



CHURCH OF ST. CHARLES



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



DECEMBER 4, 2016 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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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, 5:15 & 7:00 PM

Sunday 8:15, 9:30 & 10:45 AM

12:00, 1:15 & 5:30 PM

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 8:30 & 11:30 AM

Saturday 8:30 AM

Holy Days Masses

Eve of the Holy Day 7:00 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 - DECEMBER 5

8:30 - Mary & Anthony Battista - Mem.
11:30 - Edward Heedles - Mem.

TUESDAY - DECEMBER 6

8:30 - Francis Olive, Sr. - Mem.
11:30 - Amelia Marino - Mem.

WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 7

8:30 - Daniel J. Linton - Mem.
11:30 - Joan & Don Osewalt - Mem.
7:00 - Stanley Thomas Ehresman - Mem.

THURSDAY - DECEMBER 8

6:45 - Parishioners of St. Charles
8:30 - Deacon Vincent Brigande - Mem.
11:30 - Lillian Ida & Mena Jovino - Mem.
7:30 - Herman Paquette - Mem.

FRIDAY - DECEMBER 9

8:30 - Deacon Richard Peroda - Ann.
11:30 - For the Family of Baby Giavanna Jean
Gentilella - Mem.

SATURDAY - DECEMBER 10

8:30 - Debra Salvesen - Mem.
4:00 - Nina Savaglia & Michael & Maria
Savaglia, Carmela & Salvatore
Sannuto - Mem.
5:15 - Rose & Anthony Corrier- Mem.
7:00 - Anthony Iucci & Angelo Loggia - Mem.

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 11

8:15 - Grace & Angelo Novaro - Mem.
9:30 - Parishioners of St. Charles
10:45 - Lilly & Larry Gorga - Mem.
12:00 - Maite Aquino - Mem.
1:15 - Frances Sicurnaza - Mem.
5:30 - Alphonse Attianese - Ann.



November 20, 2016

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November 22, 2015

\$12,862.46

Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Oils

The Wine & Hosts for the week of December 4 - December 10, 2016 are offered in loving memory of Philip Chiappone, Sr. at the request of his family.

If you would like to make arrangements to have the flowers for the main altar, the wine & hosts or oils used for the Mass candles in memory of a loved one or a special occasion, please, call the rectory.

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.*

December 10 / December 11 Mass Schedule

4:00 Msgr. Whalen	10:45 Fr. Marius
5:15 Msgr. Whalen	12:00 Fr. Stefan
7:00 Msgr. Bartley	1:15 Fr. Jerome
8:15 Fr. Stefan	5:30 Msgr. Bartley
9:30 Fr. Jerome	

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

Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 PM; rectory

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



GIVING TREE

Once again we are asking you to purchase gift cards which will be given to families in need for Christmas. If possible, purchase the cards in the amount of \$20.00 and place them in the box at the front entrance of our church by December 11. May God bless you for your kindness to others during the Christmas Season.

(Suggested stores: J. C. Penney, Babies-R-U's, Kohls, Target, Stop-N-Shop, Shop Rite, Macy's, Sears, Visa and Amex.



SUPPORT OUR CHEERLEADERS

St. Charles cheerleaders will be selling 22" fully decorated fresh pine wreaths after Masses this weekend. Each wreath is \$20.00. This year a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the "Lily Jo Memorial Fund". Flyers are in the vestibule of the church for preorders.

ST. CHARLES TEEN CLUB

The Teen Club will be selling Christmas magnets (\$5.00), Christmas ornaments (\$3.00) and Christmas lawn signs (\$15.00) after all the Masses this weekend and the weekends of December 11 and 18. Thank you for your support!

Reconciliation Monday

All parishes of the Archdiocese of New York will be hearing confessions from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Monday, December 12. This is a great opportunity to prepare your heart for the peace of Christ.

PARISH NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS December 5, - December 11, 2016

Monday - December 5

Spiritual Direction - 7:30 PM ; rectory
Cheerleading - 7:30 PM; school
Prayer Group & Holy Hour - 7:30 PM; church

Tuesday - December 6

Bingo at 7:30 PM; doors open at 6:00 PM;
early bird 7:15 PM
Baptism Class - 8:00 PM; rectory
Catholic Youth Ministry Leaders Meeting - 7:30
PM; school

Wednesday - December 7

Adult Faith Formation - 1:30 PM; rectory
Cheerleading - 6:00 PM; school

Thursday - December 8

Caregivers Meeting - 9:30 AM; rectory
Leisure Group - 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM; school
Cheerleading - 5:30; school

Friday - December 9

Cub Scouts - 7:00 PM; school

Saturday - December 10

Cheerleading - 9:30 AM; school
Cheerleading - 12:00 PM; school

Sunday - December 11

RCIA - 10:00 AM; rectory
Teen Club - 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM; school

FAMILY MASS

Our next Family Mass will take place next Sunday, December 11 at the 9:30 AM Mass. Please bring your children for special family prayer time!



The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is a Holy Day of Obligation.

The Mass schedules is as follows:

Wednesday, December 7 at 7:00 PM

Thursday, December 8 at 6:45 AM, 8:30 AM, 11:30 AM and 7:30 PM.



St. Charles Church Choir

Presents our 36th Annual Christmas Concert
on

Sunday, December 18 at 2:30 PM
in the Church

The program will include classical, contemporary, gospel and traditional Christmas music.

There is no admission charge for this event.

All are welcome

Please mark your calendar and join us!



