

# 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*  
*718-596-7750 tel*

REV. MSGR. GUY A. MASSIE  
*Pastor*

REV. CLETUS FORSON  
*Parochial Vicar*

REV. ANTHONY ONWUGBENU  
*Parochial Vicar*

REV. NGOZI

*Prison Chaplain (In Residence)*

JOHN L. HEYER, II

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*Deacon*

MRS. MICHELE TWOMEY

*Director of Faith Formation*

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*Office & Business Manager*

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*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

Office closed Saturday & 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.      October 13, 2025  
8:30       Manny & Babe LoPorto  
              BY: Their Grandchildren
  
- TUE.        October 14, 2025  
8:30        Deceased Members of  
              Reid & Twomey Families
  
- WED        October 15, 2025  
8:30        Teri Latriano  
              BY Blaise & Jena Latriano
  
- THURS.    October 16, 2025  
8:30        People of the Parish
  
- FRI.        October 17, 2025  
8:30        Michael Gallagher  
              BY: The Reff Family
  
- SAT        October 18, 2025  
8:30        People of the Parish  
5:00 PM    Ciro "Jerry" Geritano  
              BY: Loving Family
  
- SUN        October 19, 2025  
8:30        Vergona & Polizzi Family  
10:15      Frank, Lottie & Janet Illiano  
              Paul & Lucy Pensabene  
              Anniversary Remembrance  
              Mark Anthony Spada

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

GOAL            \$39,901.00  
 PLEDGED:    \$44,146.00  
 PAID:           \$36,251.00

Thank you for your support and generosity. All funds over goal are returned to the Parish to assist with our overhead expenses. If you have not yet sent in a pledge, please consider doing so to help your Parish.

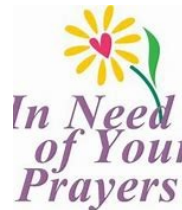
**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**



Sunday Collection 10/5	\$2,693.00
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donation	\$2,728.00
Total Sunday 10/5	\$5,421.00
Annual Weekly Expenses	*\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 8,904.00
**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:

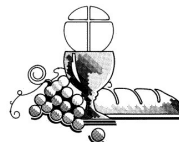
Jonelle Bernardo, Sarina Mukhi, Brad Hatry, Michelle Laqueria, Irene Balen, Santina Garbellotto,, Salvatore Salerno, John Primavera, Diane Barchuk, Addy Wardrope, Anthony Gambardella, Anthony Turco, Elizabeth Foley, Ann Curcuru, Lemar McNabb, Carol Montelbano, Julia Magno, Anthony Manfre, Emma Hukerby, Kristin Quail, Mark Carles, Erica Concino, MaryAnn Kinzel, Susan Hannan, , 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, Jami Domanoski & unborn infant, Joan Sawaya, Mary Martir, Marcella Gatti Lorraine Zanzonico, Beverly DiCovello, Michael DiMeglio



**MASS COUNT**  
**WEEKEND OF 10/4 & 10/5**

5:00 PM	51
8:30 AM	55
10:15 AM	236

Total: 342  
 Live Stream                    742



Bread & Wine for the week of October 11th has been donated  
 In Memory of  
**TAMAM CORREY**  
 BY: Frank & Theresa Agosta

# From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Community,

The readings today are held together by the phrase found in the second reading from second letter from Timothy, from St. Paul: “Remember Jesus Christ risen from the dead...” In the Gospel while ten lepers are healed, only one remembers Jesus. In the first reading from the Second Book of Kings Naaman remembers and gives thanks.

Remember Jesus Christ risen from the dead says Paul to Timothy. Paul urges Timothy to remember the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. In Catholic liturgical belief remembering is taken seriously. When we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, we are in the act of remembering. To remember in the liturgy means to make present again. As we remember the Death and Resurrection of Jesus we again enter into this great mystery. Remembering Jesus is not simply an act of remembering the past as one remembers an historical event. It is rather we remember so as to render present again. Remembering Jesus in this manner makes remembering a prayer. This remembering of Jesus will sustain Timothy as he faces his share of suffering.

Remembering Jesus is Paul’s spiritual direction to us. While the leper is healed in the Gospel for today, Jesus through his death and resurrection heals and saves us for all eternity. Remembering Jesus risen in all the seasons of our lives but especially in times of loneliness, confusion, ambiguity, fear and emotional or physical sufferings tells us that there is life on the other side of the present crisis. Remembering Jesus in time of loss especially if we are mourning helps to assure that life is not ended, it is changed. Remembering Jesus when our worlds are ending, fearful storms engulf us or when we feel we are at the end of our rope may sustain us for the day. Remembering Jesus reminds us that we encounter God through the humanity of Christ. In a like manner, we encounter God through the humanity of our neighbors. (c. Matt 25:11f.) When confronted with temptations to be self-righteous, judgmental, jealous or vindictive, remembering Jesus may help us to remain faithful. When confronted with ambition, feelings of entitlement, feelings of anger, remembering Jesus may help us to act appropriately.

In the Gospel we meet a Samaritan Leper. Being a leper is difficult and isolating. Being a leper who is part of a discriminated people makes his situation worse. The Samaritan Leper was an outcast among the outcast. Knowing that he was at the mercy of Jesus he begs along with the other nine. Along with them he is healed. While the nine forgot that Jesus was the one through whom they were all healed, the Samaritan could Leper remembers Jesus and returns. The Leper because he was a Samaritan could not worship at the Temple in Jerusalem. (Samaritans and Jews did not worship together. Cf Jn 3f) Remembering Jesus, the leper who could not encounter God in the Temple, encounters God through the humanity of Jesus. Jesus thus is the new Temple for the Leper and for us.

Remember Jesus and enter more deeply into a relationship with him in and through the Eucharist, the sacred scripture and the community of the church.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie