



At St. Charles, all are invited to  
meet Christ, know Christ,  
love Christ and serve Christ.

November 5, 2023

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Charles Borromeo | Feast Day November 4



St. Charles Borromeo (1538 - 1584) is most known for living during the time of the Protestant Reformation and helped influence reform of the whole Church during the final years of the Council of Trent.

Although St. Charles Borromeo belonged to nobility, he greatly desired to serve the Church. In 1559, his uncle was elected Pope Pius IV. He made Charles cardinal-deacon and administrator of the Archdiocese of Milan. At the time, Charles was a simple student, but because of his intellectual qualities, he was assigned several important offices connected with the Vatican. After the death of his brother, he decided to become a priest and was ordained at age 25. Soon after he became bishop of Milan.

Quietly working behind the scenes, St. Charles Borromeo is credited with keeping the Council of Trent in session and encouraging the pope to renew the Council in 1562 after its 10-year suspension. Afterwards, he devoted his time to serving in the Archdiocese of Milan.

Among his most important actions during his life, St. Charles Borromeo established seminaries, colleges, and communities for the education of candidates for holy orders. His emphasis on Catholic learning greatly increased the preparation of men for the priesthood and benefited their congregations. He died at the age of 46. ©LPi

Patron Saint of: bishops, catechists, catechumens, seminarians, spiritual directors, spiritual leaders; against ulcers, colic, intestinal disorders, stomach diseases; apple orchards, starch makers; Lombardy, Italy; Monterey, California; São Carlos, Brazil.



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SATURDAY MASS OF ANTICIPATION: 5:00pm

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday - Friday: 8:30am & Saturday: 8:30am

TUESDAY TRADITIONAL MASS

Monthly on the fourth Tuesday at 5:30 pm

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday: 2:00pm – 9:00pm

Tuesday: 2:00pm – 10:00pm

Wednesday: 7:00 – 8:20am and  
9:00am – 3:00pm

Thursday: 7:00 – 8:20am and  
9:00am – 5:00pm

Friday: 9:00am – 6:00pm



## RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:00pm - 4:00pm & Thursdays: 5:00pm - 6:00pm

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

By appointment with Fr. Ken or Fr. Ariel (Call the Parish Office).

ANOINTING MASSES: 2nd & 4th Fridays every month at 8:30 am

OUTREACH SERVICES TEAM: Terri Blazek: 262-367-7608,  
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TO ASK FOR PRAYERS or to be added to the email list, please email:  
prayernetwork@stcharleshartland.org

FOR EMERGENCY PRAYERS, please email:

emergencyprayers@stcharleshartland.org

Printed weekly prayer sheets are available on the information wall.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: if you need food, shelter or assistance call  
262-367-0800 (Parish Office)

## NEED HOME COMMUNION:

For information call 262-367-0800 (Parish Office)

## Mass Intentions for the Week of November 5th



### Sunday, November 5

7:00 am † Jeff Cordie

9:00 am † Holly Sanger

11:00 am Living and Deceased Members of St. Charles

6:00 pm † Bob and Sandie Smith

### Monday, November 6

8:30 am † Barbara J. Clark

### Tuesday, November 7

8:30 am † Donna Metoff

### Wednesday, November 8

8:30 am † Dolores Lompa

### Thursday, November 9

8:30 am † Gertrude Ramlaw

### Friday, November 10

8:30 am † Ron Bacon

### Saturday, November 11

8:30 am † Louise & W. Joseph Weigel

5:00 pm † Jim & Dorothy Zingsheim

### Sunday, November 12

7:00 am Special Intention

9:00 am † Gerald Dorff

11:00 am † Ron Czemierys

6:00 pm Living and Deceased Members of St. Charles



One of the easiest ways to support St. Charles Parish and School is through the secured online e-giving system.



