

# SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN R.C. CHURCH

WWW.SacredHearts-StStephen.com



## SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN

*St. Stephen's – Founded 1866*  
*Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary*  
*Founded 1882*

**MASSES ON SUNDAYS:**

8:30 AM 10:00 AM & 12 NOON

5:00 PM on Saturday

**MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:**

Monday 8:30 AM

Tues. through Sat. 8:30 AM

Adoration: First Friday each month @ 7:15 AM

**CONFESSIONS:**

Saturdays 3:45– 4:30 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.

*Rectory: 108 Carroll Street*

*Brooklyn, N.Y 11231*

*718-596-7750 tel*

*718-260-9233 fax*

**REV. MSGR. GUY A. MASSIE**

*Pastor*

**REV. CLETUS FORSON**

*Parochial Vicar*

**REV. NGOZI**

*Prison Chaplain (In Residence)*

**MR. EDWIN RIVERA**

*Deacon*

**MRS. NANCY ARKIN**

*Director of Faith Formation*

**JOHN HEYER, II**

*Pastoral Associate*

**ROSE MARIE FOGLIA**

*Administrator/Business Manager*

**JAMES LAKE**

*Parish Organist*

**JENNIFER WU**

*Choir Director*

**EVELYN TROESTER DEGRAF**

*Choir Director Emerita*

**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.GIVECENTRAL.ORG/SHSS**

**RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 to 5:00 (Closed for Lunch from 1-2) Friday 9:00 to 2:00 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.**

---

# Mass Intentions For The Week

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



- MON.**    **SEPTEMBER 27, 2021**  
8:30      Dolly Vergona  
            BY: The Delgado Family
- TUE.**    **SEPTEMBER 28, 2021**  
8:30      Anthony Polito  
            BY: Rosemary & Family
- WED**    **SEPTEMBER 29, 2021**  
8:30      Michael Bombolino  
            BY: Mom & Dad
- THURS.** **SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**  
8:30      Buddy Scotto  
            BY: Terry
- FRI.**    **OCTOBER 1, 2021**  
8:30      Stella Magdalena  
            Birthday Remembrance  
            BY: Paula Magdalena
- SAT.**    **OCTOBER 2, 2021**  
8:30      Buddy Scotto  
            BY Terry
- 5:00 PM    Joseph Trovato  
            BY: Loving Children
- SUN**    **OCTOBER 3, 2021**  
8:30      Dolly Vergona  
            BY: The Modica Family
- 10:00     St. Michael Society
- Noon      Anna Bamundo  
            BY: Madeline Selvaggio



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

We invite you to join us for morning prayer each day in our church at 8:00 AM. Begin your day praising God and thanking him for the blessings he has bestowed on you!

All are welcome.

We hope to see you there!

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION



|                          |             |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Sunday Collection 9/19   | \$ 1,393.00 |
| *Envelopes & cash        |             |
| On Line Donations        | \$ 2,970.50 |
| Total Sunday 9/19        | \$ 4,363.50 |
| Annual Weekly Expenses** | \$14,325.00 |
| Difference:              | \$ 9,961.50 |

\*\*Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

\*\*



The 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the mission of our parish and the daily work of the Church in Brooklyn and Queens in ways no one parish can accomplish alone by supporting the following ministries:

- Catholic Youth Ministry Initiative
- Catholic Charities
- Hospital, College & Prison Chaplains
- Diocesan Vocations Office
- Catholic Migration Services
- Office of Faith Formation
- Bishop Mugavero Residence for infirmed clergy
- Futures in Education Scholarship Foundation

All donations made to the ACA above our Parish Goal are returned directly back to our parish for operations and improvements.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Bread & Wine for the week of September 26th has

been donated

In Loving Memory of  
**DOLLY VERGONA**

BY: Carolyn & John Zodda



Pray For

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

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,               | Helena Rolla        |
| Brad Hatry                      | Gertrude Zagarella  |
| Michelle Laquercia              | Irene Balen         |
| Judith DeArmen                  | John Nigro          |
| Judith Miller                   | Agnes Scolaro       |
| Diane Barchuk                   | Addy Wardrope       |
| Carol DeMairo                   | Anthony Gambardella |
| Anthony Tilocca                 | Anthony Turco       |
| Roe Gambardella                 | Elizabeth Foley     |
| Ann Curcuru                     | Dora Zanzonico      |
| Lamar McNabb                    | Louis D'Angelo      |
| Carol Montelbano                | Gina Salta          |
| Anthony Manfre                  | Celeste Internicola |
| Emma Huckerby                   | Kristin Quail       |
| Louann Gambardella              | Robert Janicke      |
| Dominick Aiello, Jr.            | Mark Carles         |
| Erica Concino                   | Bernadette Janicke  |
| Susan Hannan                    | Evan Marra          |
| Hector Jimenez                  | Darren Munio        |
| Abigail Memmesheimer            | Sophia Rotunno      |
| Philip Saraceno                 | Vittorio Di Turi    |
| Maria Anjelica Patino Laquercia |                     |



