crecy, Joe Vassallo, Barbara Peters, Carmella Chellemi, Carmen Esquivel and Jim Mason.

*Are you are ill or homebound? Would you like members of the parish to pray for you? Do you know of someone who is, and would like to receive the Eucharist? Contact Kathy Fagliano at 591-7349 ext. 28.*

### *Sacramental Giving*

Christmas Collection - \$44,592

Weekly Offering - \$7,613.50

**Thank you**

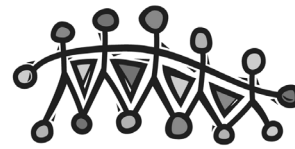
*This weekend's second collection will benefit parish education.*

**Stewardship by the Book:** *The three kings in today's Gospel traveled a great distance at considerable cost to offer their richest gifts to the Infant Jesus. How far will I go and what will I offer to do homage to this newborn King and Savior?*

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** Friday, January 8th in the chapel of the parish center beginning at 9:00am and continuing until Midnight. All are welcome and are encouraged to come and spend time with the Lord

### *A Special Thanks....*

Your St. Vincent de Paul Conference wishes to thank our St. Charles' parishioners and the San Carlos Rotary Club for their generosity this year with our 2nd annual Giving Tree project. With your wonderful contributions, we were able to help over 400 individuals in San Carlos and at our St. Francis sister parish with food, clothing, bus tokens, blankets, and toys among the myriad of other gifts. Your thoughtfulness and caring brings joy to those who have so little at Christmas. Peace to you and to your families this holiday season. St. Charles' St. Vincent de Paul conference.



AFRICAN CHILDREN'S CHOIR™

**We are excited to be hosting a concert by the internationally acclaimed African Children's Choir at St. Charles on January 28th at 7:00pm**

The mission of the African Children's Choir is to help Africa's most vulnerable children today, so they can help Africa tomorrow. With a focus on education, the Choir is currently caring for several thousand underprivileged children throughout Africa. These are children who could have lost all hope, but have overcome their circumstances and now are making a positive impact on society. The African Children's Choir has been working with the most vulnerable children in Africa for 23 years, raising awareness of the plight of Africa's orphaned and abandoned, but also showing the beauty, dignity and potential of each African child. They perform throughout the world bringing hope and joy to everyone they meet. They are a voice for the millions of children suffering in Africa. If you would like to be considered to be a host family for one night for 2 to 3 choir members and their chaperone please contact Cathy Mattei at 591-7349 ext. 15.

***Religious Ed. K-5th Grade:*** *Classes are on holiday and will resume Sunday, January 31st.*

**A heartfelt thanks to all the Choirs and accompanists of St. Charles who helped to make this season special.** Please join me in thanking the Children's choir, the Youth Choir, and the Adult Choir with our accompanists and Cantors, who worked extra hard to bring us beautiful music for the concert and most especially for our Christmas Liturgies. I would also like to thank those who came to the concert and donated \$455 to the music fund!!!!

The celebration does not end! If you would like to join any of these choirs, we will be looking for new members in the new year! More info to follow.

Claire G.

***O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the earth. (Ps. 96)***

**Little Angels will be closed today**

### ***"Built of Living Stones" Handouts***

The book, "Built of Living Stones," has been an important resource source for the proposed interior renovation of St. Charles. Inserts from this publication have been available at our church exits over the last 12 weeks. If you missed any of the handouts, or would like a complete set, they are available in the vestibule. Check the pamphlet rack to the left as you exit the vestibule of the church.

### **2010 Offertory Envelopes**

The 2010 offertory envelopes are available for pick up in the back of the church. If you do not know your envelope number please check the listing binder for your name. If you are not a regular envelope user and would like to be, please call the parish office at 591-7349 ext. 15.

**ST. CHARLES SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**

School Open House January 24, 10:00-12:30: we invite prospective parents and their children, alumni, grandparents, parishioners, friends, and current school families to the St. Charles School Open House. Please visit and see firsthand the work of our students. We are proud of our school and look forward to meeting you!

