

A Meditation on Mission &
Evangelization

“The love of Christ urges us on...”
(2 Cor. 5:14)

"The Gospel offers us the chance to live life on a higher plane, but with no less intensity: "Life grows by being given away, and it weakens in isolation and comfort. Indeed, those who enjoy life most are those who leave security on the shore and become excited by the mission of communicating life to others". When the Church summons Christians to take up the task of evangelization, she is simply pointing to the source of authentic personal fulfillment. For "here we discover a profound law of reality: that life is attained and matures in the measure that it is offered up in order to give life to others. This is certainly what mission means". Consequently, an evangelizer must never look like someone who has just come back from a funeral! Let us recover and deepen our enthusiasm, that "delightful and comforting joy of evangelizing, even when it is in tears that we must sow... And may the world of our time, which is searching, sometimes with anguish, sometimes with hope, be enabled to receive the good news not from evangelizers who are dejected, discouraged, impatient or anxious, but from ministers of the Gospel whose lives glow with fervor, who have first received the joy of Christ".

Pope Francis. *The Joy of the Gospel, Evangelii Gaudium*. N. 10. 2013.


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Opportunities for Ministry

"We know that all things work for good for those who love God, according to his purpose." Romans 8:28


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The joy of the Gospel...

"I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unfailingly each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her, since "no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord". The Lord does not disappoint those who take this risk; whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that he is already there, waiting for us with open arms."

(Pope Francis. *The Joy of the Gospel, Evangelii Gaudium*. N. 3. 2013.)

Over 50 Active Ministries

With over 50 ministries active here at St. Charles, we first include for you a comprehensive list with additional contact information for your reference. The words of Jesus compel us to give ourselves away in Christian love: "*As the Father has sent me, so I send you.*" (John 20:21) Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, relates that message of Jesus to the modern world by adding: "*I dream of a 'missionary option' that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channeled for the evangelization of today's world...*"¹

If you'd like more information on any of the active ministries please note the contact information included in this booklet. Also note the Staff members of the Parish and School charged with oversight to each ministry and contact us!

Charitable Organizations, Social Justice Committees, Clubs

Bereavement Support / Mourning has Broken	Peg Walter: PWFortis@aol.com or Marius Hubbell: mariush@hotmail.com
Fall Friendraiser	Gina Rupnow grupnow@stcharleskc.com 816-436-0880
Development Committee	Jennifer Harris: harrisjennifer1@icloud.com
Facilities	Tony Lehr: tlehr@stcharleskc.com 816-436-0880
Food Pantry	Deacon Jim Olshefski: jlo0725@aol.com 816-436-0880
Friendly Club	Mary Horning, Marian Arington, or Carol Dobney: CABD1222@yahoo.com 816-222-4737
Funeral Luncheon Team	Mary Jane Williams: hcmjwilliams@sbcglobal.net 816-452-5076
Guatemala Programs of Hope	Mary Ann Glenski: jglenski@aol.com 816-436-2836
Journey to New Life	William Cowper: waterbill85@gmail.com 816-718-9395
Knights of Columbus	Gus Bannick: gusbannick@yahoo.com
Lenten Fish Fry	Reynold Tomes: 816-805-9189
Meals On Wheels	Marius Hubbell: mariush@hotmail.com
Money Counting Teams	Jim Cleary: jcleary@stcharleskc.com 816-436-0880
Parish Finance	Mike McDaniel: mmcdaniel@stcharleskc.com
Parish Picnic Volunteers	Tony Lehr: 816-436-0880 ext. 215
Paving the Way/Prayer Garden	Cynthia Tomes: tomescynthia@hotmail.com
Rebuilt Team	Mark Tomes: m.tomes31773@gmail.com
Respect Life Committee	Karen Schmidt: kk5780@swbell.com
Spirituality of Stewardship	Benjamin Darnell: bdarnell@stcharleskc.com
St. Cecilia Circle	Carol Dobney: 816-434-1044

¹ Pope Francis. *The Joy of the Gospel, Evangelii Gaudium*. N. 27. 2013.

