



## Save the Date

**Spring Gala Formal Dinner and Dance**  
Saturday, April 30, 2022

Featuring:

Above and Beyond Catering

Award Winning Entertainer Devin Henderson  
D.J. Frank Ancona, Crescendo String Trio

Emcee Jon Carpenter

Clay County Commissioner and Saint Charles Graduate

Tickets will go on sale in February!

Stay tuned for further details.

## Celebrating our Past...Celebrating our Future!

### 1963 - 1964



June, 1963: Father James Lyons is appointed pastor of Saint Charles Borromeo. Monsignor Wogan retires to the rectory, continues to celebrate Masses and performs baptisms.



"We were not trying to be the first parish in the diocese to do things (as Saint Charles became known as the strongest parish on Vatican II in the diocese). I was just following Vatican II and the people took to it. But not all."

August, 1963: A school board is established.

Rosemary Carpenter becomes the first full-time school secretary. Rita Dickerson, part-time secretary under Father Wogan, becomes full-time and remains in the position until 1990.

1964: On the first Sunday after Rome gives permission, Father Lyons faces the people and uses a table from the sacristy as an altar. The altar is moved from the back wall several months later. The laity assumes the roles of lectors and eucharistic ministers in the liturgy.

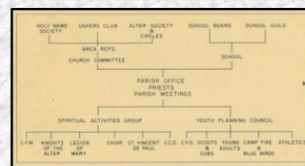


1964: Father Lyons begins saying Mass in homes and invites families to gather around the altar at the annual Thanksgiving Mass.



Pastor: Father James Lyons (1963-78)  
In Residence: Monsignor Maurice Wogan (1963-72)  
Associate Pastors: Father Patrick Gilgannon (1962-64),  
Father John J. McCormack (1962-63), Father Rodger F. Miller (1964-65)

### 1964 - 1966



1964: The Council for Youth is established at Saint Charles to engage youth in parish life.

1964: Four councils are developed (Management, Social Action, Spirituality and Education) to coordinate programs in the parish. Leaders of each council are elected by the congregation.



1964: School enrollment reaches a peak of 960 students. A second floor is added to the school (1963), modular buildings are purchased, and classrooms are created in the basement of the church. Sister M. Amadeus Hayes is appointed principal.



1965: Father Lyons implements changes in the role of the laity at Saint Charles. The parish is divided in 24 geographical groups with area leaders.

1965: The role of women in ministry is encouraged. Twenty circles emerge from the women's Altar Society, each having a coordinator and educational goals.

1966: Saint Andrew the Apostle Parish is established in Gladstone, Missouri.



1966: A pewter wall relief sculpture of the Blessed Mother is commissioned in memory of J. David Blasco. The sculpture was originally placed above the side altar (west of the current baptismal font) prior to the church's 2001 renovation.

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