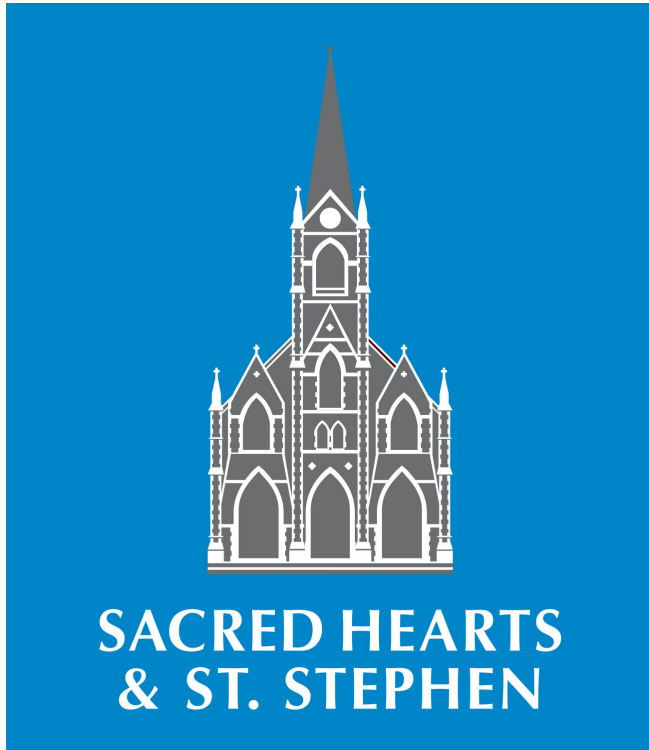

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MASSES ON SUNDAYS:

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.

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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 5/20	\$ 4,026.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$ 14,325.00
Difference:	-\$10,299.00

** 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 June as follows:

6/5,6/12,6/19,6/26 @ 4:30 PM in

Rectory Hall. All are welcome!

Bring your cell phone, tablet and/or computer.

WE NEED YOU

Adorers for Adoration on the Feast of the Sacred Heart, June 8th from 3PM-6PM . Adoration will be in the Chapel. Please do sign in to be here. We must have people in the Chapel to have adoration. Find list at Church doors. Intentions for Adoration:

1st hour from 3-4PM	Reparation for Sins
2nd hour from 4-5PM	Santification
	personally and for
	our parish
3rd hour from 5-6PM	The Parish of
	SHSS
6:00 PM	Benediction
6:30 PM	Procession to
	Cabrini Park for
	Mass in the Park
	@ 7:00 PM

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Our Lady of Loretto #585 Knights of Columbus South Brooklyn Dance Party **BACK TO GENERATION X FUNDRAISER** for the Gift of Life Foundation at Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen, Cabrini Hall @ 8:00 PM with DJ John Mazzella, \$50.00 per person . Fully catered, cash bar, beer & wine included. Casual Attire For tickets & Info, contact PatGuido52@gmailcom or call 917-892-1090.

- MON. MAY 28, 2018**
 Noon Joseph Patti
 BY: The Delgado Family
- TUE. MAY 29, 2018**
 8:30 Angelo Vergona
 BY: Andy Di Manso
- WED MAY 30, 2018**
 8:30 Lee Sgro
 BY: Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren
- THURS. MAY 31, 2018**
 8:30 Caterina Deserio
 BY: Her Sister Anna
- FRI. JUNE 1, 2018**
 8:30 Maria Pennisi
 BY: Nephew, Louis Pepe
- SAT. JUNE 2, 2018**
 8:30 Angelo Vergona
 BY: Maria DiRosa
 5:30 PM M/M Joseph Pellecchia
 BY: Rose Palmieri & Family
- SUN JUNE 3, 2018**
 8:00 AM Catterina Deiro
 BY: Steve Iannone
 10:00 Joseph & Lia Cerato
 BY: Cerato & Andruzzi Families
 12:00 All Deceased Members of Our Family
 BY Clara Stella

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
Anthony Manfre	

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, 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 12 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.



The Sanctuary Lamps
for the week of

May 27th have been donated

In Loving Memory of

MARY KNESKI

BY: Madleline Poldrugovaz



Bread & Wine for the week of

May 27th has been donated

For Birthday Blessings

For My Mom

Miss You & Love You

BY: Val, Tommy & Joseph

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.



Our next book club meeting will be on Monday, June 4th at 7:00 PM in the Parish House. We will be discussing **MANHATTAN BEACH** by Jennifer Egan. All are welcome!

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Community,

God is Love

Today is Trinity Sunday. While the Easter Season ended with the celebration of Pentecost, today's feast and next week's feast of Corpus Christi are extensions of the Easter Season. It seems somewhat redundant that we have a feast celebrating the Holy Trinity, since every day, every liturgy celebrates God who is Trinity. Yet, the feast brings into focus for us the great Mystery of God. While we believe in one God, we believe in a God who is love. Love presupposes relationship. One loves someone else. Love moves us from ourselves to another. Our God is encountered through relationships. We believe in God who is in relationship with us. We experience this great mystery of God through three distinct relationships. While the three relationships are of one divinity, the relationships are different, yet are united and indivisible. Thus, God is experienced as creator or Father, Redeemer/Savior/Word of God of Jesus (Son) and Sanctifier/Sustainer/Divine Presence or Holy Spirit. Keep in mind the following: The Father is not the Son, The Son is not the Father, the Holy Spirit is not the Father nor is the Holy Spirit the Son. However, the Son is in the Father, the Father is in the Son, the Holy Spirit is in the Father and the Son and the Father and Son are in the Holy Spirit. The Father is God, The Son is God and the Holy Spirit is God yet there is One God. Since God is not an idea or a function, but three persons, we use personal titles of Father, Son and Holy Spirit to describe these three distinct relationships. We experience these relationships as a community (Church) and individually.

