

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:

8:30 AM 10:00 AM & 12 NOON

5:00 PM on Saturday

MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:

Monday 8:30 AM

Tues. through Sat. 8:30 AM

Adoration: 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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Sacristan

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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 2:00 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.**

Mass Intentions For The Week

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- MON. JUNE 7, 2021**
8:30 Rose Marie & Frank Dellaporte & Jenny & Ciro Oliviero
- TUE. JUNE 8, 2021**
8:30 Anne (Babe) Iacono
BY: Angela Favorito
- WED JUNE 9, 2021**
8:30 Anthony & Anna Massie
- THURS. JUNE 10, 2021**
8:30 Joseph & Jean Bivona
BY: Fran & Destiny Bivona
- FRI. JUNE 11, 2021**
8:30 Deceased Members of Patti, Colella & Manus Family
BY: Lou Anne & Michael Manus
- 7:00 PM Feast Day Mass & Dedication of Mother Cabrini Statue by Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio
- SAT. JUNE 12, 2021**
8:30 Kristoff Family
BY: Marianne Kristoff
- 5:00 PM Anthony Mazze
BY: Wife Paula, Children & Grandchildren
- SUN JUNE 13, 2021**
8:30 Frances Galea
BY: Joan McGrath
- 10:00 Antonio & Gabriela Piro
BY: Piro Children & Grandchildren
- Noon St. John The Baptist
BY: Members of The Citizens of Pozzallo Society

FINANCIAL INFORMATION



Sunday Collection 5/30	\$ 1,566.00*
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donations	\$ 2,680.00
Total Sunday 5/30	\$ 4,246.00
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 10,079.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

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The 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the mission of our parish and the daily work of the Church in Brooklyn and Queens in ways no one parish can accomplish alone by supporting the following ministries:

- Catholic Youth Ministry Initiative
- Catholic Charities
- Hospital, College & Prison Chaplains
- Diocesan Vocations Office
- Catholic Migration Services
- Office of Faith Formation
- Bishop Mugavero Residence for infirmed clergy
- Futures in Education Scholarship Foundation

All donations made to the ACA above our Parish Goal are returned directly back to our parish for operations and improvements.



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Bread & Wine for the week of June 6th has been donated

In Memory of
ANNE (BABE) IACONO
BY: Jean Taranto



Pray For

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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 | RoseMary Lamaestra |
| 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 | Darren Munio |
| John Esposito | Abigail Memmesheimer |

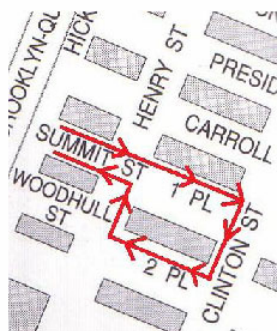
FEAST OF
CORPUS CHRISTI
AT



SACRED HEARTS
& ST. STEPHEN

Sunday, June 6th, 2021

Out-door Procession following 10:00AM Mass



Once the priest has incensed the Blessed Sacrament in the Monstrance on the Altar at the end of the Mass, all in attendance should follow the servers with the cross down the center isle and out of the church using the front side doors.

The priest with the incense and Blessed Sacrament will follow behind in procession along the provided route.

We will return back to the church for benediction outside on the front steps.

Order of Procession

1. Altar Servers with Cross and Candles (first)
2. Parishioners in Song and Prayer (second)
3. Priest with the Blessed Sacrament (last)

We invite those who live along the route to decorate the outside of their homes with flags, white banners or linens to mark his occasion.

**MAY FOR MARY!
LET US PRAY TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER
FOR HEALTH & WELLNESS TO ALL
GOD'S CHILDREN!**

As May is the month of Mary our Mother, we celebrate all Mothers who have healed our bumps and bruises and gave us comfort beyond measure with infinite love and joy (and an occasional stern arm).

May enters with many joyful celebrations and health awareness events. Let us focus on our health so we can continue to welcome Spring and enjoy all May's celebrations!

In the month of May we celebrate Florence Nightingale's birthday (May 12th 1820) and all nurses.

Let us continue our physical and mental focus by going for a walk with "Mom" or have a nice long talk with "Mom" or even get up and dance with "Mom" and maybe even a karaoke challenge with "Mom" and her favorite tunes.

