
SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN R.C. CHURCH

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**SACRED HEARTS
& ST. STEPHEN**

*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.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 16, 2019
Noon John & Rose Groccia
BY Loving Family
- TUE. SEPTEMBER 17, 2019
8:30 Lelitia Scotto
BY: Her Sisters
- WED SEPTEMBER 18, 2019
8:30 Personal Prayer Intentions
- THURS. SEPTEMBER 19, 2019
8:30 Iolandi D'Ambroisi
BY: Angela & Louis Napoli
- FRI. SEPTEMBER 20, 2019
8:30 Giuseppina & Antonino Di Nieri
BY: The Eng Family
- SAT. SEPTEMBER 21, 2019
8:30 Richard R. Ballner
BY: Joanne Simon
5:30 PM Vito & Maria Colella
BY: Loving Family
- SUN SEPTEMBER 22, 2019
8:00 Rosemarie & Frank Dellaporte
10:00 Matthew Ruggiero
BY Angela & Louis Napoli
Noon Marie, Dennis, Debbie &
Kenny Boucher
BY: Aunt Susie & Uncle Richie

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 9/8	\$ 3,573.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$10,752.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

On Line Giving for the
Month of August totaled \$ 2,998.95

SAVE THE DATE

March to honor the contributions which Mother Cabrini made to help build New York City.

On Sunday, October 6, 2019 please join us as we process at 3:00 PM from Cabrini Park, 41 President St. Brooklyn, N.Y. to Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen Church for a 4:00 PM Mass.

The City of New York recently held a competition with the goal of recognizing notable New York women who contributed to the development of the city. Although St. Francis X. Cabrini received the most votes in the competition, she was denied the recognition of a public statue in her honor. Many in our parishes are upset by the city's dismissal of the great contributions of St. Francis X. Cabrini. In order to publicly honor and acknowledge this great women of faith and social service who ministered in our own diocese, Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio will lead a procession in honor of St. Francis X. Cabrini through the streets she walked on in Brooklyn and celebrate Mass for the intention of all immigrants.

**This event is sponsored by
Italian Ministry of the
Diocese of Brooklyn.**

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 and Gently Used Clothes for Children up to 13 years of age.
Summer Clothing only!**

All used clothes must be washed and folded.

**Clothes can be dropped off in the back of Church during any Mass.
If you have any questions, please see Anthony Troiano or Andy Di Manso in Church**



Bread & Wine for the week of September 15th has been donated

In Memory of
DOMENICK PIRO
BY: Helen Taranto

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

MEMORIAL MASS

There will be a Memorial Mass on Saturday, September 28th at noon for Rev. Michael A. Carrano. Father Carrano served in our Parish for many years and is remembered by many for the wonderful work he did while assigned to Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen.

Please save this date and mark your calendar to attend this mass in his memory.

All are welcome!

FLU SEASON

Flu vaccines are ready for distribution on the same day as our Parish Backyard BBQ—9/15/19—from 11-1 PM or until vaccines run out. All insurance accepted and no cost for those without insurance. Patient needs to be 18 years of age or older. All are welcome!

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family,

Today the readings remind me of Good Shepherd Sunday which is the Fourth Sunday of Easter. In the Gospel text Jesus is sharply criticized for eating with and speaking with those regarded as sinners. Jesus uses the parable of the lost sheep as answer to illustrate the mercy and love of God.

In our day, every family has members who no longer practice the faith. These fallen away Catholics very often were products of good Catholic education. Many were active liturgical ministers. Now, they may have chosen to marry outside the Church, not to baptize their children and to ignore the faith. All this to the upset of loving parents and grandparents who know the importance of faith especially to one through the difficulties of life. What would Jesus say to these people? What would he do if he had the opportunity to meet with some of our fallen away Catholics?

If a church and parish are to survive, we must reach out to our alienated young couples and young people and enter into a dialogue with them. Is this not what Jesus is doing in the Gospel today? Just because one is in dialogue with others does not mean that one is agreeing with or condoning the other's opinion. It means that both are trying to be open and honest in the hope of at least reaching some understanding. It is hoped that reconciliation may be reached but even if not, the fact that a relationship has been open is a good thing. We the church goes and the Priests must meet and listen to our beloved alienated children. The key is to listen without defense. Just listen to what they are feeling. Why do they not come to Mass? Could the reason be laziness, apathy, difficulties with belief in God, anger with God, hurt by the community, a general disconnect due to what?

There are many issues which people face today. There is the disappointment and anger over the scandal, gender issues and women's issues, scientific issues and political issues as well as moral issues which have separated many from the church. We need to find out why they left before we know how to invite them back. The conversation is always based on love of Christ not on the position of the priests or the parent or overly zealous friends who are out to save souls. Only Jesus saves. We are concerned not only for the souls of those who left but also for our own future, the church in this area of Brooklyn. Pointing fingers, shouting or even giving correct answers may not be how we win back those who have left, perhaps only love, kindness, gentle guidance and understanding may win the day.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

ELECTRONIC GIVING

To strengthen stewardship at Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen, please consider utilizing a new and easier way to support our offertory program...Electronic Giving.

What is Electronic Giving?

Electronic Giving is an alternate means of supporting Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen Parish instead of envelopes. In lieu of weekly collections, our new electronic giving program allows you to make automatic contributions from your checking, savings or credit card account. There is NO cost to you for participating in the program. Please visit our online giving platform at www.givecentral.org/shss or contact the Parish Office at 718 596 7750 to receive more information.

R.C.I.A, EASTER 2020

If you are searching for God in your life, if you are desiring baptism into the faith, if you are sixteen years of age and never were baptized, please contact Msgr. Massie at the Rectory
718-596-7750.

If you were baptized and never were admitted to the Eucharist or Confirmation and would like to receive these sacraments, please contact Msgr. Massie at the Rectory 718 596-7750.

We are starting our preparation for Easter 2020.

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!

INFORMATION SHEET

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