St. Charles Borromeo
1315 Lomitas Avenue - Livermore, CA 94550-6441

“Not a Place Where...But a People Who…”

“Together we share faith in Jesus, live the Gospel, and care for others.”

Weekend Mass Times
Saturday 5:00PM
Sunday 7:30AM, 9:30AM & 11:30AM
(9:30AM Sunday Mass is live-streamed for viewing at home live or during the week. Visit our website for the link.)

Weekdays - Chapel
Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM
Friday - Communion Service 9:00 AM

Holy Days
9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays, 4:00-4:30PM

Anointing of the Sick
For Individual (non-emergency) Anointing call the rectory 447-4549 x105 for appointment

Sacrament of Marriage: Discuss with Pastor six months prior.

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Parish Phone:.................925/447-4549

To Reach a Priest after hours for Medical Emergency ONLY
447-4549 press option 9
Leave a clear message & phone number to call back.

Infant Baptism: Call parish office for info x101. Pre-Baptism Class required for Parents & Godparents.

Bulletin Articles: Email to Mary@stcharlesborromeo.org. Info for deadlines is found on page 6.

Parish Website: www.stcharleslivermore.org
My Easter message to all of us at Saint Charles Borromeo was “Jesus Christ is Alive; and so should you be.” The thought of Jesus Christ as someone who is “alive” must empower us to move away from or through the crippling experiences we (individuals or families) are experiencing due to the coronavirus pandemic. These experiences may want to keep us in a state of perpetual depression, confusion, disappointment, hopelessness, grief, fear, darkness, terror, doubt like Thomas, sin and death. The reality and the Good News of Easter enlivens – breathes life – into us again as God breathed into the first human who became a human soul and alive. This Second Sunday of Easter qualifies my Easter message: If we are to arise and be alive like Jesus, we must believe that the Christ of Faith is actually alive inside of us, in thoughts and in our actions.

Thomas’ doubt in today’s gospel story, on this Second Sunday of Easter, reminds us that it is possible to second-guess that we can actually experience God without physically seeing God. For example, we might be missing the physical persons and things like physical services and the sacramentals so strongly that their disappearance may make us feel we have lost God as well. Such absolute association of God to physical things can lead us to be afraid of the physical virus and the physical death it can cause; we would experience the death of our loved-ones in disbelief that God is truly present, let alone, that God even loves us. Like Thomas, we may disbelieve there is a new life to live for us. In these our miserable, terrible, frightening, physically deadly, boring and vulnerable days, the promise of Jesus of a new life experience appears too good to be true or believable! Thomas is a reminder to us. In other words, even though we have just celebrated the fact that Jesus Christ is Risen, alive and calls us to live, moving on and living like him would neither be sudden nor happen without hesitation. This COVID-19 pandemic then brings challenges and fear that can stop us from believing that the risen and glorious life of Christ is available and accessible to us.

This brings us back to our Easter message, “Jesus Christ is Alive; so should you be.” We must arise and live, but our arising and living again has only begun; it is not finished; it is a work in progress; hence we must keep it moving one-day-at-a-time. Thomas’ experience is a reminder or warning to us not to be unaware and expect a magical and sudden relief from the crisis of faith and other experiences of this pandemic. Instead, we must keep awake... as Jesus told Thomas to “not be unbelieving but believe” (John 20:27c). Unbelieving in the spiritual Christ can cripple us, and it can bring us to a frozen state of inertia in times like our own. Unbelieving can also blind us from seeing the way God is opening for us ahead to survive in our faith; unbelieving can kill our hope in God’s abiding and abundant mercy and grace to help us. If we can’t recognize that “Divine Mercy, Grace and forgiveness are available and present in your heart and at home when you repent, then no amount of drive-through confessions you make can heal you. There would be no life to live in your home if you don’t believe that God is and can be there.

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- **For Medical Emergencies ONLY**, call the parish number and choose option 9 (emergency phone message). Leave a clear message and call-back number. For any non-emergency calls to Fr. Kwame use his office ext. 105.

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**Announcements**


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**Fr. Kwame** will be celebrating the 9AM Mass, Monday-Friday, as well as the Sunday 9:30AM Mass. (Privately)

All requested Mass intentions will be honored. The Mass intentions for the Saturday and Sunday Masses will be honored at the 9:30AM Sunday Livestream Mass.

Follow along at [www.stcharleslivermore.org/watch](http://www.stcharleslivermore.org/watch)

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**We honor those who have Annual Requests first. If possible, we would appreciate all Annual Requests be pre-paid in 2020. Thank you!**

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**Rest In Peace**

All the Faithful Departed
In view of the warning that we can lose the new life Jesus gives us when we doubt or are challenged, we must keep that message alive in our hearts and never forget it. Remember, this is the reason why the early Christians used the slogan “Jesus is Risen” or “Jesus Lives” as their creed before the 4th through the 5th Centuries. We too must always recall, intimate, learn and be inspired by the resurrection and life of Jesus to drive us into rising from our dead experiences, feelings, and emotions that COVID-19 has brought upon us.

In conclusion, and for the above reason, I would like to thank all our parishioners and benefactors who contributed their time, talent, and treasure to see us celebrate this year’s Easter. I acknowledge especially all parishioners, friends and families who joined us on live-video to celebrate. We had an inspiring Triduum and Easter Sunday celebrations thanks to our staff: Deacon Gil Pesquiera, Deacon Dave Cloyne, Karen Miller, Margaret Riley, Anthony Ta, Ed Quindipan, Hannah Newell, Angela Schweig, Bob Lindberg, Mary Hengl, Jim Oliver, Meredith Gatzman, Carmela Chy, Martha Garcia, Kelsey Szenderski, and Alyssa Swinkels. A big “Thank You” to Mary Fair, Michele and Dick Shimada, who came out to decorate the Church environment to enrich our celebrations. May God replenish your energies to continue moving forward our parish family not only in these pandemic times, but to keep us always as Easter People: always fresh, believing and alive. Have a blessed Easter Season.

