
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 NOON
5:30 PM on Saturday

MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:

Monday 12:00 Noon
Tues. through Sat. 8:30 AM

CONFESSIONS:

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

For Holiday and Special Mass Schedules, please call the Rectory and press extension number 4 for specific details.

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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) please call the rectory.

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.

MASSSES for the WEEK

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection for 4/15	\$ 2,970.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$ 14,325.00
Difference:	-\$11,355.00

** Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks



We are continuing our class about Technology for Seniors. Meetings are held every Tuesday during the month of April as follows:

4/24) @ 4:30 PM in

Rectory Hall. All are welcome!

Bring your cell phone, tablet and/or computer.



Altar Bread & Wine for the week of April 22nd is in

Loving Memory of ANGELO VERGONA

BY: Clara Stella & Paula Mazze

HOPE AND HEALING

The annual Diocesan Mass of Hope and Healing, sponsored by the Diocesan Survivors Advisory Committee, will take place on Wednesday, the 25th of April @ 7:00 PM at the parish of St. Nicholas of Tolentine (located at 150-75 Goethals Avenue, Jamaica, N.Y.). The main celebrate will be Most Reverend Nicholas DiMarzio, Bishop of Brooklyn. All are invited to gather on this day, to pray for healing for all those who have been impacted by childhood sexual abuse.

MOTHER'S DAY BABY SHOWER

We are accepting baby shower gift donations to be distributed by the Sisters of Life to mothers who bravely choose life under difficult circumstances. Suggested items are: Diapers, wipes, blankets, outfits, onesies, sleepers, hats, socks, booties and bottles, This is not an all inclusive list. Your ideas are welcome. All baby items **MUST BE NEW!** You may also donate maternity clothes and gift cards. Please donate the gifts unwrapped in bags or gift bags and leave them at the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary to the left of the altar. Please donate by Mother's Day, May 8th. We thank you in advance for your generosity and support of this event.

- MON. APRIL 23, 2018**
 Noon Rita Pellicano
 BY: Rosemary Polito
- TUE. APRIL 24, 2018**
 8:30 In Thanksgiving
- WED APRIL 25, 2018**
 8:30 Padre Sabino
 BY: Clara Stella
- THURS. APRIL 26, 2018**
 8:30 Caterina Deserio
 BY: Her Sister, Anna
- FRI. APRIL 27, 2018**
 8:30 Torino Zanzonico
 BY: Dora & Lorraine Zanzonico & Family
- SAT. APRIL 28, 2018**
 8:30 Anthony Platania
 BY: Dora Zanzonico & Family
- 5:30 PM Deceased Members of
 The Del 'Re Family
 BY: Loving Family
- SUN APRIL 29, 2018**
 8:00 AM For the Health of Irene Mc Ginn
 BY Loving Family
- 10:00 St. Michael's Society
 BY: Dovotees
- 12:00 Joseph Patti
 BY: The Napoli Family

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:

Jonelle Bernardo,	Mario Austi
Brad Hatry	Matthew Ruggiero
Michelle Laquercia	Irene Balen
Dolly Vergona,	Gloria Heyer
Judith DeArmen	John N igro
Judith Miller	Alissa Aquino
Michele Morea	Palma Caminiti
Carol DeMairo	Anthony Gambardella
Dominick Aiello, Jr.	John Scotto
Roe Gambardella	Elizabeth Foley
Kathleen Gunderson	Paul Girard
Ann Curcuru	Dora Zanzonico
Lamar McNabb	Anna Maria Marino
Carol Montelbano	Rev. Michael A. Carrano
Addy Wardrope	

BOOK CLUB

Our next Book Club meeting will be on Monday, May 7th at 7:00 PM in the Parish House. We will be discussing JEWEL by Bret Lott. All are welcome!

THANK YOU

Thank you to Sondra Rivera and all the nurses, doctors and medical personnel who put together the Health Fair. Keeping us healthy and encouraging early detection will help us to live long and productive lives. Thank you to all.

Thank you to all who adopted cats and dogs from Animal Care Centers of New York. How we treat animals, how we love them and how we care for them reflects on the way we treat people. Having a cat or dog is a wonderful blessing. So, thank you from Ambrose, Felicity and Msgr. Massie.

