

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.

Rectory: 108 Carroll Street

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REV. MSGR. GUY A. MASSIE

Pastor

REV. CLETUS FORSON

Parochial Vicar

REV. NGOZI

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MR. EDWIN RIVERA

Deacon

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Director of Faith Formation

JOHN HEYER, II

Pastoral Associate

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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 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. JULY 19, 2021
8:30 Rev. Msgr. Celsus O. Collini
BY: A Friend

TUE. JULY 20, 2021
8:30 Steve Vergona
BY: Loving Family

WED JULY 21, 2021
8:30 Gloria Pazmino
BY: Angie & Marie

THURS. JULY 22, 2021
8:30 Robert Russo
BY: Jerret Engle &
Cort Tramontin

FRI. JULY 23, 2021
8:30 Charles Coffaro
BY: The Passantino Family

SAT. JULY 24, 2021
8:30 In Thanksgiving
5:00 PM Pietro Ilardi
BY: Children & Grandchildren

SUN JULY 25, 2021
8:30 Joseph & Elizabeth Trovato
BY: Loving Children
10:00 John Edwards
BY: Loving Family



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We invite you to join us for morning prayer each day in our church at 8:00 AM. Begin your day praising God and thanking him for

the blessings he has bestowed on you!
All are welcome. We hope to see you there!

FINANCIAL INFORMATION



Sunday Collection 7/11	\$ 1,506.00
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donations	\$ 2,133.00
Total Sunday 7/11	\$ 3,639.00
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$10,686.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

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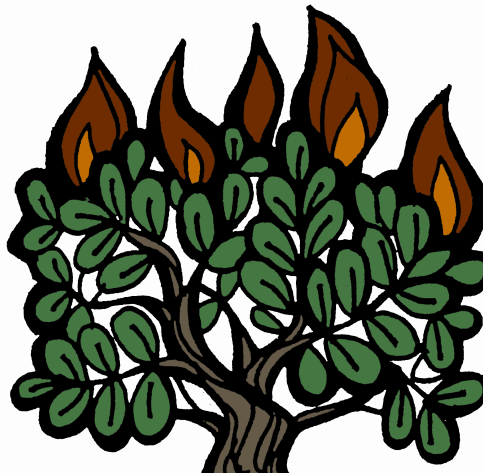
The 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the mission of our parish and the daily work of the

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

I am your God.



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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 |
| Susan Hannan | Evan Marra |
| Hector Jimenez | Darren Munio |
| John Esposito | Abigail Memmesheimer |
| Philip Saracemo | Gertrude Zagarella |



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BOOK CLUB

Please join us on Monday, September 13th in the Parish House.

We will be discussing The

Tide Between Us: An Epic Irish-Catholic Story of Slavery and Emancipation by Olive Collins.

All are welcome!



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We joyfully announce the Ordination to the Diaconate of Vincent Vu. Vincent was ordained on Saturday, July 10, 2021 as a transitional Deacon. Please remember him in your prayers. All are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving to be held at Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen Church on Sunday, July 18th at 10:00 AM. Please join us for this celebration and let us pray together as a community for his ministry.



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With a very grateful heart I thank Msgr. Massie for his many prayers for me, for his great support during this very difficult time in my life. He has listened and encouraged me whenever I call him. To Father Cletus for his many prayers and support. To the many parishioners who have called to tell me they are praying for me and asking if they could do something to help me. From the bottom of my heart, I am so grateful to you for your caring and prayers. To those who have sent me Get Well Mass Cards, I am truly grateful. Prayer is very important right now. To all of you I am very grateful to know that I come from a parish that truly cares for each other. God has been very good to me for which I am grateful every day and with His help, I will get through this difficult time. In closing, I will always be grateful to all of you. A woman said to me when she called to say that she was praying for me gave me a smile and encouragement. She said “Gertrude, you have been on vacation long enough so hurry now and get back to your job.” I miss you at the Church doors greeting all of us for the 10:00 AM Mass. I do promise I will be back doing my job because I miss seeing and talking to all of you. God Bless you all and keep safe. Many many thanks and prayers.