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

**BOOK CLUB**

Please join us on Monday, October 4th in the Parish House. We will be discussing

**A Transgender's Faith by Walt Heyer.**  
All are welcome!



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

If you wish to remember a loved one or have a devotion to a particular saint, annual memorial candles are available at the Rectory. These candles remain lit

for one year at a cost of \$100.00 per year ( first time cost is \$110.00 to cover the expense of the plaque) They can be placed by any Saint in our Church and a personalized plaque with the inscription of your choice may be affixed to the candle. If you are interested or have any questions regarding these candles, please call the Rectory and speak to Rose Marie Foglia, Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. We will be happy to help you.



**Donations**

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

We thank you for your generosity and support of our parish through your donations and contributions both by envelope, on line and by mail. If you would like to join our on line donors, please visit [www.GiveCentral.Org/SHSS](http://www.GiveCentral.Org/SHSS). This is a user friendly site and will guide you to make a one time contribution or set up on going contributions either weekly, monthly or annually. If you wish to learn more about this process, please call the Rectory and we will be happy to assist you.

# From the Pastor

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Dear Parish Family,

Is God the sole possession of any religious community? Does God belong only to the Catholic Church? Do we Catholics have a monopoly upon God?

These are questions which come to mind when reading our first text from the Book of Numbers and our Gospel passage this week. In the first reading, the disciples of Moses are upset by two men who were not in the company of Moses but who also Spirit God. These two men were ministering to the people even though they were outside the circle of Moses. In the Gospel the disciple John is upset because he discovered that someone not of his circle was ministering in the name of Jesus. In both readings, the respective disciples of both Moses and Jesus wish to stop the outside disciples from ministering. Both Moses and Jesus object and both say let them alone, “Whoever is not against us is with us,” explains Jesus.

Why would the disciples of both Jesus and Moses be upset? Did they think that their position with Jesus or Moses would be compromised? Did they think they were special and that Jesus only had a relationship with them and not others? Did they think they owned the ministry? The fact of the matter is God is bigger than any individual and God has many ways to accomplish his will. It is important to recognize and affirm the truth wherever it is found. The disciples of Moses and the disciples of Jesus had to be taught this simple lesson. Notice in the text of the Gospel that a good deed done for you regardless of what the doer of the good deed believes will be rewarded. Jesus affirms the good wherever it is found. Can we do the same?

In the prayer “Glory to God in the Highest,” which we sing every Sunday, there is a line which says “and peace to people of goodwill.” Who are these people of goodwill? They are all who follow the command of God either knowingly or unknowingly. All doers of good are acceptable to God regardless of their faith or lack of faith, their color, their orientation, their age or their ethnicity. Can we recognize this simple truth?

It is people of goodwill who are the beginners of dialogue between other people of goodwill. It is through dialogue with all people of goodwill that understanding, tolerance and mutual appreciation grows. It is from these attitudes that peace comes and the Kingdom of God grows. In the Gospel of John 1: “this life was the light of human race.” We as Catholics believe that God is revealed in the sacred scriptures and most perfectly in Christ Jesus. While this is true, many of the same truths are found in other non-Christian faiths also. We read in the Catechism of the Catholic Church article 842: “The Church’s bond with non-Christian religions (except Judaism with which the Church has a special relationship) the common origin and end of the human race. All nations form but one community. This is because all stem from the one stock of God created to people the entire earth and also because all share a common destiny, namely God. His providence and evident goodness and saving designs extend to all against the day when the elect gathered together all in the holy city. Therefore, we respect all religious faiths and we respect the people professing these faiths knowing that God in his way is bringing about God’s Kingdom.

So, does God belong to any one group? Is God part of all people of goodwill? Does different religious faiths challenge you?

Msgr. Guy A. Massie



**ITALIAN APOSTOLATE  
OF THE DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN**

**PROCESSION & MASS  
Celebrating the New Diocese of Brooklyn  
Mother Cabrini Monument**

**Sunday,  
October 3, 2021**

**Procession begins  
at 2 pm at  
Mother Cabrini Park,  
(41 President St., Brooklyn, NY 11231)**

**Mass at 3 pm at  
Sacred Hearts –  
St. Stephen Church,  
(125 Summit Street,  
Brooklyn, NY 11231)**

**After the City of New York denied creating a public monument to Mother Cabrini as part of the first round of “She Built NYC” monuments, the Italian Apostolate organized a procession and Mass in her honor which resulted in donations to erect the new Diocese of Brooklyn Mother Cabrini Monument.**

**All are encouraged to come to see and celebrate this great, and much deserved, monument to Mother Cabrini placed at Sacred Hearts-St. Stephen.**

**Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio will lead the procession and celebrate the Mass in honor of Mother Cabrini in thanksgiving to all who made the monument possible and for the intentions of all immigrants and refugees.**