
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. NOVEMBER 19, 2018**
 Noon Lisa Puglise
 BY: Loving Family

- TUE. NOVEMBER 20, 2018**
 8:30 John Cloonan & Joseph Cloonan
 BY: Mary Ann, Joey & Amy

- WED NOVEMBER 21, 2018**
 8:30 Caterina Deserio
 BY: Her Sister Anna
 6:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Mass

- THURS. NOVEMBER 22, 2018**
 8:30 Thanksgiving Day

- FRI. NOVEMBER 23, 2018**
 8:30 For The People of the Parish

- SAT. NOVEMBER 24, 2018**
 8:30 Gaetana Zanzonico & Family (living)
 BY: Dora & Lorraine Zanzonico
 5:30 Kim Montaperto
 BY: Dolores & Anthony Iovine

- SUN NOVEMBER 25, 2018**
 8:00 AM For The People of the Parish
 10:00 Grace Yancone
 BY: Frances Balzano & Family
 Noon Ketty Limeri
 BY: Mitzy Ceballos & Fanny Cabrera

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 11/11	\$ 2,705.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$11,820.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks
 On Line Giving for the
 Month of October totaled \$2,474.79



Bread & Wine for the
 week of 11/11/18
 has been donated
 In Loving Memory of
MY DAD, JOE CARDILLO
 BY: Valerie, Tommy & Joseph
 & for the week of 11/18/18
 In Loving Memory of
**RACHELA PUGLIESE, ANTOINETTE BARONE
 & LEE ANDREW HIRSCH**
 BY: Giustina Schiano



Sanctuary Lamps for the week of
 11/18/18 have been donated
 In Loving Memory of
**UMBERTO &
 FILOMENA PERUFFO**
 By: Their Family

MORNING PRAYER

**JOIN US FOR MORNING PRAYER EVERY
 MORNING AT 8:00 AM-MONDAY TO
 SATURDAY AND 7:30 AM ON SUNDAY.**

Morning prayer is prayed in Transfiguration Chapel every day. Please do join us. Morning prayer consists of praying two Psalms, two canticles, a short reading and intercessions. The Morning prayer and the Liturgy of the Eucharist are part of the official prayer of the whole Church. The Morning prayer is different from day to day. We have books which we will guide you in using.

**ADORATION OF THE LORD AND THE
 EUCHARIST IS AN EXCELLENT WAY TO
 GET SOME PEACE IN YOUR DAY. JOIN US
 FOR ADORATION EVERY MONDAY FROM
 11-12 IN THE TRANSFIGURATION CHAPEL
 SPEND QUIET TIME WITH THE LORD. IT
 CAN DE-STRESS YOUR DAY.**

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:

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	Anthony Turco
Salvatore Colonna	

COMMUNITY OUTREACH CORNER

THE WINTER CSA IS BACK AT SHSS IN DECEMBER

Did you know that you can sign up for direct-from-the-organic-farm local vegetables, provisions and eggs and pick them up right here at Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen church? Our CSA (community supported agriculture) farm is Garden of Eve in Riverhead, Long Island. Farmers Eve and Chris Wallbrecht donate fruit and vegetables year round to feed our rectory and donate the extras for SHSS to distribute to the needy. Parishioner Karma Martell runs the effort. We invite you to join and support the CSA and enjoy a variety of fresh items all winter long! To sign up go to www.gardenofevfarm.com and click on CSA. This will take you to a page to join. You will see SHSS listed as a pick up point.

UPS AND DOWNS

We invite you to take a look at the recently installed elevator doors in the vestibule of the church. Doors are also now being installed at the Hicks Street entrance and in Cabrini Hall. The installation of the elevator is 90% complete and we are awaiting a replacement part to finish installation and request inspection from the NYC Department of Buildings. While the installation is completed, the contractor is placing finishing touches on the walls around each set of elevator doors in addition to many other finishes required by the Building Department. One such requirement was the installation of an elevator shaft vent which has been installed conspicuously on the outside façade of the church facing Hicks Street. Other improvements which will complete the project will include the installation of automated door openers on the exterior Hicks Street doors and the doors leading into the church at the elevator and proper signage letting people know where the elevator is. Remember that it is your support of the Generations of Faith Campaign which has allowed this work to be done. We have currently received \$495,794 of the \$783,765 pledged to the campaign. While it is true that we have received over 60% of the pledged amount, due to the money that was first allocated to the Diocese, we have only received 48% of the money needed to complete our elevator project. If you have made a pledge to Generations of Faith, please continue to make your payments allowing us to fully fund our parish elevator. 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 with your budget. We look forward to setting a date to bless the completed elevator once all aspects of the project are finalized.

