
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
5:00 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.

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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. JUNE 29, 2020**
 Noon Lorianne Sgro Zodda
 BY: RoseMary Polito & Family
- TUE. JUNE, 30, 2020**
 8:30 Marie Gulotta, Yolanda Scaffidi & Mario Austi
 BY: :Rose Marie Foglia
- WED JULY 1, 2020**
 8:30 Janet Caccioppoli
 BY: Michael &Evan Caccioppoli
- THURS. JULY 2, 2020**
 8:30 Carmine Graziani
 BY: Daughter Teresa
- FRI. JULY 3, 2020**
 8:30 Dennis DiMuro
 BY: Sister Maria
- SAT. JULY 4, 2020**
 8:30 John Vincent Verderame
 BY: Mom & Dad
 5:00 John Edwards
 BY Loving Family
- SUN JULY 5, 2020**
 8:00 For the People of the Parish
 10:00 Gary Cushing
 Noon For our Country

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 6/21	\$ 1,602.00
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donations	\$1,712.00+
Total Sunday 6/21	\$3,314.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 11,011.00
**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:

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| 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 | Evan Marra |
| Hector Jimenez | |

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



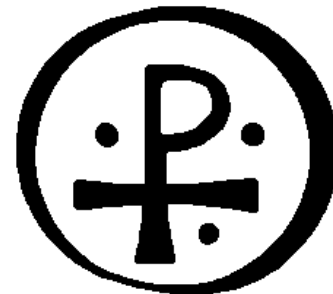
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everyone for continuing to support our parish either through On line Giving or by dropping their respective donations in the Rectory mail slot.

We are so very grateful for all you do for our great parish.

A Prayer for Strength

Our Father, sometimes the cares of the day seem to multiply while the blessings fade so quickly. Our bodies grow tired. Jesus help us. Give us the strength you've promised in your word. Give us the power to take the next step. Give us your grace for we know that in our weaknesses your strength is revealed. May we receive it today. Amen.



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From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family:

Discipleship is the theme of the readings for this Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. In the second reading, Baptism is presented as the door to discipleship. In the first reading, hospitality is seen as the way of providing for the disciple.

The Gospel is very demanding. We are told in the Gospel that to be a disciple, our love for Christ must come first even above family commitments and relationships. We are told that discipleship means bearing the cross and even suffering the consequences for loving Christ. This invitation is rather difficult. Disciples are important to Jesus. Jesus is important to the disciples. Through the disciple, Jesus will reach many people and through the disciple, many will be brought to Jesus.

Baptism is the way of becoming a disciple. In the second reading Paul speaks to us about baptism. Baptism is the most important of sacraments. Through baptism we become part of the body of Christ. (the church) Through baptism we become sharers in all that Jesus did. In baptism the Holy Spirit appropriates the redemption Christ accomplished through his death and resurrection to us. In Baptism The Holy Trinity dwells deep within us. Baptism is an adult commitment to Christ. We baptize children because of the request of believing parents. Parents take on a serious responsibility before God when they request the baptism of their child. They promise to pass the faith on to their children. To fulfill this obligation before God, the parent should be practicing in the faith. In the end, the parent, not the child, is answerable to God for this obligation. Baptism is so important that during the Easter celebration we are all asked to renew our baptismal promises. It is true we have baptized many adults in our RCIA. Those who search for baptism as adults usually make great Catholics and take nothing for granted. If you want your faith renewed, speak with a newly baptized person.

As one ages and grows in baptismal grace, sin becomes less attractive and faith more meaningful. Faith and our relationship with Christ is a serious matter. How do we love Christ above all things and all relationships? The faith through the Holy Spirit directs our attitudes, our behavior and knowledge of right and wrong. The faith through the Holy Spirit inspires us to do good and avoid evil. The faith through the Holy Spirit moves us to make sacrifices for the benefit of others. The Holy Spirit leads us to be less self centered and more other centered. The faith moves us to love for the sake of Christ and not for personal gain or popularity. Living out our baptismal promises is the way to discipleship.

Where are we with Baptism? In our day many people request baptism for their children. Many raise the child in the faith. Many have no intention of raising the child in the faith. In some cases, baptism has become more a social event rather than a commitment to the faith. Where are you with your own baptism? Do you know the date and place of your baptism? Do you focus on the baptismal promises when preparing for the sacrament of reconciliation? In today's reading, Paul was worried that his people were not living out their baptismal promises. Would Paul have to worry about you?

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

CHURCH OPEN FOR MASS

Beginning Monday, June 29th our Church will be open for the public to attend Weekday and Weekend Mass. Mass times will be as follows: Weekdays, Monday—Saturday 8:30 AM, Saturday Evening 5:00 PM, Sunday at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and Noon. The church will remain open from Noon to 2:00 PM each day for private prayer.

Msgr. Massie will have a Tea and Talk live on Facebook on Sunday, June 28th at 11:30 AM to answer your questions about public celebration of Mass.

GUIDELINES FOR ATTENDING MASS

The following has been provided by the Diocese of Brooklyn as requirements for the opening of our parish for public celebration of Mass.

During Mass, all guideline as established for visiting Church must be maintained to ensure social distancing and not exceed the 25% capacity.

At Sacred Hearts-St. Stephen the maximum capacity for the church is now 50 people.

Anyone entering the church must wear a face mask, use the hand sanitizing stations upon entering and wipe down their pew with the provided wipes before leaving.

All ministers for the mass (celebrant, server, lector) must sanitize their hands before mass begins.

What Mass will look like: There will be no entrance procession for all Masses, Sunday and weekday. There will be no missals or worship aids available. Parishioners are encouraged to bring their own from home or use their smartphones. There will be no exchange of peace and no holding of hands at the Lord's Prayer. There will be no offertory collection. Parishioners are to be encouraged to use e-giving at GiveCentral.org/shss or leave their donation in the offering box at the entrance of the church in the center with the white cross on it. People should come for communion in the normal way observing 6 feet of distance between them as they approach. **At SHSS the faithful will only be able to receive Holy Communion in the hand. The communicant should come before the Minister of Communion with the mask on for the dialogue (The Body of Christ, Amen) and then, moving to the side, lower the mask and consume the Eucharist and replace the mask.**

Holy Communion will be distributed by the celebrant. The host will be allowed to "fall" (reverently) into the communicant's hand to avoid any physical contact. The hands should be disinfected before distribution of Holy Communion. Hand disinfectant should be available nearby those distributing Holy Communion. The precious blood is not to be distributed to the faithful. There is to be no recessional procession. There should be no stopping to greet parishioners as they depart the church.

Music ministry should be limited to the organist and a cantor using social distancing. The cantor should not sing from the same place from which the lector reads. Choirs should not be used at this time since social distancing will be impossible for them. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion should only be used if there are not enough priests in the parish to assist.

INFORMATION SHEET

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