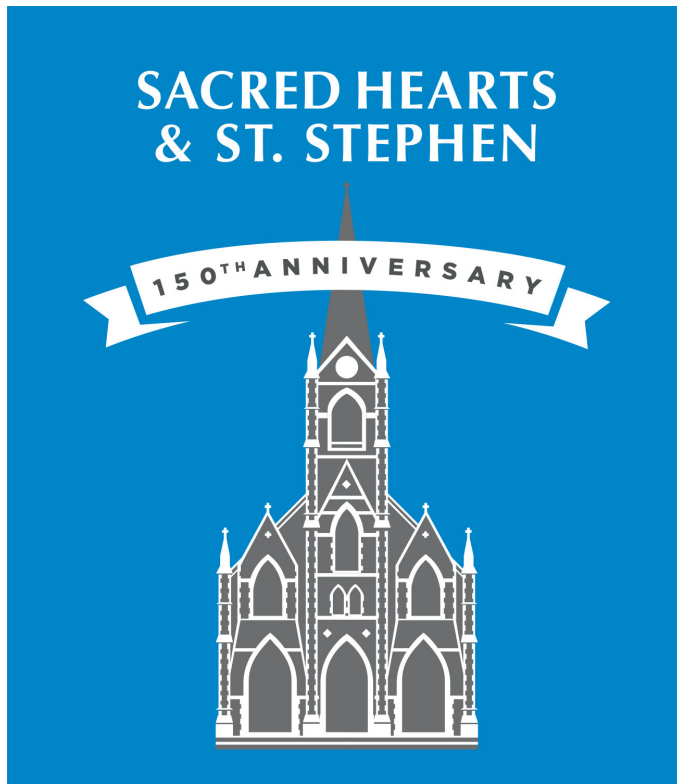


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# **SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN R.C. CHURCH**

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*St. Stephen's – Founded 1866*  
*Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary*  
*Founded 1882*

#### **MASSES ON SUNDAYS:**

8:00 AM 10:00 AM & 12:00 NOON  
5:30 PM on Saturday

#### **MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:**

Monday 12:00 Noon  
**Beginning 11/15/16 thru 4/12/17-Tuesday thru Friday**  
**8:30 AM and Noon**  
Sat. 8:30 AM

#### **CONFESSIONS:**

Saturdays 4:45 P.M. as well as By Appointment.

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#### **BAPTISMS:**

To prepare for the sacrament of Baptism, parents and godparents should plan to attend the 10:00 AM Mass on the second Sunday of the month followed by a Baptismal preparation meeting. Parents must come to the Parish Office with a copy of the birth certificate one month before your planned Baptism.

#### **SICK CALLS:**

Please call and arrange for the sacrament of anointing whenever anyone is seriously ill.

#### **MARRIAGES:**

Please call the rectory at least 6 months ahead for an appointment with a Priest.

#### **WELCOME:**

Adults who are interested in learning more about or joining the Catholic Faith please call the rectory. Adults who have not completed the sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and/or Confirmation)

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**ON LINE & CREDIT CARD GIVING: WWW.PARISH-GIVING.ORG.**

#### **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Saturday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Office closed Sunday

No evening hours at the present time.

IF YOU WISH TO SEE A PRIEST, PLEASE TELEPHONE FOR AN APPOINTMENT  
**PLEASE REMEMBER SACRED HEART & ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH IN YOUR WILL.**

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# MASSes for the WEEK



## UPS AND DOWNS ELEVATOR NEWS

As we begin the processes of obtaining bids from prospective elevator and construction companies to begin and complete our elevator project, we must be aware of the great necessity of balancing long lasting quality work while staying within our budget. The budget for this work has been made possible thanks to the generosity of those who have made a pledge to our Generations of Faith Campaign. While our first priority must be the completion of the elevator installation and upgrade of our restrooms to ADA compliance, we also had listed as priorities on our campaign case statement necessary maintenance to our parish pipe organ and a moveable wall system for Cabrini Hall. We look forward to telling you more about these projects in the coming weeks. In the meantime, we remind everyone that all of these improvements will not be possible just on pledges but they depend on the fulfillment of the pledges made to Generations of Faith.

