

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 10:15 AM & 12 NOON

* No Noon Mass on Sunday for July & August, will resume on September 10th.

5:00 PM on Saturday

MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:

Mon 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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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.

Baptisms are held the 3rd Sunday of the month

@1:30 PM (except for July and Aug @ noon)

Please call the Rectory for arrangements.

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. AUGUST 28, 2023**
8:30 Concetta & Antonino Tesoriero
BY: The Reca Family
- TUE. AUGUST 29, 2023**
8:30 Saverio DeFelice
- WED. AUGUST 30, 2023**
8:30 Josephine & Chris Rallis
BY: Sal Masotto
- THURS. AUGUST 31, 2023**
8:30 Gino Luigi Masi
- FRI. SEPTEMBER 1, 2023**
8:30 Giuseppe &
Giuseppina Borrometi
BY: Maria Di Rosa
- SAT. SEPTEMBER 2, 2023**
8:30 In Thanksgiving for
Answered Prayers
BY: Catherine
5:00 PM Joseph Cardamone
- SUN. SEPTEMBER 3, 2023**
8:30AM Frank D'Amico, Jr.
BY: Andy Di Manso
10:15AM John Edwards
BY: Loving Family



Altar Bread & Wine for the
week of
August 26th has been donated
In Memory of
**MARGARET
CAMPANELLA**
BY: Lucille Gaudino

FINANCIAL INFORMATION



Sunday Collection 8/20	\$1,065.00
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donations	\$4,153.00
Total Sunday 8/20	\$5,218.00
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 9,107.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

Please remember in your prayers the members of our Parish who are hospitalized or in nursing home care, most especially: Jonelle Bernardo, Sarina



*In Need
of Your
Prayers*

Mukhi, Brad Hatry, Gertrude Zagarella, Michelle Laquercia, Irene Balen, Santina Garbellotto, John Nigro, Salvatore Salerno, John Primavera, Diane Barchuk, Addy Wardrope, Carol DeMairo, Anthony Gambardella, Anthony Tilocca, Anthony Turco, Elizabeth Foley, Cathy DeMarino, Ann Curcuru, Lemar McNabb, Louis D'Angelo, Carol Montelbano, Julia Magno, Anthony Manfre, Celeste Internicola, Emma Hukerby, Kristin Quail, Dominick Aiello, Jr., Mark Carles, Erica Concino, MaryAnn Kinczel, Susan Hannan, Evan Marra, Hector Jimenez, Darren Munio, Sophia Rotunno, Frances Marra, Philip Saraceno, Salvatore Aleo, Maria Anjelica Patino Laquercia, Michael Ostrowski, Kathy Parasimo, Butch Montevecchi, Louann Gambardella, Jack DiCostanzo

American Red Cross-CPR Certification &



Naloxone Administration Training

The Parishes of St. Mary Star of the Sea & Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen are pleased to sponsor Red Cross training in Adult and Pediatric CPR/AED as well as Opioid Overdose and Naloxone Administration on Sat. 9/23 from 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM. We are offering this training free of charge and lunch will be provided. Upon successful completion of the training, participants will receive a 2 year CPR certification from American Red Cross. Training will be held at St. Mary's, 467 Court St. Pre-registration is required as class size is limited to 15 persons. Please call St Mary's at 718 625-2270 or Sacred Hearts-St. Stephen's at 718 596-7750 to register.

**From the
Pastor** Dear Parish Community,

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“For me life is Christ.”

Today is the Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time. The second reading and the Gospel ask us profound questions. The question from Romans is a question of wonder and awe, “who has known the mind of God.” Paul’s question and the question on the identity of Jesus should echo in our hearts and minds.

So, who is Jesus? Yes, you can give me the catechism answer. You can look the answer up on google and get an answer. You may even say, I have been taught that Jesus is The question is profound. This question is a question of faith and it needs to be answered with faith. So, who is Jesus? How you answer this question says volumes about the one who is offering the answer. In your heart of hearts, who is Jesus? In your doubts and dark nights, who is Jesus? In your sufferings and feelings of abandonment, who is Jesus? In your time of disappointment, anger and setbacks, who is Jesus? In your moments of joy and fulfillment, who is Jesus? As you consider these questions, ask yourself would you be able to give your life to Jesus? Do you trust Jesus unconditionally? Can you place Jesus as your first priority of your life? Peter answered this question and became the leader of the newly formed Christian Community. Ultimately, Jesus would ask Peter if he loved him. The answer to this question will cause Peter to give his life for Christ.

The question who Jesus is must affect all the baptized. The question and our personal answer affect who we are and how we live. How one answers this question has both benefits and consequences for one’s life decisions. Speaking for myself, I say that Jesus is God. For me this Jesus gives meaning to my life. In Jesus the mysteries of life find meaning. Suffering, loss, injustice all can be lived through because of Christ. For me, life would be empty, dark and drab without Jesus. When I celebrate Mass and receive the Lord in Eucharist, I find this to be a profound moment. “Who am I that the Lord should come to me?” When I think of the Incarnation and consider that God became human and dwelt among us and suffered for us, I am awed. It is then that I ask myself the question found in Paul’s letter to the Romans “Who has known the mind of God?” Who would give a son to ransom a slave? What shepherd would leave the ninety-nine in search of the one lost? Who would experience such rejection, take on suffering of the cross, forgive his persecutors and still be faithful to those who rejected him? Wow! God has done great things for us, observe the wonders of creation, the universe, the human cell, but the greatest work of God is the Incarnation. (God becoming one of us in the humanity of Jesus.)

If Jesus is God for me, who am I to Jesus? Who is Jesus?

Msgr. Guy A. Massie