#### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



### **ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CHURCH**

Mission Statement: As St. Charles Borromeo Parishioners, "We are called to act with justice, to love tenderly and to walk humbly with God." Micah 6:8

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CHURCH

MARCH 23, 2025

21505 Augusta Ave. Port Charlotte, FL 33952 Parish Office: (941) 625-4754 Email: info@stcbc.org School Office: (941) 625-5533

BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS Mon - Fri: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 7:00 AM 9:00 AM, Family Mass 11:00 AM, Choir 1:00 PM, French/Creole 5:30 PM, Youth Mass Weekdays: 8:30 AM Saturday: 8:30 AM

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9:00 AM (Until all are heard)

#### **DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**

Friday: 3:00 PM in the Church followed by Stations of the Cross

#### ROSARY

Mon - Sat: 7:45 AM

### PERPETUAL ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

St. John the Evangelist Chapel in the Ministry Center

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#### PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. John Fitch, Pastor Rev. Philip Scheff, Parochial Vicar Deacon Michael Guy Rev. Francis "Bud" Murhammer, Retired Rev. Don Imming, Seasonal, Retired



### 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

ccerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

There are no strangers here, just friends we have not met!



**VISIT OUR WEBSITE** at www.StCharlesPC.org or by scanning the QR Code above.



### SAINT CHARLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

Whether you are visiting or looking for a spiritual home, we welcome you home to Saint Charles Borromeo Church! Please consider registering as a member of our Parish family at the Parish Office during business hours. Registration forms are on our Parish Website and in the bulletin. Registration is required for participation in the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, and Marriage.

### FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

Fiscal Offerings

March16, 2025: \$14, Last Year: \$13, Year To Date: \$563, Last Year: \$537, Difference: \$26,

\$14,319.00 \$13,292.50 \$563,793.40 \$537,128.25 \$26,665.15

*Thank you* for your continued support!

### SANCTUARY CANDLE

An offering for the Sanctuary Candle Memorial is \$20.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Offerings for Altar flowers are not available during Lent. However, offerings for the Sanctuary Candle and Altar Bread & Wine are still available.





### ALTAR BREAD & WINE

We offer the opportunity for the Altar Bread and Wine to be memorialized for a deceased relative or to honor a loved one. Donations are taken for one week. Please stop by the Parish Office to make arrangements. The suggested donation is \$25 for either the Altar Bread or Wine, or \$50 for both. As a Parish Community, we offer our prayers for the souls of the faithful departed, **Weston Hayes Allshouse, Sheila Freed,** and especially those buried in our Memorial Garden. We pray for those mourning the loss of loved ones. May God strengthen their hope in life everlasting. Amen.

"Behold, Jesus Christ crucified, who is the only foundation of our hope; He is our mediator and advocate; the victim and sacrifice for our sins. He is goodness and patience itself; His mercy is moved by the tears of sinners, and He never refuses pardon and grace to those who ask it with a truly contrite and humbled heart."

> St. Charles Borromeo (1538-1584) St. Charles, pray for us!

"He aquí a Jesucristo crucificado, quien es el único fundamento de nuestra esperanza; Él es nuestro mediador y abogado; la víctima y sacrificio por nuestros pecados. Él es la bondad y la paciencia personificadas; su misericordia se conmueve con las lágrimas de los pecadores, y nunca niega el perdón ni la gracia a quienes los piden con un corazón verdaderamente contrito y humillado." San Carlos Borromeo (1538-1584) San Carlos, jruega por nosotros!



