



SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO
SAINT GEORGE LITHUANIAN
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Advent is Here



1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

NOVEMBER 30, 2025

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FROM THE PASTOR'S OFFICE

Scriptures: Isa 2:1-5 | Rom 13:11-14 | Mt 24:37-44

Walking in the Light of Advent - English

As we begin this season of Advent, we are invited to a time of watchful hope and careful preparation. In Isaiah, we glimpse a vision of peace where all people walk in the light of the Lord. Paul's letter to the Romans reminds us that the time is near and calls us to live honorably, putting aside what darkens our hearts and clothing ourselves in Christ's light. In Matthew, we hear Jesus' warning to stay awake, for the day of the Lord comes unexpectedly. Advent invites us to open our hearts to God's presence, live with intention, and prepare to welcome Christ, not only at Christmas, but in every moment of our lives. It is a season to reflect on the ways we can bring God's light into the world, through acts of love, mercy, and kindness. As we wait in hope, may we grow in faith and allow our hearts to be ready for the joy and peace that Christ brings.

Caminando en la luz del Adviento - Español

Al comenzar esta temporada de Adviento, estamos invitados a un tiempo de esperanza vigilante y preparación. En Isaías vislumbramos una visión de paz, donde todas las personas caminan a la luz del Señor, recordándonos la meta de un mundo lleno de justicia y armonía. La carta de Pablo a los Romanos nos exhorta a vivir con honor, dejando de lado lo que oscurece nuestros corazones y vistiéndonos con la luz de Cristo. En Mateo, Jesús nos advierte a mantenernos despiertos, pues el día del Señor llega de manera inesperada. El Adviento nos invita a abrir nuestros corazones a la presencia de Dios, a vivir con intención y a preparar nuestra vida para recibir a Cristo, no solo en Navidad, sino en cada momento cotidiano. Es un tiempo para reflexionar sobre cómo podemos llevar su luz al mundo mediante actos de amor, misericordia y bondad, y para crecer en fe, esperanza y alegría mientras esperamos su venida.

Caminhando na Luz do Advento – Português

Ao iniciarmos esta temporada do Advento, somos convidados a um tempo de esperança vigilante e preparação. Em Isaías, vislumbramos uma visão de paz, onde todas as pessoas caminham na luz do Senhor, lembrando-nos da meta de um mundo cheio de justiça e harmonia. A carta de Paulo aos Romanos nos exorta a viver com honra, deixando de lado tudo que escurece nossos corações e vestindo-nos com a luz de Cristo. Em Mateus, Jesus nos alerta para permanecermos acordados, pois o dia do Senhor chega de maneira inesperada. O Advento nos convida a abrir nossos corações à presença de Deus, viver com intenção e preparar nossa vida para acolher Cristo, não apenas no Natal, mas em cada momento do cotidiano. É um tempo para refletir sobre como podemos levar sua luz ao mundo por meio de atos de amor, misericórdia e bondade, e para crescermos em fé, esperança e alegria enquanto esperamos sua vinda.

In Christ,

Rev. Abelardo Vasquez

Pastor

SAN CARLOS BOROMEO & SAN JORGE LITUANA
IGLESIA CATOLICA ROMANA

GRAN INAUGURACIÓN

ACOMPÁÑENOS A CELEBRAR LA GRAN INAUGURACIÓN DE
NUESTRA CAPILLA DE ADORACIÓN PERPETUA,
DEDICADA A SAN PADRE PÍO DE PIETRELCINA.

SERÁ UNA NOCHE HERMOSA EN LA QUE NOS ALEGRAREMOS EN EL
SEÑOR, Y SE PROCLAMARÁN LAS LECTURAS DE LA SOLEMNIDAD DE
LA INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN.

MISA DE DEDICACIÓN CELEBRADA POR
EL REVERENDÍSIMO FRANK J. CAGGIANO,
OBISPO DE LA DIÓCESIS DE BRIDGEPORT.

8
DIC | IGLESIA
SUPERIOR
EN SAN
CARLOS

MISA A LAS 7:00 P.M.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO & SAINT GEORGE LITHUANIAN
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

GRAND OPENING

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE GRAND OPENING OF OUR
PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL,
DEDICATED TO ST. PADRE PIO OF PIETRELCINA.

IT WILL BE A BEAUTIFUL NIGHT AS WE REJOICE IN THE LORD, AND
THE READINGS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION WILL BE PROCLAIMED.

