
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.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. NOVEMBER 4, 2019
 Noon Rosemary Turco
 BY Rosemary & Family
- TUE. NOVEMBER 5, 2019
 8:30 Antonino & Giuseppina Di Nieri
 BY: Loving Family
- WED NOVEMBER 6, 2019
 8:30 Gino Masi
- THURS. NOVEMBER 7, 2019
 8:30 Marie Scotto
 BY: Carmela Di Rosa
- FRI. NOVEMBER 8, 2019
 8:30 Deceased of Massie & Sisto Families
- SAT. NOVEMBER 9, 2019
 8:30 Salvatore & Maria Grazia Di Filippo
 BY: The Recca Family
 5:30 PM Pasquale Liguori, Sr.
 Birthday Remembrance (Dec'd)
 BY Loving Son John &
 The Liguori Family
- SUN NOVEMBER 10, 2019
 8:00 Rosemarie & Frank Dellaporte
 10:00 Anthony Troiano, Sr.
 BY The Troiano Family
 Noon Robert Palmieri
 BY: Loving Wife, Children &
 Grandchildren

BOOK CLUB

Please join us on Monday 11/4 @ 7:00 PM in the Parish House for an informal discussion about SONG OF SOLOMON by Toni Morrison.
 All are welcome!

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 10/27	\$ 3,346.00*
*Envelopes	
On Line Giving 10/19-10/27	\$ 732.50
Total Sunday for 10/27	\$4,078.50
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$10,246.50
**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks	
On Line Giving for the	
Month of September totaled \$ 3,291.07	

POLICY ON MEMORIAL MASSES

Memorial Masses are Masses offered for deceased people with music and a singer.

Memorial Masses may be requested for those who die out of state or in another country. In these cases, the Memorial Mass is acting as the Funeral Mass for the deceased for the benefit of family and friends here.

Memorial Masses may be requested for those who are cremated. It is preferred that cremation should happen after the Funeral Mass, however, if this is not possible, a Memorial Mass will be said at a later date.

Memorial Masses may be requested 30 days after the Funeral Mass as is the custom for some people.

Memorial Masses may be requested on the first, fifth and tenth anniversary of death. All other commemorations should happen at a regularly scheduled mass either during the week or on Sundays.

If a family wishes to bring a priest to celebrate a Memorial Mass, they are welcome.

On any occasion when a Memorial Mass is requested, the stipend (fee) to the Church must be paid at least two weeks before the Mass is to take place.

All Memorial Masses will be said after 11:00 AM.

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 |
| Dominick Aiello, Jr. | Mark Carles |
| Erica Concino | Bernadette Janicke |
| Mary Therese Pugliese | Lucille Gaudino |

ELECTRONIC GIVING HAVE YOU SIGNED UP YET?

It benefits you and our parish! Enrollment is friendly, safe and trouble free. Never worry about forgetting to bring money to church again. Please visit our website at www.givecentral.org/shss to learn how using Give Central will provide you with an efficient and secure way to support the parish.

For those of you using ParishGiving for your online contributions to the parish, please be aware that our contract with this company will be ending at the end of this year. Please log on to Give Central to switch your donations before the end of this year to ensure your giving is not interrupted. If you have any questions, or require more details, please contact the Parish Office and speak directly with Rose Marie Foglia.

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WANTED!

St. Mary Star of the Sea is in need of a Part

Time Cleaner. They are located at 467 Court Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231. The need is for two days a week for three hours a day. Days are flexible-Monday-Thursday only. Pick your days. It involves dusting, vacuuming, mopping, cleaning 1/2 bathroom. Reference needed. Please call 718 625-2270 to set up an interview.

MASS BOOK

The Mass Book for the first six months of 2020, January to June will open on Wednesday, November 6th in the Parish House from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM and from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM. You must come in person for masses, telephone requests unfortunately cannot be taken. Masses are limited to 3 per person for the first week the book is open. You may have one weekend mass (Saturday evening or Sunday) and two weekday masses. If you are requesting masses for someone other than yourself, these masses will count as your masses. Kindly remember that the dates and times you request may not be available, so please have alternate dates in mind as to allow the process to move smoothly. Please be considerate of your fellow parishioners and allow others to have the chance to request the dates you take each time the book is open.

