
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 5/7	\$ 4,024.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$ 14,325.00
Difference:	-\$10,301.00

** 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 May as follows:

* 5/15, 5/29 @ 4:30 PM in

Rectory Hall. All are welcome!

Bring your cell phone, tablet and/or computer.

* The class WILL NOT meet on May 22nd.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION

Liturgy of the Word for Children at the 10 AM Mass will take a brief hiatus during the month of May, as we celebrate First Communions and Mother's Day. It won't be gone for the summer quite yet, though, as we'll resume on Sunday, June 3rd. In the meantime, we're asking all families whose children participate in the Liturgy of the Word for Children to provide contact information so we can offer resources for use at home or at Mass. Please take a minute to stop by the table at the rear of the church and use the sign up sheet you'll find there. Thanks!

Annual Catholic Appeal Update

Thank you to all those generous individuals who have made a pledge to the 2018 ACA and the parish team who spoke at the Masses and also helped distribute and collect materials last weekend. At our In-Pew drive, we collected \$13,387 in pledges and one-time gifts for the ACA for this year on behalf of our Parish. As long as all pledges are fulfilled by those who made them, \$31,565 will be used to help the ministries of the Church throughout Brooklyn and Queens and \$10,085 will come back directly to SHSS for our needs. If you have not made a contribution and would like to, you may use the envelopes located at the entrance of the Church or donate online at AnnualCatholicAppeal.org.

- MON. MAY 14, 2018
Noon = Connie, Ernie & Joey Missoni
BY: Loving Family
- TUE. MAY 15, 2018
8:30 Frank Foglia
- WED. MAY 16, 2018
8:30 Restituta Marchetti
BY: Catherine
- THURS. MAY 17, 2018-
8:30 Pasquale Scotto
BY: Children
- FRI. MAY 18, 2018
8:30 Mary Platania
BY: Dora Zanzonico & Family
- SAT. MAY 19, 2018
8:30 Ann & Walter Kowalczyk
BY: Dora Zanzonico & Family
5:30 PM St. Restituta
BY: Giustina Pavone
- SUN MAY 20, 2018
8:00 AM Holy Spirit for the Parish
10:00 Domenico & Amalia Mignano
First Holy Communion, Group B
12:00 Theresa & Loreto Schiano &
Andrew Lee Hirsch
BY Daughter & Mom

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sunday, May 20, 2018 is Pentecost Sunday. We ask that you wear Red as Red is the color of The Holy Spirit. Examples of wearing red are; shirts, ties, blouses, dresses, shoes, hats, etc.

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
Palma Caminiti	Addy Wardrope
Carol DeMairo	Anthony Gambardella
Dominick Aiello, Jr.	John Scotto
Roe Gambardella	Elizabeth Foley
Ann Curcuru	Dora Zanzonico
Lamar McNabb	Anna Maria Marino
Carol Montelbano	Rev. Michael A. Carrano

UPS AND DOWNS

We have received the final decision from the NYC Building's Department allowing us to install our church elevator, but limiting it to provide accessibility to Cabrini Hall, the street level at Hicks Street and the Main Church. While we had been advocating for the inclusion of the Choir Loft, since our shaft needed to extend to the height anyway, the NYC Building's Department would not allow it. The City would have only permitted a fourth stop had we changed the elevator selected and purchased a more commercial elevator adding an additional \$100,000 to the purchase price. Unfortunately, we do not have an additional \$100,000, and upon review, believe that what we have been granted will allow access to our primary facilities located in the Main Church and Cabrini Hall. Since receiving this decision last week, our architects have done a final sign off of the elevator drawings and met on-site with Msgr. Massie, John Heyer and Mobility Elevator Company to finalize all necessary options. Mobility has given us a maximum timeline starting from this week until final sign off by the New York City Elevator Inspectors of 14 weeks till completion. This means that we can look forward to riding in our new elevator at the end of the summer. Once again, thank you to all who have made this project possible by your donation to Generations of Faith. Please continue to make your regular payments ensuring our ability to see this project through to completion.

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!