PARISH SUPPORT  
THRU OCTOBER 8TH

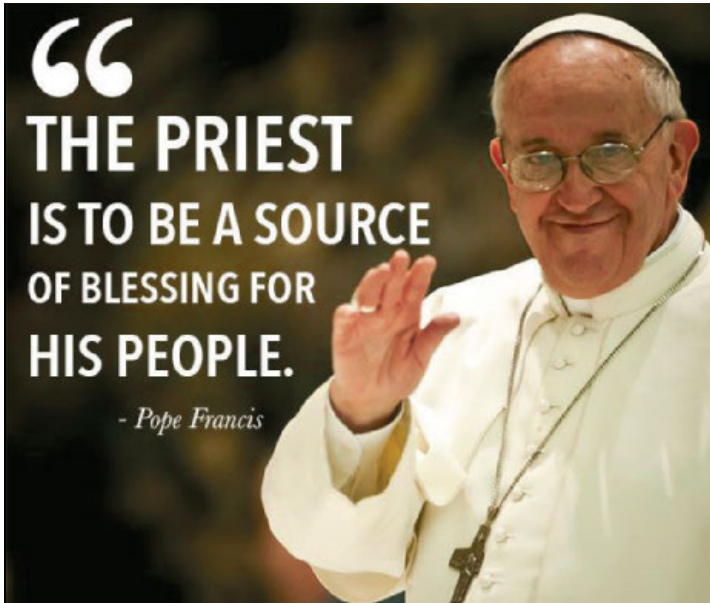
FISCAL YEAR  
JULY 1 THRU JUNE 30

### 2022 - 2023

Envelopes..... \$21,394.28  
Offertory..... \$2,579.41  
Weekend Total ..... \$23,973.69  
E-Giving ..... \$12,269.10  
YTD ..... \$617,793.42

### 2021-2022

Envelopes..... \$17,231.70  
Offertory..... \$1,972.50  
Weekend Total ..... \$19,204.20  
E-Giving ..... \$11,839.60  
YTD ..... \$548,648.28



THIS WEEKEND'S GOSPEL MEDITATION  
31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Last Easter season a new convert to Catholicism at my parish asked me with a grave tone in her voice: "Why do we call priests 'father' if Jesus says, 'Call no man on earth your father, for you have one Father, who is in heaven?'" Thinking myself clever, I asked, "Do you think it's okay to call someone your 'teacher' or 'mister' or 'dad'?" She said, "Yes, I do." I responded, "Well, Jesus seems to forbid that, too. So, it's obviously hyperbole that he's using." She thought for a moment and declared, "Then I will stop using those words, too!" And she walked away. Not the outcome I was seeking.

We shouldn't be too hasty in dismissing this complaint voiced by many non-Catholics. The expression "father" for ordained priests is not honorary for the individual man. The priest's fatherhood doesn't begin or end in him at all. Rather, the title "father" indicates that he is a sacramental sign of God's Fatherhood revealed in Jesus. I can tell you, as a very unworthy bearer of that title, we should give and receive that title with some trepidation (because of God's awesomeness) and with a little sense of humor (because of the lowliness of the men with the title).

The longer I'm a priest, the more I'm comfortable with people not using the title "father" and just calling me "John." After all, only God is Father in the truest sense. At the same time, Jesus has brought the Father close to us, very close. We honor this closeness in some men with the title "father." Who are the priests in your life whom Christ has sent to you? How wonderful that Christ has surrounded us with humble signs of his Father's love. It's good to celebrate that love with gratitude for the priests in our lives.

~ Father John Muir

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**PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE**  
**Lectio Divina**

15 minutes each day spent in God's presence – reading, reflecting, responding and resting with his Word – adds up to 90 hours in one year. That is time well spent and a testimony to how a little at a time turns into something remarkable!

**Sunday, November 12th Readings**

**Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13**

To find readings for the weekdays and/or Feast Days, please visit <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings>.

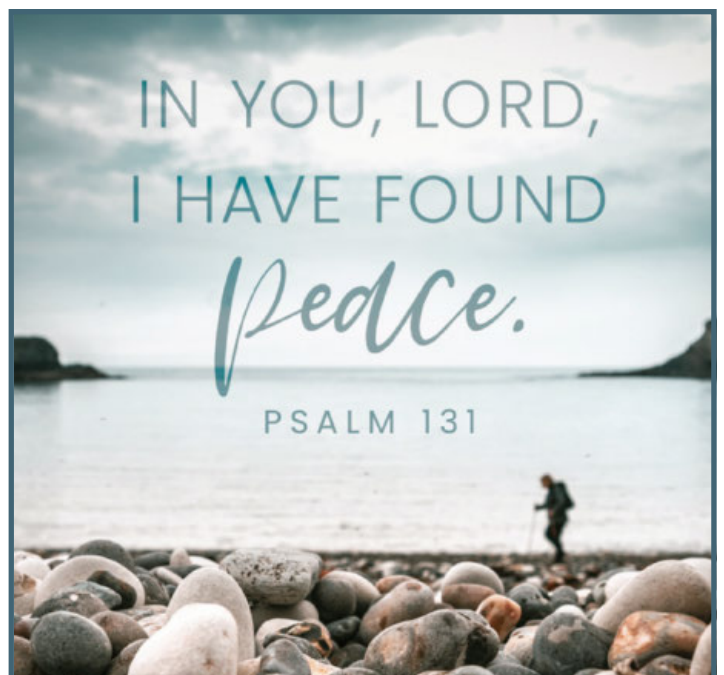
**Reflection questions for Sunday, November 12th**

