

St. Charles Borromeo Parish Collaborative  
March 24, 2024  
Palm Sunday





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### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

#### Financials for the week ending 03/10/24

Offertory at Mass	\$	4382
Offertory Mailed	\$	1563
Total Offertory	\$	5945
Brazilian Dizimo	\$	1080

**Thank you for your continued generosity!**

Ongoing Collection Catholic Appeal

#### Upcoming Second Collections

- 03/24 Monthly Maintenance
- 3/31 Clergy Benefit Trust



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This week we commit to the annual Catholic Appeal. So far **\$9,850** has been pledged by **43** donors towards our assessment of **\$39,647**, which is **25%**.

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- Cardinal Seán O'Malley

**Worship**

**MASSES**

**WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday 4:00pm, English lower church  
 Sunday 8:00am, English, upper church  
 9:00am, Portuguese, lower church  
 10:00am, English, upper church  
 12:00pm, Spanish, lower church

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday - Friday: 11:30am in the lower church

**MASSES ARE LIVE STREAMED**

- English: on our website: [sccwoburn.org](http://sccwoburn.org)
- Portuguese:  
[Facebook.com/comunidadecaticawoburn](https://www.facebook.com/comunidadecaticawoburn)

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday 03/23**

4:00pm Joseph DiMauro, Robert & Jean O'Melia,  
 Joseph Slomba Jr, Frederick Nee 1st  
 anniversary, Maria & Jose Rodrigues

**Sunday 03/24**

8:00 am Manuel Jose , Domenic DeFranco, George  
 McLaughlin & family

10:00 am Joseph DiMauro, Robert & Jean O'Melia,  
 Joseph Slomba Jr, Frederick Nee 1st  
 anniversary, Maria & Jose Rodrigues

**Monday 03/25** no Mass

**Tuesday 03/26**

No daily  
 Mass

**Wednesday 03/27**

11:30am Jake Keady

**Holy Thursday 03/28**

No daily 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
 Mass

**Good Friday 03/29**

No daily 3:00pm Prayer Service & Veneration of  
 Mass the Holy Cross

**Holy Saturday 03/30**

No 4:00pm 7:30pm Great Easter Vigil  
 Mass

**Easter Sunday 03/31**

8:00 am  
 10:00 am

**SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism:** Celebrated on the 3rd Sunday each month. To schedule, please contact the parish office.

**Marriage:** Please contact the parish office at least a year in advance.

**Reconciliation:** contact a priest.

**Sacrament of the Sick/Care of the Sick & Elderly:** Call the office to arrange a home or hospital visit or for the sacrament of the sick.

**PRAYER AND DEVOTIONS**

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

Thursdays 7:30pm in the lower church.

**Prayers for Peace in all hearts:**

Thursdays at 6:30pm in the upper church

**Rosary Group:** Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the upper church, at the Parish Center grotto in good weather. during the months of May & October M-F at 6:30pm

**Prayer line:** 781-933-0300 x 228

*Did you know* that it's easy to book a Mass for your loved one?

Call the Parish Center office and we'd be happy to help you. The offering is \$10.

Sanctuary lamps are also available for \$15/week in the upper or lower church in memory of your loved one.

**Holy Week and Easter Schedule**

**Holy Thursday 3/28 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper** followed by Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament. (no daily Mass today)

**Good Friday 3/29 3:00pm Good Friday Prayer Service with Veneration of the Holy Cross** (no daily Mass today)

**Holy Saturday 3/30 7:30pm Great Easter Vigil**

**Easter Sunday**

**English: 8:00am & 10:00am**

**Brazilian Portuguese 9:00am (lower church)**

**Spanish 12:00pm (lower church)**

## St. Charles School

Several classes in the Lower School visited our Kindergarten students to see their leprechaun traps. A leprechaun managed to visit their classroom and not be caught!



## Religious Education

If you would like to serve as a co-teacher or have other talents you would like to share, contact our Faith Formation Director Joanne Campbell at (781) 933-0300 x. 242 or by email at : [faithformation@sccwoburn.com](mailto:faithformation@sccwoburn.com).  
**Family Mass: Sunday April 7, 2024 at 10:00am.**

We would like to thank the McHale School of Irish Dance who came out last weekend for St. Patrick's Day and performed for us. It was a great morning of community and prayer for St. Charles. Thank you to all who helped provide this wonderful opportunity and hospitality .