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 thank for your cooperation

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
Randi Dietrich	Roberta Paragone
Michael DiFalco	Mary Parnell
Mary Driscoll	Marie Petrocelli
Russell Dunn	Pasquale Petrucci
Michael Durante	Lee Rhatigan
Pearl Dweck	Rose Russo
Joseph Elia	Dorothy Sabatell
Charles Faberzak	Vincent Santore
James Falcone	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	Dolores Tombolini
Cheryl Houss	Ann Van Houten
Lawrence Iacona	Herb Van Houten
Helen Istico	Theresa Verry
Jeannette Castelao Keane	Mary Woerner
John Kelley	Sara Weiss
Peggy Kiernan	Norm Zuniga
Trevor Kwatkowski	

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 parishpay.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*

*Angela Celeste
Robert Butler*



MARRIAGE BANNS We Celebrate

We ask the family of St. Charles to pray for the following couples who will receive the Sacrament of Marriage.

Anthony Conio & Alexandra Smith

Retired Religious Collection

Next weekend the second collection will be the annual Archdiocesan collection for the retired religious. This collection affords us an opportunity to offer our religious, in return for all they have done for us, our love and support helping to provide for their needs. There is a special envelopes for this collection in your weekly packet or in the vestibule of the Church.

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.

CHILDREN'S PAGE

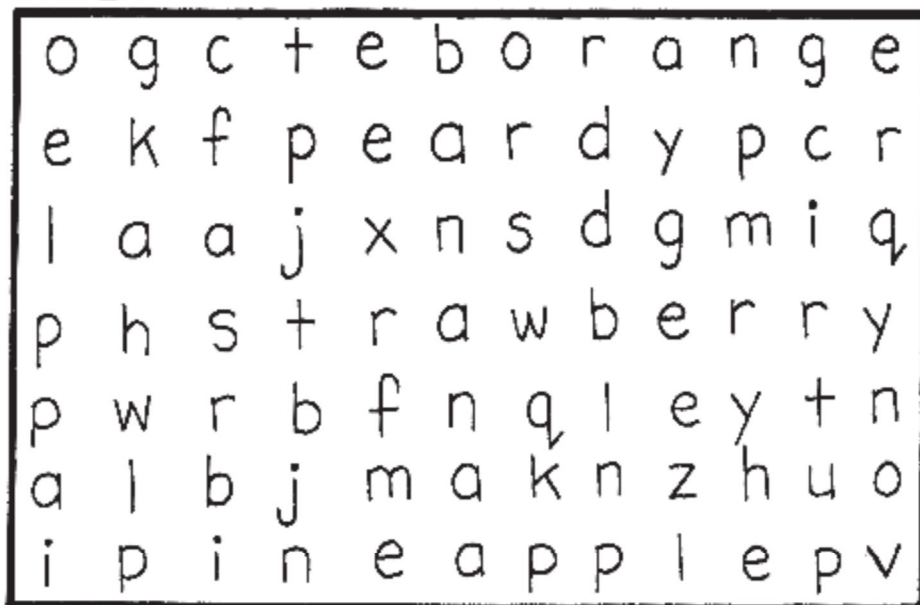
Second Sunday of Advent

In his letter to the Philippians Paul tells people he is praying they will be "filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ" (Philippians 1:11).

Say a silent prayer for this in your life, too.

Then use the pictures to find and circle the names of six fruits.

Look up, down, and across.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



IMMACULATE MARY!

There is a story told of a lady who was very fond of shopping in the mall and always coming home with a new outfit. Her husband, understandably, did not like all those bills and so he told his wife, "Listen", the next the temptation comes over you to buy a new outfit at the store, just say this: "Get behind me Satan!" The wife agreed but then just a week later, when she came home from the mall, her husband discovered that she had indeed indulged and bought a new dress. Exasperated, he said, "Didn't I tell you to say, "Get behind me Satan?" The wife said, "I said that, but when Satan got behind me he said, "It sure looks good from the back too!"

It's no secret that the devil tries to trip all of us up at one time or another. He is the enemy par excellence and that goes back to the very beginning of time. Remember the story of Adam and Eve? Our first parents, tempted by the devil, disobeyed God and ate the forbidden fruit. This is called Original Sin. We are all born with that sin and even though Baptism cleanses us from its stain, we still feel the effects of that sin within us. We are all weak and in need of the grace of God to achieve victory over our own temptations.

This week, on December 8th, we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. That word "Immaculate" means "Not Stained." Out of all the people in the world, only Mary was conceived without the stain of Original Sin. She is what one poet called our "Tainted Nature's Solitary Boast."

Often enough we priests celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism. What a tremendous joy it is to baptize a little baby. After we pour the water over the child's head, we then vest it in a white garment which symbolizes innocence. The priest says, "Bring your baptismal garment unstained into the life of heaven." Now I think we would have to admit, each and every one of us, that we have stained our baptismal garment many, many times over the years by our sins.

Who then can we look to as a model and pattern for our holiness? Obviously it is the Blessed Mother, who though a human being like you and I, never sinned and soiled her innocence. Mary is the blue print for us to follow in our lives of faith. She has been called the "New Eve." The First Eve was disobedient to God and listened to the devil. Mary the New Eve, is obedient to God. She said to the Lord, "Let it be done to me according to your word."

The obedience of Mary undid the disobedience of the sinful Eve and defeated the devil. That is why whenever you usually see a statue of Our Lady of Grace, Mary is portrayed as crushing the head of the serpent who represents the devil.

Mary can help us in our struggles to live a good and holy life. In the beautiful prayer, Hail Holy Queen," we say these words, "To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve." We who are so very poor look to the Immaculate one for assistance in life. She is indeed the "Help of Christians," "The comforter of the afflicted" and "The refuge of sinners." She understands our sorrows and our joys.

As we celebrate the great Feast of the Immaculate Conception let us pray that we might always be true sons and daughters of so noble a mother!

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Jerome

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