- Wisdom is presented as a virtue seeking to be found. How might you search for wisdom this week?
- Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be comforted in the belief that believers will be raised from the dead and live eternally with the Lord Jesus. What family members, friends, or co-workers need to hear these words of comfort?
- In the parable of the ten virgins, Jesus is teaching about the importance of being prepared for his Second Coming. In what ways is this directive from Jesus a challenge for you?

**READ. REFLECT. RESPOND. REST.**



*Cut out and keep in your Bible for reference!*



## National Vocation Awareness Week Invites the Faithful to Pray for an Increase in Vocations in the United States

The Catholic Church in the United States will commemorate National Vocation Awareness Week, November 5-11.

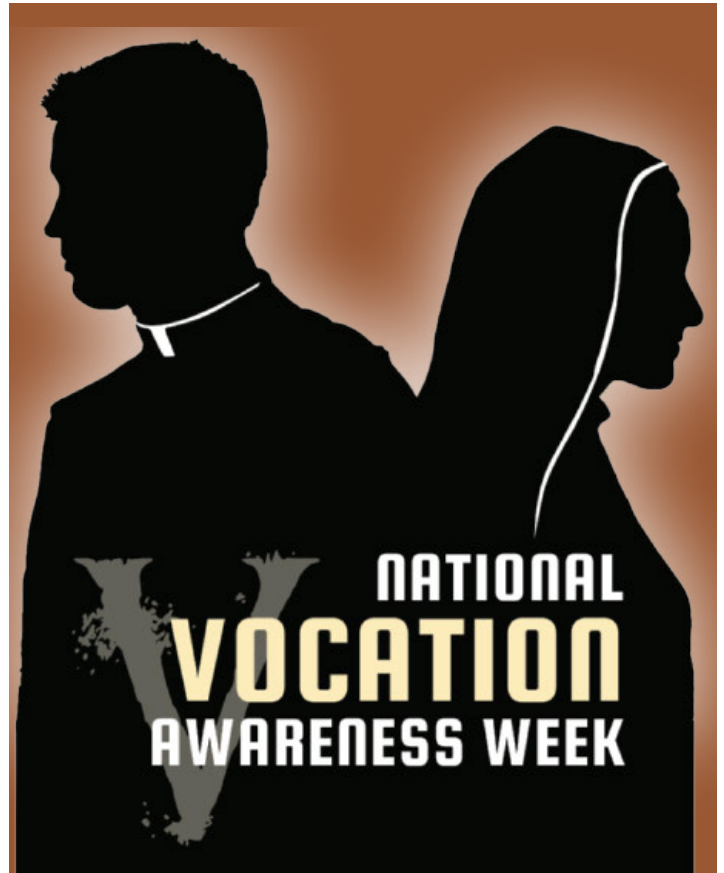
In his message for the 60th anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Pope Francis stated, “Our common vocation to give ourselves in love develops and finds concrete expression in the life of lay men and women, devoted to raising a family as a small domestic church and working as the leaven of the Gospel to renew the different sectors of society; in the testimony of consecrated women and men who are completely committed to God for the sake of their brothers and sisters as a prophetic sign of the kingdom of God; in ordained ministers – deacons, priests, and bishops – placed at the service of preaching, prayer and fostering the communion of the holy People of God.”

Bishop Earl A. Boyea of Lansing, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ (USCCB) Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations (CCLV), expressed his gratitude for holy families, ordained ministers, and consecrated men and women, saying “During this week, the Church gives thanks to God for the faithful example of husbands and wives, and joyful witness of ordained ministers and consecrated persons. We pray that many more men and women will be open to the movement of the Holy Spirit in their hearts as they discern the mission God has for them.”

Bishop Austin A. Vetter of Helena, a member of the CCLV committee, and episcopal liaison to the National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors, National Religious Vocation Conference, and Serra International, emphasized that National Vocation Awareness Week offers us a special opportunity to “redouble our efforts of prayer that young people would be able to hear the voice — the quiet, gentle voice many times — of Jesus inviting them into a vocation as a priest or religious.”

