
SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN R.C. CHURCH

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**SACRED HEARTS
& ST. STEPHEN**

*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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EVELYN TROESTER DEGRAF

Choir Director

ANDREW DI MANSO

Sacristan

MICHAEL J. ENG

DONALD J. GLOCKNER, JR.

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 to 5:00 (Closed for Lunch from 1-2) Friday 9:00 to 3:00 Saturday 9:00 to 1:00
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

- MON. AUGUST 19, 2019
Noon John Cloonan & Joseph Cloonan
BY Loving Family
Mary Ann, Joe & Amy

- TUE. AUGUST 20, 2019
8:30 In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received
Through the Intercession of
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
BY: Angie

- WED AUGUST 21, 2019
8:30 Giorgio Buono

- THURS. AUGUST 22, 2019
8:30 Concetta Foglia

- FRI. AUGUST 23, 2019
8:30 RoseMarie & Frank Dellaporte &
Ciro & Jenny Olivero

- SAT. AUGUST 24, 2019
8:30 Carmen Roman
5:30 PM John Cloonan & Joseph Cloonan
BY: Loving Family
Mary Ann, Joe & Amy

- SUN AUGUST 25 2019
8:00 The Wendler Family
BY: the Lang Family
10:00 Concetta Foglia
Noon Connie, Ernie & Joey Missoni
BY: Loving Family

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 8/11	\$ 2,371.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$11,954.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks
On Line Giving for the
Month of July totaled \$ 3,919.78

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2019

PARISH GOAL:	\$32,306.00
PLEGGED:	\$43,103.00
PAID:	\$35,885.75

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Annual Catholic Appeal.

If you have not yet made a pledge, please consider doing so as all donations to the Annual Catholic Appeal over our goal will be returned 100% back to the Parish.



**ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA
LOCATED AT
467 COURT STREET IN
BROOKLYN IS SEEKING A PART
TIME CLEANING PERSON WITH
REFERENCES.
HOURS AND DAYS ARE FLEXIBLE.
IF INTERESTED, CALL DEBBIE
AT 718 625-2270.**

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 | Louis Pepe |
| Michelle Laquercia | Irene Balen |
| Dolly Vergona, | Gloria Heyer |
| Judith DeArmen | John Nigro |
| Judith Miller | Alissa Aquino |
| Diane Barchuk | Addy Wardrope |
| Carol DeMairo | Anthony Gambardella |
| Anthony Tilocca | Anthony Turco |
| Roe Gambardella | Elizabeth Foley |
| Ann Curcuru | Dora Zanzonico |
| Lamar McNabb | Anna Maria Marino |
| Carol Montelbano | Gina Salta |
| Anthony Manfre | Celeste Internicola |
| Emma Huckerby | Louis Janicke |
| Louann Gambardella | Robert Janicke |
| Camille Limardi | Dominick Aiello |
| Erica Concino | Bernadette Janicke |
| Mary Therese Pugliese | Mark Carles |

SACRED HEARTS HUMANITARIAN OUTREACH TO GHANA

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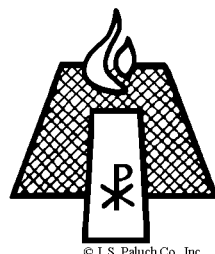
We greatly appreciate any financial donations to help with the cost of shipping.

If you have any questions, please see Anthony or Andy in Church.



Bread & Wine for the week of August 18th has been donated In Memory of **DOMENICK PIRO**

BY: Helen Taranto



The Sanctuary Lamps for the week of August 18th have been donated In Loving Memory of **FRANK LO PORTO & JAMES CK ENG**

BY: Loving Family

BOOK CLUB

We will not be meeting during August, but for those of you who plan ahead, our next meeting will be on September 16th. We will be discussing **GILDED HOUR** by Sara Donati.

All are welcome



Parish cookout

Our Annual Parish Back Yard BBQ will be held on

Sunday, September 15th immediately following the Noon Mass.

All are welcome

We hope to see you there in community with our SHSS Parish Family!

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family,

In the Gospel for this Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Jesus uses the symbol of fire to describe his ministry. Fire is a biblical symbol. Fire has many meanings in biblical language. Fire may be seen as a sign of warmth and comfort. Fire may be seen as frightening and destructive. Fire may be seen as a sign of purifying and judgment. Fire can also be seen as the presence of the Holy Spirit. Fire may be seen as the presence of God as we saw on Mount Sinai in the Burning Bush. Fire may be seen as inspiring as we read how the road to Emmaus the disciple's hearts were burning within them. Fire has many meanings in sacred text. Jesus may be referring to fire on many levels in this text.

Jesus in the Gospel today states: "I have come to set the earth on fire." In this context, does he mean he wants to see the fire of the Holy Spirit create zeal for his message? Does Jesus want his Gospel to inflame our hearts so that we may be excited and zealous in living out the Gospel message? Jesus speaks about his baptism which he must undergo. This baptism of which he speaks is referring to his passion and death and resurrection. Baptism means to be immersed or plunged into depths of something. For Jesus, his baptism is a baptism of fire referring to his death.

Jesus also tells us that he has come for division. This is an odd statement. It is a statement addressed to his disciples. The fire that Jesus will unleash on the earth will divide people. In short, one cannot be apathetic to Jesus. Either you will believe in him or reject him. Either you will be inspired to live his message or you will not be affected by the message. After the Resurrection of Jesus, the message of the Gospel did divide families. Some accepted him, others did not. Ultimately, it divided Judaism thus giving rise to Christianity.

The message today tells us Jesus is a force in the world. It tells us, the disciple, that at times the disciple will be divided from friends, family and even the world. The behavior of the disciple cannot accept or condone some of the behaviors of the world. At times, the disciples will not be able to agree with the secular views of friends or family members. Can the disciple live his/her life differently in the world? Can the disciple stand for justice and peace when all are clamoring for war and hatred? Can the disciple speak of hope in the fields of despair? Can the disciple witness to the faith, when most around him/her do not believe? In today's society where non belief seems to have the last word, the disciple must be strong and will suffer much. Can this be the fire to which Jesus is speaking?

It is the Fire of the Holy Spirit which sets our hearts on fire for Jesus who will sustain all who long to grow in the faith.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

UP-DATE ON AIR CONDITIONING IN CHURCH

After a thorough review by technicians, our church Air Conditioning cannot be repaired back to working condition. The system is too old and the parts needed are no longer available. If custom parts are made for the system, it would be very costly and technicians cannot promise that it will work. As a result, we have begun to have three different companies visit the church to give us estimates for replacing the system. We have been told that the cost of such a replacement will be substantial. We will be providing the parish with a full report on the estimates when we receive them. It is not anticipated that installation of a new system will occur in time for the remainder of the season. Additionally, since we have been seeing a decline in our Sunday collections and do not have reserve funding established for this size of a project, some form of fundraising effort will have to be considered based on the cost of the project. We will update you as more information is made available.

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ANNUAL MEMORIAL CANDLES

Annual Memorial Candles are available at the Rectory. These candles remain lit for one year and may be memorialized in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving for blessings received, or in remembrance of a milestone birthday event. The cost is \$100 (\$110.00 initially to cover the cost of the personalized plaque) per year. The plaque may bear the inscription of your choosing (the more you add, the smaller the letters will appear on the plaque). If you are interested and wish to receive additional information, please call the Rectory during business hours and speak with Rose Marie Foglia. We will be happy to assist you.

INFORMATION SHEET

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