ECUMENICAL CONCERT

Join us as we pray together in anticipation of the Feast of Pentecost with music provided by the choirs of various Christian communities including Interdenominational, Episcopal, Roman Catholic, Greek and Melkite. Save the date of Friday, May 18th @ 7:30 PM at Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen Church. The musical program for the evening is a retrospective for the Easter Season, following-via music & narration—the journey from Holy Thursday through Pentecost. All are welcome!

YOUTH MASS

Come and join us for our Youth Mass to be held on Sunday, April 29th at Noon here at Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen Church. Our young people from all parishes are welcome. For more information, contact Laura, our Youth Minister at 718 596 7750.

Annual Memorial Candles

If you wish to remember a loved one or have a particular devotion to one of the saints, annual memorial candles are available at the rectory. All candles may have a plaque with the inscription of your choice written on it. The cost for the candle is \$100.00 per year (with a one time \$10.00 charge for the plaque). If you are interested, please contact the Rectory Monday through Thursday between the hours of 9-5 and speak with Rose Marie Foglia. We will be happy to assist you and answer any questions you may have.

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Community:

Today is the Fourth Sunday of Easter. This Sunday is known as Good Shepherd Sunday. This Sunday has traditionally been dedicated to vocations to the priesthood, the Diaconate and religious life.

The image of God as the Good Shepherd is ancient. Shepherds refer to all who have responsibility for the spiritual care of the people. While God is the shepherd par excellence, those who care for the spiritual needs of others are to imitate the care and love of God for his people. Besides the beloved psalm 23 and psalm 80 addresses God as the Shepherd of Israel, imploring God as the Shepherd of salvation and deliverance. Through the prophets, God addressed the unfaithful shepherds and promised to shepherd his own people due to the lack of care on behalf of the erring shepherds. King David was a shepherd. Images of lambs and sheep symbolic and metaphorical for the people of Israel abound in the sacred text.

The qualities of a shepherd best illustrate the qualities needed to be a person of pastoral care. Shepherds are vigilant. The Good Shepherd sometimes leads the sheep by walking in front of them. At other times, the shepherd is in the midst of the sheep sharing the sheep's very life. Other times the shepherd walks behind the flock to defend them from danger. The shepherd always has the good of the sheep at heart. They are present for the sheep. The shepherd is interested in the individual sheep as well as the herd of sheep. Shepherds must be kind but firm. They must be truthful but gentle. They above all must love the sheep. They must be willing to sacrifice themselves when necessary for the good of the sheep.

The relationship between the sheep and the shepherd is personal and communal. It is personal in that the sheep knows and loves the shepherd and the shepherd knows and loves the sheep. The Gospel addresses those of us who are shepherds and would be shepherds in the church. The shepherd calls us all. Yet, there are many voices who call out to us. There is the voice of self, the world, the world of business, the world of immediate gratification, the world of power and many others that vie for our attention. How do we know the voice of the Good Shepherd? Who guides us to recognizing the voice of the shepherd? How do we follow the Good Shepherd? The guide is the Sacred Texts, the sacraments and the traditions of the Church. Anyone in leadership must imitate the example of the Good Shepherd. "The Lord is my shepherd there is nothing I shall want. Ps. 23"

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

BISHOP'S APPEAL

On April 28th and April 29th we will ask everyone to consider making a gift to the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal at all of our Masses. If 50 parishioners pledge \$150.00 each to the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal, we will exceed our goal!

The 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the daily work of our Church throughout Brooklyn and Queens in ways no one parish can accomplish alone by supporting the following ministries:

***Catholic Charities; Hospital, College and Prison Chaplains;
Diocesan Vocations Office; Catholic Migration Services; Parish Assistance Program; Office of
Faith Formation; Bishop Muguvero Residence for infirmed clergy;
Futures in Education Scholarship Foundation***



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IMAGINE

AN EVENING OF MUSICAL FUN

**A Benefit Party to further the Music Ministry at Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen
will be held on
Saturday,
April 28th at 6:30 PM in
Cabrini Hall, 125 Summit St.
Buffet Dinner @ \$30.00 per person.
Tickets can be purchased after all masses at the doors of the church.
Live Performances by the Three Choirs of Sacred Hearts.**



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