MASS OF DEDICATION CELEBRATED BY
MOST REVEREND FRANK J. CAGGIANO
BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT

8
DEC | SAINT
CHARLES
UPPER
CHURCH

MASS AT 7:00 P.M.

Chapel Renovation

CHAPEL IN HONOR OF ST. PADRE PIO SOON TO BE REVEALED — GRAND OPENING APPROACHES!

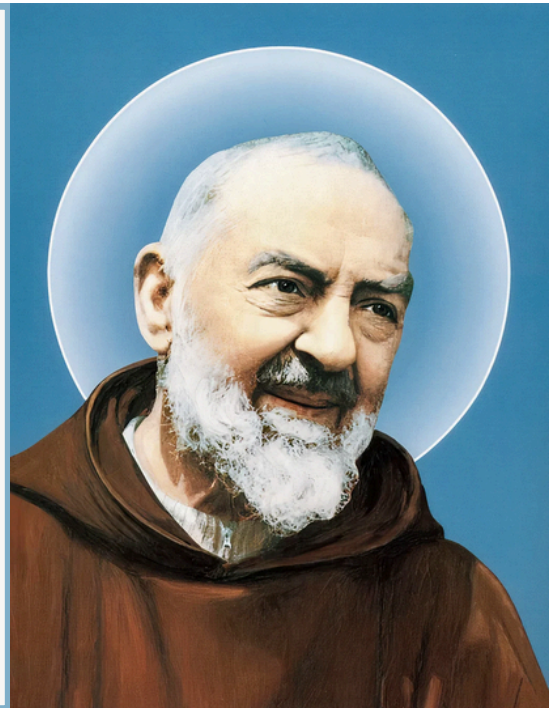


BE PART OF THIS BLESSING!
SCAN THE QR CODE TO HELP BUILD THE
PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL HONORING
SAINT PADRE PIO. EVERY GIFT—BIG OR SMALL
—BRINGS US CLOSER TO COMPLETION.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR
GENEROSITY!

SCAN THE QR CODE!

*"Pray, hope, and don't worry."
- St. Padre Pio*



THANKSGIVING DINNER IN OUR PRAYER GROUP OUR LADY OF PENTECOST

They came together to thank the Lord for His many blessings, spending and enjoying time gathered as family and friends.



HORA SANTA



La divinidad siempre está donde menos
esperas encontrarla!
El pesebre... La cruz... La Eucaristía



**JUEVES
4
DICIEMBRE**

8 PM

 Parte baja de la Parroquia
San Carlos Borromeo

 **LÁMPARAS
ENCENDIDAS**

Discover Fairfield University Bellarmino!

**December 3, 2025
at 7PM**

**Saint Charles
Lower Church**

**Don't miss the opportunity
to talk with the staff and
students who are part of this
wonderful two-year
associate degree program at
Fairfield University!**

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<https://www.fairfield.edu/bellarmino/>



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Diocese of Bridgeport Vocations

Upcoming Dates:

March 25, 2026 at 6PM - St. Aloysius

January 10, 2026 at 9AM - Winter
Discernment Retreat, Convent of Birgitta

If you feel even a small calling to the priesthood or are curious to learn more, we invite you
to attend or reach out for more information



St. Charles Borromeo & St. George Lithuanian
Roman Catholic Church

Christmas

MASS SCHEDULE

December 24, 2025

5:00 pm- English- Lower Church
7:00 pm- Spanish - Upper Church
8:00 pm- Spanish - St. George Church
8:30 pm- Portuguese - Upper Church
10:00 pm- Creole - Lower Church
12:00 Midnight - Spanish - Upper Church

December 25, 2025

8:45 am- Spanish - Upper Church
10:30 am- Spanish- St. George Church
10:45 am- Portuguese - Upper Church
12:45 pm- Spanish - Upper Church
5:00 pm- Creole - Upper Church



NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, November 30

11:00 am: Michith Siri Souk's health
Requested by Xayarath

Monday, December 1

7:30 am: Xayarath Siri Souk Family's health
Requested by Xayarath

Tuesday, December 2

7:30 am: Chan Samouth Siri Souk R.I.P.
Requested by Xayarath

Wednesday, December 3

7:30 am: Eric Phimmavong's Health
Requested by Boonyou

7:00 pm: Angel Rodriguez R.I.P.
Requested by Familia Rodriguez

Thursday, December 4

7:30 am: Maria Boonyou Phimavong's Health
Requested by Boonyou

7:00 pm: Angel Rodriguez R.I.P.
Requested by Familia Rodriguez

Friday, December 5

7:30 am: Wanchay Phimmavong's Health
Requested by Boonyou



BURNING LAMPS

Would you like to spend a set hour each week with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament?

