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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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*They opened their treasures
and offered him gifts of
gold, frankincense, and myrrh.*

Matthew 2:11

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Matthew's tale is less a story of adventurous seekers than of a luring God, drawing others into the mystery of divinity through the birth of Jesus. A star that guides and wise words that explain are what help lead the magi to their destination. Natural signs and words of revelation are what God works through in our own day to bring us into the presence of Jesus, the Son of God.

The story of the wise men is a journey that surrounds the birth of Jesus. It speaks to all seeking God in today's world. God does not use force to attract others. Angels speak a message of joy for all but give no orders that insist that the shepherds journey through the dark of night to worship. A star appears in the sky but no one forces these astrologers to pack up some gifts and make their way across foreign terrain to kneel and prostrate themselves and do Jesus homage.

At the heart of this story is the message announced in the letter to the Ephesians: God's plan was that everyone be included in the mystery of salvation, that, along with the children of Abraham, *"the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus"* (Ephesians 3:6). God wants everyone to share in divine life—*everyone!* Give it your thoughtful consideration.

—James A. Wallace, c.ss.r.
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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
January 7 - January 13

Mon.	8:30am	Deceased Members of the Borg Family †
Tues.	8:30am	—
Wed.	8:30am	—
Thurs.	8:30am	—
Fri.	6:30am	—
	8:30am	Robert Colaizzi †
Sat.	8:30am	—
	5:00pm	Betty Castagno †
Sun.	5:00pm	—

Please pray for the faithful departed of St. Charles community.

A Gentle Reminder

If you did not pick up your pictures of loved ones from the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in church, you may do so at the Parish Center.

Please pray for the people in our parish community who are sick, awaiting surgery, recovering or homebound, especially: Lorraine Murphy, Patricia Snowden, Paula Neve, Alma Brennan, Yvonne Dioli, Terry Roman, Laurette Hollywood, Josie Heath, Armando Botello, Pat Boland, Eduardo Hernandez, Bob McCormick, Nicholas Jerrold, Rosie Maffei, Grace Wasmer, Nicholas Peters, Peggy Saunders, Carmen Esquivel, and their caregivers.

This weekend's second collection will benefit parish education.
Thank you for your continued support.

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?*

Living God's Word

We can pray that the divisions and hatreds will be resolved through the wisdom that is the gift of God. We pray for an increase of wise men and women who are attuned to the signs of God drawing them to join together in worship and live together in peace. The ultimate destination of all people is to arrive in the presence of God.

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January Senior Luncheon

Please join us on
January 9th at noon
for a delicious lunch as we ring in 2019 with your friends from St. Charles!

All registered parishioners 60 years + are cordially invited to our monthly luncheon held on the first Wednesday of each month at noon in Borromeo Hall.

To reserve your spot please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano at 591-7349 ext. 402 or e-mail her at Kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org. Caregivers are welcome.

All reservations must be received by noon, Monday, January 7th. We cannot accept late reservations as we need to shop. We hope to see you there! If you need a ride please contact Kathy.



Reservations are Open!
Men's Club Crabaganza
Saturday, February 9, 2019

If you think the first nine were great, just wait for our 10th Anniversary event. We're pulling out the stops, bringing back little Italy in Borromeo, Entourage the Band, and all that fantastic crab. Join us for this must-do dinner/dance event of the parish. \$65 per person. Reservations only. Reservation flyers are available on the parish website. Questions?

Contact Gene Shimshock, gene@shimshock.com

St. Charles Women's Club
Wednesday, January 23, 2019
Annual Winter Dinner
Borromeo Small Hall, 6:30 PM

\$40 per person

(includes Entree, Dessert, Prosecco & Wine)

Send checks payable to:
St. Charles to 880 Tamarack Avenue,
San Carlos, CA 94070

Please indicate number and names in your party.
For Questions Contact: Robyn Rourick
619 246-8711 or rourick@gmail.com

CONFIRMATION

Please pray for our 57 teens who will have their retreat on Saturday, January 12th and will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, January 26th at the 5pm Mass, with Bishop William Justice presiding.



St. Charles Prayer Shawl Ministry

The next Prayer Shawl Ministry Social will be held this Wednesday, January 9, from 10-11:30am in the St. Charles Room. This ministry is open to all who would like to knit or crochet "Gifts of Love" for those with special needs. (Veteran's Hospital, Homeless Shelter, SM County Community Hospital, Prayer Shawls Chemo caps, baby blankets and etc.) You choose the gifts you would like to create and this is done in your home on your time and there are no deadlines to meet.

