

**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*

*718-596-7750 tel*

*718-260-9233 fax*

**REV. MSGR. GUY A. MASSIE**

*Pastor*

**REV. CLETUS FORSON**

*Parochial Vicar*

**REV. NGOZI**

*Prison Chaplain (In Residence)*

**MR. EDWIN RIVERA**

*Deacon*

**MRS. MICHELE D. TWOMEY**

*Director of Faith Formation*

**JOHN HEYER, II**

*Pastoral Associate*

**ROSE MARIE FOGLIA**

*Business Manager*

**JAMES LAKE**

*Parish Organist*

**JENNIFER WU**

*Choir Director*

**ANDREW DI MANSO**

*Sacristan*

**MICHAEL J. ENG**

**DONALD GLOCKNER**

*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.

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**ON LINE & CREDIT CARD GIVING: WWW.GIVECENTRAL.ORG/SHSS**

**RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

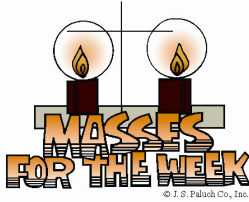
Monday thru Thursday 9:00 to 5:00 (Closed for Lunch from 1-2) Friday 9:00 to 2:00 Saturday 9:00 to 1:00

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.**

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<u>FINANCIAL INFORMATION</u>		
Sunday Collection 1/8		\$1,855.00
*Envelopes & cash		
On Line Donations		\$ 3,122.50
Total Sunday 1/8		\$ 4,977.50
Annual Weekly Expenses*		\$14,325.00
Difference:		\$ 9,347.50
**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks		



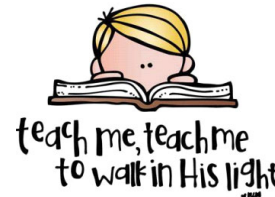
- MON.**     **JANUARY 16, 2023**  
 8:30       Carmen Tull  
 BY: Karen Johnson
- TUE.**       **JANUARY 17, 2023**  
 8:30       Alphonse Vota, Jr.  
 BY: Dr. & Mrs. Victor Masi & Family
- WED**       **JANUARY 18, 2023**  
 8:30       Carmelo & Concetta Cataudella  
 BY: Santo & Josephine Gentile
- THURS.**   **JANUARY 19, 2023**  
 8:30       Concetto & Concetta Gentile  
 BY: Santo & Josephine Gentile
- FRI.**       **JANUARY 20, 2023**  
 8:30       Buddy Scotto  
 BY: Tina & Nick Cinalli
- SAT.**       **JANUARY 21, 2023**  
 8:30       In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received  
 through the intercession of  
 O. L. of Mt. Carmel  
 BY Angie Conenna

5:00 PM    Frank, Lottie & Janet Illiano  
 BY: RoseAnn Illiano Irwin
- SUN**       **JANUARY 22, 2023**  
 8:30       Raffella & Carmine Graziani  
 BY: Andy Di Manso

10:00      Kathleen Moran  
 BY Lois & Anthony Tilocca

Noon       Philip & Santa Castro  
 Andrew & Carolyn

**Volunteers Needed. Will you join us?**



Here at SHSS, we are blessed to share the privilege of sharing our rich Catholic faith and traditions with the youth of the parish. We need more laborers in the vineyard to help teach, assist, prepare crafts, be monitors during class, assist at Grade Masses, and prepare refreshments, and we need prayer warriors. If you can help in some way or give one Sunday a month, we welcome your assistance. Contact Michele Twomey at 718-596-7750 or email [mtwomey.shss@gmail.com](mailto:mtwomey.shss@gmail.com) to help.



Please join us on **Monday, Feb. 6th @7 PM** in the Parish House. We will be discussing *The Family Upstairs* by Lisa Jewell. All are welcome. Hope to see you there.



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               |
| Lois Tilocca                    | Salvatore Salerno        |
| Diane Barchuk                   | Addy Wardrope            |
| Carol DeMairo                   | Anthony Gambardella      |
| Anthony Tilocca                 | Anthony Turco            |
| Elizabeth Foley                 | Cathy De Marino          |
| Ann Curcuru                     | Dora Zanzonico           |
| Lamar McNabb                    | Louis D'Angelo           |
| Carol Montelbano                | Julia Magno              |
| Anthony Manfre                  | Celeste Internicola      |
| Emma Huckerby                   | Kristin Quail            |
| Joan Di Tucci                   | Sarina Mukhi             |
| Dominick Aiello, Jr.            | Mark Carles              |
| Erica Concino                   | MaryAnn Kinczel          |
| Susan Hannan                    | Evan Marra               |
| Hector Jimenez                  | Darren Munio             |
| Abigail Memmesheimer            | Sophia Rotunno           |
| Philip Saraceno                 | Salvatore Aleo           |
| Maria Anjelica Patino Laquercia |                          |
| Paul & Leona Pensabene          | Frances Marra            |
| Michael Ostrowski               | Regina Ventura Giulietti |
| John Primavera                  |                          |