Build a bird house, plant flowers, tell some corny Mom jokes and ask about your birth story again.

For me, I am going to celebrating "Ma" in many of these ways with my daughters born of my heart and soul and continue to honor all the mothers who cannot be here on earth but are forever close in my heart.

Let us remember that May is the month of awareness for:

- **High Blood Pressure Education:** <http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov.health-topics/education-and-awareness/high-blood-pressure>
- **Arthritis:** <https://www.arthritis.org/>
- **Asthma and Allergy:** <https://www.aafa.org/asthma-and-allergy-awareness-month>
- **ALS awareness:** <http://www.alsa.org/>
- **Better Hearing and Speech:** <https://www.asha.org/> & <https://www.asha.org/bhsm/>
- **Better Sleep Month:** <https://bettersleep.org/>
- **Bike Month and Bike to Work Day:** <https://bikleague.org/bikemonth>
- **National Institute On Minority Health and Health Disparities** www.healthandfitnessmonth.org.
- **Food Allergy Awareness** <https://www.foodallergyawareness.org/>
- **Health Vision Month (Global)** <https://www.cdc.gov/visionhealth/healthyvisionmonth>.
- **Hepatitis Awareness:** <https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/hepawarenessabcs.htm>

Be it our Mom in heaven, Mom on earth, Mom who is our mother's Mother, our Aunts, our friends, by birth, by heart, by soul, by chance, we celebrate them ALL!

Many blessings for this month of May to one and ALL!

Sondra Rivera, RN

From the Pastor

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“Do this in memory of me”

Dear Parish Community:

Today we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi or the Feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus. The readings invite us back to Holy Thursday when we celebrated the institution of the sacrament of the Eucharist. Due to the proximity of Good Friday and our meditation and contemplation of the Death of the Lord, the Liturgy lacked the time to reflect on the mystery of this great sacrament.

The Eucharist (Blessed Sacrament) is the center of Catholic life. The celebration of the Eucharist is in direct obedience to the command of Jesus. Jesus tells us he wished to be remembered in doing this in his memory. It was this way in which Jesus is really present with us and to us. So, when someone says to me: “O yes, I pray in my own way. I really do not need to come to Mass.” I have a problem. It means you and not Jesus is the center of your prayer. We have been told how to pray by Jesus and your private prayer is not obeying Jesus. So, Eucharist is essential for every Catholic. The Eucharist is the heartbeat and pulse of parish life. We both celebrate this sacrament and adore the divine and mysterious presence of the Lord in this sacrament. We believe that the Blessed Sacrament is the Body and Blood of the Lord. We believe that the Lord is really present in this sacrament. We believe that when received or adored, we are encountering the Risen Lord.

For us the Eucharist is not a symbol or sign or just a memorial, the Eucharist is Jesus. The celebration of the Eucharist (Mass) is the making present to us in this sacrament the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord. The Eucharist or the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in our Tabernacle which is located beneath the altar crucifix. The Blessed Sacrament is also reserved in the Chapel of the Transfiguration located behind the statue of Mary to the left of the main altar. The Eucharist is reserved for the purpose of prayer and for the sick to whom the Eucharist is brought.

Meeting Jesus in the Eucharist

Encountering the Lord Jesus in this great sacrament is a special time for us. This Sunday the obligation to attend Mass in person is restored. Why do we have this obligation? The reason is because the love of Christ in this sacrament of the Eucharist is so great, we must make a faithful response in thanksgiving for so great a love. Most of us do not need to be reminded of our obligations because we just know in our hearts how important the Eucharist is, others need to be reminded. So important is the reception of the Eucharist that after receiving the Lord in the Eucharist, one should spend time in silent prayer with the Lord. In the sacrament we are united with Christ and in communion with the whole church. The time after communion is a time of silent conversation with the Lord. This is not a time for private conversation with our neighbor or even for visiting the statues of the saints. This is your time with Christ. As we receive Eucharist, we are also to remember that we receive the Eucharist as a member of the Body of Christ. We are in communion with Christ and all who are receiving Eucharist in this church and with those who are receiving Eucharist throughout the Catholic World. In the Eucharist the Lord Jesus says “Do this in memory of me.” We who receive the Eucharist are called to live in memory of Christ in all we do and say.

Being prepared to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. When should one not receive?