Te gustaría pasar una hora fija cada semana con Jesús en el Santísimo Sacramento?

Você gostaria de passar uma hora fixa por semana com Jesus no Santíssimo Sacramento?

Scan the QR Code / Escanea el código QR / Escaneie o código QR



English



Português



Español

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UNCION DE LOS ENFERMOS

Una obra de misericordia es cuidar a los enfermos. Les pedimos nos compartan los datos (nombre, dirección y celular) de los enfermos de su familia para poder visitarlos, acompañarlos espiritualmente y llevarles a Jesús en la Eucaristía. Ayúdenos a llevarles esta bendición.

ANOINTMENT OF THE SICK

Please contact one of our priests by calling the office

Special Monthly Masses

Family Mass:

Celebrate faith and unity with your loved ones!
Every 2nd Sunday of the month at 12:45 PM

Mass in Honor of the Divine Child (Divino Niño):

A beautiful devotion filled with love and hope.
Every 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:45 PM.

Youth Mass:

The Youth Group lead Mass from readings to ushers.
Every last Sunday of the month at 8:45 AM.

PANTRY WEEK

EVERY SECOND WEEK OF EACH MONTH WE WILL BE COLLECTING FOOD FOR THOSE IN NEED, PLEASE DONATE FOOD.



CLASES PRE-BAUTISMALES
Sábado 6 and 20 de Diciembre
a las 8 am,
Padres y Padrinos son requeridos
para tomar las clases
Por favor llamar a la oficina
para registrarse
Ubicado en la iglesia inferior

CLASES DE VIRTUS
SÁBADO 27 DE DICIEMBRE
A LAS 9 A.M. EN ESPAÑOL
POR FAVOR REGISTRARSE
www.virtusonline.org
PARA MÁS INFORMACIÓN LLAMAR A LA OFICINA
203-333-2147
Ubicado en la sala en la parte de atrás de la iglesia inferior.
VIRTUSOnline

NO HAS RECIBIDO TUS SOBRES O NECESITAS ACTUALIZAR TU DIRECCIÓN?

Name / Nombre/ O nome / Non :

Phone # / # de Telefono/ # de telefone /
Nimewo telefòn :

Adress / Dirección / Endereço / Adrès



If you have not received your envelopes or have changed your address, please fill out this form and bring it to the parish office.

Si aún no ha recibido sus sobres o ha cambiado de dirección, por favor complete este formulario y llévelo a la oficina parroquial.

Se você ainda não recebeu seus envelopes ou mudou de endereço, por favor preencha este formulário e entregue na secretaria da paróquia.

Si vous n'avez pas encore reçu vos enveloppes ou si vous avez changé d'adresse, veuillez remplir ce formulaire et le rapporter au bureau de la paroisse.

OFFERTORY REPORT

For the Week of
November 3 - November 9, 2025

Sunday Offertory Collection	\$15,296.82
Weekly Offertory Collection	\$408.00
Other Income	10,128.80
Online Giving	\$3,022.00
Total Parish Collection	\$28,855.62

ONLINE GIVING

A convenient and secure way to support our ministry. Your faithful generosity helps us continue God's work.



ONE IN CHRIST THE 2025 BISHOP'S APPEAL (AS OF 10/10/25)



As of October 10, 2025, 268 donors have helped our parish reach 72% of the \$33,900 goal. Grateful for your support!

Thanks for supporting our parish. Make a gift at 2024BishopsAppeal.org, call (203) 416-1470 or scan the code with your phone.



OFFICE HOURS



(203) 333-2147



office@stcharlesbridgeport.org



www.stcharlesbridgeport.org

Saint Charles:

1279 East Main Street, Bridgeport,
CT 06608



Saint George:

443 Park Avenue, Bridgeport,
CT 06604



OFFICE HOURS HORARIO DE OFICINA

Monday/lunes	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday/martes	8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday/miercoles	8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Thursday/jueves	8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Friday/ viernes	8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Saturday/sabado	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

(Office located in Saint Charles)

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL CAPILLA DE ADORACION PERPETUA



Spend time with Jesus in Perpetual
Adoration in the Upper Church, open 24/7.
All are welcome to pray and experience
His peace.

