

# 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

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.

*Rectory: 108 Carroll Street*

*Brooklyn, N.Y 11231*

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REV. MSGR. GUY A. MASSIE

*Pastor*

REV. ANTHONY ONWUGBENU

*Parochial Vicar*

REV. NGOZI

*Prison Chaplain (In Residence)*

JOHN L. HEYER, II

*Deacon & Pastoral Associate*

MR. EDWIN RIVERA

*Deacon*

MRS. MICHELE TWOMEY

*Director of Faith Formation*

ROSE MARIE FOGLIA

*Business Manager*

JAMES LAKE

*Parish Organist*

ANNIE FLOOD

*Choir Director*

ANDREW DI MANSO

*Sacristan*

MICHAEL J. ENG

ROSEMARY POLITO

*Parish Trustees and Advisors*

**BAPTISMS:**

To prepare for the sacrament of Baptism, parents and godparents should plan to attend the 10:15 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 . 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](http://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. MARCH 10, 2025**  
 8:30 Michael Nieves  
 BY: Joe Cerato
- TUE. MARCH 11, 2025**  
 8:30 Danny & Carmella Pipitone  
 6:00 PM Holy Hour
- WED MARCH 12, 2025**  
 8:30 AM Carmine & Raffella Graziani  
 BY: Daughter Teresa
- THURS. MARCH 13, 2025**  
 8:30 Santa Bellantuono Deliso  
 BY: Daughter Anna Deliso
- FRI. MARCH 14, 2025**  
 8:30 Sr. Barbara Leonardo &  
 Rev. Anthony S. Dana  
 Luigi & Giovanna Barrera  
 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross
- SAT. MARCH 15, 2025**  
 8:30 Guy & Petrina DiManso  
 RB: Family  
 5:00 M/M Alfonse Cipaldo  
 BY: Daughters Angela & Debra
- SUN. MARCH 16, 2025**  
 8:30 People of the Parish  
 10:15 Lorianne Sgro Zodda  
 Connie, Ernie & Joey Missoni

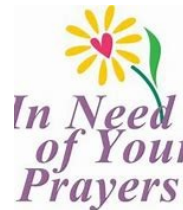
## FINANCIAL INFORMATION



Sunday Collection 3/2	\$1,937.00
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donation	\$3,247.00
Total Sunday 3/2	\$5,184.00
Annual Weekly Expenses	*\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 9,141.00

\*\*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 Mukhi, Brad Hatry, Gertrude Zagarella, Michelle Laqueria, Irene Balen, Santina



Garbellotto, John Nigro, Salvatore Salerno, John Primavera, Diane Barchuk, Addy Wardrope, Anthony Gambardella, Anthony Tilocca, Anthony Turco, Elizabeth Foley, Cathy DeMarino, Ann Curcuru, Lemar McNabb, 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, Michael Ostrowski, Kathy Parasimo, Butch Montevecchi, Louann Gambardella, Jack DiCostanzo, Edna Lamboy, Angelo Sardinha, Pamela Rosenberg, Morgan Spurlock, Charlotte Ackerman, Joseph Pugliese, Jr. Jami Domanoski & unborn infant

## MASS COUNT

### FOR 3/1 & 3/2

5:00 PM	67
8:30 AM	52
10:15 AM	152

**TOTAL: 271**  
 282 watched On Line



Please join us on Tues. 3/11 in the Parish House for an informal discussion of *Left on Tenth, A Second Chance at Life* by Delia Ephron. Our next meeting will be on 4/1 where we will discuss the book *Long Island* by Colm Toibin. We hope to see you there. All are welcome.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

### The Temptation of Christ

Dear Parish Family,

The key to avoiding temptation is to love God more than temptation. To love Jesus more than the temptation. Remember the love of Christ impels us to or not to.

The story of the temptation of Christ serves to instruct us in the reality that when we resolve to do something which is good, wholesome and holy, we will be tempted not to keep the resolution.

Temptations come to all of us. Temptations come in very attractive ways and oftentimes present us with half truths. Temptations always seem reasonable.

Let's say you have resolved to go to Mass every day for Lent. This is a good thing. Now comes a day when the weather is not good. It is too cold to go out. There is too much work to do at the office at this time and I cannot take a lunch break. The temptation not to go sounds reasonable, after all, one day of not going is alright. I will go the next day, Yes, but we forgot there is a sacrifice we are making. So, we may have to brave the weather, stay later at work.

The great temptations:

- 1, The temptation to be someone we are not. To present ourselves in ways that are not true. To act in such a way that we lead others to think wrongly about who we are. This happens when we are trying to impress others or we are struggling accepting who we really are. In the first reading, the direction is to remember who you are. You are Catholic, you have a relationship with God and you are loved by God and many other people.
- 2 The temptation for immediate satisfaction. I want what I want and I want it now. This is universal. Oftentimes we surround ourselves with things, we buy things to make us happy and to make us feel good all the while running away from our problems and things which need to be addressed. What do you really want? Many are always moving from one thing to the next, they rarely stay with one job, one place long enough to settle down.
3. The temptation for power. This also is universal, everyone needs to be in charge of something in order to feel important. There is a need to be in control, even of events surrounding our very selves. We cannot control ourselves, let alone someone else.

Look at the workplace, the community, the parish, the church. This temptation affects everyone.

The temptation to do the right thing for the wrong reasons-Ash Wednesday.

What to remember, the temptation is a liar, Christ has conquered the evil one. The deceiver wants us to forget the victory of Christ over evil. Do not give in!

Msgr. Guy A. Massie