If you know of someone who is going through a difficult time and could be comforted by one of our prayer shawls, please call our Parish's Minister to the sick and elderly, Kathy Fagliano, at 591-7349 ext. 402. For more information about the St. Charles Prayer Shawl Ministry, please contact Lorie Boris 593-7339.

"I assure you, as often as you did it for the least of my brothers, you did it for me." Matthew 25:40

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Monday of this week is Christmas Day in Russia and in much of the Orthodox world. This curious difference in schedule has a lot to do with how calendars have been developed and changed over the years. In the year 45 B.C. Julius Caesar gave the empire his Julian Calendar, with the winter solstice on January 6. This put an end to a system in which officials called pontiffs were able to tweak the calendar by adding extra days in as needed. He invented two new months at that time, December and January; and in order to correct the mess the pontiffs had made, forced a year of 445 days on the empire in what he named The Last Year of Confusion. The new months varied in number of days according to a complex schedule, but the calendar was still off by nearly twelve minutes a year, and lost a full day every 130 years.

Pope Gregory XIII reformed the calendar in 1583, but not everyone appreciated his efforts. England held out for two hundred years. The year 1700 was a leap year in England, but not in France; they were eleven days apart! George Washington was really born on February 11; when the Gregorian calendar was finally adopted in the English colonies shortly before the Revolution, he had to move his birthday to February 22. Now the calendars are thirteen days apart, which accounts for Russia's Julian calendar Christmas. And Caesar thought he had brought confusion to an end!

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Walk for Life West Coast 2019

Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 15th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 26, 2019. There will be Mass at 9:30AM celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral. The rally begins at 12:30pm in San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza, and the Walk, down the city's Market Street, begins at 1:30pm. Last year's Walk drew 50,000+ people.

For complete information about the Walk, visit www.walkforlifewc.com or call (415) 658-1793.

St. Charles 2019 Offertory Envelopes

The 2019 offertory envelopes are available for pick up in the back of 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, or you cannot find your envelopes, please call the parish office at 591-7349 ext. 404 or email parishoffice@stcharlesparish.org.

Priesthood Discernment Retreat Friday, January 18 – Sunday, January 20 St. Patrick Seminary & University, 320 Middlefield Rd., Menlo Park

The Archdiocesan Office of Vocations offers its annual weekend discernment retreat, Jan. 18-20 at St. Patrick's Seminary & University, Menlo Park, for men wanting to know more about becoming a priest. The event is open to single men, 21 years or older, to explore the meaning of priesthood, with conferences given by Spokane Bishop Thomas A. Daly, a former priest of the archdiocese. Lodging and meals provided, and attendance does not imply further obligation.

Visit www.stpsu.edu/is-god-calling-you or contact Father Patrick Summerhays, director of vocations, (415) 614-5683 smerhays.patrick@sfarch.org.

Archdiocese of San Francisco

The Filipino Ministry of the Archdiocese of San Francisco is inviting the Archdiocesan community to participate in the third annual "Santo Niño Fiesta & Dance Festival," a Filipino devotion honoring the Holy Child Jesus (Santo Niño).

Saturday, January 12, 2019

11:00am Mass

Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption
1111 Gough Street, San Francisco

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WORSHIP

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday evening vigil
5:00pm
Sunday

8:30 & 11:00am, 5:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Friday 6:30am Mass
Mon.- Fri. 8:30am Mass
Saturday
8:30am

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

6:30, 8:30am & 7:00pm

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday, 3:30-4:00pm
Anytime by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday
9:00am-10:00pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is available for all children of St. Charles Parish.
Prior to setting a date for the Baptism, parents are required to attend a Baptismal preparation session and may do so prior to the baby's birth.

R.C.I.A.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

is a process by which adults prepare to enter fully into our faith community through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

It is required that a couple contact one of the parish clergy at least 6 months before the tentative wedding date to begin the preparation process.

Parish Office 591-7349

Office Hours Mon - Fri.
9:00am - 4:30pm

Sunday Parish Office

8:00am - 1:00pm
Rectory

St. Charles School 593-1629

Extended Day Care
593-1629 ext. 312

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesday by 10:00am