
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.



- MON.** JANUARY 21, 2019
 Noon Domenico & Filomena Lagana
 BY: Catherine
- TUE.** JANUARY 22, 2019
 8:30 Joseph Sellitto
 BY: Grandchildren
- WED** JANUARY 23, 2019
 8:30 Kay & Tom Esposito
 BY Rose Marie Foglia
- THURS.** JANUARY 24, 2019
 8:30 John Cloonan & Joseph Cloonan
 BY: Loving Family
- FRI.** JANUARY 25, 2019
 8:30 In Thanksgiving for Blessings
 Received through the
 Intercession of O.L. of Mt. Carmel
 BY: Angie
- SAT.** JANUARY 26, 2019
 8:30 Mary Ann Tabeek
 BY: Gertrude
 5:30 Carmela Denaro
 BY: Daughter Vicky
- SUN** JANUARY 27, 2019
 8:00 AM Jay Sisto
 10:00 Biaggio Lubrano
 BY: Wife, Children &
 Grandchildren
 Noon Jennie Scotto &
 Louise Talente

RECTORY HOURS

The Rectory Office will be closed on Monday, January 21, 2019 in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 1/13	\$ 4,130.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$10,195.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

On Line Giving for the
 Month of December totaled \$2,334.08

FEAST OF ST. STEPHEN

On Sunday, January 20th, which is the first Sunday outside the Christmas Season, we will celebrate the feast of St. Stephen whose real feast is on December 26th. Saint Stephen is one of our parish's patrons. Stephen was the first martyr for our faith in Christ. The story of Saint Stephen is found in the New Testament in Acts 7-8. Stephen proclaims the faith. He evangelizes the people and he catechizes (explains) the faith. Due to his passionate conviction for Jesus, he infuriated many of the foes of the early Christians. Ultimately Stephen is arrested. He is tried before the Sanhedrin and is stoned to death for his faith. He dies by commending his spirit to God and forgiving his murderers. He dies as a disciple of Christ, thus giving us an example of Christian life. The disciple is one who is conformed to the mind and heart of Christ Jesus.

In the past few years, we have witnessed the death of many Christians in Egypt. With these recent killings of Christians, we remember that the days of giving one's life for the faith is not ended. In our own city there are many priests, religious and lay people who place their lives in danger as they speak out against drug dealers and human trafficking. There are many committed Catholics who are in danger for giving shelter to victims of domestic violence. There are others who suffer at the hands of their respective families for being people of mercy and forgiveness and following the trend of anger and revenge. If the love of Christ impels us, if the person of Christ is our center, if the life of Christ shines before us, if the Gospel becomes our life then the possibility of martyrdom becomes a reality. Those who love Christ cannot forego Christ even in the face of suffering and death.

Readings for the Feast of St. Stephen are:

- Acts of the Apostles: 6:8-10; 7:54-59,
- I Corinthians 12:4-11
- Matthew 10:17-22

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 |
| Judith DeArmen | John Nigro |
| Judith Miller | Alissa Aquino |
| Diane Barchuk | Addy Wardrope |
| Carol DeMairo | Anthony Gambardella |
| Rev. Michael Carrano | 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 |

Dominick Piro

BOOK CLUB

Please join us on Monday, February 4th @ 7:00 PM in the Parish House for an informal discussion about **DIE FREE** by Cheryl Wills. For those of you who plan ahead, our next meeting will be on March 4th. We will be discussing **A SPARK OF LIGHT** by Jodi Piccolt. All are welcome. We hope to see you there.

NATURALIZATION WORKSHOP

If you have a green card, you may be eligible for Citizenship.

Thursday, January 31, 2019

1:30 PM—5:00 PM.

