
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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Sacristan

MICHAEL J. ENG

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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

PRAYER INTENTION MASS

A Mass for your personal intentions will be said on November 29th @ 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.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

O Come, all ye faithful, come and be a part of our SHSS Family Christmas Celebration! CHILDREN, grade Pre-K thru 7 you're invited...to reenact the Christmas story at the 4:30 Family Mass on Christmas Eve and/or at our CCD Sunday Assembly on 12/17.

The miraculous events surrounding the birth of Jesus will be presented by the children of our parish during the 4:30PM Christmas Eve Mass as they play the parts of our Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, the angels, shepherds, wise men and even the animals in the stable!

Rehearsals will be held on Sundays, December 3rd, December 10th and December 17th (Dress Rehearsal!) following the 10:00 AM Mass in Rectory Hall.

To sign up or for more information, contact Suzanne at migigliotti@aol.com or call the Faith Formation Office at 718 596-7750 Ext. 20.

- MON. NOVEMBER 27, 2017
Noon Rose & John Groccia
BY: Susie & Richie
- TUE. NOVEMBER 28, 2017
8:30 Mario Todaro
BY: Family
- WED NOVEMBER 29, 2017
8:30 Personal Prayer Intentions for
The People of the Parish
- THURS. NOVEMBER 30 2017
8:30 Salvatore Pitino
BY: Francesca Reca
- FRI. DECEMBER 1, 2017
8:30 All Deceased Neighbors
BY: Rose Marie Foglia
- SAT. DECEMBER 2, 2017
8:30 Teddy Topete
BY: Julie Aguilera
5:30 PM Elizabeth Lo Porto
BY JoAnn & Frank Spadaro
- SUN DECEMBER 3, 2017
8:00 For The Health of
Eileen Sinzgalli
BY: The Bracco Family
10:00 Lorianne Sgro Zodda
BY: Her Parents, Carolyn & John
12:00 Connie, Ernie & Joey Missoni
BY: Family

Sick Relatives & Friends

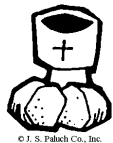
Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish and community who are ill, hospitalized or in nursing home care, most especially:

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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 | Alicia Aquino |
| Michele Morea | Palma Caminiti |
| Carol DeMairo | Anthony Gambardella |
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| Rosemary Love | Lisa Van |
| Eileen Giannotta | Dominick Aiello, Jr. |
| Roe Gambardella | Elizabeth Foley |
| Kathleen Gunderson | Paul Girard |
| Ann Curcuru | Dora Zanzonico |
| Angelina Campasano | Andrew Favorito |
| Lamar McNabb | Anna Maria Marino |
| Carol Montelbano | Rev. Michael A. Carrano |
| John Scotto | |



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The Sanctuary Lamps for the week of
November 26th have
been donated
In Loving Memory of
JOSEPH "RED" LAGUADIA
By: Fran Balzano & Family



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Altar Bread & Wine for the week of
November 26th has been donated
In Loving Memory of
BRIDGET SCANNAVINO
BY: Andrew & Carol Schiano-Moriello

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection for 11/12	\$ 2,836.00
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$ 14,325.00
Difference:	-\$11,489.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

PRIORITY GIVING

What is priority giving? Priority giving is making the parish of Sacred Hearts/St. Stephen a priority in your daily living expenses. It means the church and the ongoing work of the parish is a priority for you. It means that the formation of the Catholic Faith from one generation to the next is a priority to you. If the Parish is a priority, then please consider priority giving. Decide what your weekly priority giving will be.

The day to day expenses of our parish are not being met through our collections. Thanks to donations from a few people, we have been blessed, but this means that the community at large is not pulling their share. So, I ask you if you can consider priority giving. With the exception of people who are on fixed incomes, I ask you to consider the following. If you are giving \$1.00 now, can you increase it to \$5.00. If you are giving \$5.00, can you consider \$10.00. If you are giving \$10.00, can you consider giving \$15.00. For those who have already increased their donation and for those doing the best they can, I thank you. I thank you for your understanding and consideration.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family,

Christ the beginning and the end. Christ the Alpha and the Omega of our existence.

Christ the same yesterday, today and forever.

All time and all seasons are his.

To Christ be glory forever.