The Sanctuary Lamps
for the week of

May 13th have been donated

In Loving Memory of

FRANK FOGLIA

BY: Rose Marie



Bread & Wine for the week of
May 13th has been donated

In Loving Memory of

CONCETTA FOGLIA

BY: Rose Marie

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Our Lady of Loretto #595 Knights of Columbus will once again give away three \$500.00 scholarships through *The Kimberly Geritano Scholarship Program* to children attending a Catholic School. Any child in Grade 1 through 12 is eligible. The application fee is \$10.00 which will be applied to the Scholarship Fund. The application forms will be handed out in the back of the church following every mass this weekend by the members of the Knights of Columbus. The winners will be picked following the noon mass on June 24th. Thank you for supporting the Knights of Columbus.

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family,

The readings today have us standing between the Ascension of Christ and the great feast of Pentecost. The readings speak to us about prayer and bearing witness to our faith in Christ. In the Gospel which comes to us from Saint John 17:11-19, we meet Jesus while he is praying. Jesus is praying for both his apostles and for all those who will come to the faith through the preaching of the apostles. Therefore, Jesus is praying for us, who are the results of the preaching of the apostles. He prays that his disciples will give witness to him who is the Way, the Truth and the Life by the manner of their lives.

When we say that Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life, we mean that to imitate the mind, the heart and the attitude of Christ becomes the goal of the disciple. We are saying the life of Christ is our direction and guide. The life lived in truth is a life lived for others. The Way to do this is to lay down one's life both symbolically and sometimes physically for God and others. It also means that the fullness of life is attained by losing our lives for others.

In the first reading from Acts of the Apostles, we meet the apostles who like Jesus are joined in prayer as they prepare to elect a successor to Judas Iscariot. What is amazing about this text is that the apostles take it upon themselves to elect a successor to Judas. Why did they think they could elect a successor? How could they call someone to be an apostle? Do they think they are acting in the name of Jesus? The answer lies in the apostolic belief that the apostles believed that the Risen Christ dwelt among them and inspired them. After the Ascension, Christ is made present through the Holy Spirit. As a result, the Apostolic community becomes the presence of Christ in the world.

In the second reading from the first letter of Saint John, we are reminded that if God loved us as shown in Jesus, we ought to love each other. Love we must remember means effectively willing the good for the other. It is devoid of emotion. It has nothing to do with liking or disliking. It has everything to do with the Christian willing the good of the other because Christ requires such behavior. When we love or when we show mercy, we are being conformed to the image of Christ. When we as a community behave in willing the good for others, than the community or the church is being conformed to the image of Christ in the world.

What does bearing witness to the faith mean? It means living the faith. We bear witness by assisting at the Eucharist. This states that we believe in the real presence of Christ among us in the Eucharist. We bear witness in the way we treat others. This means we need not have to tell people what we believe, our behavior should speak out louder than our words. So actions of compassion, understanding, seeking the truth, showing mercy, seeking justice for the oppressed, acting honestly and uprightly are actions which proclaim the faith without us having to mention the faith. Bearing witness does mean at times speaking out for the faith when it is being attacked. Witnessing the faith exposes us to danger of a loss of a friendship and in some cases to be ostracized from a circle of friends and relatives.

Bearing witness to the faith edifies those who witness the faith being lived and passed on to the next generation. Bearing witness to our faith builds up the Body of Christ so that the whole Church can one day be conformed to the mind and heart of Christ Jesus.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
Sunday, May 20th 10:00 AM Mass

Raven Casanova Santiago
Catherine Goldschmid
Emma Goldschmid
Clover Graves
Isabella Lubrano
Addison Marshall
Katarina Noye Lozada
Toni Marie Oliveri
Mackenzi Owens
Gemma Smith
Gabriella Tresko
Mia Ledesma

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Gregory LaRosa
Mateo Nrecaj
Andrew Oakes
John Oakes
Justin Renta
Mack Roberts
Johnny Rouse
Nicholas Wasserman

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Come, O Holy Spirit, come!
And from your celestial home
Shed a ray of light divine!
Come, O Father of the poor!
Come, source of all our store!
Come, within our bosoms shine.
You, of comforters the best;
You, the soul's most welcome guest;
Sweet refreshment here below;
In our labor, rest most sweet;
Grateful coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.
O most blessed Light divine,
Shine within these hearts of yours,
And our inmost being fill!
Nothing good in deed or thought,
Nothing free from taint of ill.
Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour your dew
Wash the stains of guilt away;
Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.
On the faithful, who adore and
Confess you, evermore
In your sevenfold gift descent;
Give them virtue's sure reward;
Give them your salvation, Lord;
Give them joys that never ends, Amen, Alleluia!

INFORMATION SHEET

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