Catholic Migration Services,
191 Joralemon St. 2nd Floor,
Brooklyn, N.Y. 11201

To register, call 718 236-3000
or text 718 866-3687

You will need to bring your Green Card, all passports, a copy of your most recent IRS tax return, marriage certificate or divorce papers (if applicable) and certified court dispositions and MTA dispositions (if applicable)

UPS AND DOWNS

On December 24th, the New York City Department Elevator Unit inspected the elevator for certification and use. The inspectors passed the elevator and found it in complete safe working order, however because the marble from the church vestibule which remains to be installed was placed for safekeeping in the elevator motor machine room and three other similar minor issues, the elevator was not certified for use. Over the past week, all four of these issues have been corrected. We now wait for Mobility, the elevator installers, to arrange for the New York City Department of buildings to return for the follow up inspection in order to be able to use the elevator. The technician responsible for installing the automated door openers at the Hicks Street ground level and at the church level have scheduled their final walk through for measurements leading to the installation of this important aspect of this project.

Remember that it is your support of the Generations of Faith Capital Campaign which has allowed this work to be done. We still need your financial support in order to complete all aspects of this project. There is still almost \$300,000 which was pledged by our parishioners but has not yet been paid. If you have made a pledge to Generations of Faith please continue to make your payments allowing us to fully fund our parish elevator. We look forward to further updating you in the days ahead.



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Bread & Wine for the week
of
January 20th has been
donated

In Loving Memory of
Mario DiSchiavi
By: His Sister Palma.

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family,

Today is the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. The term Ordinary Time means that we are not preparing for a major feast. The readings for Ordinary Time after Christmas continue to focus on the theme of the Epiphany. The readings continue to point out Christ to us.

The Gospel for today from John 2 is the Wedding Feast of Cana. This gospel is another Epiphany. One may read this gospel and only see the story of a wedding. Seeing this gospel from the perspective of it being a sign of a greater mystery, reveals that this text points us to the great mystery of the Incarnation of God among us. Weddings in most cultures are times of celebration. Weddings are a sign of hope. They are signs of new life. They are also signs of something new happening. A new family is being formed. Families are growing. The human race is continuing to increase.

Marriages celebrate the coming together of two people in a covenant relationship. Look at the gospel. Focus on Christ. Christ is the wedding feast. In Christ, humanity and divinity have come together in a new and eternal covenant. If water, which is life, was a symbol for the life giving Word of God, then the wine made from the water is a symbol of the new revelation of God's Word who is Jesus. This new wine will be poured out for guests at the wedding in the same way Jesus will be poured out for the redemption of the world.

The presence of Mary is important in this story. Notice it is at her request that Jesus reveals his first sign and miracle. The result of this action will make Jesus very public. Just as at the Baptism of the Lord made Jesus present to the world by the Father as the one in whom he is pleased, so now Mary introduces Jesus to his people. Give particular attention to Mary's instruction to the waiters. She says: "Do whatever he tells you." This is Mary's spiritual direction to all of us. She does not draw attention to herself but rather to Jesus. In order for us to know what Jesus is telling us to do, it is necessary to know the sacred texts and especially the gospel. It is necessary to participate in the Eucharist. What is Jesus telling us? What is Jesus telling you?

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

**UNDERSTANDING
ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA**

Sponsored by Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen Church

Join specialists from **Alzheimer's Association** NYC Chapter and **New York Memory Center** for 3 in-depth workshops. These workshops are a must for families or individuals concerned with memory loss. Understand the science and dispel the myths. Learn how to talk about memory loss with your family.

• Session 1 **Know the 10 Signs** **Sunday February 3 at 11:15 AM** right after the mass. Warning signs of Alzheimer's disease are often dismissed as side effects of normal aging. If you or someone you know is experiencing memory loss or behavioral changes, its time to learn the facts.

• Session 2 **The Basics** **Monday February 4 at 12:30 PM** right after mass. Understand the science and dispel the myths. Learn about detection, causes and risk factors. Explore stages of the disease and treatment.

• Session 3 **Dementia Conversations** **Wednesday February 6 at 12:30 PM**
How do you have honest and caring conversations with family members about going to the doctor, when to stop driving, and making legal and financial plans?

Get the help you need to face these challenges.

**All sessions held at Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen Church
Transfiguration Chapel inside the Church
125 Summit Street between Henry and Hicks Street-
Carroll Gardens, Brooklyn
All sessions are free.**

Light refreshments served

**Registration appreciated but not necessary
718 596 7750**

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ALL ARE WELCOME!**

COMMUNITY OUTREACH IN BROOKLYN

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