

# 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

*Deacon & Pastoral Associate*  
MR. EDWIN RIVERA

*Deacon & Coordinator of OCIA*  
MRS. MICHELE TWOMEY

*Director of Faith Formation*  
ROSE MARIE FOGLIA  
*Office & 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

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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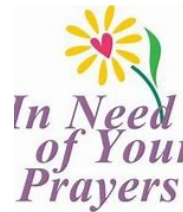
- MON.** April 6, 2026  
8:30 Lorianne Sgro Zodda  
BY: Her Parents, Carolyn & John
- TUE.** April 7, 2026  
8:30 Elizabeth Trovato  
BY: Lenny & JoAnn
- WED** April 8, 2026  
8:30 Luciano & Mary Bellecchio  
BY The Reca Family
- THURS.** April 8, 2026  
8:30 Frank, Lottie & Janet Illiano  
BY: Rose Ann Illiano
- FRI.** April 10, 2026  
8:30 Deceased of The Dellaporte & Marchetti Families  
BY: Catherine Dellaporte
- SAT** April 11, 2026  
8:30 People of the Parish  
5:00 PM Philip & Katherine Foley  
BY: Daughter Mary & Grandchildren
- SUN** April 12, 2026  
8:30 Vergona & Polizzi Family  
BY Loving Family
- 10:15 Joseph, Concetta & Frank Foglia  
Robert & Evelyn Sharp  
In Honor of the BVM & in Memory of  
Dora Zanzonico

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION



Sunday Collection 3/29	25,088
* Envelopes & /29	
On Line Donation	\$2,345.00
Total Sunday 3/29	\$7,433.00
Annual Weekly Expenses	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$6,892.00
**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 Laquercia, Irene Balen,, 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 Montevocchi, Louann Gambardella, Edna Lamboy, Angelo Sardinha, Pamela Rosenberg, Morgan Spurlock, Charlotte Ackerman, Jami Domanoski & unborn infant, Joan Sawaya, Mary Martir, Marcella Gatti Beverly DiCovello, Michael DiMeglio, Christopher Iacono, Jackie Leone

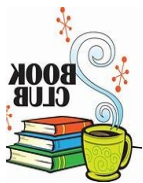
## MASS COUNT WEEKEND OF 3//28 3/29

5:00 PM	71
8:30 AM	61
10:15 AM	408
Total:	540
Live Stream	1241

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2026

PARISH GOAL	\$43,891.00
PLEGGED	\$ 21,609.00
PAID	\$ 14,014.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
CONTINUED SUPPORT AND  
GENEROSITY!**



Please join us on Tuesday 4/7/  
@ 7:00 PM in  
the Parish House for an informal  
discussion about  
The Dream by Harry Bernstein. For  
those of you who plan ahead, our next meeting will be  
on  
5/5. We will be discussing Convent Wisdom by  
Ana Garriga. All are welcome!

# From the Pastor

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## ALLELUIA+CHRIST IS RISEN+ALLELUIA

Dear Parish Family,

Today's joyful message is the key and cornerstone of our faith. It is because of this great glorious event that Christians of every denomination gather for worship on the first day of the week, that is Sunday and not the seventh day of the week, Saturday. It is on Sunday that Christ is risen up. It is on this first day of the week God created light from darkness. It is on the first day of the week, Sunday that the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles at Pentecost. Sunday is our weekly Holy Day and the Risen Christ is the reason for our existence. Jesus risen is the joy and hope of all who long for the Good and seek truth and live love and mercy.

Easter defines more clearly the great mystery of the incarnation. The incarnation means God becoming human in the person of Jesus. The Resurrection tells us clearly who Jesus is. He is God and man. Easter is a great reason for our hope. In the Gospel we see that Jesus addresses such topics as the truth; he speaks of compassion, peace, joy, mercy, judgment, redemption and eternity. Jesus speaks about the fatherland of God, the supremacy of love (that is willing the good for the other) over religious law. We see in the behavior of Jesus his deep and personal relationships with people. We also recognize that Jesus faces great opposition from many in the religious establishments of his time. In the Gospel we are invited to live life now and in eternity. We learned through Jesus that with God there is no death for God is life and life in the fullest.

The message of Jesus gave many hope, yet we see that Jesus was greatly opposed.. He was opposed by many of the religious authorities at his time. Jesus was seen as a threat to the Romans who were occupying the land of Israel at the time of Jesus. Ultimately Jesus is crushed. He dies a terrible death at the hands of the Romans, he is rejected by many of the religious authorities of his time. Throughout his life and even his sufferings, Jesus remains faithful to his message, to his Father and he does not give in to the temptations of hatred or retaliation. Jesus not only preached but practiced that message he preached. His faithfulness stands in sharp contrast to the unfaithfulness of Adam and Eve. Story or parable that it may be, the Genesis story seeks to address the problems of evil and questions of sin. While humanity in the characters of Adam (everyman) and Eve (every woman) may have been unfaithful, Jesus is faithful to God. Thus he redeems all humanity.

Jesu is also the symbol of every person who seeks to do the good and live in harmony with God as spoken of in the first psalm and are persecuted for their efforts. Jesus represents all those who seek the good and whom the world does not understand. Jesus represents all those who seek peace, reconciliation justice kindness, compassion and mercy and who seem defeated cast out and who are marginalized in our society. Easter is a Victory celebration that Love does win out over hatred., that truth ultimately is victorious over lies, that mercy compassion make life worth living that peace in the end wins out over war and personal distress, that giving and living for others gives true meaning and in the end **LIFE TRIUMPHS OVER DEATH**. Even if the good is sometimes eclipsed by darkness and evil, even if we see the good sometimes defeated, the Resurrection of Christ tells us that the good will win out . For every cross we face and suffer will have a resurrection as sure as day follows night and spring follows winter.

**IT IS THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS THAT GIVES US HOPE ENERGY TO LIVE A  
LIFE OF FAITH HOPE AND LOVE.  
HAPPY EASTER!**

Msgr. Guy A. Massie