



CHURCH OF ST. CHARLES



644 CLAWSON STREET, OAKWOOD HEIGHTS, STATEN ISLAND, NY 10306



JANUARY 15, 2017 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastoral Staff

Pastor

Rev. Louis R. Jerome

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Marius Fernando (visiting priest)

Fr. Stefan Chanas

In Residence

Bishop John J. O'Hara

Weekend Associate

Rev. Msgr. Edmund J. Whalen

Permanent Deacons

Deacon Stephen Tobon

Deacon Lawrence Droge

Pastoral Associate

Sr. Jeanine Conlon, O.P.

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Parish Office Hours

Sunday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Saturday 10:30 AM - 6:30 PM

Sacramental Life

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening 4:00 & 5:30 PM

Sunday 8:15, 9:30 & 10:45 AM
12:00, 1:15

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 8:30 & 11:30 AM

Saturday 8:30 AM

Holy Days Masses

Eve of the Holy Day 7:30 PM

6:45, 8:30, 11:30 AM and 7:30 PM

Parish Registration

New parishioners need to register at the rectory. Please inform us if you move into or out of the parish.

Confessions

Saturday: 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM, after evening Masses, and after Mass on the Eve of a Holy Day.

Baptisms

Second Sunday of the month at 2:30 PM Instruction for parents of the children to be baptized to be arranged at the rectory. SPONSOR CERTIFICATES REQUIRED for Godparents and also a copy of the child's birth certificate.

Marriages

To arrange a marriage at St. Charles, consult with a priest or deacon at least six months prior to the proposed date and before social arrangements. Attendance at Pre-Cana and Natural Family Planning Classes is required.

Anointing and

Communion of the Sick

Regular administration of the Sacraments should be arranged for shut-ins by calling the rectory. Emergency sick calls anytime.

Religious Education Program

Instruction for all grade levels beginning with first grade. For information call the Religious Education Office.

LITURGY CORNER

MONDAY - JANUARY 16

8:30 - Mario Maurice - Mem.
11:30 - Catherine Kelly - Mem.

TUESDAY - JANUARY 17

8:30 - Msgr. Joseph Ansaldi - Mem.
11:30 - Elizabeth Sullivan - Mem.

WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 18

8:30 - Marta Vouriotis - Ann.
11:30 - Laura Klus - Mem.

THURSDAY - JANUARY 19

8:30 - Marion Riordan - Mem.
11:30 - Alfonso & Serafina Campitelli - Mem.

FRIDAY - JANUARY 20

8:30 - Thomas DeFrancesco - Mem.
11:30 - Janet & Rosario Ciccone - Mem.

SATURDAY - JANUARY 21

8:30 - Michela & Francesco Palumbo - Mem.
4:00 - Sabella Fran Longo - Mem.
5:30 - Philip Burazzo - Mem.

SUNDAY - JANUARY 22

8:15 - Nicholas Alessi - Mem.
9:30 - Parishioners of St. Charles
10:45 - Bruno & Grace Stanger & August &
Nancy Henderson - Mem.
12:00 - Michael Felumero & Heather Newman
Mem.
1:15 - Andre Mormile - Mem.

January 21 / January 22 Mass Schedule

4:00	Msgr. Whalen	10:45	Fr. Stefan
5:30	Msgr. Whalen	12:00	Fr. Marius
8:15	Fr. Marius	1:15	Fr. Jerome
9:30	Fr. Jerome		



January 1, 2017

\$12,429.21

January 3, 2016

\$14,609.67

Solemnity of Mary

2017

\$3840.00

2016

\$6424.73

Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Oils

*The Wine & Hosts for the week of January 15 - January 21, 2017 are offered in loving memory of **The LaBargo Family** at the request of Ascenzia Milazzo.*

*The Oils & Candles for the week of January 15 - January 21, 2017 are offered in loving memory of **Joseph F. McKenna** at the request of his wife, **Dorothy** and daughters.*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday - Friday at 12:00-5:00 PM in the Chapel

First Mondays at 7:30 PM in the Church

(cancelled in August)

First Fridays at 7:30 PM in the Church

(cancelled in August)

Call Jeannette Burrell (718-979-0034) or

Lois Galvin (718-948-8193) for information

Rosary and Novenas

The Rosary is recited each weekday at 8:10 and 11:10 AM and on Saturday at 8:10 AM.

The Miraculous Medal novena prayers are said after the 8:30 & 11:30 AM Masses on Mondays.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Adult Faith Formation

Wednesdays at 1:30 PM except for the third Wednesday of the month; rectory



Baptism Classes

First Tuesday of the month at 8:00 PM; rectory

Bereavement Group

Will resume in the Spring.

