
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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LAURA RAMIREZ-GALEAS

Youth Minister

ANDREW DI MANSO

Sacristan

MICHAEL J. ENG

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Parish Trustees and Advisors

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

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| Sunday Collection for 9/16 | \$ 2,267.00 |
| Annual Weekly Expenses ** | \$ 14,325.00 |
| Difference: | \$12,058.00 |

** Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

On Line Giving for the
Month of August totaled \$2,617.93



Technology Classes with
Deacon Przemek will begin again as
follows: 9/25 at 4:30 PM in the
Parish House. All are welcome. Please bring
your tablets, laptops or phones to the sessions.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

As followers of Jesus, one of our primary tasks is to share the Good News with others. This is especially important for those of us who are parents, called at our child's baptism to share the light of faith with them and to help them grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. The Faith Formation Program here at SHSS is privileged to be part of this spiritual formation. Now is the time to prepare for your child's religious formation this fall.

◇ For those already enrolled in the program, re-registration forms will be e-mailed this week. In order to allow us to order materials and organize classes effectively, we ask that you update all necessary information and return the form as soon as possible. If you did not receive a form as of June 15th, please call Nancy Arkin in the Parish Office or e-mail narkin1960@gmail.com.

◇ If you prefer to re-register in person, or **if you have a child who will be attending for the first time**, or have any questions or concerns, please call 718-596-7750 for assistance or to make an appointment.

- MON. SEPTEMBER 24, 2018
Noon Anthony Polito
BY: Rosemary Polito & Family
- TUE. SEPTEMBER 25, 2018
8:30 Lee Andrew Hirsch
BY: Mom
- WED SEPTEMBER 26, 2018
8:30 Richard Palmieri
BY: Aunt Mary & Family
- THURS. SEPTEMBER 27, 2018
8:30 Ralph Colantonio
BY: Loving Family
- FRI. SEPTEMBER 28, 2018
8:30 Pasquale Scotto
BY: Children
- SAT. SEPTEMBER. 29, 2018
8:30 St. Michael the Archangel
5:30 PM Ramona & Anthony Mugno
BY: Debbie Mugno
- SUN SEPTEMBER. 30, 2018
8:00 AM Frank Ancona
BY: The Delgado Family
10:00 Giovanna Cataldo
BY: The Delgado Family
Noon Joseph Chesnicka
BY: Chesnicka & Deliso Families

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 |
| Judith DeArmen | John Nigro |
| Judith Miller | Alissa Aquino |
| Diane Barchuk | 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 | Theresa Colantonio |
| Emma Huckerby | Louis Janicke |
| Louann Gambardella | Robert Janicke |
| Celeste Internicola | |

PET ADOPTION

Animal Care Centers of NYC will be at Sacred Hearts with their Mobile Pet Adoption Truck on Sunday, 9/30/18 from 10:00 AM—2:00 PM. There will be many loving dogs and cats available for adoption. Take home a furry friend!!!

OPEN HOUSE

Saint Saviour High School 2018 Open Houses, Sunday, September 30th from 1:00 PM to 3 PM and Thursday, Oct. 18th from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. RSVP online: stsaviour.org/admissions.

Saint Saviour High School, an all girls school is located at 588 6th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11215. Call 718 768 7002 to schedule a Buddy Day! stsaviour.org.

UPS AND DOWNS

Our contractor and the elevator manufacturer began installing the Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen elevator in our church on Monday, September 10th. Both companies will work cooperatively over the next few weeks to finalize the installation and operation of the elevator securing all New York City Department of Buildings approvals. If you have made a pledge to Generations of Faith, please continue to make your payments allowing us to fully fund our parish elevator. Remember that all payments currently being made on Generations of Faith pledges to Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen parish come 100% directly back to the parish for the completion of this project. For those who may have made a pledge but are behind in your payments and unable to fulfill your pledge, please consider calling the Catholic Foundation for Brooklyn and Queens and lowering your pledge to something that works within your budget. Generations of parishioners and visitors alike will benefit from your generosity which will make our church building accessible to all who wish to enter it.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who made our Parish Picnic a success! Thank you to all who came, to all who contributed money so generously. Thank you to all who cooked and prepared food. Thank you to all who grilled. Thank you to all who cleaned up. Thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Balsamo who sold raffle tickets every Sunday at all the Masses for the past month as well as their donation of the TV. Thank you to Mr. & Mrs. John and Maria Heyer for their coordinating this event. Thank you to Mr. Anthony and Colleen Troiano for operating the grill. Thank you to Charlie Romo for singing and providing such great entertainment. Thank you to all. Remember the parish that eats together, laughs together, sings together will pray together and stay together.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie



