

# The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## February 10 & 11, 2024

### **St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Parish**

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### **Mass Schedule & Intentions for February 12-18, 2024**

<b>02/12/24</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
02/13/24	Tuesday	8:00 AM † Meirick Huffman
<b>02/14/24</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	<b>8:15 AM</b> † Dave Donovan
		<b>7:00 PM</b> Darby
02/15/24	Thursday	8:00 AM † Carol Walcker
02/16/24	Friday	8:00 AM † Barry Haydysch
02/17/24	Saturday	4:00 PM People of St. Charles
02/18/24	Sunday	9:30 AM Oscar Olson

### **Ministry Volunteers**

#### **Lectors**

Wed. Feb. 14: 7:00 PM: Jayne Ballwahn

Sat. Feb. 17: 4:00 PM: Kathy Pedretti

Sun. Feb. 18: 9:30 AM: Chris Magnuson

#### **Servers**

Wed. Feb. 14: 7:00 PM: Kanoa, Nalani & Keilana  
Rodgers

Sat. Feb. 17: 4:00 PM: Volunteers

Sun. Feb. 18: 9:30 AM: Ezio Olson; Salvatori  
& Lorenzo Trussoni

#### **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**

Sun. Feb. 11: 9:30 AM: Priscilla Martin

*If you would like to participate as Lector, Server, or  
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion please  
call Tom Jeffers at (608) 689-2683*

#### **Gift Bearers**

Please sign up your family on the sign-up sheet in  
the back of church or contact Kelly Hutchinson.

#### **Rosary Leaders/Volunteer**

Sat. Feb. 17: 4:00 PM: Volunteer

Sun. Feb. 18: 9:30 AM: Volunteer

#### **Sacrificial Giving Tabulation**

Mon. Feb. 12: Ed & Priscilla Martin; Tom  
Naegle

Mon. Feb. 19: Conrad & Nancy Kirby; Keith  
Magnuson

#### **Ushers (February 2024)**

Saturday: John Nicklay & Tim Woodhouse

Sunday: Conrad Kirby & Tom Urbanek

### **Sacraments and Prayer**

#### **Church Hours**

The church is open every day from 7 AM - 7 PM.

#### **Confession**

Saturdays: 3:15 PM - 3:45 PM

Sundays: 8:45 AM - 9:15 AM

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

1<sup>st</sup> Fridays: After the 8 AM Mass

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

**Baptism:** Contact parish at least 2 months prior:  
608-689-2642

**Marriage** Contact parish at least 6 months prior to  
the wedding to schedule a date and preparation  
meetings with the parish priest.

#### **Anointing of the Sick and Homebound**

Inform the parish office at (608) 689-2642 if  
someone is seriously ill and needs the Sacrament  
of the Anointing of the Sick.

**Prayer Requests:** Call 608-689-2642 - requests  
will be passed to Father Sedlacek & the prayer  
chain.

#### **Sacrificial Giving:** February 3 & 4, 2024

<b>Estimated Weekly Need</b>	<b>\$7,032.69</b>
Adult Envelopes	\$4,721.00
Plate Offering	\$ 236.00
Catholic Times	\$ 80.00
Religious Education	\$ 30.00
Human Development	\$ 170.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$5,237.00</b>

## From the Pastor's Desk

### Parish Mission and Ask the Pastor

Peace to you! I hope you are planning on attending one or all three days of our parish mission. We will have three top-notch speakers who will lead us in our efforts to grow as disciples of Jesus. The Parish Mission will be three Sundays in a row and will run from 10:40 am – about 1 pm. It will include a 30-40 minute talk in the church, time for prayer, and fellowship in the parish hall from Noon-1 PM. This is a great event to invite your non-St. Charles friends to attend with you.

We have another great question for our “Ask the Pastor” section of the bulletin. I hope to also bring back our “Real Miracle Stories” (formerly known as “Miracle of the Week”) and “Formed Reviews” sections. Please send to me any miracle stories or reviews of content from Formed to me to share with the rest of the parish!

#### **Ask the Pastor**

Question: “Father, I understand that not all the Psalms were written by David. Do we know how many and which ones? Do we know the authors of the other Psalms?”

Answer: Great question! Yes, we know that not all the Psalms were written by King David, but many of them were. We know this because the book of Psalms tell us. Some of the psalms will have the author in its title, such as Psalm 34, which is entitled “Praise for Deliverance from Trouble, A Psalm of David,” or Psalm 87 which is entitled, “The Joy of Living in Zion, A Psalm of the Sons of Korah.” But many of the psalms do not list their author.

The Book of Psalms (aka, “The Psalter”) is actually a compilation of 5 small books or compilations of sacred hymns and other kinds of poetical compositions, such as prayers for specific liturgical occasions, lamentations, hymns of praise, etc... The psalms were used in, and many were composed for, worship in the Temple. Many or perhaps all of them were sung or chanted. Some of them date back to King David (or perhaps earlier), around 1,000 B.C., and others were written after the Exile, 587-539 B.C. These various compositions were gradually brought together into small collections, then one large collection of 5 books which became the hymnbook of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple (the temple built after the Exile and which existed during the time of Jesus). Christians continued to use the prayers of the Psalter after the example of Jesus Himself. They have always been used extensively in the Sacred Liturgy (Mass) from the time of the Apostles until now.