The gift of a Catholic education is a gift for life! If you would like to know more about providing a Catholic education for your children or to register for a school tour, please contact the St. Charles School office at 650-593-1629.

### SUPPORT NEW LIFE BY TAKING MOTHERS UNDER OUR WINGS

During this season of **WINGS** we will focus on supporting mothers who find themselves in difficult circumstance during their pregnancies. Our philosophy is that by offering women our support and friendship they will make the choice for life over abortion. We hope to encourage this support by hosting four sessions during **WINGS**.

The first will be a presentation by **FIRST RESORT**, a wonderful non-profit based in Redwood City that helps mothers in need in all aspects during their pregnancy. We will also present our plans for a baby shower for two moms that will be held on the last session of **WINGS**.

The second session will be the viewing of the movie "Bella" which shows how friendship and support during pregnancy can make all the difference in someone's decision to keep their baby.

Week three will be hearing "Adoption Stories" from three women from our parish and the sharing of adoption resources. Week four we will celebrate "new life" by hosting a baby shower for two expectant moms and in celebration of "new life!"

Please join us for these sessions on January 20, 27, and February 3, 10, 2010.

**Women of St. Charles**

Open the New Year with a relaxing dinner that someone else cooks! Rather than serving others, come and be served. Chef Carlos DeMarchena once again caters to the women of **WINGS** with a fabulous meal on Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. A three-course meal, including wine, is only \$20 (suggested donation). To reserve your spot, please mail your check, payable to St. Charles Church, to Beth O'Boyle at 15 Cortez Rd., Redwood City CA 94062. Questions? Call Beth at 408-728-0262 or Jean Sebring at 722-6711.

### ST. CHARLES' WOMEN'S RETREAT (Feb. 26-28, 2010)

**Balance due JANUARY 7TH**

Double Room balance \$150.00 (each)

Single Room balance \$175.00

Registration forms are available in the bookrack at the main entrance of the Church

Make checks payable to St. Charles Church. Mail to:  
Lorie Boris, 1828 Carmelita Drive, San Carlos, 593-7339.

**Walk for Life - West Coast 2010!**

Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 23rd 2010. Join upwards of 30,000 pro-lifer's for the 6th Annual Walk for Life in San Francisco as we peacefully proclaim our message that abortion hurts women and we all deserve better than abortion. For more information visit our website at [www.walkforlifewc.com](http://www.walkforlifewc.com). To volunteer or to arrange buses contact us at (415) 586-1576 or email questions to [info@walkforlifewc.com](mailto:info@walkforlifewc.com).

**San Mateo Pro-Life** will have busses for the SF Walk For Life, on Saturday January 23 leaving from St. Matthews at 10 A.M. and returning by 4pm cost is \$14. Call Jessica at 650-572-1468. Payment required at time of reservation. **Please sign up as soon as possible!** (Unfilled seats at time of departure will be \$20)

**"Prayer Shawl Ministry"**

The next Prayer Shawl Ministry meeting will be held on **January 13th** at 10:00 AM in the St. Charles' room. All women of the parish are invited to these fellowship meetings. If you want to learn to knit or crochet, then come and join us. Prayer shawls are made for those who are going through a difficult time in their life and are in need of comfort and prayer. The shawls are either knitted or crocheted and will be blessed by Father Dave or Father John before they are given to the recipient. If you would like more information about **WINGS'** special ministry, please call Lorie Boris 593-7339 or Linda Burns 595-2675. **Donations are greatly appreciated and will be used only to purchase yarn.** Please make checks payable to St. Charles Church, in the memo put **WINGS/Shawls**. Mail to Lorie Boris 1828 Carmelita Dr. SC

*"I assure you, as often as you did it for the least of my brothers, you did it for me"*

**Did You Know???****An Appropriate Way to Report Inappropriate Behavior**

How should you communicate your concerns to someone who may be behaving inappropriately with children? The "I" message is a simple way to reframe what you want to say so that the listener hears you speak of your feelings and concerns rather than hearing a complaint against him - or herself. The "I" message, simply diagrammed says, "I feel (feeling) when (situation) because (reason)" For example, you can say, "I feel anxious when you drive a child home alone after religious education classes. because it could put you or the child in a potentially risky situation." It is a much more constructive approach than saying, "You shouldn't be driving children home alone because it is against the rules and puts them in danger."

