Saint Charles Parish

South San Diego/ Imperial Beach

December 9, 2012

Second Sunday of Advent (C)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:	8:00 AM & 5:00 PM (Vigil Mass)
Sunday:	7:00, 8:30, 10:00 AM,
	11:30 AM (Spanish),
	1:00 & 5:00 PM
Weekdays:	7:30 AM & 5:30PM
Holy Days:	5:30 PM

DEVOTIONS

Monday-Friday: Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer 7:00AM; Evening Prayer 5:00PM)

Tuesday: To the Blessed Mother after 7:30 AM Mass.

First Friday: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after 7:30 AM Mass until 5:00 PM Benediction. Grupo de Oración at 7:00 PM.

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 PM

& other days by appointment

BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Office. Pre-baptismal classes are required for Parents and Godparents.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish office. Nine-month notice required.

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday
8:30AM-12:00PM & 12:30-5:00PM
Friday
8:30AM-12:00PM & 12:30-4:00PM
Saturday
8:30AM-12:30PM

Web Site: http://www.saintcharles.org

Bishop: Most Rev. Robert H. Brom
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PARISH RELATED GROUPS & MINISTRIES

For more information please go to
http://www.saintcharles.org

OFFICE STAFF

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From the Pastor

Judging from the readings for today's Mass it seems as if it is time for some road work and construction. Now, before you get your picks and shovels ready, the Scriptures are talking about preparing a road for God to our souls. Quoting the Prophet Isaiah, St. John the Baptist cries out:

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

This is the reason the Church give us this beautiful time of Advent: to prepare for the coming of the Lord. Now, did you notice I said "Advent" and not "Christmas"? Why is that? Because Christmas doesn't come for three weeks and we are not in the Christmas Season. I know, I know, they had Christmas stuff in the stores before Thanksgiving and your neighbors put up their decorations Friday after Thanksgiving (our neighbor actually started the day after Halloween!). Regardless of what the world around us is doing, we Catholics treat this season almost like a shorter version of Lent. Or at least we should.

Preparing the way of the Lord means filling in the valleys left by sin. Perhaps you'd care to come to our parish penance service on December 17, at 7:00 pm. There will be about 15 priests available for confession.

Leveling the mountains means getting over ourselves and keeping our earthly desires in check. Maybe some type of penance is in order for the remainder of Advent, such as, giving up meat, television, or starting an exercise routine.

Straighten out the winding roads through attentive and focused prayer such as daily Mass, the Bible, Rosary, or adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Finally, making the rough ways smooth may mean for each of us to offer an olive branch and patch up those "rocky" relationships of the past. We should never be the last ones to say "I'm sorry" or "I forgive you".

Try these and see if you aren't ready for the coming of our Lord.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

Mass Intentions for the week

DECEMBER 9-15

SUN 9	7:00AM	For the members of the Holy Name Society
	7:00AM	For the deceased members of the Holy Name Society
	8:30AM	+Josephine T. Ada
	8:30AM	Thanksgiving of Norma R. Tancangco
	10:00AM	Happy Birthday Bernie Perez JR.
	10:00AM	Thanksgiving Alex & Frida Dimalanta & Family
	11:30AM	Asociacion de Guadalupanas
	11:30AM	+Rose Wagner
	1:00PM	For the Intentions of Our Parishioners
	1:00PM	+Ana Maria Mas
	5:00PM	+Amando, Juliana & Danilo Crisostomo
	5:00PM	+Victoriano & Igleseria Isotto Capuyan
MON 10	7:30AM	+Danny Domaguin
	7:30AM	+Marisol Heym
	5:30PM	Happy Birthday Rosario Baez
	5:30PM	Happy Birthday Alberto Lopez
TUE 11	7:30AM	+Danny Domaguin
	7:30AM	+John O`rourke
	5:30PM	Happy 25th Anniversary Msgr. Edilfredo Ruiz Cruz
	5:30PM	Thanksgiving Milagros G. Jimenez & Family
WED 12	7:30AM	Happy Birthday Ronalyn C. Garcia
	7:30AM	Thanksgiving Maria Gobasco
	5:30PM	Thanksgiving Melissa de Jesus
	5:30PM	+David Raya
THU 13	7:30AM	+Francisco Pedro Cruz
	7:30AM	+Pauline Simi
	5:30PM	+Jorge Moreno
	5:30PM	+Amelita Fernando Zablan
FRI 14	7:30AM	+Inocencio & Maria Capin Batucan
	7:30AM	+ Ana Martinez
	5:30PM	+Beatrice Estrada
	5:30PM	+Yvonne Marie Smith
SAT 15	8:00AM	St. Charles Rosary Makers
	8:00AM	Happy Birthday Dionisio Paje
	5:00PM	+Joan Kavanagh
	5:00PM	+Juan Gloria & Pedro Segundera