### Mass Intentions

	March 24 <sup>th</sup> - March 30 <sup>th</sup>											
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MONDAY	8:30 AM 🕆	Robert Fitch										
TUESDAY	8:30 AM 🔅	Greater Respect for all Human Life										
WEDNESDAY	8:30 AM 🕆	Dr. Reynaldo Guerra										
THURSDAY	8:30 AM 🕆	William P. Weintraub										
FRIDAY	8:30 AM 🕆	Evelyn Eames										
SATURDAY	8:30 AM 🕆	Ginger Hussey										
Vigil Mass	4:00 PM	People of the Parish										
SUNDAY	7:00 AM 🔅	Priests of the Parish										
Family Mass	9:00 AM 🕆	Reinhold "Ray" Guignet										
Choir Mass	11:00 AM 🔅	Tim Ashline										
Haitian Mass	1:00 PM 🕆	Henry Claude Bernardin										
Youth Mass	5:30 PM 🕆	Dulce Santana										



Join us for Stations of the Cross Every Friday During Lent at 5:00 PM

2025 Celebrating





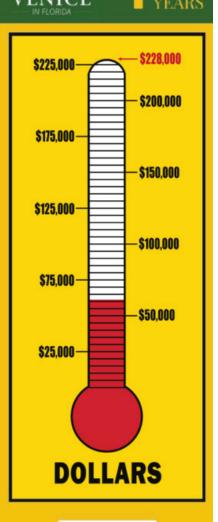
Our Parish community is hopeful that 100% of our registered households will respond to the 2025 Catholic Faith Appeal.

### We are currently at 4.8% participation.

With the support of our Parish community, we will successfully meet and possibly exceed our goal. Please prayerfully consider supporting the Annual Catholic Faith Appeal with a pledge or one-time gift as your means allow.

Your support is much needed and will be greatly appreciated!





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SCAN THE QR TO DONATE TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL TODAY!



### ADORATION CHAPEL HE IS WAITING!

"Those persons are tenderly affected who go to Jerusalem ... but how much greater ought our tenderness be in visiting an altar on which Jesus is present in the Most Holy Sacrament."

St. Alphonsus Ligouri

Immerse yourself in the Real Presence. Allow yourself to be transformed. Become an Adorer.



For more information, scan the QR code or check out our website at: www.stcharlespc.org/adoration.

Or contact Rosemary at (941) 623-9768, or via email at Rosemaryg@stcbc.org.



The "Year of Mission" (July 2024-25) of the 3-year National Eucharistic **Revival has begun!** 

"The love of God has been poured into our hearts and it's the kindness of God that leads us to life-giving repentance."

**Quote from Sister Bethany Madonna** at the National Eucharistic Congress on the importance of the Eucharist.





SVdP is always calling for the following: soups, cereals, pasta and sauce. SVdP would also welcome donations of cars, trucks, and boats.

You can donate to St. Vincent de Paul St. Charles through E-Giving at: https://svdppc.weshareonline.org

Hours: M, W, F 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM 2499 Gates Ave. (941) 625-9784



- Recurring or One-Time
- Easy to Update!

Scan the OR Code to Enroll Today or Visit www.stcharlesp



### Behold the Lamb of Eucharistic Amazement

A Parish Lenten Mission

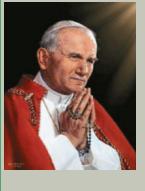
By Sister Joseph Andrew Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist

April 13th - 15th 7:00 PM

Day 1 - In Memoriam: The Wolf And the Lamb Will Lie Down Together (Is. 11:6)

Day 2 - Agnus Dei: Like A Gentle Lamb Led To The Slaughter (Jer. 11:19)

Day 3 - Mary, Mother of the Eucharist: "I Watched As The Lamb Opened The First of Seven Seals... 'Come!' (Rev. 6:1)



Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope in the Footsteps of St. John Paul II

Join us for this inspiring pilgrimage of a lifetime! St. John Paul the Great is known as the Witness to Hope. Visit the places that inspired him, Our Lady of Czestochowa and the Divine Mercy Shrine of St. Faustina, along with some of the most beautiful cities of Central Europe! Departs from Tampa. Contact Fr. Greg Cleveland, OMV at (303) 927-8065 for more information.



### CCW appeal for baby items

Baby items requested for Walking with Moms. The items can be left in a pack n play in the Narthex, March 8<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>, and will be brought to Pregnancy Solutions to distribute to moms in need.