Although biblical scholars would likely debate about which psalms were written or composed by whom (biblical scholars seem to debate just about every possible topic), seventy three of the 150 psalms are attributed to King David. The other authors were Asaph, the Sons of Korah (who were members of the tribe of Levi who ministered in the Temple), Ethan the Ezrahite, Solomon, and perhaps other anonymous authors.

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us!  
-Fr. Sedlacek

### St. Charles Parish News

#### Ash Wednesday – Feb. 14

Please note that Ash Wednesday is on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> this year. Mass times at St. Charles will be 8:15 AM and 7:00 PM that day.

Ash Wednesday is one of two days when Catholics are required to fast (Good Friday is the 2<sup>nd</sup> day). This means eating only one meal that day. You can have two small “snacks” that together don’t equal a 2<sup>nd</sup> meal. Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent are also days of abstinence from eating meat.

#### St. Charles Parish Mission – Lent 2024

All are welcome to attend our St. Charles mission! A parish mission helps to foster spiritual renewal and growth for the members of our parish (non-parishioners are very welcome!). The parish mission will take place over the course of 3 Sundays after the 9:30 AM Mass, and will include inspiring talks, time for prayer, and fellowship. Here is a tentative schedule of the Parish Mission.

10:45-11:30 am – Talk in church

11:30-Noon – Time for Prayer in church

Noon-1 PM – Fellowship in school gym

Sun., February 18 – *Finding God in Everything* by Chris Rogers

Sun., February 25 – *Putting First Things First: The Keys to Enkindling Deep Devotion to the Eucharist* by Chris Carstens

Sun., March 3 – *Finding Jesus in the Eucharist* by Pat Brueggen

### **Trivia Night! – Sat. Feb 24<sup>th</sup> at St. Charles**

Want to show what you know? Want to have a fun night out with family and friends? Want to meet your fellow parishioners? Have we got a good time for you! The St. Charles School PTO is hosting a Trivia Night as a fundraiser for our school on Saturday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at St. Charles School. All ages are welcome to join in the fun! Topics may include WI landmarks, Green Bay Packers, U.S. states, food, religion, and many more. There will be no buzzers or putting you on the spot. Teams will come up with their answers together and turn in one answer sheet. Teams can be as small as 2 players or as big as 10. The cost is \$10 per player. A simple supper, snacks and drinks can be purchased. Call Mariette Donovan at 608-381-0220 with your team's name, number of players on your team, and contact person's name and phone number. See you there!

### **Flocknote - New Parish Communications tool**

Our parish wants to connect better to parishioners, alumni of our school, and others. And so, we are going to be launching a new communications network with Flocknote. Flocknote is a communications tool tailored specifically for Catholic parishes. Our St. Charles parish Flocknote "network" is being paid for by the Diocesan office of communications. Through it, the parish can send out communications relevant to you much more quickly and effectively, either via email or text message. For example, the weekly bulletin email will be moved over to Flocknote in the near future. There will be more information about Flocknote and how to sign up soon, but Father Sedlacek wanted to give you a head's up.

### **Frances Garden Cemetery Memorial for our Parish Children**

St. Charles installed the Frances Garden section for babies and children in our cemetery 5 years ago. There is a memorial stone for all our parish children who were called from this life at a young age. If you or someone you know who may want to add a name to the memorial stone this year, please contact Fr. Sedlacek or Beth Mitchell [happymitchell04@gmail.com](mailto:happymitchell04@gmail.com). There are also burial spaces for infants, including those lost to miscarriage and stillbirth. We plan to have a memorial/prayer service on Sunday, July 7th.

### **Synod on Synodality – Your Feedback Wanted**

Your input is requested! With the ongoing Synod on Synodality, the Church values your feedback regarding how Church structures and organization further or hinder the Church's mission and how such structures can help all the baptized to respond to the call to proclaim the Gospel. Please take some time to offer consultation using an online questionnaire at <https://forms.office.com/r/SVPGxJChAv>. Consultation must be received by March 20, 2024. Thank you for your participation.

### **Make it the Best Lent Ever with Formed.org**

There are so many resources on Formed to help you make this Lent the best one ever. Search for these titles on your Formed account to watch, read, or listen.

#### **Whole 40: Making a Spiritual Plan for Lent**

*Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent and a great day to make a plan for this holy and grace-filled season. Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. Elizabeth Klein, Professor at the Augustine Institute, to discuss the purpose of the season of Lent, how to prepare for it, and why it is such a fruitful season in our life of faith.*

#### **Living Lent as a Family (4-Part Series)**

*Have you ever wanted to live more liturgically but not known how? We want to help all families by providing these discussions on liturgical living during Lent to be a resource for the Domestic Church—the home. We pray that these discussions bless you and your family.*

**For Kids: Brother Francis** episodes on the Stations of the Cross and Let's Learn about Lent

**Read:** Meditations for Lent, Mary in the Redemption, and The Year and Our Children

**Audio titles:** Confession: Answering Common Objections by Scott Hahn, Freedom Through Forgiveness, The Healing Power of Confession, My Beloved Son: Meditations for Lent, Glimpses Along the Way of the Cross and much much more.