Pray for ...

Our Parishioners in Poor Health;

Rosita Solis, Cora Jarmanila, Julito Dompor, Salvador Valencia, Francisco Lopez, Michel Morrison, Dolores Sipin, Helen Guintu, Milagros Vandiver, Bryan O'Donnell, Paul Bell, Andy Wong, Reynaldo Elbo, Rosina Rosales, Victor & Peggy Stewart, Dorothy Hernandez, Rosita Solis, Frances Baker, Jovita Esguerra, Paul & Mary Odermatt, Leticia Diaz, Porfirio Mendoza, Jean Sapida, Josue Bigornia, Romeo Veniegas, Larry Onia, Rodolfo, Leonore Haack, Elena Martinez, Rafael Martinez, Raul Martinez, Mary Martinez, Ronnie McGurk, Shane McGurk, Allison McGurk, Aiden McGurk, Philip Avila, Victor Stewart, Mariana Tadena, Frederick Weber, Bill Stoke, Claude Janowicz, Madhur Sairn, Lourdes Pecundo, Florendo Joya, and Sylvia Masanque.

SCHOOL NEWS:

Attention all Parish Community!! Tickets are now on sale for our annual themed dinner/dance. Come and join us on February 9th for our Roaring Twenties Themed Dinner/ Dance. Tickets - Donation of $30.00 each or $250 per 10 person table. Tickets are limited. How would you like to have an extra $10,000 in your pocket?? Our famous draw/ down tickets are now available for a $100.00 donation. Only 300 tickets are printed. Winner will be announced at dinner/ dance. Winner does not need to be present to win. Please contact our front office at 619-423-3701 to order your tickets. Don't miss out.

Now accepting applications for upcoming 2013-14 school year!

Capital Campaign Update - We Need You!

Thanks to the generosity of 219 families, we have received pledges totaling $686,797 - that's an average pledge of $78/ month over 40 months. We are 42.9% of the way to our $1.6 million goal, so keep those pledge envelopes coming! St. Charles' Revitalization Plan includes a new Preschool, Rectory, Pastoral Center, Prayer Garden, Main Courtyard, Expanded Parking and improvements to our existing buildings. If you have any questions, please contact Veronica at the Parish Office (619) 423-0242

The Spanish Marriage Encounter Group will host the Bake Sale, **TODAY** at the West Patio. Bond with fellow parishioners over a cup of coffee, delicious baked goods and other delicious foods. **The Spanish Marriage Encounter Group** will host the bake sale next week December 16, 2012.

Please join us for our St. Charles Christmas Party and Dinner/Dance. This semi-formal affair will be held at Anchors Catering & Conference Center, 2375 Recreation Way/ Yama Street, Bldg. #3210, San Diego, on December 14, 2012 @ 6PM. Tickets are only $35.00 and include a wonderful night of food, entertainment and dancing. We hope to see you there!