### Church Ministry members needed

#### **We need you and we cannot be a welcoming community without you!**

Do you have any time available on weekday mornings? We need people to help us serve the families who come to St Charles for the funeral of a loved one. We need greeters and altar servers.

- Needed: Baptism ministry members to meet and greet our baptism families once a month at Baptisms
- Greeter and Welcoming ministry to welcome people to Mass or events.
- Regular Mass and funeral Mass assistants and servers for all Masses.
- Mass ushers to assist with proper collection methods.
- Liturgical Decorating Committee.
- Sewing Ministry
- Bible Study, book clubs, and lots more.

Call the Parish office 781-933-0300 x 229

We are looking for volunteers to help us in the rectory for different projects during the year.

Do you have a morning or afternoon a week to help us?



#### ***Lent.....a time for giving.***

Each year SVDP provides the parish with a list of items for the pantry. We have bags for you to use each week to place your donations on the altar. Please leave your filled bag and take a new bag as you leave Mass.

What a beautiful vision to see the altar filled with colorful bags of food and supplies.

Below is a list of each week requests;

➡ **Week 6 3/24** : Its smells like Heaven here!  
Men and women’s deodorants, toothpaste, shampoo.

Items may be brought to the Parish Center during normal operating hours or to Mass on the weekends. Thank you.



Again, your generosity last week was amazing! Thank you !



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# How to Go to Confession...

May the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all  
the saints,  
whatever good you do and suffering you endure,  
heal your sins,  
help you grow in holiness,  
and reward you with eternal life.  
Go in peace.

—*Rite of Penance*, no. 93

- 1 PREPARATION:** Before going to confession, take some time to prepare. Begin with prayer, and reflect on your life since your last confession. How have you—in your thoughts, words, and actions—neglected to live Christ’s commands to “love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind,” and to “love your neighbor as yourself” (Mt 22:37, 39)? As a help with this “examination of conscience,” you might review the Ten Commandments or the Beatitudes (Ex 20:2-17; Dt 5:6-21; Mt 5:3-10; or Lk 6:20-26).
- 2 GREETING:** The priest will welcome you; he may say a short blessing or read a Scripture passage.
- 3 THE SIGN OF THE CROSS:** Together, you and the priest will make the Sign of the Cross. You may then begin your confession with these or similar words: “Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been [*give days, months, or years*] since my last confession.”
- 4 CONFESSION:** Confess all your sins to the priest. If you are unsure what to say, ask the priest for help. When you are finished, conclude with these or similar words: “I am sorry for these and all my sins.”
- 5 PENANCE:** The priest will propose an act of penance. The penance might be prayer, a work of mercy, or an act of charity. He might also counsel you on how to better live a Christian life.

- 6 ACT OF CONTRITION:** After the priest has conferred your penance, pray an Act of Contrition, expressing sorrow for your sins and resolving to sin no more. A suggested Act of Contrition is:

My God,  
I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.  
In choosing to do wrong  
and failing to do good,  
I have sinned against you  
whom I should love above all things.  
I firmly intend, with your help,  
to do penance,  
to sin no more,  
and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.  
Our Savior Jesus Christ  
suffered and died for us.  
In his name, my God, have mercy.  
*(Rite of Penance, no. 45)*

- 7 ABSOLUTION:** The priest will extend his hands over your head and pronounce the words of absolution. You respond, “Amen.”
- 8 PRAISE:** The priest will usually praise the mercy of God and will invite you to do the same. For example, the priest may say, “Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.” And your response would be, “His mercy endures for ever” (*Rite of Penance, no. 47*).
- 9 DISMISSAL:** The priest will conclude the sacrament, often saying, “Go in peace.”

If it has been a while since your last confession, remember, “Do not fear” (Is 41:10). The priest will help guide you. And feel free to take this how-to guide with you! (For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/confession](http://www.usccb.org/confession).)



“DO NOT BE AFRAID  
OF CONFESSION.”

POPE FRANCIS

The Sacrament of Confession will be offered on Wednesday March 27th in the lower church beginning at 7:00pm. Priests with english, spanish, and brazilian language abilities will be present.