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family,

Is the world as we know it going to end? How often have you heard people saying the end is coming? As we close the Liturgical year and open up the new season of Advent, the readings address the end of times theme. In the Nicene Creed and in the Apostle Creed, we profess the belief in the resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come. In the Eucharistic prayer after the consecration, we profess that Jesus will return. When Jesus returns, the world as we know it, will end. When this will happen, no one knows.

If no one knows when Jesus will return, how are we to live? We are to live as though he will come in our lifetime. We are to live the gospel every day because we never know when we will meet the Lord. However, we need a deeper look at this Gospel. We as Catholics view history as a spiral moving through the ages. This history started at a certain point. It started with the Word of God at creation. This point is called Alpha, the beginning. While we may feel that we are cyclical, that is each year we celebrate the same holidays, read the same or similar readings, we are doing so with a goal in site. The goal is our omega point. The omega point and the alpha point are exactly the same. The Word of God, who is Christ. Christ is the beginning and the end. Look at the base of the altar in Church. You will see a lamb representing Christ and to the left of the lamb you will see the Greek letter alpha meaning the beginning and to the right of it, a Greek letter Omega, meaning the end. This being true, how shall we live life? What is remaining? What is important?

If you look at the statues of St. Rosalia and St. Francis of Assisi, you will notice the presence of a skull. The skull is in the hand of St. Rosalia and it is at the right foot of St. Francis. The skull represents death. These holy people reminded themselves that one day they would die. In death their respective worlds would end. They had to face God. If this is true, knowing that we will all die, how does this thought affect our spiritual lives? How does this affect our relationships with other people? How does it affect my desire for forgiveness and to forgive others? What is important if we are all going to die?

Knowing that life is limited should move us to follow the Gospel. Following the Gospel will make us people of compassion, mercy and love. It will help us to leave the world a better place. Our following Christ helps us to bring about the Kingdom of God of which Jesus preached. "Thy Kingdom come." In the end, what matters?

Do worlds end? Yes they do. Changes in our lives have told us that worlds end. A couple married for fifty or more years are separated by death. For both that world of marriage and home is ended. You worked for a company for twenty five years and had many friends and you were happy ends by a lay off. Your world of work ended. You lose your parents in death and your world of childhood is no more. Is there life after your world ends? Yes there is. It is different. It is changed, not ended. It is our hope in Christ that our final change from this life to the next will be one that is hope-filled, loved-filled life-filled and that we will see the face of God. We shall only recognize God on the other side if we recognized him here in other people in whose midst we lived.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN
CCD “NEWS”

This year the children in our CCD program are learning about the Communion of Saints and how to live as part of that Communion: praying in intercession with the saints in heaven, as well as reaching out to others in service, as members of the family of God. We have established a relationship with the children of our “sister” parish in Abor, Ghana (where Fr. Victor is now stationed)-St. Theresa of the Child Jesus– and have begun a “pen pal” correspondence with them. In the coming weeks some of the pictures and letters from Ghana will be on display in the vestibule of the Church.

As you know, clean water is scarce in many villages in Ghana and Abor is no exception. Efforts are underway to build a water tower to capture rainwater (due to prohibitive costs, digging a well is not an option at this time), and we want to help in any way we can. The children will be working on different activities in the coming months to help raise money for their new friends in Ghana, and will also be donating small items to send “care packages” during the upcoming holy days (the Thanksgiving/Advent/Christmas seasons). They want to invite the entire parish community to be part of this effort.

Before Thanksgiving a list of care package items will be published in the bulletin, and you’re invited down to CCD (in Cabrini Hall) on any Sunday morning or Wednesday afternoon to make a contribution. The children will use any items donated, as well as things they supply themselves, to make personalized care packages for their pen pal friends. It is our hope that through this effort, sharing both materially and spiritually in friendship, all the children will experience the abiding love of God, and will recognize their own call to be instruments of His love in the world.

Nancy Arkin
Director of Faith Formation

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