### **Sign up for FORMED**

Formed is sort of like a Catholic Netflix. We have purchased a subscription for our entire parish! Every parishioner of St. Charles can sign up to access quality content to support your faith: video, audiobooks, e-books, movies, kid shows, and more! **Signing up for FORMED is quick and easy.**

1. Go to [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) 2. Search for our parish by Zip Code (54632). Click on our parish "St. Charles Borromeo". 3. Register with your name and email address 4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED!

## St. Charles School News

### Save the Dates!

PTO Meeting: Monday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm in the school gym.

Fish Fries: At St. Charles school on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday, March 22. More details forthcoming!

Trivia Night: Saturday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM. Register your team by calling Mariette Donovan.

Spring Carnival: Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at the school. Volunteers are needed for that day and for set up.

### 2024-2025 St. Charles School Enrollment

Enrollment for St. Charles School is OPEN for new students and new families. Call or email the office for more details and information, or visit our Facebook page or website.

### SCRIP Gift Cards

Earn money back for St. Charles Parish by purchasing gift cards. If you missed the deadline for ordering physical gift cards, you can still purchase cards on the RaiseRight app. Contact Megan Olson with questions: [Mjtrussoni@gmail.com](mailto:Mjtrussoni@gmail.com) or 608-385-7815.

## Other News from the Diocese and our Community

### Retrouvaille – Feb 16-18

Marriage in Distress? No matter how hopeless it seems, forgiveness and trust are possible.

Retrouvaille is a Catholic-based program that helps couples through difficult times in their marriages, some even after separation or divorce. It is not counseling or group therapy. The next program begins with a weekend on February 16-18, 2024 in the Wausau area. Call 1-877-922-HOPE (4673). Fully Confidential. More at [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org)  
*No couple is turned away for lack of finances.*

### St. Patrick Catholic Church Lenten Friday Fish Frys, Onalaska, WI

St. Patrick's School Gymnasium. Corner of 11th and Main St., Onalaska, WI. Serving 5 to 7:30 pm on February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22  
\$15 3-piece Fish Dinner, \$12 2-piece Fish Dinner  
\$9 1-piece fish or grilled cheese dinner. FREE Grilled Cheese dinner to children age 5 and under. Dine-in meals include: Baked or batter-fried Cod, Baked potato or fries, Salad bar, Dinner roll, Coffee or milk. (Beer, wine, soda, and desserts are available for an additional cost.) Carryout Available: Priced as above - coleslaw instead of salad bar.

### Fish Fry at MROC Parish – Feb 16

2006 Weston Street, La Crosse, Friday, February 16, from 4:00 - 7:00 PM, dine-in or carry-out. The price is \$12 for 2-piece and \$14 for 3-piece dinner and includes baked or batter fried fish, baked potato or fries, coleslaw and roll. \$5 kids meal includes grilled cheese, fries, fruit and milk. Beer, wine and desserts available at dine-in for additional cost.

### “the Answer” Eucharistic Rally - June 7

Discover and embrace the gift of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Your whole life, you have been looking for the answer to the meaning of life, your purpose, your dreams, and your difficulties. We have been given the answer to all of it. “the Answer” Eucharistic Rally will be held on June 7, 2024 at the La Crosse Center in La Crosse, WI. This event kicks off the first day that the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will be in the Diocese of La Crosse. The day will include Mass, Adoration, Confession, powerful speakers such as Chris Stefanick, Immaculee Ilibagiza, and Josh Rosa, music from Luke Spehar, and plenty of vendors. The cost for this event is only \$15 per person. This rally is for middle and high school youth, young adults, adults, families, etc. Tickets are now on sale! You can find more information about the event by visiting <https://diolc.org/the-answer>. St. Charles Parish is hoping to bring many parishioners, so please let Fr. Sedlacek know if you are interested.

### “Hope’s Door” Pregnancy and Family Resource Center

Hope’s Door is being planned as a state-of-the-art pregnancy resource center for the La Crosse area. It will be an interfaith, Christ-centered facility that will offer compassionate assistance to women and families, including mentoring and classes, as well as medical resources like ultrasounds and abortion pill reversal treatment. Its services will be in harmony with Catholic teaching. Bishop Callahan is encouraging the faithful to offer their prayers and financial support to Hope’s Door. To see a flyer and brochure, visit [www.diolc.org/respect-life](http://www.diolc.org/respect-life)

## Parish Events Calendar

Wed. Feb. 14: Ash Wednesday. Mass times: 8:15 AM and 7:00 PM.

Sun. Feb. 18: Day 1 of St. Charles Parish Mission. 10:30 AM – 1 PM. Continues Sundays Feb, 25 & March 3

Wed. Feb. 21: Middle School and High School Groups 6:30-8 PM

Sat. Feb. 24: Trivia Night 6 PM at St. Charles School

Mon. Mar. 4: Healing Mass and Prayer Service at Sacred Heart in Cashton. 5:30 Mass.