
SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN R.C. CHURCH

WWW.SacredHearts-StStephen.com



St. Stephen's – Founded 1866
Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary
Founded 1882

MASSES ON SUNDAYS:

8:00 AM 10:00 AM & 12 NOON
5:00 PM on Saturday

MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:

Monday 12:00 Noon
Tues. through Sat. 8:30 AM

Adoration: Monday @ 11:00 AM
First Friday each month @ 7:15 AM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 3:45– 4:30 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.

Rectory: 108 Carroll Street

Brooklyn, N.Y 11231

718-596-7750 tel

718-260-9233 fax

REV. MSGR. GUY A. MASSIE

Pastor

MRS. NANCY ARKIN

Director of Faith Formation

Religious Education

JOHN HEYER, II

Pastoral Associate

ROSE MARIE FOGLIA

Administrator/Business Manager

JAMES LAKE

Parish Organist

JENNIFER WU

Choir Director

EVELYN TROESTER DEGRAF

Choir Director Emerita

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. JUNE 1, 2020
Noon Good Health for the Napoli Family

TUE. JUNE, 2, 2020
8:30 Virginia Marchesano
BY: Mary Ann, Kevin & Theresa

WED JUNE 3, 2020
8:30 Joseph & Lia Cerato
BY: Cerato & Andruzzi Families

THURS. JUNE 4, 2020
8:30 Catherine & Carmelo Graci
BY: Marie Caria

FRI. JUNE 5, 2020
8:30 Vincenza & Vincent Pepe
BY: Son Louis

SAT. JUNE 6, 2020
8:30 Enrichetta, Antonio & Roseanna Colendrea
BY: Melania Lubrano
5:00 Nancy Randall
BY: Barbara Scotto

SUN JUNE 7, 2020
8:00 Michael Ruggiero
BY: Loving Family
10:00 Carmela & Anthony LiMandri
BY: Michael & Lou Ann Manus
Noon Matthew DeLisio
BY: Daughter Anna

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 5/24	\$ 1,102.00*
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donations	\$ 3,295.00
Total Sunday 5/24	\$4,397.00
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 9,928.00
***Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks	

Financial Stewardship

For those who are financially able to continue to support the parish during this time, we encourage you to sign up for e-giving so that we may be able to continue the ministry of the church during this critical time.

Parish Religious Education & Catholic Schools

Regular parish CCD classes held on Sundays and Wednesdays are postponed for the time being. Likewise, all activities related to our children's faith-formation program such as the Sunday 7th grade seminar, Stations of the Cross practices, Confirmation mentoring sessions, and Child Lures training are also postponed for the time being.

The health of all the faithful of the parish is of utmost concern, so let us continue to pray to the Lord who is a healer to protect us and bring about quickly an end to this present crisis through the intercession of His Mother Mary under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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, | Helena Rolla |
| 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 | Louis D'Angelo |
| Carol Montelbano | Gina Salta |
| Anthony Manfre | Celeste Internicola |
| Emma Huckerby | Kristin Quail |
| Louann Gambardella | Robert Janicke |
| Dominick Aiello, Jr. | Mark Carles |
| Erica Concino | Bernadette Janicke |
| Mary Therese Pugliese | |

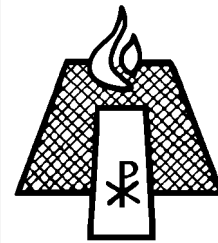
REACH OUT

During this difficult time, please take a moment to check on your neighbor, the elderly and the shut in to see how they are doing. Perhaps they may need an item from the grocery store, or someone to pick up their prescriptions, anything we are able to do for them would be appreciated. Sometimes all they need is conversation and that simply requires a phone call. These are unprecedented times and we are all in this together. Take some of the free time you may have to sit in prayer for all the world.

Please continue to support our parish during this difficult time. Enroll in On line giving at www.Givecentral.org/SHSS. The site is user friendly and very easy to navigate. We thank everyone for continuing to support our parish either through On line Giving or by dropping their respective donations in the Rectory mail slot. We are so very grateful for all you do for our great parish.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

The Sanctuary Lamps for the week of May 31st have been donated
In Loving Memory of
ELIZABETH LO PORTO
&
MARIE AGNESE
By: Loving Family



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Bread & Wine for the week of May 31st has been donated
In Loving Memory of
JOHN "CHIEF" EDWARDS
BY: Dr. Victor & Theresa Masi & Family

From the Pastor

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Dear Parish Community:

Today is Pentecost Sunday. Today the Liturgy celebrates the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon Mary, the Apostles and disciples of the Lord fifty five days after the Resurrection. Pentecost means fifty. It has been fifty days since Easter. The first reading from the Acts of the Apostles tells us about this event. The reading tells us that in Jerusalem at the time were Jews from many places. They had come to celebrate the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai. (The Torah may be seen as God's way to walk through life.) You may find this event in Exodus 19. Our story of Pentecost which speaks of fire as a sign of the Spirit's presence is similar to Exodus 19. God comes to Mount Sinai in fire. When God comes down to Sinai, Moses goes up on to Sinai. When God gives the Torah, humanity is uplifted. So also the giving of God's Spirit uplifts us to see ourselves as children of God with the ability to call God Father.