Fr. Kwame

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**Easter Memorial Flowers**

**In Loving Memory of:**
- Phil & Rose Eibelsheuser, Madeline Kiernan, and Candura Family
- Charles & Helen Valente, Fred & Kay Wagner, Carl, Victoria, & Michelle Paoni
- Madeline & Oliver Tonda, and Bernel & Joseph Helfrich
- Ann & Dana Bradley, and Nick & Mary Panaro
- Bob Herrick, and Lil & Ditch Thompson
- Rudy D’Ambra
- Tony Giannotti
- Greg Hayes
- Edward Perry
- Leo Giuliani
- Norman Klino, Joe & Rosa Gonsalves, and Leonor Costa
- Norman Marciel
- The Micheli & Minoggio Families
- Murray & Cardoza Families
- Adolph, Helen, & Sue Hengl, and Barbara Aylward

**Remembered By:**
- Sandy Sladek
- Buzz & Linda Valente
- Joe & Kathy Helfrich
- Scott & Michelle Bradley
- Betty Herrick & Family
- Lucy D’Ambra
- Irma Giannotti Family
- Kelli Hayes
- Deanna Perry & Family
- Giuliani Family
- Betty Klino & Family
- Marciel Family
- Diane Micheli
- Carole Murray & Family
- Mary Hengl & Family

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Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.
A PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION
(Pray at communion time when you watch our live-streamed Masses)

Dear Jesus,

I (we) believe that you suffered,
died, and rose from death to save us.
I (we) believe that you are fully present
in the bread that is blessed and broken,
and the wine that is blessed and poured out
in the sacrament of the Eucharist.
Thank you for making me (us) a part of you,
the mystical Body of Christ, the Church.
Renew in me (us) your sacrificial presence,
and let me (us) be united with you at this moment,
So that, in all my (our) thoughts, words, and actions,
I (we) may represent you,
and love others as you love me (us).
Amen.

Prayer by Fr. Kwame Assenyoh, Parochial Administrator of Saint Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, Livermore, CA. Check our website for Sunday 9:30am/Weekday 9am Livestreamed Masses
www.stcharleslivermore.org/watch

Lenten Collections
The Social Concerns Committee Lenten Collections have been cancelled for the balance of Lent. If you have items you wish to donate, please put them in the box to the right of the church entry doors and they will be distributed to the Interfaith Sharing Food Pantry. Cash donations are always welcome and can be mailed to the Parish office with the charity name or Lenten Collections in the memo line. Thank you for your generosity and kindness to those in need.
Linda Nidever-Galles

Due to the Covid-19 virus, many of our over 65 volunteers have made the decision not to volunteer at Open Heart Kitchen and the Livermore Homeless Refuge. This is fully understandable as their health is of first concern. This is leaving those two organizations in need of volunteers to fill positions. All OHK sites are running as usual and the LHR is standing down until more volunteers come forward to fill shifts.
If you are working at home, or have been laid off temporarily and feel comfortable working at either of these sites, please contact the volunteer coordinators directly at the following web sites.
Open Heart Kitchen - www.volunteerservices@openheartkitchen.org
Livermore Homeless refuge - www.volunteercoordinator@livermorehomelessrefuge.org
St Charles Tithing

**Giving**: This is not meant to lay financial burdens on you. We understand the economic hardships that this pandemic is causing the cash-flow and lifesavings of people. Here, we simply want to encourage you to consider doing this spiritual practice of “giving” to Saint Charles.

- **On-line**: [www.stcharleslivermore.org/give](http://www.stcharleslivermore.org/give)
- **Mail your checks or cash in tithing envelopes or drop them off thru mail slot in parish office.**

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**FLOCKNOTE**

If you are not receiving Flocknote yet and would like to be informed about all things St. Charles, you may go to our web site and sign up.

[www.stcharleslivermore.org/flocknote](http://www.stcharleslivermore.org/flocknote)

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**2020 CENSUS—COMPLETE YOUR FORM TODAY!**

Then remind others to complete the census too (e.g. your relatives, friends, neighbors, fellow parishioners, coworkers, hair stylist, delivery person, gardener, etc.).

**Why is this important?** The Census sets federal funding levels for the next 10 years for **EDUCATION, COMMUNITY PROGRAMS** for seniors, children and families, **HEALTHCARE, HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION**, and more. Every person counted = $10,000 in funds.

Complete online [www.my2020Census.gov](http://www.my2020Census.gov). If you’d like to view video instructions first, here’s a link: [https://youtu.be/fXg1_1HHKzA](https://youtu.be/fXg1_1HHKzA). Or fill out the form that arrives by postal mail. Census data is confidential; your privacy is protected by law.

Alameda County has been working with churches and other groups to reach out to hard-to-count populations. Several parishioners are trained as Census Ambassadors. However, since many outreach activities and sites (e.g. libraries, schools, community centers) are closed due to Covid-19 restrictions, your help spreading the Census word is especially needed. **Questions?** Contact Social Concerns members Kristine Kansa (925-455-1642), Jim Schnitter (925-449-4925), or Marcia Elchesen (925-321-0730).

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**Church Humor.. Life after Death...**

“Do you believe in life after death?” the manager asked one of his employees.

“Yes, sir,” the new employee replied.

“Well, then, that makes everything just fine,” the boss continued. “After you left early yesterday to go to your Grandmother’s funeral, she stopped in to see you!”