
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

- MON. OCTOBER 16, 2017**
Noon Connie, Ernie & Joey Missoni
BY: Family
- TUE. OCTOBER 17, 2017**
8:30 James Zagarella (Deceased)
Birthday Remembrance
BY: Daughter Gertrude
- WED OCTOBER 18, 2017**
8:30 Patricia Arige
BY: Anthony & Camille Trani
- THURS. OCTOBER 19, 2017**
8:30 Savina Salvo
- FRI. OCTOBER 20, 2017**
8:30 Personal Prayer Intention for
The People of the Parish
- SAT. OCTOBER 21, 2017**
8:30 Josephine Patti
BY: Andy Di Manso
5:30 PM Jenny & Dominic Scotto
- SUN OCTOBER 22, 2017**
8:00 Jerry DiGerolamo
BY: The Napoli Family
10:00 Concetta & Joseph Foglia
BY: Daughter, Rose Marie
12:00 Domenico Ruggiero
BY: Loving Family

NOVENTY
ANIMATED ANIMAL SALE



Once again this year, we welcome members of the Guy M. Stewart Cancer Fund, Inc. who will be selling unique Novelty Animated Singing Animals to raise money for the children at the Ronald McDonald House in NYC and the pediatric unit of Memorial Sloan Kettering Center after Masses on October 21st and October 22nd. Each bear moves and sings its own song. Most cost \$35.00. If you don't need a bear, please consider making a monetary donation to help the children.

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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 to help them to 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 provide for your child's religious formation this fall.

- For those already enrolled in the program, re-registration forms were mailed in June. 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 haven't received a form, please call Nancy Arkin in the Parish Office or email narkin1960@gmail.com.
- If you prefer to re-register in person, 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.



NEW YORK CITY
STREET DEDICATION
"MOTHER CABRINI WAY"

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2017
@11:00 AM

CORNER OF E. 19TH ST. & 3RD AVE.
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

The Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus & Cabrini Mission Foundation invite you to join them for a ceremony dedicating East 19th St. and 3rd Ave. as "Mother Cabrini Way" Light refreshments to follow at Cabrini Apartments 220 E. 19th St. NYC212-228-8608

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:

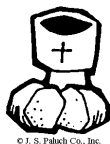
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| Jonelle Bernardo, | Mario Austi |
| Brad Hatry | Matthew Ruggiero |
| Michelle Laquercia | Irene Balen |
| Dolly Vergona, | Gloria Heyer |
| Angelo Vergona | Richie Boyle-Moriale |
| Judith Miller | Alissa Aquino |
| Michele Morea | Palma Caminiti |
| Carol DeMairo | Anthony Gambardella |
| Rachel Valenti | Anthony Caruvana |
| Salvatore Gianino | Judith Latalladi |
| Rosemary Love | Lisa Van |
| Eileen Giannotta | Janet Illiano |
| Dominick Aiello, Jr. | Roe Gambardella |
| Kathleen Gunderson | Paul Girard |
| Ann Curcuru | Dora Zanzonico |
| Angelina Campasano | Andrew Favorito |
| Lamar McNabb | Anna Maria Marino |
| Carol Montelbano | Elizabeth Foley |

Rev. Michael A. Carrano



The Sanctuary Lamps for the week of October 15th have been donated In Memory of **LEONA ZAGAMI**

By: Anne Iacono & Family



Altar Bread & Wine for the week of October 15th has been donated In Memory of **GAETANO DI MANSO**
BY: Carmela & Maria DiRosa

BOOK CLUB

Please join our next meeting on October 16th at 7:00 PM in the Parish House where we will be discussing **The Widow of the South** by Robert Hicks. All are welcome!

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection for 10/8/17	\$ 2,550.00
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$ -14,325.00
Difference:	\$-11,775.00

** Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

PRAYER INTENTION MASS

A Mass for your personal intentions will be said on October 20th @ 8:30 AM. Please fill out a prayer intention card and place it in the intention basket located in the back of the church.

I pray for you though I may not know you. The Weakest and the Sick. I pray Dear Lord, comfort them with your great Love and Mercy.



Through a Program sponsored by NYU Langone Brooklyn, SHSS will be holding a Health and Blood Pressure Clinic. It will run every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month with the exception of

holidays and in the month of November. November Blood Pressure Screening will take place on 11/5 and 11/12. (For November only!) The Flu Clinic will be held on Sunday, 11/5 from 11AM-1:00 PM. You must be 18 years of age and have your medical card available for Flu Shots only. These activities will take place in the back of the church by the Statue of St. Rocco.

We are excited to be bringing these services to our Parish and look forward to a successful program.