## WHAT IS A DEANERY? WHAT IS A DEAN?

Deaneries are similar to clusters in many ways, but the hope of Bishop DiMarzio is that the Deaneries might be able to serve the local parishes and the diocese in additional ways that the clusters could not. The single biggest difference between a deanery and a cluster is the Dean. A Dean is a priest from the local area, appointed by the Bishop, to serve as the Bishop's representative in that local area (deanery). The Bishop has created 22 deaneries and has appointed 22 deans. The Dean is responsible for looking with a wide vision at the situation of the entire region and encouraging other parish leaders to look at the wider region as well. The Diocese has just gone through a reconfiguration process that attempted to identify and address many temporal and pastoral concerns. The dean will continue to monitor such situations and work with the other pastors and parish leaders to keep the plans on course. The Dean will still be responsible for calling together parish staff and clergy to work together on a deanery level to share pastoral plans, dialogue about changes in the wider neighborhood and propose plans to increase our collaboration with one another. In addition, the Dean is asked to support the priests in the deanery. This includes being attentive to clergy who may be ill or elderly, but may also include the spiritual support of all clergy. With the recent parish mergers come more complex assignments for pastors. Couple this with the decrease in the number of priests in general and the need for a local Dean to support priests in their assignments becomes more apparent and more urgent. The Dean will also meet directly with Bishop DiMarzio, both individually and as a group, to share with the Bishop the situation on the local level and to assist him in serving the parishes more effectively. Also, there remains a Vicar for Brooklyn and a Vicar for Queens, who are priests assigned by the Bishop to oversee the administration of the Church across entire boroughs. The Deans will work closely with the Vicars to implement plans to strengthen the Church and ensure that all priests are supported, parish staffs work together and the laity are continually informed and called into greater leadership and participation.

- MON. NOVEMBER 21, 2016**  
**Noon** Kimberly Ann Geritano  
 Birthday Blessings (Deceased)  
 BY: Mom & Dad
- TUE. NOVEMBER 22, 2016**  
**8:30** Frank Agosta  
 BY: Family  
**Noon** Lee Andrew Hirsch  
 BY: His Mom
- WED NOVEMBER 23, 2016**  
**8:30** In Thanksgiving for the 150th  
 Wedding Anniversary of  
 Dominick & Lillian Intartaglia  
 BY: Andy Di Manso  
**Noon** In Honor of the Holy Spirit for  
 The People of the Parish  
**7:00 PM** Parish Family Thanksgiving Mass
- THURS. NOVEMBER 24, 2016**  
**8:30** Thanksgiving Mass
- FRI. NOVEMBER 25, 2016**  
**8:30** Lee & Joseph Sgro  
 BY: Children, Grandchildren &  
 Great Grandchildren  
**Noon** All Deceased Members of  
 The Polito & De Losa Family  
 BY: Loving Family
- SAT. NOVEMBER 26, 2016**  
**8:30** Lee Andrew Hirsch  
 BY: Concetta Battista  
**5:30** Frank & Lottie Illiano  
 BY: Loving Family
- SUN NOVEMBER 27, 2016**  
**8:00** Gladys Zodda  
 BY Michelle & Phyllis Ruggiero  
**10:00** Michael Iacono  
 BY: Camille & Anthony Trani  
**Noon** Caterina Deserio  
 BY: Her Sister Anna

# Sick Relatives & Friends

Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish and community who are ill, hospitalized or in nursing home care, most especially:

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|----------------------|---------------------|
| Jonelle Bernardo,    | Mario Austi         |
| Brad Hatry           | Matthew Ruggiero    |
| Michelle Laquercia   | Irene Balen         |
| Dolly Vergona,       | Gloria Heyer        |
| Angelo Vergona       | Richie Boyle        |
| Maria Carmen         | Morial John Nigro   |
| Judith Miller        | Alissa Aquino       |
| Michele Morea        | Palma Caminiti      |
| Carol DeMairo        | Anthony Gambardella |
| Denise Deacomanolis  | Rachel Valenti      |
| Salvatore Gianino    | Judith Latalladi    |
| Rosemary Love        | Lisa Van            |
| Eileen Giannotta     | Donald Jackson      |
| Dominick Aiello, Jr. | Roe Gambardella     |
| Kathleen Gunderson   | Paul Girard         |
| Ann Curcuru          | Dora Zanzonico      |
| Angelina Campasano   | Andrew Favorito     |
| Anthony Caruvana     |                     |



Altar Bread & Wine for the week of November 20, 2016 has been donated

In Memory of

**SYLVIA BELLO**

Requested by:

**M/M Andrew S. Moriello**



The Sanctuary Lamps for the week of November 20, 2016 have been donated

In Loving Memory of

**THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
THE SGRO & ZODDA FAMILIES**

**BY: Lou Anne & Michael Manus**

## YOUTH NEWS

On Saturday November 19th all Youth from Visitation, St. Paul & St. Agnes are invited to attend the 5:30 PM Mass at Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen. This mass will be followed by a Movie Night to be held in Cabrini Hall( directly below the Church) at 6:45 PM. The movie is For Greater Glory. For more information, call 718 596-7750 and speak with Laura, our Youth Minister.