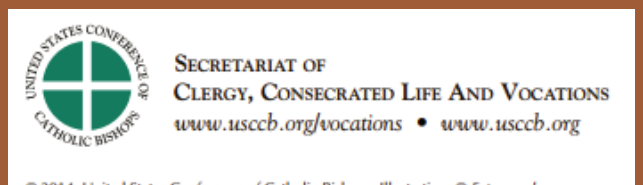
Beginning in 1976, the U.S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year as an opportunity for the Catholic Church in the United States to renew its prayerful support for those discerning an ecclesial vocation. In 2014, the CCLV committee elected to move the week to the first week of November to better engage Catholic educational institutions in the efforts to raise awareness for vocations.

*Resources from the USCCB, as well as the National Religious Vocation Conference, National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors, and the Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious are available on the USCCB website.*



## PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son’s Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



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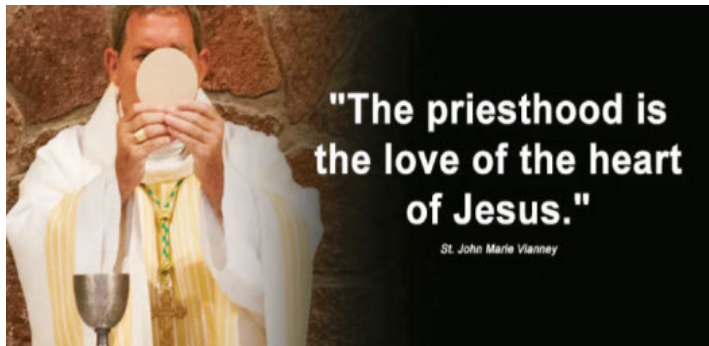
COME  
VISIT  
ME!

### TESTIMONIAL BY PARISHIONER DIANNE MERKEL

About five years ago I was asked to take on a regular Holy Hour of Adoration on Friday afternoons. At the time adoration was closing with the Divine Mercy chaplet and Benediction at 3:00, so I thought the 2:00 hour would be nice. I signed up to help out and serve a need in our parish. Little did I know that this would turn into one of my most cherished and precious times of my week. Spending one hour in the loving presence of Jesus has become a true blessing. Having a designated hour assures that I will be there and helps me with my tendency to procrastinate.

The most important thing for me is drawing closer to Jesus, letting the Holy Spirit guide me and being in His loving Presence, offering up praise and worship. Sometimes I am given just a word to ponder, other times I am spoken to through holy readings, and sometimes I just stare at the Eucharist, trusting Jesus is looking back at me with love. I have used this time to journal my prayers, examine my conscience or pray various devotions all guided by the Holy Spirit. Some of my most moving times are when "I am just still and know that he is Lord," for God whispers to us in the stillness.

Recently I have added an additional hour of devotion on Wednesday mornings. It is prior to my small group. It is amazing as to how much more connected I feel in my small group after spending this time in prayer. I would encourage everyone who is looking for a deeper relationship with the Lord to spend a little undivided time in the intimacy of His true Presence. You will be blessed.



**"The priesthood is  
the love of the heart  
of Jesus."**

*St. John Marie Vianney*

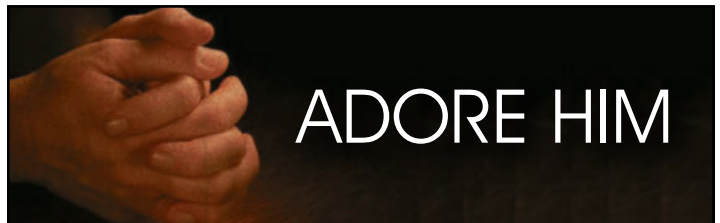
*Come, Grow Closer to Jesus!*

# ENCOUNTER *Jesus*

*Learn and experience how Eucharistic Adoration can transform your life and the life of your family. Fr. Declan Gibson of the Missionaries of the Most Holy Eucharist will lead a Eucharist-centered parish mission.*

## Save-the-Date

DECEMBER 2-5, 2023 AT ST. CHARLES PARISH



# ADORE HIM

All are invited to come and spend some quiet time in prayer in the presence of Our Lord:

Monday: 2:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Tuesday: 2:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Wednesday: 7:00 – 8:20 AM and 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Thursday: 7:00 – 8:20 AM and 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

***We currently have open slots and hope you are inspired to spend time with the Lord.***

We ask for TWO people to commit to adoring our Lord for every scheduled hour each day. Visit the website to sign up!



