
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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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 3:00 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.**

MASSSES for the WEEK

- MON. SEPTEMBER 2, 2019
Noon Connie, Ernie & Joey Missoni
BY Loving Family
- TUE. SEPTEMBER 3, 2019
8:30 Carmine Graziani
BY: Daughter, Theresa
- WED SEPTEMBER 4, 2019
8:30 Antonino & Giuseppina Di Nieri
BY: Loving Family
- THURS. SEPTEMBER 5, 2019
8:30 Elizabeth Lo Porto
BY: Her Loving Family
- FRI. SEPTEMBER 6, 2019
8:30 Elisa Tonissi Conti
BY: Mike & Laura Eng
- SAT. SEPTEMBER 7, 2019
8:30 Matthew Ruggiero
BY: Andy Di Manso
5:30 PM Francesca Forte
BY: Her Parish Family
- SUN SEPTEMBER 8, 2019
8:00 Giuseppina Di Nieri
BY: Fr. Dominick Dellaporte
10:00 Louis Mortillaro
BY Daughter Lois
Noon Matteo Deliso
BY: Daughter Anna

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 8/25	\$ 1,958.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$12,367.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

On Line Giving for the
Month of July totaled \$ 3,919.78

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2019

PARISH GOAL:	\$32,306.00
PLEGGED:	\$43,103.00
PAID:	\$36,626.75.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Annual Catholic Appeal.

If you have not yet made a pledge, please consider doing so as all donations to the Annual Catholic Appeal over our goal will be returned 100% back to the Parish.

BE MINDFUL OF THE POOR

Dear Parish Family,
While it may be difficult to believe in our day and age in America, we have been asked to help parishioners. Many seniors can no longer afford their co-pay or at times their prescriptions. In some cases, we have been asked to help people with their rent. People who live on their own but suffer from special needs are very vulnerable. We are establishing a St. Vincent DePaul Box at the doors of the church. Please do make a contribution for those of us who have fallen on difficult times. Your kindness to the poor will be known only to God. Any help given to people is done confidentially.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

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 | Louis Pepe |
| Michelle Laquercia | Irene Balen |
| Dolly Vergona, | Gloria Heyer |
| Judith DeArmen | John Nigro |
| Judith Miller | Alissa Aquino |
| Diane Barchuk | Addy Wardrope |
| Carol DeMairo | Anthony Gambardella |
| Anthony Tilocca | 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 |
| Camille Limardi | Dominick Aiello |
| Erica Concino | Bernadette Janicke |
| Mary Therese Pugliese | Mark Carles |

SACRED HEARTS HUMANITARIAN OUTREACH TO GHANA

Continuing our Parish Humanitarian Outreach to the Churches of Holy Rosary and St. Theresa, Fr Cletus' and Fr. Victor's churches in Ghana, we are now collecting School Supplies and Children's clothing for shipment.

New clothes for children up to 10 years old and **SUMMER CLOTHING ONLY!** All clothes must be **NEW** with tags to be shipped.

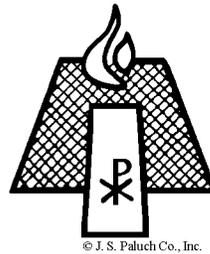
Clothes and School supplies can be dropped off in the back of our Church during any Mass.

We greatly appreciate any financial donations to help with the cost of shipping.

If you have any questions, please see Anthony or Andy in Church.



Bread & Wine for the week of September 1st has been donated
In Memory of
MICHAEL BOMBOLINO
BY: Mom & Dad



The Sanctuary Lamps for the week of Sept. 1st have been donated
In Memory of
SAMANTHA ESPOSITO
BY: Nancy, Anthony & Lucille

BOOK CLUB

We will not be meeting during August, but for those of you who plan ahead, our next meeting will be on September 16th. We will be discussing **GILDED HOUR** by Sara Donati.

All are welcome



Parish cookout

Our Annual Parish Back Yard BBQ will be held on

Sunday, September 15th immediately following the Noon Mass.

All are welcome

We hope to see you there in community with our SHSS Parish Family!

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family,

Humility is the theme of the Liturgy of the Word for this Sunday. What is humility? Is it worth having? Why is this an unpopular theme? In the first reading from the Book of Sirach, it opens with the words: “ My child, conduct your affairs with humility.” In the Gospel Jesus says: “Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled and everyone who humbles himself will be exalted.” How do we hear such statements in our time?

What is humility? Humility means being truthful about oneself. Humility is the admission of one’s weakness and one’s talent. Humility is recognizing that all the talents and blessings one is possessed of are gifts from God. Therefore, these gifts we have belong to God and are given to us for a time. Humility is not entitlement.

We all need humility and self esteem in their proper dosage. Too much self esteem can result in too much self pride and too much humility can result in too much self-effacing. The humble person realizes he/she does not know everything. The proud person thinks he/she knows everything and therefore is not teachable. Who are you truly? What are your strengths and what are your weaknesses? How often do we embellish our strong points and make small our not so strong points? How often have we given the wrong impression of our true selves to others, only to be embarrassed at a later time? Can we accept ourselves with our strengths and our weaknesses? Can we accept ourselves with our talents and with areas of ourselves which are not so talented? Are we afraid of what others will think of us?

Humility is the truth about who we are and who we are not. Humility allows us to live freely So, let us take a case in point. A person is smart. A person is talented in many areas of his/her life. This same person is popular. How does this person respond to praise for his/her talents offered by a friend? The proper response is: “thank you, my talents and intelligence are a gift from God.” The attitude of a humble person is to recognize the truth and realize that while he/she may be blessed in this area or another area of one’s life, there are areas that one is not so blessed. The humble person never allows him/her self to allow another to feel less for not possessing the same talents with which he/she has been blessed. The humble person does not see him/her self as entitled but rather sees him/her self as part of the life of everyone else. In the end, be truthful about yourself. Say yes when you mean yes and no when you mean no and say I do not know when you do not know. The humble person is loved by God as well as by his/her friends.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

SHARE THE LIGHT OF FAITH

Jesus calls all of us to share the Good News with others. As parents and godparents, we make a commitment at baptism to foster the great gift of faith in our children. The SHSS Children's Faith Formation program ("CCD") is privileged to share in this work, as we focus this year on how the light of faith guides us to...."*Celebrate as the Family of God.*"

We invite you to REGISTER NOW for our 2019-20 program. Weekly sessions are held Sundays beginning at 10AM Mass, followed by instruction until 12:30 PM in Cabrini Hall. There is also limited availability for grades 1-4 on Wednesday afternoons. Contact Nancy Arkin at 718-596-7750 or narkin1960@gmail.com for more information or to make an appointment to register.

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 with the registration fee as soon as possible. If you haven't received the forms, please let us know and we will re-send them. Thanks!

UP-DATE ON AIR CONDITIONING IN CHURCH

After a thorough review by technicians, our church Air Conditioning cannot be repaired back to working condition. The system is too old and the parts needed are no longer available. If custom parts are made for the system, it would be very costly and technicians cannot promise that it will work. As a result, we have begun to have three different companies visit the church to give us estimates for replacing the system. We have been told that the cost of such a replacement will be substantial. We will be providing the parish with a full report on the estimates when we receive them. It is not anticipated that installation of a new system will occur in time for the remainder of the season. Additionally, since we have been seeing a decline in our Sunday collections and do not have reserve funding established for this size of a project, some form of fundraising effort will have to be considered based on the cost of the project. We will update you as more information is made available.

INFORMATION SHEET

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