

SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN R.C.CHURCH
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**SACRED HEARTS
& ST. STEPHEN**

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

Brooklyn, N.Y 11231

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REV. MSGR. GUY A. MASSIE

Pastor

REV. CLETUS FORSON

Parochial Vicar

REV. NGOZI

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Deacon

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Business Manager

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Parish Organist

JENNIFER WU

Choir Director

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

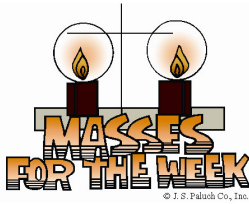
RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

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.**



- MON.** JUNE 27, 2022
8:30 For A Personal Intention
- TUE.** JUNE 28, 2022
8:30 Rev. Michael A. Carrano
BY: Carolyn & John Zodda
- WED** JUNE 29, 2022
8:30 Celia Cacace
BY Her Neighborhood Friends
- THURS.** JUNE 30, 2022
8:30 Catherine & Carmelo Graci
BY: Marie Caria
- FRI.** JULY 1, 2022
8:30 Josephine Carita
BY The Eng Family
- SAT.** JULY 2, 2022
8:30 Carmine Graziani
BY: Daughter Teresa
5:00 Mario Austi
BY: Rose Marie Foglia
- SUN** JULY 3, 2022
8:30 For Our Country
10:00 Biaggio Lubrano
BY: Wife & Children

Visit those
who are shut-in...



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FINANCIAL INFORMATION



Sunday Collection 6/19	\$ 1,196.00
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donations	\$ 2,685.50
Total Sunday 6/12	\$ 3,881.50
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 10,443.50

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks



Please note that the Book Club will not be meeting in July. For those of you who plan ahead, our next meeting will be on Aug. 8th @ 7:00 PM in the Parish House. We will be discussing Daughter of Fortune by Isabel Allende. All are welcome. We hope to see you there!

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KINDLY NOTE:

DURING THE MONTHS OF JULY AND AUGUST, THERE WILL NOT BE A NOON MASS ON SUNDAY. THE NOON SUNDAY MASS WILL RESUME ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH.



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 |
| Santina Garbellotto | 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 | Mary Ann Kikinczel |
| 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 |
| Sarina Mukhi | |

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:	\$34,336.00
PLEDGED SO FAR:	\$49,597.00

113 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 Family,

Prefer Nothing to Christ

Today is the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Our vestments are green signifying growth in the Holy Spirit. The two basic themes of today's Liturgy of the Word are: the demands of discipleship and freedom.

First let us look at the theme of discipleship. Discipleship is a demanding lifestyle. It means placing one's master first above all other relationships. In the first reading from the Book of Kings: 19:16, 19-21, we see the demands of discipleship. When Elijah calls Elisha to be his successor, Elisha must leave all that is familiar to him and follow the call. In the Gospel we see a similar demand. Three people approach Jesus with the intention of being his disciples. In each case, Jesus refuses their intentions. In doing so, Jesus outlines his demands of discipleship. For Jesus, the disciple must place the mission of Jesus first in his or her life. Those wishing discipleship must be ready not to have security. The relationship to Jesus must hold first place in the life of the disciple even taking precedence over family obligations and relationships. St. Benedict told his monks; "Prefer nothing to Jesus." Discipleship means learning from Jesus, imitating Jesus and conforming one's mind and heart to Jesus. This is a tall order. Jesus is very honest about his expectations.

While all of us are called to discipleship, most of us have religion, some of us have faith and fewer of us really answer the call to discipleship. Religion and faith go together. Religion answers the question; how do we live the faith? Faith is the relationship we have with God in the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, sacred text and community. Discipleship is not limited to the professional Christian. Everyone is called to a deeper conversion to the faith. Not every priest is a disciple of Christ, not every bishop is a disciple of Christ and not every pope or sister or layperson is a disciple of Christ. They may be faithful people, good people, but the disciple is sensitive to the deep movements of the Holy Spirit working in him or her. This sensitivity to the Holy Spirit moves the want to be disciple to seek to be converted by the grace of God to the mind and heart of Jesus. All are called, few will answer.

Discipleship is lived among people in one's community or family. The faithful disciple can affect change for the better in the lives of people through his/her example. The Disciple need not preach or even speak about the faith. The values and the norms of the way the disciple lives his or her life speak volumes to others. The way the disciple deals with difficult situations such as: disappointments, anger, hurt and injustice, etc. illustrates the gospel values which are the foundation of the life of the disciple. Disciples do not want to be noticed or be the center of attention. When they are praised, they attribute their good actions to the Holy Spirit not to themselves. In fact, most disciples go unnoticed or acknowledged.

The second reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians gives us some insight into the life discipleship can change our worlds. Disciples are called to live in the Holy Spirit. They are free living people. Paul speaks to us about life in the flesh and life in the Spirit. Life in the flesh is described in Galatians 5:19-21. We read: "Now the works of the flesh are immorality, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, selfishness, dissension, envy, drunkenness and carousing." The want to be disciple however seeks to live in the Spirit. Life in the Spirit is characterized by love, peace, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, humility, chastity, patience, gentleness, generosity and self control. If we can strive to live these values with each other, we would be free and the world would be a better place. While most of us live somewhere between life in the flesh and life in the Spirit, those desiring to answer the call of discipleship strive to live their lives in the Spirit and when they fail, they seek reconciliation.

Discipleship is a lifelong journey of constant conversion, constant reflection and constant striving to learn from Christ, to imitate Christ and to convert one's mind and heart to Christ. This can only happen with the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

Sacred Hearts and St. Stephen Religious Education
REGISTRATION OPENS FOR 2022-23 CLASSES

**RE^{IG}IGIOUS
EDUCATION⁺**

"Let the Children Come to Me"
Matthew 19:13-15



Registration Opens on Sunday, June 12th & Sunday, June 19th

Classes will open for children in Grades 1-7, as well as enrollment in Sacramental Preparation Classes for First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Information will be available following the 10 am Family Mass

If you are unable to be present on Sunday...

Contact Michele Twomey at mtwomey.shss@gmail.com or
Call the rectory 718-596-7750 for information, and to schedule an appointment to
register your child for classes beginning September 2022.