Book Club

Third Thursday each month at 4:00 PM; rectory

Caregivers Support Group

Thursday - 9:30 - 11:30 AM; rectory

Choir (Adult)

Thursday at 7:30 PM; church

Divine Mercy Devotion

Friday at 3:00 PM; chapel

Eucharistic Ministers

First Fridays at 7:30 PM; church

Leisure Group

Thursdays 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM; auditorium

Prayer Group & Holy Hour

First Monday of the month at 7:30 PM; church

Religious Education Classes

Monday 3:45 - 5:15 PM Grades 6 & 7

Wednesday 3:45 - 5:15 PM Grades 1-5

Special Needs: Wednesday 5:10 - 5:45 PM

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Meeting - Second Tuesday of month at 1:30 PM; rectory

Food Pantry open 2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM; rectory

Teen Club

Sunday at 7:00 PM; auditorium

Visitation Ministry

Women's Worship Wednesdays

Third Wednesday at 7:30; rectory

Ecumenical Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 20th Annual Staten Island Prayer Service

Will take place on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 7:00 PM here at St. Charles Church. Preaching at the service will be Bishop Victor A. Brown, Senior Pastor at Mt. Sinai United Christian Church. What we now observe nationwide as the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity began in a small chapel at Graymoor in 1908. Graymoor is a ministry of the Franciscan Friar of the Atonement and is home to the Graymoor Ecumenical & Interreligious Institute. Please join us as we welcome our Staten Island Christian neighbors. Refreshments will be served in the auditorium after the service.



Into the Heart of Mercy and Peace

Young adults (18-45) from St. Clare's, Our Lady Queen of Peace, St. Charles, St. Patrick's and Holy Child parishes are invited to come together for a Holy Hour of Mercy and Peace at St. Clare's chapel, on January 15, 2017 from 7 PM - 8 PM. The hour integrates quiet, personal prayer, music, opportunity for confession, conversation with a spiritual director. A social with light refreshments will follow. At the beginning of this New Year 2017, come and join others in prayer, silence and stillness in the presence of our God of Mercy and Peace.



PARISH NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS January 16, - January 22, 2017

Monday - January 16

Spiritual Direction - 7:30 PM ; rectory
Cheerleading - 7:30 PM; school

Tuesday - January 17

Bingo at 7:30 PM; doors open at 6:00 PM;
early bird 7:15 PM

Wednesday - January 18

AARP Driving Class - 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM;
rectory
Adult Faith Formation - 1:30 PM; rectory
Cheerleading - 6:00 PM; school
Women's Wednesday Worship - 7:30 PM;
rectory

Thursday - January 19

Caregivers Meeting - 9:30 AM; rectory
Seniors - 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM; school
Book Club - 4:00 PM; rectory
Cheerleading - 5:30; school
Christian Unity Service - 7:00 PM; church &
auditorium

Friday - January 20

Cub Scouts - 7:00 PM; school

Saturday - January 21

Sunday - January 22

RCIA - 10:00 AM; rectory
Teen Club Bowling Night - 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM;
Rab's Bowling



School Registration

NEW Family Registration for the 2017-18 Academic School Year

Registration for NEW families interested in enrolling in grades Pre-Kindergarten 3 and Kindergarten through 8th grades for the 2017-2018 academic school year is now open. To fill out an online application, please go to the school website: www.SaintCharlesSchoolSI.org and click on the "APPLY NOW" button.

After completing the application process, the school will contact you to set up a meeting and interview. At the time of the interview, please bring the child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate, immunization records, report cards and NYS ELA and Math scores (grades 3-8).

The application period for all Universal Pre-Kindergarten/Pre-K For All students will begin on **January 17, 2017** and end on Friday, **February 24, 2017**. All children born in 2013 who live in New York City are eligible to apply to PreK for All for the Fall 2017 school year.

The application can be done over the phone by calling 718-935-2067, in person at 715 Ocean Terrace, Building A, Staten Island, NY 10301 or on-line at schools.nyc.gov/ApplyOnline. No UPK applications can be submitted to St. Charles School. To be considered for the St. Charles UPK program, families will need to use the Saint Charles school code: 31RABM. If you have any UPK registration questions, please call Ms. Eileen at the school at 718-987-0200.

WE PRAY...WE CELEBRATE...WE REMEMBER

THE GET WELL LIST

Corrine Alaimo	Amanda Lavoro
Keith Alaimo	Rosalie Leone
Paul Alaimo Sr	Elizabeth Linton
Joan Boragi	Anthony Locicero Jr.
Eva Bonafilia	Diego Lopez
Salvatore Caffiero	Helen Mahon
Mary Campitelli	Lauren Marie
Marty Casey	Raymond Mignone
Nick Castagna	Jean Monaco
Grace Castelao	Ann Murphy
Ann Marie Coppola	Pamela Murphy
Carmine Coronato, Jr.	Gennaro Musto
Nancy D'Amico	Erin O'Keefe
Philip DeFonte	Anthony Paragone
Herb DeGrant	Roberta Paragone
Frances DeMarco	Veronica Parascondola
Randi Dietrich	Mary Parnell
Michael DiFalco	Marie Petrocelli
Mary Driscoll	Pasquale Petrucci
Marilyn Droge	Lee Rhatigan
Russell Dunn	Rose Russo
Michael Durante	Vincent Russo
Pearl Dweck	Dorothy Sabatell
Joseph Elia	Vincent Santore
Charles Faberzak	JoAnn Schneck
Gloria Faraci	Dolores & Tony Sclafani
Robert Faraci	Anthony & Leonarda Scocco
Dorothy Fleming	Jerry Scotti
Aniel Garcia	Susan Sexton
Robert Gardner	Howard Shock
Marie Grzeczka	Maryann Sparano
Emily Harris	Marie Starita
Cheryl Houss	Dolores Tombolini
Lawrence Iacona	Ann Van Houten
Helen Istico	Herb Van Houten
Jeannette Castelao Keane	Theresa Verry
John Kelley	Mary Woerner
Peggy Kiernan	Sara Weiss
Trevor Kwatkowski	Norm Zuniga