The second reading from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians tells us that we can not say Jesus is Lord except in the Holy Spirit. The Gospel brings us back to Easter Night when Jesus visits the Apostles in the upper room, greets them and then breathes on them giving them his Spirit. The Spirit of God brings us together in the name of the Lord Jesus to the praise and Glory of God the Father. The Holy Spirit gives us the gifts of **WISDOM, UNDERSTANDING, KNOWLEDGE, COUNSEL, FORTITUDE, REVERENCE, PIETY**. These gifts give us the courage to bear witness to Christ in our lives.

The Holy Spirit is the life of God. We relate to God and God relates to us in three distinct relationships. These relationships are Father or Creator, Son or Word of God, not separately but simultaneously. The Holy Spirit makes Jesus present for us. God among us inspires us to imitate the Lord Jesus in our actions and thoughts for the praise and glory of the Father. Prayer is inspired by the Holy Spirit and moves us to pray in Jesus' name to the Father.

One may think of the Holy Spirit as energy. This energy moves us to listen to the Word of God who is Jesus and to live that word. The symbols of the Holy Spirit are many among those most popular are: Fire, Water, Breath and the Dove. Fire is a mystery and it is energy, it gets us moving. When we meet a zealous person, we may say this person has a fiery personality. Water is a sign of life, refreshment and cleaning. In the story of the Woman at the Well, we saw how her life needed refreshment, new life and purification. Just as water produces many different plants and flowers, the water is always the same. So the Spirit brings our spirits to fruition. In the Book of Genesis 2:7, we read how God bestowed his breath on Adam and gave him life. In the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel 37:1, we read about how Ezekiel is told to prophesy over the dry bones. Thus Word and Spirit bring life. In the Gospel, John 19:30 Jesus hands over his Spirit and dies. In John 20:22, Jesus breathes his risen breath on the Apostles and brings them new life. The Spirit is the breath of God while Jesus is the Word of God. The sign of the Dove we find in the story of Noah, Genesis 8:6f. In the Baptism of Jesus, the presence of Holy Spirit was signaled by the presence of a Dove coming upon Jesus. The Dove is a peaceful bird that represents purity, dedication and divine presence. The Dove while peaceful can be strong in fighting to protect its life and the life of its young. The Dove is the symbol of the Holy Spirit whose presence with us makes Jesus present, reminds us of the truth and pushes us on to holiness.

We say that the Spirit appropriates the redemption Jesus accomplished in our souls. This means that the redemption Jesus brought about through his death and resurrection is made to have an effect in our personal lives through baptism and the sacraments and especially the Eucharist. This appropriation happens not only individually but for us as a Church. So I can say that Jesus died for us as well as for me.

The Spirit of God is evident in the act of being inspired by the Sacred texts and the sacraments. This Holy Spirit moves us to change our lives for the better thus we receive in the sacraments especially in Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist, Holy Orders, who makes our faith come to life. It is the Holy Spirit who takes our knowledge and converts it to a living faith. It is the Holy Spirit who sets the hearts of the disciples on fire. It is in the Holy Spirit who helps us realize the presence of Jesus deep within us. It is the Holy Spirit who converts our religion to a deep faith in Jesus. It is the Holy Spirit who moves our faith in Jesus to a love for Jesus. It is this love for Jesus that leads us to proclaim to others that **JESUS IS LORD** of my life, my heart, my past, present and future.

COME HOLY SPIRIT LET YOUR FIRE FALL UPON MY HEART AND MY LIFE SET MY FAITH ON FIRE WITH LOVE FOR JESUS-LET ME PROCLAIM CHRIST JESUS IS LORD IN MY WORDS, ACTIONS AND ATTITUDES.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

MOTHER AND FATHER'S DAY BABY SHOWER

We are doing something different and it will really help. Mother's Day was on May 10th and Father's Day is on June 21st. The Sisters of Life are expecting a sort of baby boom in about a month. Between now and 6/21, parishioners may participate in the shower by forwarding donations directly to the Sisters of Life. Their address is:

St. Andrew's Church
Sisters of Life
20 Cardinal Hayes Place
New York, New York 10007

This year, the Sisters could especially use children's bibles, diapers, wipes, onesies, baby lotion and shampoo. Other suggestions are baby clothing, outfits, sleepers and hats, bottles and blankets. All baby items must be new. They also need maternity clothing.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

God Bless you!

INFORMATION SHEET

CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS

Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen #875400

PHONE

718-596-7750

CONTACT PERSON

Rose Marie Foglia

SOFTWARE

Microsoft Publisher® 2002

Adobe Acrobat 8.0®

Windows XP Home® SP3

PRINTER

HP® Laserjet 1320

NUMBER OF PAGES SENT

Cover + 4 text pages + this page = 6

SUNDAY DATE OF PUBLICATION

May 31, 2020

TRANSMISSION TIME

Wednesday 1 PM

**KINDLY SEND ONLY 100 ‘
BULLETINS. THANK YOU!
STAY SAFE!**