Saint Augustine tells us that God is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We are always in relationship to God as Trinity. This Triune relationship happens simultaneously never separately. For example, when we pray the Lord's Prayer, we are in relationship to the Trinity. The prayer is formed by Christ, the Word of God among us. The inspiration to pray is the Holy Spirit and the prayer is addressed to the Father. When we are reflecting on the sacred text, we are relating to the Trinity. The desire to reflect on the scripture comes from the Holy Spirit. The appropriation of the text to our lives comes from the Holy Spirit. The Scripture text we are reflecting upon may be about Jesus or a psalm or even a text of the Hebrew text. The Word, in Old Testament or New Testament is Jesus who leads us to the Father. Notice the prayers at Mass. They are addressed to the Father, through the Word who is Jesus and in unity with the Holy Spirit.

In the 1John4, we read that "God is Love." Love is always in a relationship. We are told in Genesis that we are created in the image of God. Applying Augustine's principle: "God is Trinity". Then we are created in the image of the Trinity. If God is Love, than we also are created in the image of Love which is self-giving, self-sacrificing and selfless. Perhaps if we look at the mystery of which we are, we may find a veiled image of the Trinity. We are people of relationships. We are born because of a relationship. We are known in our relationships. We are children of parents. We are sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, mothers, fathers, aunts, uncles, neighbors and co-workers. We are known as colleagues, friends, enemies, thus we are known in and through a relationship. While we are experienced differently in each relationship, we are in many ways the same. If each human being is a mystery, if each human relationship is filled with mystery, how much more the Mystery of God.

God is a Mystery in whose image we are created. We are created in the image of the Trinity. We are created in the image of the God of relationships. It is only through our relationships that we come to be known, that we come to be known to ourselves and that others experience us. The same is true for God. We know God and through relationships with him and with others. Each relationship and each person contains mystery. Mystery is experienced rather than understood or explained. God as Trinity defies description, understanding or explanation. God is experienced through the mystery of Love. Love creates. Love gives of itself for the good of the beloved. Love is enduring and inspiring.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

OPENING OF THE MASS BOOK FOR THE LAST SIX MONTHS OF 2018
JULY THROUGH DECEMBER

The Mass Book for the last six months of 2018, July through December will open on Tuesday, June 12th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM as well as 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the Parish House. Everyone is asked to kindly abide by and respect the process. Please take a number as you arrive. You must come in person, unfortunately telephone requests cannot be taken on this day. **If you are obtaining intentions for others, these masses will be included as part of your allowance.**

As you know, there are only 52 Saturdays and Sundays in a year and the request for Saturday/Sunday Masses exceeds the number of Saturday/Sunday Masses. Every individual may request ONE Saturday/Sunday Mass and two weekday masses at the opening of the Mass book. After the book has been opened for ONE WEEK, if one wishes to come to the Rectory to request additional intentions, they are most welcome to do so. This means; suppose Mr. and Mrs. X come to request mass intentions, Mr. X may request three intentions ONE of which can be on a Saturday/Sunday and two of which will be on weekdays. Mrs. X can do the same. She too can have three mass intentions. ONE for Saturday/Sunday and two for weekdays. Thus the couple can have a total of six mass intentions at the opening of the book. It is hoped that all of us will exercise charity and compassion for others who, like oneself, may wish to request mass intentions for loved ones. It would be uncharitable for a family to circumvent our policy by staging five or six people requesting a mass on Saturday/Sunday for the same intention, thus excluding others.

While we all have days and times which we may want, that day and time may not be available, thus we will need to have alternate days and times. Let us remember that the focus of our Mass intentions is for the one for whom we are praying, not for the one requesting the mass. It helps when we are able to get the time and day we need to be charitable and considerate of others whose intentions are as important as our own. We must also remember that none of us is entitled to a time and day. All requests will be answered to the best of our ability. Masses being too early or too late or not on the day we requested is not a reason for not requesting a mass. Let us remember the focus of our request.

Keeping in mind the focus of our request, we call your attention to the following:

- The requestor's name (the one making the intention for the mass) need not be printed in our bulletin or announced from the pulpit. When the mass intention is booked, we will take the requestor's name for our records, but this need not be printed in our bulletin or announced from the pulpit. This is an option you can partake of however, it is not necessary. Remember, the focus is on the person or intention of the mass, not the requesting party.
- Oftentimes we wish to remember the occasion of a birthday, anniversary, years since passing, etc. as well as a nickname for the person the mass intention is for. This information is not needed and should not be part of the mass intention, therefore, only the baptismal name of the person for whom the mass intention is requested is needed. We need not know your personal reasons for your mass request.

What does it mean to request a mass be offered for our loved ones or in thanksgiving for a particular intention? Requesting a mass means that the community pray in a particular way for someone or an intention at the community mass. The church prays for all the dead and all the living at every mass, every day in every church throughout the world. When you make a mass intention, you are asking the local community to pray in a particular way for someone who is prayed for everyday universally. The mass belongs to everyone. The mass is our universal prayer. The celebration of the Eucharist makes the Passion, Death and Resurrection present to us sacramentally everyday. Our faith tells us that this sacrifice is of benefit to the living as well as to the dead.

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