## CELEBRATING 150 YEARS

**DONT FORGET  
ABOUT THE FOLLOWING  
EVENT:**

**Our 150th Anniversary Mass  
Celebrated by**

**Most Rev. Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio  
will be held on  
Sunday,  
December 18, 2016  
@ 10:00 AM**

**Kindly mark your calendars.  
This is the only mass scheduled on  
this day. There will be a small  
reception with light refreshments in  
Cabrini Hall following the Mass.**

## NOON MASS

Kindly note that beginning on November 15th, we will have two Masses per day—Tuesday through Friday. One at 8:30 AM and the other at Noon. This will continue through the 12th of April when the schedule will revert back to one mass at 8:30 as usual. Noon Masses will continue on Monday throughout the year.

# From the Pastor



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Dear Parish Family,

Christ the beginning and the end. Christ the Alpha and the Omega of our existence. Christ the same yesterday, today and forever. All time and all seasons are his. To Christ be glory forever

Today the Church celebrates the great Solemnity of Christ the King. This is the last Sunday in the Liturgical year 2016. The year ends as it began by proclaiming Christ as our King. Acknowledging our very existence as dependent on Christ. We are invited everyday to invite the Lord into the most intimate parts of our lives. “The feast of Christ the King is therefore not a feast of those who are subjugated but a feast of those who know that they are in the hands of one who writes straight with crooked lines.” John Paul II

In the First reading from the Book of the Second Samuel, we read about King David. In Jewish text, the reign of King David was considered the golden age. In reality it might not have been so golden. It was later generations that looked back to the days of King David and saw David as the archetype of King. In fact, in some circles it was believed that when the Messiah came, he would be a new King David. He would be the son of David, symbolically speaking. This title was applied to Jesus by the early Christians. King David was a King taken from the people. He was one with them. The people say to David: “here we are bone of your bone and flesh of your flesh.” These lines were applied to Jesus. Jesus is both divine and human. Jesus is bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh. This alludes to the great mystery of the Incarnation of God among us in Jesus.

In the second reading from Colossians, we read a great Christological text. This text tells us that Jesus, who is man, is fully divine and through him we see the invisible God. Thus, God is made visible in Jesus. Notice the connection with the first reading: “we are bone of your bone and flesh of your flesh.” It is in the weakness of our humanity that God is made visible in Jesus. This is the meaning of the Incarnation.

The Gospel stands in sharp contrast with the second reading. The Gospel is the death scene of Jesus and the cry of the good thief that Jesus remembers him when he comes into his Kingdom. It is the thief who recognizes Jesus and acknowledges Jesus as King. The Kingdom of Christ is one of love, mercy, justice, peace, truth, life, holiness and grace. It is a kingdom where those who seek peace find it, where those who work for justice are rewarded, where those who showed mercy are given mercy. The kingdom of Christ is the victory of the Beatitudes, it is the crowning of those who actualized the spiritual and temporal acts of mercy. It is not a kingdom of power or subjection, but one of freedom where God will be all in all. So, if you are striving to be a disciple of Christ and you see Christ as your King, then strive to be a person of mercy, justice, peace, love and the kingdom will flower in you.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

150th Anniversary Celebration

THANK YOU TO ALL

I think most of us would agree that the Gala last week was a great experience. Thank you to all of our parishioners who supported this great event. Thank you for your constant generosity and love for this parish. The Gala provided us the opportunity to come together and have a party. I had a great time. Thank you to all that made such a night possible. Such an event comes about through a great deal of hard work. Planning, organizing and executing this event called for the cooperation of many. I thank the Gala Committee for all their work, for meeting regularly, for spending long hours of planning and managing every detail. Your efforts were most successful. I thank you in the name of the whole parish.

I thank Maria DiRosa, our Chair Lady for all her work. I thank her for her patience and kindness. Thank you to the entire committee for giving their time and talent to the planning of this celebration. I thank Mr. & Mrs. John and Carolyn Zodda for taking responsibility for the raffle. I also thank Mr. and Mrs. Balsamo and Mr. Anthony Troiano for their dedication to selling the raffles at the doors of the church every Sunday. I thank them for their donation of the second prize. I thank Valerie Westoff, our Journal Chair Lady for her work on the memorable and beautifully put together journal. I think we can agree that our journal is a great souvenir of the Gala. I thank Rose Marie Foglia, our Ticket Chair Lady for her constant and dedicated attention to details which added to making this a great time for all. I give a thank you to Mr. John Heyer whose dedication to this parish has spearheaded so much of our 150th Anniversary celebration. I thank you John and Maria for your time, energy and effort to make this a great year.

Now we can begin to plan the 175th!

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

REMEMBER THE DATE

On Sunday, December 18th, Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio will celebrate the 10:00 AM Mass to close our 150th Anniversary Year of Celebration. Please join us for this occasion. This will be the only Mass celebrated on this day. There will be a small reception with light refreshments in Cabrini Hall immediately following this Mass.

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