Today the Church celebrates the great Solemnity of Christ the King. This is the last Sunday in the Liturgical Year 2017. The year ends as it began by proclaiming Christ as our King. Acknowledging Christ as our King means that we acknowledge his reign over every aspect of our lives. We acknowledge our very existence as dependent on Christ. We as disciples of Christ are to invite the Lord Jesus into every part of our lives. Being baptized and being admitted to the Eucharist means that we not only acknowledge the Kingship of Christ, but that we willingly accept and rejoice over his reign over our lives. “The feast of Christ the King is therefore not a feast of those who are subjugated, but a feast of those who know that they are in the hands of one who writes straight with crooked lines.” John Paul II

The readings today tell us of the nature of the Kingdom of Christ. In the First reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel, we read about God as a Good Shepherd. The shepherd gathers the separated sheep. The shepherd heals the broken sheep. The Shepherd leads the flock to safety. Ultimately the shepherd is faithful to the sheep and gives of himself for the sheep. So, Our King is one who heals, gathers and leads to the truth and life.

In the second reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians, we read a great Christological text. This text tells us that Jesus is our conquering and victorious King. Christ has defeated death, destroyed evil and made the final victory of good over all forms of evil possible. Thus the final victory is won in Christ. While there may seem to be a growth of evil, in the end, Christ will have the last word. So, in Christ the victory is ours, if only we would believe that the battle is over good and evil is won.

In the Gospel we learn that the Kingdom of Christ is one of love, mercy, justice, peace, truth, life, holiness and grace. It is a kingdom where those who seek peace find it, where those who work for justice are rewarded, where those who showed mercy are given mercy. The kingdom of Christ is the victory of the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12) it is the crowning of those who actualized the spiritual and temporal acts of mercy as we see in the final judgment scene. (Matthew 25:11f) Notice in this final judgment parable that mercy is the criteria for attaining heaven. Notice that the prayer, liturgy, sacraments are never mentioned. Perhaps this is so because the goal of our prayer life must lead us to charity and mercy. We must hold our prayer, mercy and charity together and never separate them. Christ is King of those who follow his commands.

Msgr. Guy A Massie

SAVE THE DATE FOR A FAREWELL AND THANK YOU

On Sunday, December 3rd at the 10:00 AM Mass, we will be giving a blessing to Detective Paul Grudzinski recently retired Community Affairs Officer from the 76th Police Precinct. Please join us in thanking Det. Paul for all the many ways he has helped our Parish Community over the years. We will miss him!

FREE WORKSHOP

“CONSUMER PROTECTION TIPS FOR ADULTS”

Consumers Beware! Older adults face unique challenges about common frauds and financial issues. Learn how to stay safe from fraud attempts via phone, mail, internet or home visit. Know what is happening in your neighborhood. Find out where to turn to for help.

Join us at Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen Church on Monday, December 4th from 1:00-2:00 PM for this free hour long workshop. Representatives from NYC Department of Consumer Affairs, NYPD 76th Precinct, Consolidated Edison and AARP will be on hand to share resources and answer questions. Light refreshments and networking follow the presentation. All are welcome. Feel free to enjoy 12 o'clock Mass right before this community service workshop.

ST. STEPHEN TOWER STAR LIGHTING

On Saturday, December 9th, following the 5:30 PM Mass, our annual Star Lighting Ceremony will take place at Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen Church. Memorial opportunities are available by contacting the Rectory.

Ceremony Music \$1,000.00.

Star Lights \$35.00 each (Limit 30)

Tail White Lights \$400.00

Top LED Lights \$500.00

Ceremony Refreshments \$500.00.

All memorials are due no later than Monday, December 4th.

CONCERT AT LINCOLN CENTER

The Spirit of Christmas Concert at Lincoln Center will take place on Monday, 12/18/17. Dinner at 5:00 PM at Marco Polo Restaurant. Concert 8:00 PM, includes roundtrip bus.

This year's concert will feature Alfio, Charlie Romo, Danny Rodriguez, Broadway Stars from Wicked and the SHSS Children's Choir. Cost is \$125.00 Per Person. Reservations may be made at the Rectory or by filling out a form which can be found at the entrance of the Church. Actual tickets will be given to you as you board the bus the evening of the concert.

NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

Reservations are now open for the SHSS New Years Eve Party in Cabrini Hall. \$75.00 per adult and \$35.00 for children ages 6-15. Children who are 5 years old and under are free. Price includes: Champagne Toast, Balloon Drop, D.J., Dinner, Dessert, Beer Wine and Soda. Top Shelf Cash Bar will be available as well. Reservations by e-mail only to family@SacredHeartsSt.Stephen.com. FULL PAYMENT REQUIRED BY DEC. 1ST!

INFORMATION SHEET

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