Pasa tiempo con Jesús en Adoración
Perpetua en la Iglesia de Arriba, abierta las
24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana.
Todos son bienvenidos a orar y
experimentar Su paz.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

While our Perpetual Adoration Chapel is under renovation, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the Upper Church. All adorers and visitors are welcome to spend time with the Lord there.

Mientras la Capilla de Adoración Perpetua está en renovación, el Santísimo estará expuesto en la Iglesia de arriba. Todos los adoradores y visitantes son bienvenidos a pasar tiempo con el Señor allí.

ADULT SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Classes began Sunday, June 15, and are held Sundays, 10:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Urban Center. For more information, contact Ana at (845) 591-2459 or the parish office.



Sanctuary Candle

This week the candle burns for:

*Por las intenciones
del Santo Papa*

SAINT CHARLES & SAINT GEORGE

WEEKEND MASSES

Saint Charle Borromeo

Saturday Vigil:

5:00 pm Spanish (U.Ch)

7:00 pm Portuguese (L.Ch)

Sunday:

7:00 am Haitian (L.Ch)

8:45 am Spanish (U.Ch)

10:45 am Portuguese (U.Ch)

11:00 am English (L.Ch)

12:45 pm Spanish (U.Ch)

5:00 pm Haitian (U.Ch)



Saint George

Sábado Vigil (Saturday):

6:30 pm – Spanish

Domingo (Sunday):

8:30 am – English

10:30 am – Spanish



WEEKDAY MASSES

Saint Charles Borromeo

Mon–Fri: 7:30 am English (Chapel)

Tue & Fri: 7:00 pm Haitian (Chapel)

Wed & Thu: 7:00 pm Spanish (Lower Church)

Thu & Fri: 7:30 pm Portuguese (Chapel)

Sat: 8:00 am Spanish (Lower Church)

Saint George

Lunes – 7:00 pm | Monday – 7:00 pm

Martes – 7:00 pm | Tuesday – 7:00 pm

Viernes – 7:00 pm | Friday – 7:00 pm

Sábado – 6:30 pm | Saturday – 6:30 pm

Primer Viernes del Mes – 6:00 pm Adoración

First Friday – 6:00 pm Adoration

CONFESSIONS / CONFESIONES

Saint Charles Borromeo

Sábados: 11:00 am–12:00 pm y 3:00 pm–4:00 pm

Saint George

Sábados: 5:00 pm / Saturdays: 5:00 pm

PRIEST OFFICE HOURS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

HORARIOS DE OFICINA PARA LOS SACERDOTES - CON CITA UNICAMENTE

Father Abelardo:

Wednesday and Thursday – Morning Hours / Miércoles y Jueves – Horas de la mañana

Father Ricardo:

Monday and Thursday from 9am – 12pm / Lunes y Jueves de 9am a 12pm.

Father Chucho:

Wednesday and Thursday from 3 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. / Miércoles y Jueves de 3 p.m. a 6:00 p.m.

To make an appointment please contact the parish office : (203) 333-2147/ Para hacer una cita llamar a la oficina

MEET YOUR PARISH TEAM!