Parish and School Youth Ministries

General Contact Information

High School and Middle School Youth Ministries	Benjamin Darnell: bdarnell@stcharleskc.com 816-436-0880 ext. 214
Confirmation Catechists and Volunteers	Jennifer Harris: jharris@stcharleskc.com 816-436-1009 ext. 313
Parish School of Religion	Benjamin Darnell: bdarnell@stcharleskc.com 816-436-0880 ext. 214
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd	Benjamin Darnell (see above)
Totus Tuus (Summer Youth Ministry Catechetical Program)	Benjamin Darnell (see above)
Boy Scouts	Howard Scott III: howardandeann@aol.com
Cub Scouts	Robb Jones: robb.kc.jones@gmail.com

Pastoral / Stewardship Group and Spirituality

Louis Pollina
Eileen Hutchinson
Dave Stark
Mary Ann Glenski
Mark Trujillo
John and Agnes Bryant
Jeanelle Cesena

Contact:
Benjamin Darnell
bdarnell@stcharleskc.com
816-436-0880

Ministries

ACTS Retreat	Meals On Wheels
Adult Faith Formation Team	Money Counting Teams
Altar Servers	Morning Has Broken Bereavement Group
Athletics / Coaches	Musicians
Baptismal Preparation	Parish Picnic Volunteers
Boy Scouts	Pastoral Council Members
Campus Caretakers	Paving the Way / Prayer Garden
Cantors	Photographers
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd	Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
Confirmation Catechists & Volunteers	RCIA Team
Choir	Rebuilt Team
Cub Scouts	Respect Life Committee
Development Committee	Rosary Group
Eucharistic Adoration	Sacristans
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	School Advisory Council
Homebound and Hospitalized	School Box Tops for Education
Facilities	School Grant Writing
Food Pantry	School Hot Lunch Program / Servers
Friendly Club	SCC Ladies
Funeral Choir	Small Christian Communities
Funeral Luncheon Teams	Snow Shoveling Teams
Garage Sale Volunteers	Spirituality of Stewardship
Guatemala Programs of Hope	SPRED Program
Hospitality Ministry	St. Cecilia Circle
Journey to New Life	St. Joseph's Table Volunteers
Knights of Columbus	Stewardship Committee
Lectors / Readers	That Man Is You
Lenten Fish Fry Volunteers	Totus Tuus Volunteers
Liturgical Environment	Worship Committee
Marriage Preparation	Youth Ministries

Liturgical Ministries

Ministry Coordinators

Altar Servers	Cindy Carraway ccarrawayrn@gmail.com
Cantors, Choir, Funeral Choir, Musicians	Dennis Altschul, Director of Music: daltschul@stcharleskc.com 816-436-0880
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Greg and Shelly Volker gvolker3895@gmail.com mamavolker@gmail.com
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to the Home Bound and Hospitalized	Linda Janjowski: jankowski1@msn.com 816-453-2431
Hospitality Ministry	Jim Gardner jamesmgardner35@yahoo.com 334-462-8840
Lectors / Readers	Barb Liles: bliles@kc.rr.com 816-436-4696
Liturgical Environment	Marilyn Grutt grutt@sbcglobal.net
Sacristans	Bill Stump: bstump3414@gmail.com 816-616-0042
Worship Committee	Dennis Altschul: daltschul@stcharleskc.com 816-436-0880

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesday's 2:30 pm—6:30 pm / First Friday's 10:00 am—12:00 noon

St. Charles Borromeo Academy

General Contact Information

Athletics / Coaches	Ann Lachowitz, Principal:
Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)	alachowitz@stcharleskc.com
School Advisory Council	816-436-1009
School Box Tops for Education	OR
School Grant Writing	Linda Krickle, Secretary:
Hot Lunch Program	lkrickle@stcharleskc.com
School Reading Program	816-436-1009
School-Based Ministries & Programs	

Parish Faith Formation

General Contact Information

Adult Faith Formation	Benjamin Darnell: bdarnell@stcharleskc.com 816-436-0880 ext. 214
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults / Children (RCIA)	Benjamin Darnell (<i>see above</i>) Deacon Joe Whiston jwhiston@stcharleskc.com 816-436-0880
Marriage Preparation	Deacon Victor Quiason: vquiason@stcharleskc.com Fr. Don Farnan dfarnan@stcharleskc.com 816-436-0880 ext. 503
That Man Is You!	Steve Gaul : svgaul@gmail.com
Baptismal Preparation	Benjamin Darnell (<i>see above</i>)
Small Christian Communities	Benjamin Darnell (<i>see above</i>)
SPRED (Special Religious Education)	Jim Cleary: jcleary@stcharleskc.com