

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

MICHAEL J. ENG

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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

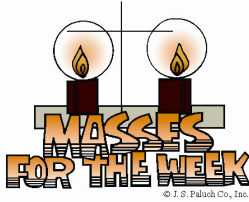
RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

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.**




- MON.** **MAY 30, 2022**
 8:30 **Lee Sgro**
BY: Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren
- TUE.** **MAY 31, 2022**
 8:30 **Stefania Sopylo**
BY: Grand Daughter Aneta
- WED** **JUNE 1, 2022**
 8:30 **Carmine Graziani**
BY: Daughter Teresa
- THURS.** **JUNE 2, 2022**
 8:30 **Frank, Lottie & Janet Illiano**
BY: The Illiano Family
- FRI.** **JUNE 3, 2022**
 8:30 **Anthony Polito**
BY Rosemary, Children & Grandchildren
- SAT.** **JUNE 4, 2022**
 8:30 **Joseph & Lia Cerato**
BY: Cerato & Andruzzi Families
 5:00 **Carmelo De Maio**
BY: Clara Stella & Paula Mazze
- SUN** **JUNE 5, 2022**
 8:30 **Vincent & Vincenza Pepe**
BY: Son Louis
 10:00 **In Honor of the Holy Spirit for the Parish**
 Noon **Camille Ranieri**
BY: Rosemary & Family

Visit those
 who are shut-in...

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

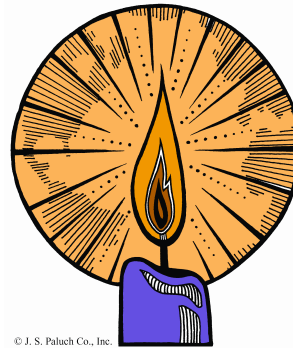
	Sunday Collection 5/22	\$ 1,598.00
	*Envelopes & cash	
	On Line Donations	\$ 2,775.50
	Total Sunday 5/22	\$ 4,336.50
	Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$14,325.00
	Difference:	\$ 9,988.50
**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks		



Please join us on
 Monday, June 6th
 @ 7PM in the
 Parish House
 We will be discussing

Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng. We will not be meeting in July. For those of you who plan ahead, our next meeting will be on Aug. 8th. We will be discussing Daughter of Fortune by Isabel Allende.

All are welcome.
 We hope to see you there!



The Sanctuary
 Lamps for the week
 of
 May 29th have been
 offered

In Loving Memory of
**MARIE AGNESE &
 ELIZABETH LOPORO**
 Birthday Remembrance
BY: Their Loving Family

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Pray for
Vocations



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 | Gertrude Zagarella |
| Michelle Laquercia | Irene Balen |
| Judith DeArmen | John Nigro |
| Judith Miller | Salvatore Salerno |
| 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 | Joan Di Tucci |
| Dominick Aiello, Jr. | Mark Carles |
| Erica Concino | Terry Daniti |
| Susan Hannan | Evan Marra |
| Hector Jimenez | Darren Munio |
| Abigail Memmesheimer | Sophia Rotunno |
| Philip Saraceno | Vittorio Di Turi |
| Maria Anjelica Patino Laquercia | |
| Paul & Leona Pensabene | Frances Marra |



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Our Church is open each Wednesday from noon until 2:00 PM for private prayer. You are encouraged to stop by for this quiet time with the Lord.

We hope to see you there!



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Annual Catholic Appeal 2022
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

The 2022 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 and 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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PARISH GOAL:	\$36,274.00
PAID SO FAR:	\$29,513.00
PLEGGED SO FAR:	\$46,355.00

97 Families

We are hoping to reach \$46,274 this year for our Appeal. Everything over our parish goal will be used to hire engineers to study the possibility of installing air conditioning and air-filtration systems in our Church and in Cabrini Hall.

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Community,

Today is the Seventh and last Sunday of Easter. Next week we will celebrate the great Feast of Pentecost. This week our readings take us to the time period between the Ascension of Christ and Pentecost. The themes of the readings are: Crisis, Prayer and Unity.

After the Ascension, the presence of Christ was no longer perceived as it had been prior to the Ascension. Prior to the Ascension, the Apostles saw the Risen Lord, after the Ascension, the presence of Christ passed into the sacraments, sacred text and the disciples. (jm 14:23) The disciples would have a greater understanding of this after Pentecost. The disciples are faced with their first problem; Persecution. We read about the death of St. Stephen our patron Saint who is the first to be killed for the message of the Gospel. In the Gospel, Jesus is in crisis. While this prayer of Jesus is actually happening on the night prior to the death of Christ, we for liturgical reasons are reading it in light of the Ascension. In this prayer, Jesus in his human form is praying for the unity of his disciples.

What is prayer? What do we mean by unity? Prayer is lifting up of our spirits to God. Prayer is a focus on our relationship to the Triune God. Prayer is inspired by the Holy Spirit dwelling in us since our baptism. Prayer points us in two directions. The first direction is to our inner self. We are called to reflect on the divine presence deep within us. Prayer moves us out of ourselves to God. Prayer need not have words, prayer does not need to be read, prayer can be silence in the presence of the Lord. Prayer is also listening. Prayer can be private or liturgical. We are invited to listen to the presence of God deep with us. Prayer moves us to action. Prayer can be words, sighs, tears, a calling out but always is a communication with God. Prayer can be intercessory, praising, giving thanks or lamenting. Prayer reflects the moments of your soul. Why and how do you pray? How do you listen to the Lord? Does your prayer have too many words or not enough? Prayer unites us to God and to each other. Prayer is the mirror of the state of our spirit. What is the state of your soul?

What do we mean by unity? Jesus is concerned about the unity of his disciples. Unity means proclaiming the same faith together. It means having to come together to discuss and reconcile differences for the good of the community. Unity means giving witness to the world about Christ, about his love for us and the great redemption he has brought to us. Unity means that internally we are at peace and united to the message of the Gospel. Sadly Christians are not united. Christianity stands divided on crucial faith issues. This division is caused by many factors among them: theological pride, the misuse of authority, scandal in the lives of some Christians, political considerations and at times the loss of the focus of Christ as our goal. For Christians to be reunited, we who proclaim Christ Jesus must be open to the works of the Holy Spirit, seek mutual forgiveness from each other for this unity which exists, recommit our lives to centrality of Christ and seek to work together in proclaiming and living out the message of Christ.

Just as parents worry about their children and the children whom they love individually and as a group will stay together, so too Christ wills the unity of his flock. At Pentecost, the Holy Spirit brought about unity among the believers, may we be open to the Spirit of Christ and work for unity of peoples for the cause of peace in the church, in the world and in our hearts.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie



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Please join us for the following events:

**The Feast of Pentecost, Sunday, June 5th
8:30 AM, 10:00 AM and Noon**

**The Feast of St. John the Baptist,
Sunday, June 12th at Noon**

**The Feast of Corpus Christi,
Procession Following the 10:00 AM Mass**

**The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
June 24th 7:00 PM
Cabrini Park, Outdoor Mass**

**The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Mary
Saturday June 25th 8:30 AM
With an Anointing of the Sick**