CHURCH BEHAVIOR-RECTORY BUSINESS

Dear Everyone:

Just a reminder, Rectory business should be conducted at the Rectory during the week from 9AM-5PM. The members of the staff are also members of the parish. They have a need to pray at Mass, be part of the Liturgy and visit the Blessed Sacrament just as anyone else. Kindly allow our staff to pray in church and do not try to conduct Rectory concerns in church. Requesting Mass intentions, renewing memorial candles, donations, envelope concerns and questions are to be conducted either at the Rectory or by calling the Rectory, not in Church. Kindly respect the privacy and the prayer time of the staff members.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family:

What will you wear to the Wedding? Do you have a wedding garment? Whose wedding is it? Our parables on the Kingdom of God continue. This week, the metaphor of a banquet found in the first reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah invites us to reflect on God's generosity, God's power to destroy evil, God's light to remove the veil of misunderstanding and lack of knowledge. In the Gospel reading, the Kingdom is symbolized by a Wedding Feast which a King makes for his Son's wedding. Since the invited guests do not come, the King extends the invitation to all people from all places.

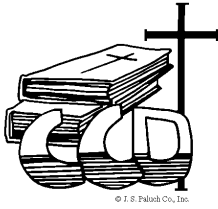
The first reading situates us in Jerusalem. This is the mountain of the Lord. This hope-filled reading is given to all who have suffered want. In a land where food is not plentiful, water is scarce and wine is the result of hard work, this reading gives encouragement to all who look forward to the day when peace and prosperity will come. In this reading death, which is alluded to with the mentioning of the veil which veils all people, will be destroyed and our tears will be wiped away. Death is no more.

This is a great passage of hope for all of us who are weeping either literally or in our hearts. This is a great reading for all who lift their hearts to God and ask how long will I have to endure this suffering or this situation. This reading is a great message of hope for all who ask why this pain? Why this suffering? Why loss? We all labor under a veil. Our eyes do not always see the whole picture of life. We search for answers only found in the mind of God.

The Gospel is the parable about the Wedding Feast. As I said last Sunday, parables are stories used to teach a lesson. Parables make use of metaphor, allegory and symbols. Similar to the parables which we read on September 24th from Matthew 20: 1-16 and on October 1st from Matthew 21:28-32, the theme is the same...those who are called second accept the invitation and reap the benefits of the Kingdom of God. This is true in the Kingdom parables we have read. Those you expect to be at the Wedding, are not, those you expect to do the right thing, do not, those who were called first, get the same reward as those called last.

This parable is rich in symbolism. This King is God, who gives a banquet for his Son's wedding. The groom is Jesus. The marriage is the wedding between Humanity and Divinity found in the Incarnation. The Wedding Feast means that the Kingdom of God brings humanity and Divinity together in a way that only nuptial language could express. The garment is one's baptismal garment. In baptism we put on Christ. We are clothed in Jesus. This garment is kept ready by living out the faith. This garment is kept clean by living the Gospel. If we have a garment and it's not ready, we are not accepted into the party when the Lord comes. The point: many are called but few accept the invitation. Many are baptized, few accept the invitation to discipleship. Many are invited into the relationship with Christ, few really accept the relationship. So, where are you? It is we who excluded ourselves from the wedding feast, not God.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie



MAKE A DIFFERENCE, BECOME A CATECHIST

You are encouraged to prayerfully consider participating in the ministry of Childhood Faith Formation (CCD) here at SHSS. We have the blessing of a growing program—more and more families are bringing their children to SHSS to prepare for the sacraments and to grow in their relationship with Jesus. Right now we don't have enough teachers to meet the demand, and might have to turn some families away. If God is sending these children to us, he's calling some of us to provide the needed instruction for them. You may be one of them! Prior experience is not required and "on the job" training is available. The time commitment is about a week, and our primary need at present is Wednesday afternoon from 3:45 to 5:00 PM. Even if teaching isn't appropriate for you, there's also a need for classroom aides, as well as non-classroom assistance. Experience the joy and challenge of passing on the ways of the Faith to the young people of our parish community. Please call Nancy Arkin in the Parish Office at 718 596-7750, for further information or to schedule an interview, to see if this ministry is right for you.

UPS AND DOWNS

As work progresses on the installation of our elevator, we as a parish family are happy to know that soon we will be able to be whole as a community when our brothers and sisters in wheelchairs or who have difficulty with steps will once again be able to join us for the celebration of the Eucharist. While we thank all those who have made a donation to Generations of Faith in order to fund this project, we would like to let you know that some who made pledges are no longer able to fulfill those pledges due to death, financial challenges or relocation. If you have not yet made a pledge and would like to ensure the best success of this project, please see Msg. Massie and discuss the options.

Thank you for all your support!



If you cannot make mass on Sunday during the regular mass schedule, please be aware of the following evening masses available in our community:

**The Oratory Church of St. Boniface
190 Duffield Place
Brooklyn, New York
Sunday Evening @ 6:00 PM**

**St. Charles Borromeo
19 Sydney Place
Brooklyn, New York
Sunday Evening @ 7:00 PM**

INFORMATION SHEET

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