The Young Adult Ministry is hosting "The Giving Tree." Celebrate the true meaning of Christmas and give to our Parish families in need. Stop by the West Patio to pick a star from the tree and give a toy to a child in need. Monetary donations may be put in an envelope labeled "The Giving Tree" and dropped off in the collection basket at Mass. Last day to drop off toys is Sunday, December 16 at West Patio or Thursday, December 20 at Catechetical Office. Thank you in advance for your kind generosity!

South Bay Deanery
2012 Advent Penance Service

St. Michael, Paradise Hills	Dec 10	-	7:00 pm
Mater Dei, Chula Vista	Dec 11	-	6:30 pm
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	Dec 14	-	7:00 pm
St. Charles, Imperial Beach	Dec 17	-	7:00 pm
Our Lady of Guadalupe, CV	Dec 18	-	7:00 pm
St. Rose of Lima, Chula Vista	Dec 19	-	7:00 pm

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS: We are now accepting registration for parishioners aged 18 and older (not attending high school) for the preparation of the Sacrament of Confirmation. This special adult faith formation class will start on January 13, 2013 (every Sunday) until June 2, 2013, from 11:15am to 12:45pm at the Catechetical Ministry Center. The registration fee is $25.00. A copy of baptismal certificate is required. For more information, please contact the Catechetical Center at 619-575-2240.

Give to those who have given a lifetime. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests worked for many years for little, if any, pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate saving for retirement. Your gift to today's second collection for the **Retirement Fund for Religious** helps provide prescription medications, nursing care, and more for thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous.

The Novena for Our Lady of Guadalupe: is at 6:00PM until Tuesday, Dec. 11th. We will end with Las Mañanitas on Wednesday, Dec. 12th, at 5AM at St. Charles Parish.

The Boy Scouts will be outside the doors after all the morning Masses **TODAY** selling newspapers. Please support the **Scouts**!

SAVE THE DATE: St. Charles is having a Christmas Craft Bazaar, Sunday, Dec 16th 9-3pm in the Parish Hall. There will be lots of lovely handcrafted goods, food & fun. Get your Christmas shopping done at the St Charles Christmas Craft Bazaar. If you are a crafter and would like information on a booth, please contact the parish office @ 619-423-0242.

Reserve your place for the **St. Charles New Year's Eve Dinner Dance** on December 31. Tickets are available at the rectory or see one of the Knights of Columbus Officers. Tickets are $15.

Collection Report for December 2, 2012 **$19,933.00**
May God bless you more for your sacrificial gift and ever generous support of St. Charles Parish.

Del Pastor

Juzgando por las lecturas de la Misa de hoy parece como si que es tiempo para algún trabajo de construcción. Ahora, antes de que empiecen a tomar los picos y las palas, las Escrituras están hablando de preparar el camino hacia Dios en nuestras almas. Citando al Profeta Isaías, el San Juan el Bautista grita:

"Preparen el camino del Señor, hagan derechos sus senderos. Cada valle se llenara y cada montaña y colina se nivelaran. Los caminos sinuosos serán derechos, y los caminos ásperos serán suaves, y toda la carne verá la salvación de Dios".

Esta es la razón que la Iglesia nos da este hermoso tiempo de Adviento: para prepararnos para la venida del Señor. ¿Ahora, notaron que dije "Aviento" y no "Navidad"? ¿Por qué es eso? Porque la Navidad no viene hasta en tres semanas y nosotros no estamos en la estación de navidad. Ya sé, ya sé, que hay cosas de Navidad en las tiendas antes de Acción de gracias y sus vecinos ponen sus decoraciones el viernes después de Acción de gracias (nuestro vecino comenzó realmente el día después de la Víspera de Todos los Santos!). A pesar de lo que el mundo alrededor nuestro haga, nosotros los católicos tratamos esta temporada casi como una versión más corta de Cuaresma. O por lo menos deberíamos.