**The Chrism Mass**, which [the Bishop] concelebrates with Priests from various regions of the diocese and during which he consecrates the sacred Chrism and blesses the other oils, is among the principal manifestations of the fullness of the Bishop's Priesthood and is considered to be a sign of the close bond of the Priests with him. For it is with the sacred Chrism consecrated by the Bishop that the newly baptized are anointed and those to be confirmed are signed. It is with the Oil of Catechumens that catechumens are prepared and disposed for Baptism. Finally it is with the Oil of the Sick that those who are ill are comforted in their infirmity.

— *The Order of Blessing the Oil of Catechumens and of the Sick and of Consecrating the Chrism (OBO)*, no. 1



During Holy Week, Bishops throughout the world bless sacred oils at a special liturgy known as the Chrism Mass. These holy oils: the oil of the sick, the oil of the catechumens and the holy chrism oil. The first two are blessed, and the bishop consecrates the third, ordinarily during the annual Chrism Mass. Each has a distinctive purpose in the Church.

**Oil of the Sick** - The oil of the sick, which is pure olive oil, is used for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. While ideally celebrated with the community during the Mass for the anointing of the sick, this sacrament can be administered any time and in any place. The priest lays hands on the sick or elderly person, says special prayers and anoints the person by placing oil in the form of a cross on the forehead and hands.

Through this sacrament, God gives the sick person grace and strength to bear the illness or infirmity. In addition, many Catholics have witnessed the power of this anointing to bring spiritual, emotional and even physical healing.

**Oil of the Catechumens** -Both adults and infants prior to baptism are anointed with the oil of the catechumens, which is also pure olive oil. For adults, this pre-baptismal anointing often takes place during a special initiation ceremony when the person begins to prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism. At the beginning of the process known as the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), each person preparing for initiation is anointed with the oil of the catechumens.

This rite most often takes place during Mass, prior to holy Communion. The priest or deacon anoints the catechumens. Then he prays that God will instill them with wisdom for discernment and with the strength necessary to avoid evil during their inquiry into the Catholic faith and their preparation for a life with Christ. In a similar way, an infant is anointed just before receiving the waters of baptism. This anointing is to help the child ward off evil, avoid temptation and possess the faith necessary to carry the cross of Christ throughout life.

**Sacred Chrism Oil**- The third oil, holy chrism oil, is olive oil mixed with balsam. The oil symbolizes strength, and the fragrant balsam represents the “aroma of Christ” (2 Cor 2:15). Anointing with chrism oil signifies the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is used to consecrate someone or something to God’s service.

Each year we witness the use of the holy chrism when young people are confirmed, and at the Easter Vigil when adults are confirmed after baptism. The bishop traces the Sign of the Cross with chrism oil on the forehead of the one being confirmed and says, “[Name], be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.”

Chrism oil is also part of the baptismal rite. Following an infant’s baptism with water and before he receives the white garment, the cross with chrism oil is traced on the crown of the child’s head, marking him as a Christian. Anointing on the head is also administered at the baptism of an adult if the person does not immediately receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Holy chrism oil is used as well during the ordination of a priest (the Sacrament of Holy Orders) and the consecration of a bishop. It is the anointing used in the consecration of a church and the blessing of an altar and the vessels used at Mass.

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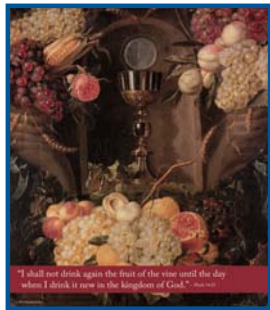
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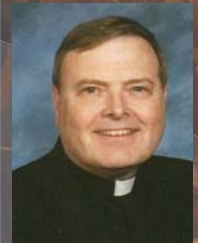
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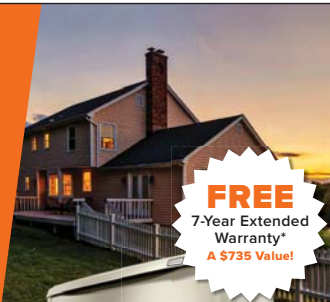
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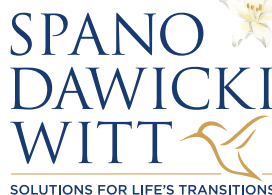
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