The Church is the Body of Christ. The people united to Christ through baptism are drawn together through the sharing in the Eucharist to form One Body, the Church. It is the Church which celebrates the Eucharist. It is the Eucharist that creates the Church. The Church and the Eucharist cannot be separated. The Church is Jesus present in the world through us. Today as we make our procession with the Eucharist through our streets, we are professing our faith in the Sacrament of the Eucharist as well as our belief that we too are the Body of Christ, the Church.

Being prepared to receive Jesus in the Eucharist When should we refrain from receiving Eucharist?

Receiving the Eucharist is important. We should omit or stay away from the Eucharist, yet we must know when we should not receive the Eucharist. We must know what separates us from the altar and when it is time for us to approach the sacrament of Reconciliation. Serious sin or mortal sins should keep us from receiving Eucharist. What are some sins which should keep us from Eucharist until we have been to the sacrament of Reconciliation? The following sins are sins of grave matter: adultery, stealing, false witness, defrauding, not caring for parents, not caring for children, murder, abortion, fornication, rape, sex outside of marriage, same sex relations, child abuse, physical violence which is not self defense and the spreading of hatred. According to the Catholic Catechism #2181, neglecting to participate at the Sunday or Holy Day Mass without being sick or having the need to care for a sick person or a legitimate emergency is sinful. These sins need to be discussed in the sacrament of Reconciliation or they need to be discussed in spiritual direction where we can better form our conscience with regard to receiving the Eucharist. In doing so, let us remember that the Mercy of God is everlasting and the Mercy of God heals us and the Mercy of God is wider than we think.

Do we realize the greatness of the Eucharist?

The reason for our parish to exist is our faith in Christ Jesus. Therefore, the Eucharist is the center of our worship, prayer and adoration. Do we truly realize how great this sacrament is? Do we truly realize who this sacrament is? To realize means to have the reality of the Eucharist deep within us. If we did, we would never miss Mass, except in time of serious illness. Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the Alter. I am the church, you are the church, we are the church together. Together we are the Body of Christ in the community and in the world.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

Dedication of the Diocese of Brooklyn Mother Cabrini Monument



Sacred Hearts – St. Stephen Church
125 Summit Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231

Friday, June 11, 2021

Mass in honor of the
Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
celebrated at 7 PM

by

Most Reverend
Nicholas DiMarzio, Ph.D., D.D.,
Bishop of Brooklyn

Followed by unveiling and blessing
of
Mother Cabrini Monument

Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn Monument to St. Frances Xavier Cabrini “A woman who helped build New York City”

Frances Cabrini was born on July 15, 1850 in Sant' Angelo Lodigiano, Italy. In 1880 Frances founded the Institute of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Pope Leo XIII instructed her to go with her new order to New York to help the thousands of Italian immigrants in the United States. Through her remarkable work in New York and elsewhere in America she would become known throughout the world simply as Mother Cabrini, the first citizen of the United States to be Canonized a saint, patroness of immigrants and the New Evangelization establishing 87 institutions in her lifetime: schools, hospitals and orphanages before her death in 1917.

Upon arriving in New York City in 1889, Mother Cabrini immediately began working to help the poor Italians she found on the streets of Manhattan. She soon needed more support for her work and was sent by the Archbishop of New York to the Diocese of Brooklyn. Mother Cabrini was welcomed warmly by Bishop Charles McDonnell who asked her to work at the parish of Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary located on President & Van Brunt Streets. Recognizing a need to educate the Italian immigrant children, Mother Cabrini and her sisters established a school in the parish in 1892. In gratitude to the bishop the school was named the St. Charles School and the church was later renamed St. Charles Chapel. Besides establishing the school for Italian immigrants and the convent for the Missionary Sisters in the parish, Mother Cabrini was active in lessening the burden on newly arrived Italian Immigrants in Brooklyn by establishing a “scuola di lavoro” where handcrafts were taught to adults, making home visits to immigrant families, providing catechetical instruction and administering various parish associations. By 1905 enrollment at St. Charles grew to over 700 and the Missionary Sisters at the request of Mother Cabrini offered religious instruction to over 3,000 immigrant Italian children who attended public schools in Brooklyn. The Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus remained in the parish of Sacred Hearts-St. Stephen for over 100 years until 1998.