Preparar el camino del Señor significa llenar los valles dejados por el pecado. Quizás querrían venir a nuestro servicio penitencial de la parroquia el 17 de diciembre, a las 7:00 de la tarde. Habrá aproximadamente 15 sacerdotes disponibles para la confesión.

Nivelar las montañas significa dejar de pensar en nosotros mismos y mantener nuestros deseos terrenales en el mente. Quizá algún tipo de penitencia está a la orden por el resto de Adviento como por ejemplo, dejar de comer carne, dejar de ver la televisión, o comenzar una rutina de ejercicios.

Enderezar los caminos sinuosos a través de oración atenta y enfocada como ir a Misa diariamente, leer la Biblia, rezar el Rosario, o como la adoración del Bendito Sacramento.

Por último, hacer de los caminos ásperos mas suaves puede significar para cada uno de nosotros ofrecer una rama de olivo y remendar esas relaciones "rocosas" del pasado. Nosotros nunca debemos ser los últimos en decir "lo siento" ni "te perdono".

Trate estos y vea si usted no está listo para la venida de nuestro Señor.

Colecta del 2 de Diciembre, 2012 **$19,933.00**
Que Dios los bendiga por sus generosas ofrendas y su eterna generosidad para la Parroquia de San Carlos.

Servicio Penitencial de Adviento 2012

El servicio Penitencial de Nuestra Parroquia se llevara acabo el Lunes 17 de Diciembre, a las 7:00PM. Si no puede asistir ese día, habrá servicios en otras iglesias, la lista completa esta en la pagina 3 de este boletín.

El Grupo de Encuentro de Matrimonios tendrá venta de Pastelitos y comida **HOY** en el Patio. **El Grupo de Encuentro de Matrimonios** tendrá venta el próximo domingo 16 de Diciembre.

Grupo de parejas San Carlos les invita a su tradicional a su venta de comida mexicana: Tamales de carne de res y de pollo, ricos Tacos de carne asada con su rica salsa. Puedes pre-ordenar tamales $20 por docena a mas tardar el Jueves 13 de Diciembre, en la oficina 619-423-0242 o con Maribel al 619-428-0445.

La NOVENA de Nuestra Señora de Guadalup: es a las 6:00PM, hasta el Martes, 11 de Diciembre, terminamos el Miércoles, 12 de Diciembre a las 5:00AM, con Las Mañanitas @ St. Charles.

Acompáñenos a nuestra Fiesta de Navidad Anual de San Carlos Cena/Baile. Este evento es semi formal y se llevara a cabo en Anchors Catering & Conference Center, 2375 Recreation Way/Yama Street, Bldg. #3210, San Diego, el 14 de diciembre de 2012 @ 6:00P.M. Los boletos son de sólo $35.00 e incluyen una noche maravillosa de cena, entretenimiento y baile. ¡Esperamos verlo allí!

Done a aquellos que dieron toda una vida. Hermanas, hermanos y sacerdotes católicos de ordenes religiosas laboraron por muchos años con poco o ningún pago. Sus sacrificios ahora dejan a sus comunidades religiosas sin ahorros suficientes para su jubilación. Su donativo a la segunda colecta de hoy destinada al **Fondo para la Jubilación de Religiosos** proporciona fondos vitales que costean los medicamentos, enfermeros y mas, para miles de religiosos ancianos. Sean generosos.

¡Actualización de la Campaña Capital-Los Necesitamos!

Gracias a la generosidad de 219 familias, hemos recibido compromisos que totalizan $686,797 - que es un compromiso medio de $78/mes por 40 meses. ¡Estamos al 42.9% de la meta de $1.6 millones del objetivo, así que mantengamos ésos sobres de compromiso viniendo! El Plan de Revitalización de San Carlos incluye un nuevo jardín de niños, la Rectoría, Centro Pastoral, Jardín de Oración, Patio Principal, Expansión del Estacionamiento y mejoras a nuestros edificios existentes. Si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor contacte a Verónica en la Oficina Parroquial (619) 423-0242.