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The Sanctuary Lamps for the week of September 23, 2018 have been donated

**In Loving Memory of UMBERTO & FILOMENA PERUFFO
BY: Children**



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**Bread & Wine for the week of September 23rd has been donated
In Loving Memory of HELEN BOGUSZEWSKI
BY: Madeline**

From the Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

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Why do many oppose the one who seeks to speak the truth? Why do we persecute those who ask us questions which cause us to reflect deeply upon our behavior? Who is the one with real authority?

The readings today seek to address some of these very questions. In the first reading from the Book of Wisdom, the author addresses the plight of the just person. The unjust make life difficult for the just person. They object to the just one's behavior and his message. The unjust challenge the just person on every level. Why? Perhaps the just person sees things differently. Perhaps the words and actions of the just person challenge the unjust who know deep in their hearts that the just one is really correct in his view. Whatever the reason for this persecution of the just, striving to be just and following the Law of God can cause the just person pain. Is this not the story of Jesus?

In the second reading from the Letter of St. James, we are presented with contrasting view points. The author presents us with behaviors which can make life in a community pleasant or difficult. Why would anyone choose the negative attitudes which ultimately work to destroy the community? Living in a community or a family or a parish can be rewarding, uplifting and supportive, however, community living can be challenging. The challenge often arises when the common good is co-opted by the agenda of the few who have forgotten that they are members of the family, the parish or the bigger community. This can happen in marriages when one member of the couple becomes selfish. This can happen in a parish when the greater good of the parish is ignored for the agenda of a few. When these things happen, it is time to get back to basics. We need to answer the question; what is important and why do we exist?

In the Gospel Jesus addresses the topic of authority in his community. In the mind of Jesus, authority is given for service, not for power. The model of authority is not the secular model which is based on power, but rather a Christ centered model which is based in service to all. In the Christ like model, authority serves all especially those who are ignored by the secular model. The Christ like model serves all people: the child, the aging, the sick, the poor, the uneducated, the less attractive, the bright, the wealthy, the influential, etc. When the community adapts to the power model of the world, it respects those who are noticed, recognized and wealthy. The secular model looks to be blind to those who cannot give back, who are dependent. In the Gospel, Jesus uses the example of a child to illustrate that those who have real authority serve the poorest of the poor regardless of their race, color, national origin, religion or orientation.

So, why do we persecute the one who seeks to speak the truth? Why do we persecute the one who asks us questions which causes us to reflect deeply upon our behavior? Who is the one with the real authority?

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

RECENT EVENTS IN THE CHURCH

You are urged to voice your feelings regarding the recent sexual abuse scandal in the Catholic Church by writing to the following:

Archbishop Christopher Pierre
Papal Nuncio
33-39 Massachusetts Avenue N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008

Cardinal Daniel DiNardo
United States Conference of Bishops
32-11 4th St. N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20017

PARISH PILGRIMAGE
TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE ISLAND

DATE: OCTOBER 9, 2018

START AT 8:30 AM FROM OUR CHURCH

RETURN AROUND 6:00 PM

COST: \$60.00

On our way back, we will stop at the local winery and we will shop at Tanger Outlets

Trip by comfortable bus with WC. If you are interested, please fill out the form below and place in the collection basket.

**All costs must paid in full before Sunday, September 30th.
NO CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

In case we will not have enough people, the pilgrimage will be cancelled.

Fill out this form, attach check and place in the collection basket before Sunday, September 30th. (Please mark check " Pilgrimage" and make it payable to the Parish.)

Name

Phone

Check No.

INFORMATION SHEET

CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS

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