Gertrude

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family,

Today is the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. In our first reading we meet Jeremiah who was a prophet in Jerusalem from 655BC to 570BC. In the Gospel we read about the heart of Jesus being moved by compassion because the people were like sheep without a shepherd. In the second reading from St. Paul to the Ephesians, we read that in the Cross of Christ all have redemption, Jew and Gentile. The Gentiles now have a covenant with God in Christ. Thus, it is Christ who shepherds all his people to the Father.

In the first reading, Jeremiah is critical of the Kings of Judah. Kings were not only to rule and administer the government, they were to shepherd and care for the people. Many kings did not fulfill pastoral calling and the people suffered from lack of moral leadership. Today, the shepherds of the faithful are the religious leaders who must provide not only instruction but good example for the community. Without these, the people are prey to confusion and moral ineptitude. Today there are many shepherds who are trying to raise the important questions which we, the faithful need to face. However there is also great disappointment on behalf of the faithful about many of their shepherds. Scandal, poor example and silence are major issues that have caused many to question the effectiveness of Catholic leadership. The poor examples of priests who seem ill prepared for ministry have scandalized many. While people may continue to come to Mass, many turn a deaf ear to the instruction given by shepherds whose integrity they question. In some ways, one would think that our shepherds have lost their moral voices. The Jeremiah reading may be addressed to such as these.

In the Gospel Jesus in his time is aware that the people lacked good shepherds. The people were looking for moral leadership. They were seeking to hear the Word of God and the leadership was not listening or proclaiming the Word of God. Since the shepherds who were to act in God's name failed, God will do the shepherding himself. Both Jesus and Jeremiah challenge all leadership people.

In a time in our society where there exists such division and suspicion of the other, we need to hear the message of Paul's letter to the Ephesians that we are united. That God unites, God does not divide. We need to hear that Christians, Jews and Muslims are children of the same God. We need to hear ways in which we can build community. Unfortunately, this message seems to be only said in a whisper rather than shouted from the rooftops.

Leadership is to serve the truth, not power. Leadership is for the good of those being served not for the advancement of the leader.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

Let us be safe as we celebrate July 4th! Be mindful of fireworks, burning coals and intoxicated drivers!

Let us handle the dog days of summer...this is a great mnemonic that shows eight significant health effects of climate change. (Dr. Holder) and ways to prevent the HEATWAVE affecting you!

Heat illness (Drink water and or electrolyte water)

Exacerbation of heart and lung disease (Stay in cool and air-conditioned areas, do not exercise or exert your energy.)

Asthma worsening (take prescribed meds, avoid humidity and do not overexert your energy)

Traumatic injuries especially during extreme weather events (avoid contact sports and high risk-exerting activities.)

Water and food borne illnesses (know where you are eating and drinking and follow health advisories)

Allergies worsening (know what blooms in the area you visit, and have on hand antihistamine-oral and topical)

Vector-borne diseases spreading like Zika, dengue, and Lyme (use safe insect repellent and when outdoors wear cotton covered long sleeves and pants)

Emotional stress is increasing poor and vulnerable people (mental health should be the 1st health priority.

Pray, breathe, socialize reach out for help)

Symptoms of dehydration and prevention Symptoms of **heat exhaustion vs. heat stroke** and prevention:

Unquenchable thirsty

Dry skin

Headache

Blurred Vision

To prevent dehydration, drink your
body weight + 30 mL

Racing Heart

Exhaustion

Irritability

Dizziness

Dark yellow urine

Symptoms of **heat exhaustion** & prevention

Heat Exhaustion (take a cool shower)

Faint or Dizzy

Excessive sweating

Cool, pale, clammy palms

Nausea or vomiting

Rapid, weak pulse

Muscle cramps

Drink water, Take frequent breaks, Avoid high
heat times of day! Wear Sunscreen

Symptoms of **heat stroke** and prevention

Call 911 immediately

Throbbing headache

Sweating stops

Temperature over 103 degrees

Nausea or vomiting

Rapid, strong pulse

Loss of consciousness