We ask that you note the following:
There will be a change in our time schedule for one of our Masses. Beginning in January, 2020, the 5:30 PM Mass will be moved to 5:00 PM.

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family,

Today the Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Gospel reading may be seen as illustrating the first reading which comes from the Book of Wisdom. In the first reading, we read that because God is transcended, God treats humanity with patience, kindness and gentleness. God, while not approving humanity's sinfulness, nonetheless corrects us mildly and with great mercy. The themes of these readings are similar to last week. Notice Jesus calls sinners not those who are convinced of their self righteousness. The church is made of sinners and those struggling to be saints. So, if you are looking for the perfect church where everyone is a saint, you will not find it in the Catholic Church. The Catholic Church is for everyone. Every saint has a past and every sinner has a future. If any think we have the upper hand on knowing God, think again.

In the Gospel Jesus meets Zacchaeus, a tax collector who in his desire to see Jesus, climbs a tree to get a glimpse of Jesus as he passes. Tax collectors were hated by the people. They were considered sinful. They were even barred from going into the local synagogue because they were working for the Romans who were oppressing the Jewish people. They were also seen as thieves who helped themselves to the tax money as payment for their work. Zacchaeus was not a popular man nor was he trusted. So, imagine the surprise on the behalf of the town's people when Jesus actually stops, calls up to Zacchaeus, speaks with him and accepts an invitation to his house. Wow! The town's people must have murmured among themselves; "how can this holy man Jesus do such a thing? Does he not know that Zacchaeus is a sinner, a cheat and a tax collector?" The encounter between Jesus and Zacchaeus proves to be a life changing event for Zacchaeus. He sees Jesus, encounters Jesus and his life changes for the better. Jesus comes to seek out not the self righteous, not those who see themselves as religiously correct, but those who long to see the face of God but whose lives are a struggle and who know that they are far from perfect.

Many people saw Jesus that day in Jericho, but only one truly saw Jesus with eyes of faith. That person changed. To know the Lord is to grow for the better, to change and to slowly conform one's life to the way of Jesus which is the Gospel. Many of us in all levels of the Church receive the Eucharist every Sunday, some of us even celebrate Mass regularly, some of us have responsible positions in the Church community and have never truly heard the Gospel nor been changed in our spirit. Holding on to anger, hurt and disappointment, they continue in bitterness and close in on themselves. Others who have heard and are hearing the Gospel and are seeing the Lord with eyes of faith in the Eucharist, have had their lives healed, their attitude changed and their hearts opened. They experience freedom in the Holy Spirit and are forgiving, give their time in service to others, seek to do good randomly and live a life that is less stressed and more peace filled.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

**DANCING WTH GOD
UNKNOWN AUTHOR**

When I meditated on the word Guidance, I kept seeing “dance” at the end of the word.

I remember reading that doing God’s will is a lot like dancing. When two people try to lead, nothing feels right. The movement doesn't flow with the music, and everything is quite uncomfortable and jerky. When one person realizes that, and lets the other lead, both bodies begin to flow with the music. One gives gentle cues, perhaps with a nudge to the back or by pressing lightly in one direction or another. It’s as if two become one body, moving beautifully. The dance takes surrender, willingness and attentiveness from one person and gentle guidance and skill from the other.

My eyes drew back to the word Guidance. When I saw “G: I thought of God, followed by “u” and “i”. God, “u” and “i” dance.

As I lowered my head, I became willing to trust that I would get guidance about my life.

Once again, I became willing to let God lead.

My prayer for you today is that God’s blessings and mercies be upon you on this day and everyday. May you abide in God as God abides in you. Dance together with God, trusting God to lead and to guide you through each session of your life. This prayer is powerful and there is nothing attached. If God has done anything for you in your life, please share this message with someone else, for prayer is one of the best gifts we can receive. There is no cost but a lot of rewards; so let’s continue to pray for one another.

And, I hope you dance!

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