Here to guide, support, and warmly welcome you to our parish family

CLERGY



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Weekend Priest



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Parish Group

A

Adoracion Nocturna de Hombres

Inocente Saldivar, 1er Sabado del mes 8PM - 6AM

Adoracion Nocturna de Mujeres

Elizabeth Saldivar, Ultimo Sabado de Mes 8PM - 6AM

D

Divino Niño Jesus

Benjamin & Damaris, Tercer Sabado de Mes 5PM

Disciples of Jesus

Monday at 7:30PM, Urban Center

Davotion Au Sacre Coeur Group

Fridays 7PM Chapel

E

El Amor en Accion

Mercedes Jimenez, Parroquia de San Jorge, Lunes 7:30PM

Exercito de Cristo, Brazilian Youth Group

Every Two Weeks, Sundays 5PM

F

Family United of Jesus

Father Penn

G

Grupo Carismatico

Elman Rodriguez, Miercoles Despues de la Misa de 7PM

Grupos Marianos

Maria Monge

Grupo de Parejas

William & Alicia Ramires, Cada Segundo Domingo de Mes

Grupo de Liturgia

Sundays After Mass

Group Virgen de Juquila

Geraldo Flores, Miercoles 7PM en St. George

Granitos de Mostaza

Sabados 2:30 PM, Ultimo Domingo del Mes Rosario 9:45 am

Grupo Folklorico Hijos de la Virgen de Juquila

Josefina Hernandez & Yeniza Cruz,

Jueves y Viernes 6:30- 8:45 PM

H

Haitian Youth Group, Angel's of God

Weekly Fridays 7:30PM - 10PM, UC

J

Juan XXIII Movimiento

Byron López, Saint George, Miercoles 6:30 PM

K

Knights of Colombus

Raul Ruiz, St. George, Last Friday of the Month 7:00 PM

L

Lazos de Amor Marianos

Sandra Guzman, Saturdays after 8AM Mass

M

Movimiento Eclesial Misionero, "Palabra de Dios"

Domigos, Adultos y Ninos de 10:30AM - 12PM, UC

Ministerio de Lectura

Minerva Almonte

Ministerio de Damas

Elizabeth Camacho, 2nd Saturday each Month 7:30PM, UC

Men's Rosary Prayer Group

Weekly Wednesday, 7:30PM - 8:30PM

Mothers Who Pray for their Children

Every 2 Weeks, Mondays 7:30PM - 8:30 PM

N

Neocatechumenal Way

Victor Melgar, Saturday at 8PM

P

Prayer Charismatic Group

Tuesdays 7PM Chapel

Pastoral Sick Group

Sundays After Mass

Prayer Group

Weekly Tuesdays, 7:30PM - 9:30PM

R

Rosario de las Familias

Weekly Thursdays and Fridays 7PM - 7:30PM

S

Sagrado Corazon de Jesus

Melissa Liranzo & Delimar Soto

Saint Charles Youth Group

Segundo Ruiz, Sundays 5PM - 7PM

Blue - Spanish

Green - Portuguese

Red - Creole



Scan to reserve a room in
the Parish

Escanee para Reservar un
Salon en la Parroquia

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD
YOUR GROUP PLEASE EMAIL
scbgraphicdesign@gmail.com

OR CALL THE OFFICE
(203) 333-2147

SI DESEA AÑADIR SU GRUPO,
ENVÍE UN CORREO
ELECTRÓNICO A
scbgraphicdesign@gmail.com

O LLAME A LA OFICINA
(203) 333-2147

Religious Education

Coloring Activity Advent Wreath First Candle - Hope



Religious Education

Office Hours

Tuesday & Thursday 4:30pm 6:30pm Second floor of the Urban Center	•	Martes y Jueves 4:30pm - 6:30pm Segundo Piso de el Centro Urbano
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Class Schedule:

- Fridays: 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- Saturdays: 10:00-11:30 a.m.
- Mondays: 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Classes begin:

- Friday, September 26
- Saturday, September 27
- Monday, September 29

WANTED WILLING SERVANTS APPLY IN PERSON

Description: Volunteers to help teach religious Education are needed.

If you'd like to know more and help out, please contact:
Juanita Martinez (203) 260-8853



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SATURDAY NOV 1	All Saints Day: Dress as Your Favorite Saint — 5PM Mass, Upper Church
SUNDAY NOV 2	Daylight Saving
SATURDAY NOV 15	Baptism Meeting - Sacred Heart 2 nd Floor 9:00am
SATURDAY NOV 22	Baptisms Arrive at 10:30am - Location: Upper Church at 11:00am
NOV 28, 29, DEC 1	No Classes - Nov 28 th Nov 29 th and Dec 1 st
WEDNESDAY DEC 24	Christmas Pageant 5:00PM Upper Church
DEC 26, 27, 29	No Classes Dec 26 th , Dec 27 th , Dec 29 th
JAN 2, 3, 5,	No Classes January 2 nd 3 rd 5 th
TUESDAY JAN 6	Three Kings Day Mass to Be Determined

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MASS ATTENDANCE

All Kids taking Religious Education must sign this and return this page to their Catechist every week.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/RCIA/
CATECHIST/CLERGY SIGNATURE:

STUDENT'S NAME:

Saturday, Nov 29 / Sunday, Nov 30, 2025