Suggested items are: wipes, diapers (newborn, 4, 6), onesies, new complete

outfits, new bottoms, socks & shoes (all sizes boys and girls), baby & adult hygiene items, baby washcloths & towels, baby books.



Scan the QR code for more info.

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### ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC SCHOOL \$100,000 DRAWING 2025

We've kicked off our annual \$100,000 Drawing!

With your help, \$100,000 will go towards supporting our mission, and up to 10 lucky winners will share \$100,000!

### Tickets are \$100/each

Only 2,000 tickets will be sold! Chances of winning are far greater than the lottery!

Drawing Dinner will be on April 6th, 2025

Best of all, after each ticket is drawn, it's re-entered, giving you multiple chances to win—even the full \$100,000!

Get your tickets now and support St. Charles Borromeo School!

### The school will be selling tickets every weekend in the Church during the month of March.



### **BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW**

(941) 623-9164

www.stcbs.org/drawing

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### JOIN US FOR DINNER \$100,000 DRAWING

Join us for a special night to celebrate the winners of our annual \$100,000 Drawing!

### APRIL 6, 2025 DOORS OPEN AT 5:00PM

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### **BUY YOUR DRAWING** & DINNER TICKETS

- In the Narthex after Mass
- Call us at (941)623-9164
- Visit stcbs.org/drawing
- Stop by the school office at 21505 Augusta Avenue, Port Charlotte, FL

### LIKE OUR BULLETIN? IS IT INFORMATIVE? For comments or suggestions, please send emails to bulletininfo@stcbc.org.

**DINNER TICKET: \$25** (ONLY 250 DINNER TICKETS AVAILABLE)

DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT

**5:30PM AND WILL INCLUDE:** 

WINNING TICKETS WILL BE

**DRAWN AT 6:30PM** 

Pasta Dish

Drink Dessert

Italian Salad

**Garlic Bread** 

### SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC SCHOOL Academic Excellence for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Disciples

On Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, we were blessed as Bishop Dewane visited our school and celebrated Mass with our children. After Mass, he spoke with our 8<sup>th</sup> graders and shared with them some of his personal experiences as well as his journey to the priesthood and appointment as Bishop



of the Diocese of Venice. We pray he may have inspired some future vocations.

Thank you Bishop Dewane!











o.com/eucharistic-conference armation contact Jim Gontis at gontis@dioceseofvenice.org

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## ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC SCHOOL

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE FOR 21ST CENTURY DISCIPLES

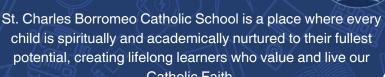
For over 60 years, St. Charles has created a disciplined, caring, and loving environment where students acquire a solid foundation in faith, academics, morals, and values.



### Academic Excellence for 21st Century Disciples:

- New, state of the art Gymnasium and Center for Science and Engineering
- STREAM certified school (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art, Mathematics)
- 3 year old and VPK program
- Christ-centered education based on Gospel values
- Educate the whole child, mind, heart and soul
- Nurturing, family like classroom environment
- Emphasis on critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity
- Sports teams soccer, flag football, basketball, volleyball, cross country
- Art, drama, band, robotics
- Early morning and after care programs
- Florida Step Up for Students and VPK Vouchers available
- · Rigorous, standards-based curriculum in math, science, language arts, and social studies

Amy Barron, Principal Annie Willis, Admissions Director



Catholic Faith.

### AT A GLANCE

98.9%

U.S. GRADUATION RATE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

### 85.2%

CATHOLIC SCHOOL GRADUATES WHO ATTEND A 4-YEAR COLLEGE



BASED ON NAEP RESULTS, CATHOLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS TYPICALLY SCORE HIGHER IN BOTH READING AND MATH COMPARED TO PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS AT BOTH ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVELS.



STUDIES SHOW THAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS TEND TO EXPRESS GREATER ACADEMIC CONFIDENCE COMPARED TO PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS.