*Be still  
& know  
THAT I AM  
GOD* PSALM 46:10



## NEW CHURCH TOURS NOVEMBER 11 & 12

We are pleased to report that exterior work on our new church is almost complete. Landscaping work is in progress and will be wrapped up soon. Floors are currently being tiled inside, which are almost complete. We are excited to announce that we will be offering self-guided walking tours of the new church on November 11 and 12 after all Masses so that parishioners can see all of the work that has been done since the tours we had in mid-April. No registration is required. We hope you will join us and see how incredible our new church is!



## REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE SKI CLUB FOR 2024 SEASON

**Students, parents, and all parish members  
are welcome to join!**

First-time beginners for skiing and snowboarding are also encouraged to sign up. Lift tickets, rentals, and optional lessons are at great group rates! The club meets at Little Switzerland in Slinger, and our event dates are on January 12, January 26, February 9, and February 23 from 4-9:30 pm. Visit [stcharles-ski-and-snowboard-club+subscribe@googlegroups.com](https://www.google.com/search?q=stcharles-ski-and-snowboard-club+subscribe@googlegroups.com) to sign up for CLUB emails.



## AN EASY WAY TO SUPPORT ST. CHARLES AND START YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING!

One of the simplest ways to financially support St. Charles Parish and School without spending an extra dime is through RaiseRight, formerly ShopWithScrip. Your everyday expenses for groceries, gas, gifts and dinner out can give back 1% to 15% of your purchase cost to St. Charles. By buying Scrip cards at the parish or online, you are providing a financial boost to St. Charles without spending a single penny more. Some cards are even easily refillable online.

**To help with your holiday gifting you can get your Scrip gift cards after all Masses from the weekends of November 18 & 19 through December 16 & 17 in the Parish Office.**

**Thank you for supporting St. Charles!**

## BULLETIN DUE DATES!

If you have an event(s) you would like to publicize in a November, December and/or January bulletin, please submit your information by the due dates listed below. This earlier deadline is due to the printer's holiday schedule. **Please submit all articles by 8:00 am on the due date.** Thank you!

- Nov. 19th Bulletin information is due Wednesday, Nov. 8th
- Nov. 26th Bulletin information is due Monday, Nov. 13th
- Dec. 3rd Bulletin information is due Monday, Nov. 20th
- Dec. 10th Bulletin information is due Monday, Nov. 27th
- Dec. 17th Bulletin information is due Monday, Dec. 4th
- Dec. 24th Bulletin information is due Monday, Dec. 11th
- Dec. 31st Bulletin information is due Monday, Dec. 18th
- Jan. 7th Bulletin information is due Wednesday, Dec. 20th
- Jan. 14th Bulletin information is due Wednesday, Jan. 3rd







### COME JOIN THE ST. CHARLES CAROLERS!

St. Charles is resuming their joyful tradition of singing Christmas carols at the Hartland Lights Festival on December 1 from 6:00-6:30 pm. Come enjoy holiday activities, support our local businesses, and get your picture taken with Santa. All ages are welcome to come and sing, and families are encouraged to participate together. We will hold a brief rehearsal on Monday evening, November 27 from 6:00-7:00 pm in church. Please contact Dr. Aaron Mathews to RSVP or for more information at [amathews@stcharleshartland.org](mailto:amathews@stcharleshartland.org).



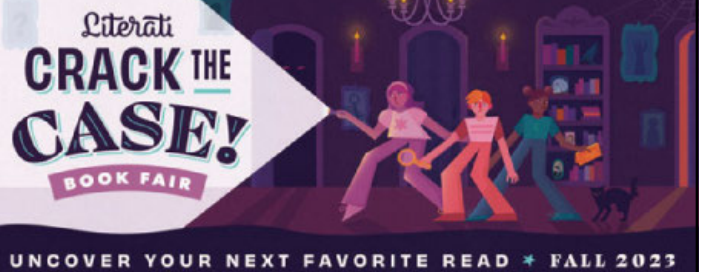
### 2023 HARTLAND LIGHTS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

Hartland's Official Tree Lighting in the Village Square begins with Caroling at the Christmas Tree from 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm sung by St. Charles Carolers and the community. The Tree Lighting is at 6:30 pm. Hartland Fine Arts Leadership Academy sponsors an appearance by Santa Claus and the tree lighting countdown at 6:30 pm. Holiday Festivities continue until 9 pm in participating downtown businesses. Take a free downloadable photo with Santa, a photo opportunity with Anna, Elsa, and Olaf, free horse drawn carriage rides, free decorated bus ride to each business, create a Christmas card for the elderly, glaze a handmade ceramic ornament or Santa cookie plate, get a Henna tattoo and much more!