Digital Prayer Tools

FORMED.org (parish code XQ43Q3)
 www.wordonfire.org
 3minuteretreat.com

WE REMEMBER

Eternal rest grant unto their souls, O Lord.

And let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

*May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed
 rest in peace. Amen*

Stephen Ficara

Dina Liotta

Thomas Considine

Clare Bifulco

WEDDING MUSIC

If you are planning a wedding in the near future and would like to arrange for music, please, call the rectory two months prior to the wedding, and leave a message for Paul Light, our Music Director at (718) 987-2670.



Stop N Shop is giving \$2.5 million to schools through this program. We need to get as many customer cards information in order to do well. You can help by asking family and friends to give you their numbers on the back of the customer card and send them in to Sr. Jeanine. Thank you to all those who have already done so. Below is a sample of what we need.

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Many thanks for your cooperation

Parish Pay

For your convenience, we offer the opportunity to make your envelope payments electronically through Parish Pay. For more information please call the rectory or visit their website at www.parishpay.com.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

John the Baptist called Jesus
the "Lamb of God."

Try to find this phrase and
circle it seven times
in the word jumble below.

Look forward, backward, up, down, and across.

L A M B O F L A
L A M B O F G O D D G O
A D G
L L A M B O F G O D O F O F L A M
B G O L D
B D O D G F O B M A L O G O D
L D O G F O B M A L A M B G
G O L F O G O D
F O D O G F O B M A L F O
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L G A
L A M B O D O F L A M B
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



"Low" Mass or "High" Mass?

At my first parish, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Scarsdale, New York, we had the services of a wonderful priest by the name of Msgr. William B. Smith. Msgr. Smith was a professor at the seminary in Yonkers and on Sundays he would come to Immaculate Heart to say Mass for us.

Msgr. Smith was so popular that people would call the rectory and ask what time he was saying Mass. Sometimes they would call late at night! One evening, a lady called and the pastor, Msgr. Ed Connors, picked up the phone. The

lady asked, "Can you please tell me what time Msgr. Smith is saying Mass on Sunday?" Then recognizing that it was the pastor himself on the line, she quickly added, "or yourself!!" Msgr. Connors laughed and said, "You can't get out of this so easily Loretta!"

Of course we all have our favorite priests that we enjoy at Mass on Sundays. Here at St. Charles, we are so fortunate to have Msgr. Ed Whalen with us on the weekends and like Msgr. Smith, many people call and want to know the time of his Masses! Also, in the past year, Msgr. Vincent Bartley has been a great help to us, especially on Saturday and Sunday nights. Thank God we have the priests available to assist us in the running of such a large operation as St. Charles parish.

As you are aware, just recently, we have changed the Mass schedule here in the parish. There will no longer be a 7 PM Mass on Saturday night or a 5:30 on Sunday night. Some people are upset at these changes. A very good and devoted parishioner took me aside last Saturday and said, "Father, you have to do a better job in explaining to the people why these changes were necessary." Well in this letter today, I would like to offer an explanation.

Cardinal Timothy Dolan has asked that all pastors look at the Mass schedules in their parishes across the Archdiocese to see if some Masses perhaps could be eliminated. A figure that was set as a "benchmark" was sixty percent. If at a certain Mass the church was not sixty percent filled, it was suggested that those liturgies could be nixed.

Now the reason for this is not to punish the faithful, but we have to consider that there is a shortage of priests. This year the Archdiocese of New York will ordain only five men to the priesthood. We could use ten times that number! Thank God for the services of our international priests - without them, how could we run our parishes?

Taking into account the suggestion of the Cardinal and the Archdiocese and looking at our schedule here at St. Charles, I decided to eliminate the two Masses. It goes "against my grain" to do this because I believe that the people are entitled to our priestly services. However, we also need to use some common sense which at times is not so common!

We will now have seven Masses over the weekend here at St. Charles which I think is a very fair number. Our neighboring parishes at St. Clare's and Our Lady Queen of Peace have seven Masses over the weekend as well. I certainly don't want to hurt St. Charles Parish by these schedule changes. We will study the situation this year and see if this revised Mass schedule will work out to the benefit of all.

As we begin this new year, let us pray through the intercession of St. Charles Borromeo for vocations to the priesthood, for without the priests, there can be no Mass!

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Jerome

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