### Connect with us!



21505 Augusta Ave Port Charlotte, FL 33952

www.stcbs.org



Easter Egg Hunt

With Easter rapidly approaching, the Religious Education Office is in need of plastic Easter Eggs and candy to put in them for the Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday morning. (No chocolate



Please bring your donations to the Parish Office or the Ministry Center.

please as it may melt.)

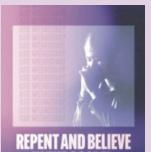


Easter Flower Memorials

The Youth Group will be in the Narthex before and after all Masses this weekend to accept Easter Flower Memorial donations along with the names of friends and loved ones you would like to remember or honor.

> Please carefully print the names so they can be acknowledged CORRECTLY in the bulletin.

### Lenten Penance Servíces



IN THE GOSPEL

San Antonio Parish Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM

San Pedro, North Port 24 hours of Confession after the 8:30 AM Mass on Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup> until the 8:30 AM Mass on Saturday, March 29th

St. Charles Borromeo Monday, April 7th 5:00 PM

In addition, Reconciliation will be held at all parishes in the **Diocese of Venice:** Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM - Noon



Scan the QR code for more info.



### Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Dinners

Each Friday (excluding Good Friday), the Knights will be serving a fish dinner in the Parish Center from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM. Tickets are \$15 per person and will be sold at the door.

> The menu includes a choice of: Fish & Chips, Fried Shrimp, Fish & Shrimp, Baked Fish.

Sides include french fries, coleslaw, green beans, dinner roll and dessert.

Come and enjoy a Friday dinner out while dining with fellow parishioners.

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Lobbyists in Florida are promoting assisted suicide. The Florida Endof-Life Options Act was introduced in the legislature in February as announced on deathwithdignity.org. If activists have their way, we will be a vacation site for those who want to kill the old and infirm.

In North America, nine American States, D.C., and Canada have legalized euthanasia. A similar number of European countries also

allow life-ending procedures. Now, Italy seems on the verge of joining this macabre cult. On February 11, the Tuscany Regional Council approved a bill on medically assisted suicide. "Cardinal Paolo Lojudice, Archbishop of Siena and president of the Tuscan Episcopal Conference, expressed his disappointment." (lifesitenews.com, 2/13/2025)

### We must prepare for the good fight, and keep this out of Florida.

Abortions dropped in Florida during 2024 since the heartbeat bill became law in May, but we still see too many early medical abortions. Please spiritually adopt *Sebastian*, *Nora, and River.* 

For more information or to join this most important ministry, please contact Gary at (618) 841-8073 or via email at garybutson47@gmail.com





### RESPETAR LA VIDA "ENCANTO" TOSCANO

Los grupos de presión en Florida promueven el suicidio asistido. La Ley de Opciones para el Fin de la Vida de Florida se presentó en la legislatura en febrero, como se anunció en deathwithdignity.org. Si los activistas se salen con la suya, seremos un lugar de vacaciones para

quienes desean matar a los ancianos y enfermos.

En Norteamérica, ocho estados, Washington D. C. y Canadá han legalizado la eutanasia. Un número similar de países europeos también permiten procedimientos para terminar con la vida. Ahora, Italia parece estar a punto de unirse a este **macabro culto**. El 11 de febrero, el Consejo Regional de Toscana aprobó un proyecto de ley sobre el suicidio médicamente asistido. **«El cardenal Paolo Lojudice**, arzobispo de Siena y presidente de la Conferencia Episcopal Toscana, expresó su decepción». (lifesitenews.com, 13/2/2025)

### Debemos prepararnos para la buena lucha y mantener esto fuera de Florida.

Los abortos disminuyeron en Florida durante 2024 desde que se promulgó la ley sobre el latido del corazón en mayo, pero aún vemos demasiados abortos médicos tempranos. Por favor, adopte espiritualmente a *Sebastián, Nora y Río*.

Para obtener más información o unirse a este ministerio tan importante, comuníquese con Gary al (618) 841-8073 o por correo electrónico a garybutson47@gmail.com.



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