For more information visit [www.downtownhartland.com](http://www.downtownhartland.com). For direct questions please contact Marlene Millevolte at 262-367-2900 or [lakecountryfinearts@gmail.com](mailto:lakecountryfinearts@gmail.com).

## Trivia night

Registration is now open for Trivia Night on Saturday, November 18 at 7 p.m.! **Parishioners and school families are invited to join.** The cost is \$20 per person, and teams of eight adults will compete. If you do not have a team, you will be added to a group. Please complete the flier with team information and payment to the School Office. In addition, one person from each team must complete the Google form to capture the team name and all team members. Both the Flier and the Google form can be found on the parish or school websites. We hope you will join us!



Our Literati Book Fair is coming soon! School students will be able to visit the fair and purchase items on November 3, 6 and 7, and parents are welcome to shop during Parent/Teacher Conferences on November 8 and 9.

**The Book Fair will also be open before and after all Masses on Saturday, November 4 and Sunday, November 5 in the Borromeo Room.** This is a great opportunity for parishioners to start Christmas shopping while supporting our school!

For more information and/or to check out the online store, please visit the News story on our website.

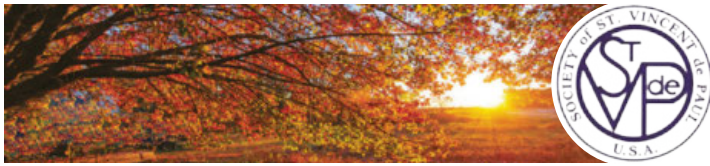


### LUNCH ROOM COORDINATOR NEEDED

Our school is in need of a Lunch Room Coordinator! This position is part-time from approximately 10:45am-1:15pm on weekdays when school is in session. For more information about this role, please contact the School Office at 262-367-2040 or [school@stcharleshartland.org](mailto:school@stcharleshartland.org).



ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY



**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Paper Towels, Chef Boyardee Spaghetti & Meatballs, Ketchup, Cooking Oil, "French Style" Green Beans, Campbells Cream of Mushroom Soup**

In the Gospel today on the Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, we hear the good news that when we keep our focus on God and serve one another, God exalts us! Everywhere we look, it seems we are bombarded with messages that those who have status, money and possessions should be honored and admired. But Jesus reminds us that humility is to be revered and that humbleness is key in our relationships with others and God. As you place your gift in the St. Charles SVDP Poor Box, please say a special prayer for the poor in our community that have no one to pray for them.

If you are in need of assistance or know someone who is in need, please contact us at 262-367-0800. We would like to help! The St. Charles SVDP Food Pantry is located at 229 Lawn Street, Hartland. It is open every Tuesday morning between 10am and noon. It is also open on the second and fourth Tuesday evenings of the month between 5:30pm and 7pm.



FELLOWSHIP WEEKEND - NOV. 4 & 5

Join fellow parishioners THIS WEEKEND for conversation and a donut/snack at Fellowship Weekend in the Parish Hall after all the Masses. A big thank you to St. Charles Outreach Services Team who will be hosting this event and for the sponsors supporting it! Did you know that the St. Charles Outreach Services Team ministers to both local communities and abroad, organizing events and programs that bring together volunteers of all ages to engage in projects that better the living, learning, and general condition of all? Feel free to talk to one of the members serving to find out more about the Outreach Services Team.



ST. CHARLES NIGHT AT  
CULVER'S IN HARTLAND

Monday, November 6th from 5:00-8:00 pm

Mention that you are with St. Charles, and the School receives 10% of the evening's sales! Thanks for your support!

CIRCLE OF LOVE



This past month, several of you wrote wish lists for those in need in our parish community for the Circle of Love Christmas Gift Giving. **TODAY**, everyone has a chance to be a Giver...a

"Secret Santa" by taking a tag off the Miracle Tree located in the Narthex. Please follow the directions attached to the tag. **Bring your wrapped gift back on or before Sunday, December 3rd by Noon.** By doing so, you will make Christmas brighter for a person or family in need!

If you have any questions, please call/text Kathy Gillstrom at 262-370-3306 or email: [kathygillstrom@yahoo.com](mailto:kathygillstrom@yahoo.com).

If you would like to Volunteer for Circle of Love, please call the above phone number or email.



LAKE COUNTRY  
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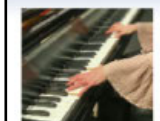


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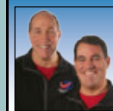
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