Source: Paul J. Ashton, "CAREfronting vs. Confronting Those Who Behave Inappropriately," featured August 9, 2004, at [www.virtusonline.org/virtus](http://www.virtusonline.org/virtus)

For particular help you may call: Barbara Elordi, Victim Assistance Coordinator 415-614-5504 (private secure line) or [ElordiB@sfarchdiocese.org](mailto:ElordiB@sfarchdiocese.org)

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HELPING THE HOMELESS?**

The Interfaith Hospitality Network provides shelter, meals and support to homeless families. St. Charles currently has teams volunteering on Tuesdays and Fridays, 4-6 times during the year. We prepare and serve dinner for families housed for the week at a nearby church. The time commitment is approximately 6-8pm plus the time to prepare a dish or two. Each night we also need someone to "sleep over" with the families. We need additional help from parishioners to supplement existing teams and expand our effort. If you think you would like to help and for more information please contact:

Kevin Philpott  
369-3443

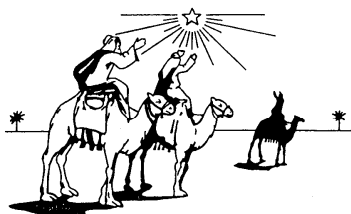
[Kevin.philpott@cpii.com](mailto:Kevin.philpott@cpii.com)

or Fred Koehler  
593-3085

[Hfkoehler@yahoo.com](mailto:Hfkoehler@yahoo.com)

## Upcoming Events

Jan. 5	<b>Confirmation Parent/Candidate Meeting,</b> 7:00pm, Borromeo Hall
Jan. 6	<b>Children's Choir Rehearsal,</b> 3:15pm, Church <b>Youth Ensemble Rehearsal,</b> 7:00pm, Church
Jan. 7	<b>Light Weigh Gathering,</b> 7:00pm, St. Francis Room <b>Adult Choir,</b> 7:30pm, Church
Jan. 9	<b>1st Reconciliation,</b> 12pm & 2pm, Church
Jan. 10	<b>Catechetical Inservice,</b> 10:00am, Upper Hall <b>RCIA,</b> 10:00am, St. Charles Room <b>Baptismal Preparation Class,</b> 1:00pm, St. Charles Room



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### The Epiphany of the Lord

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come,  
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.

— Isaiah 60:1

#### RISE UP IN SPLENDOR

This great feast of the Epiphany of the Lord opens with these words: “Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you” (Isaiah 60:1). That reading goes on to describe a world covered with darkness. Even in that world, the prophet announces that the glory of the Lord will shine on Jerusalem. Many would agree that our world is covered with darkness—the darkness that war, terrorism, and famine bring. Today we announce that even in today’s world, the Lord can scatter that darkness, if only we would welcome Epiphany’s light. As we remember the visit of the magi to the manger, let us pray that one day our weary world will rise up in splendor—the splendor of peace and justice. ©

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#### Archdiocesan Temporary

##### **Liturgical Modifications during this flu season:**

The distribution of Holy Communion from the Cup is suspended.

Out of consideration for their fellow communicants, all are encouraged to receive Holy Communion in the hand.

The Sign of Peace should be offered without shaking hands.

We, the faithful are requested to refrain from joining hands during the Lord’s prayer.

*These are temporary preventative measures during this flu season. Please remember the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply to those who are ill.*