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.”

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Weekend Mass Times
Saturday  5:00PM
Sunday  7:30AM, 9:30AM & 11:30 AM
(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.

Hours & Information
Rectory:..........Mon-Thurs 9AM-5PM
Parish Phone:..............925/447-4549

To Reach a Priest after hours  for Medical  Emergency ONLY
Press 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
LAY-OFFS AT SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Dear Pastoral and Finance Councils of Saint Charles Borromeo:

I pray that this information finds you both healthy and spirit-filled. This pandemic has affected institutions of all kinds, and Saint Charles Borromeo Catholic Community is not an exception. For our community, the shelter in place has had significant impact on our income, although a good number of parishioners have been generously donating over their former levels.

Consequently, and with much regret, I inform you that, we have laid off some of our staff members with effect from April 30, 2020 and for this period of our shelter in place order. This decision was made after 3 weeks of lengthy meetings and consultations with Bishop Michael Barber, Finance, HR, and legal departments of our diocese, as well as our Saint Charles Borromeo Finance Council.

Here are the reasons, circumstances and considerations for the lay-off:

- The declining of our cash flow through the summer is going over 30% (the projected drop of income of parishes is up to 75%); hence we are unable to make payroll through May.
- These are not times for a stewardship campaign: some parishioners have lost jobs and income; the shelter in place order implies the need to reduce staff hours significantly.
- The government Payroll Protection Plan (PPP) for small business, for which we are applying is NOT a guarantee and it is still in debate at congress.
- Employee hours cannot be reduced substantially as it would negatively affect their benefits and unemployment income.
- Furloughs based on employee accrued vacation would eventually result in lay-off with a drag of the pandemic and the “shelter in place” order.
- Lay-off allows the employee to receive unemployment income for a longer time.
- After the pandemic or shelter in place order is lifted, each of our lay-off staff would be considered first if their position becomes available again.

I want to assure you that this lay-off decision has not been made easily. As you can see from the above circumstances, lay-off is the only way to address the financial challenges we face; and it is the only option if we are to do right by our beloved staff involved. We simply cannot make payroll with the shelter in place order in effect.

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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.


- Rest In Peace
  - Fr. Chester Smith, SVD & James Eric Tully, Both dear friends of Fr. Kwame
  - Paul Gamache, Loving father of Linda Caudle

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.

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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- Say a prayer for...
Our community’s need in this period of our “shelter in place” are administrative and liturgical, that is, the need to keep parishioners connected to the parish with the use of various social and tech media. We would achieve these tasks with the rest of the staff and with volunteer-leaders until our community physically returns to the pews.

With time, I will present the various virtual programs including livestreamed Masses with which we hope to keep the community virtually engaged, connected, and inspired. Then, the Pastoral Council will meet to consider a plan to follow if and when we physically return.

Thank you, and may God continue to show our community, staff and people the way out of this physical and social challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

With much blessings,

Fr. Kwame

2nd Collections for May
The Diocese asks us to support two 2nd Collections in the month of May.

Catholic Charities of the East Bay (CCEB) on the weekend of May 17/18. CCEB helps people facing difficult circumstances including our children who face homelessness; and people fleeing violence in their homelands. Contact Stephanie Pippen at 510-508-1063 or spippen@cceb.org for additional specific information.

Catholic Communications Campaign on the weekend of May 23/24. Your contributions help to spread the Good News of God’s mercy and love to people around the country and around the world. Your gift also makes local impact because half of your donation stays in the Diocese of Oakland to support their communications project.

If you have 2nd Collection funds taken out through EFT or credit card, we will divide the funds equally between the two groups unless you tell us otherwise. Contact Mary at extension 101.

Attention Graduates !!!!!

Graduation time is upon us once again, and since many high school and colleges might not be having formal graduation ceremonies, we would still like to recognize all the hard working high school and college graduates in the May31st and June 7th bulletins.

If you are graduating, or have a family member (including grandchildren) who is, please e-mail the below information to Mary (mary@stcharlesborromeo.org)
Please have it to Mary by May 17th.

Name:_______________________________________
Graduating from:__________________________________________________
Degree or Future Plans:___________________________________________________________________
Submitted by:________________________________(relationship)________________________
Daytime phone or email (in case of questions)_________________________________________
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

COUNTERPOINT
Help for families struggling with addiction and alcoholism

Is your life out of control? Do you have sleepless nights worrying about a family member who suffers from addiction or alcoholism? Do you dread coming home? Do you perhaps feel you have failed as a parent? You are not alone! There is help.

Counterpoint meets on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. Everything you hear and say is held in strict confidence. You will meet families who are suffering or have suffered from the illness or addiction/alcoholism and are in recovery now. You will hear how their lives have changed as a result of these meeting. This meeting is open to families of all walks of life and every faith.

For more information about these meeting and how you can attend on zoom, contact Rachael Munoz at 510-501-1411
Thank you to all of the men and women serving our country!!
We pray for the safety of all extended family members of St. Charles who are serving in the military.

US Marine Corps:
Jared Boyd  Sean Carano
Tyler Marcil  Kyle Suggs
Timothy DeMartini  Cameron Kellogg
Zach Dolan  Philip Tadena
Edward Ustaris

US Army:
William Bliss  Christine Neuman
Lisa Northway  Garrett Northway
Greg Felver  Carols Santos III
Paul Stehr  Donnie Buchanan
Jarrod Poston  Joshua Noem
Jonathan Villaneva  Matthew Moellering
Genna Moellering  Hayden Moncada

US Navy:
Roy Eckroth  Gregory Patrick Lennon
Theresa Lewis  Linda Havens
Jacob McKenzie Kirby  Christopher D’Ambra
Dominique Carey  Jacob Metcalfe
Thomas N. Tiemeyer  Collin Hennegan
Jaclyn Hennegan  Kyle Roy
Tyler Justin Godbey  Tony Schwarz
Paul Rey  Roberto (Tito) Quihuis

US Air Force:
Daniel Rowland  Chris Woofter
Scott Stehr  Michael D. Smith
Adam P. Liby II  Carson L. Fisher
Manuel Smith  Sarah Turner
Erik Axt  Trevor Fishburn-Page

Air National Guard:  US Coast Guard
Michael Stehr  Abigail Dolan

** If you have someone in your family to add to this list, send the name and branch of armed forces in which they serve to Mary@stcharlesborromeo.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
- Mail your checks or cash in tithing envelopes or drop them off thru mail slot in parish office.

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

FORMED

Everyone in our parish now has free, unlimited access to FORMED!

To sign up, go to the St. Charles web site and look for FORMED (under the “Grow” tab and scroll to the bottom).

Signing up is easy from there!
You will have access to the FORMED web site 24/7 on your device. You can:

- Enrich your marriage with the award-winning video program Beloved.
- Help your children grow in faith and character with engaging children’s materials.
- Enjoy a vast library of eBooks to enlighten your faith.
- Listen to audio dramas or audiobooks to redeem your commute time.

Church Humor..

The Pastor’s wife walked into the kitchen to find her husband stalking around with a fly swatter. "What are you doing?" She asked. "Hunting flies" He responded. "Oh. Killing any?" She asked. "Yep, 3 males, 2 females," he replied. Intrigued, she asked. "How can you tell them apart?" He responded, "3 were on a beer can, 2 were on the phone."