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The following donations for Christmas Decorations to our Church were not posted on the Parish Poster Board. We thank you for supporting our Parish to enhance it's beauty during the Christmas season:

- Mom & Dad**  
**In Loving Memory of**  
**Our Son**  
**Ciro "Jerry" Geritano**
- Louis & Angela Napoli**  
**In Loving Memory of**  
**Paul Anthony Pensabene**
- In Loving Memory of**  
**Lucy & Paul Pensabene**
- In Loving Memory of**  
**Concetta & Carmelo Napoli**



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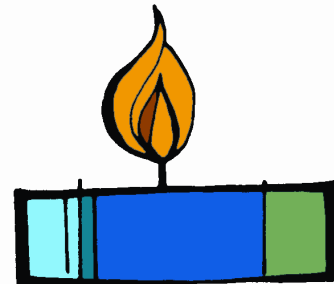
Our Church is open each Wednesday from noon until 2:00 PM for private prayer. You are encouraged to stop by for

this quiet time with the Lord.

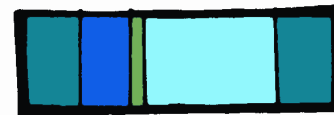
We hope to see you there!

### MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays @ 9:30 AM  
Saturday Evenings @ 4:00 PM  
Sundays @ 10:00 AM



VOCATIONS



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Please pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

# From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family,

“Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.” You are my servant...I will make you a light to the nations....

Today’s first reading and Gospel are illustrated in our church. If you look at the base of our altar, you will see mosaic of a lamb holding a cross on which is displayed a white banner with a red cross. If you look at our tabernacle when the solid door is open usually during communion time, you will see the inner door of the tabernacle. On this inner door you will see a painting of the lamb seated on a book. The book, although closed displays seven ribbons. In church art the lamb represents Christ. The book represents the Word of God and the ribbons the seven sacraments. The Cross draped with white banner represents victory over death. Lambs were sacrificed in the ancient and no longer existing temple in Jerusalem as sin offerings. In the story of the Passover in the Book of Exodus, it was the blood of the sacrificed lamb which saved the Israelites from death, as the Angel of Death passed over their houses in ancient Egypt. Today’s readings from the Gospel and Isaiah outline the ministry of Jesus. Jesus is both servant and lamb of God. Jesus takes upon himself the sins of the world as he faithfully serves us and God. Being the light of the world, which the darkness has not extinguished, Christ will be seen as the Servant of God who brings redemption.

Jesus is sent as the Servant of God par excellence. He is the archetype of all servants of God. In the Book of the Prophet Isaiah from chapters 49-52, we find the Servant of God passages. Scholars have given us many interpretations as to the identity of the Servant of God. The servant is seen by some as the Israelites collectively. Others see the servant as the prophet who stands behind this Isaiah tradition. Still others see these passages as referring to the messiah. It is possible perhaps to see all these interpretations as operative in these servant passages. These passages have been used since the beginning of Christianity to describe Jesus and his ministry. Early Christianity saw these passages illustrated in the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus. In the Gospel Jesus will say of himself “that the Son of Man came to serve and be served.”

We see Jesus as servant throughout his ministry but particularly in the Passion Narratives. The servant empties himself for the sake of those being served. Jesus washes the feet of the disciples. In this act he symbolically empties himself which he would graphically do in his death for the redemption of the world. It will be his faithfulness to his mission that will cause his death and heal our unfaithfulness.

If Jesus takes to himself the title of Servant and if Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, what then should the ministry of the church be? If we the Body of Christ are baptized into Christ, our role too is one of servant not of power. Clergy, religious and lay Ministers are not in roles of honor or power but of service. Imitating Christ, the servant will save us from thinking of ourselves as people of power.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen  
Children's Faith Formation Program 2022-2023

**"WE ARE A FAMILY OF FAITH"**

Jesus calls all of us to share the Good News with others. Parents and godparents are commissioned at Baptism to foster the great gift of faith in our children. We are privileged to share this work with you, extending the invitation of Jesus, the Light of the World, who calls us to be his disciples.

**"I am the Church, You are the Church, We are the Church together!"**

**REGISTER TODAY!**

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

**FAITH FORMATION FOR GRADES 1 THROUGH 8**

**2022-23 Program Theme: Exploring the Profession of Faith**

This program will help develop strong Catholic Families where children and parents will explore the Profession of Faith through the following questions: What is Faith? Who is God and how can we know him? What does it mean to be created in the image and likeness of God? How do I live that relationship individually? As a family? In a parish community?

For information, email Michele Twomey in the Faith Formation Office at [mtwomey.shss@gmail.com](mailto:mtwomey.shss@gmail.com) or call 718 596-7750x 20.