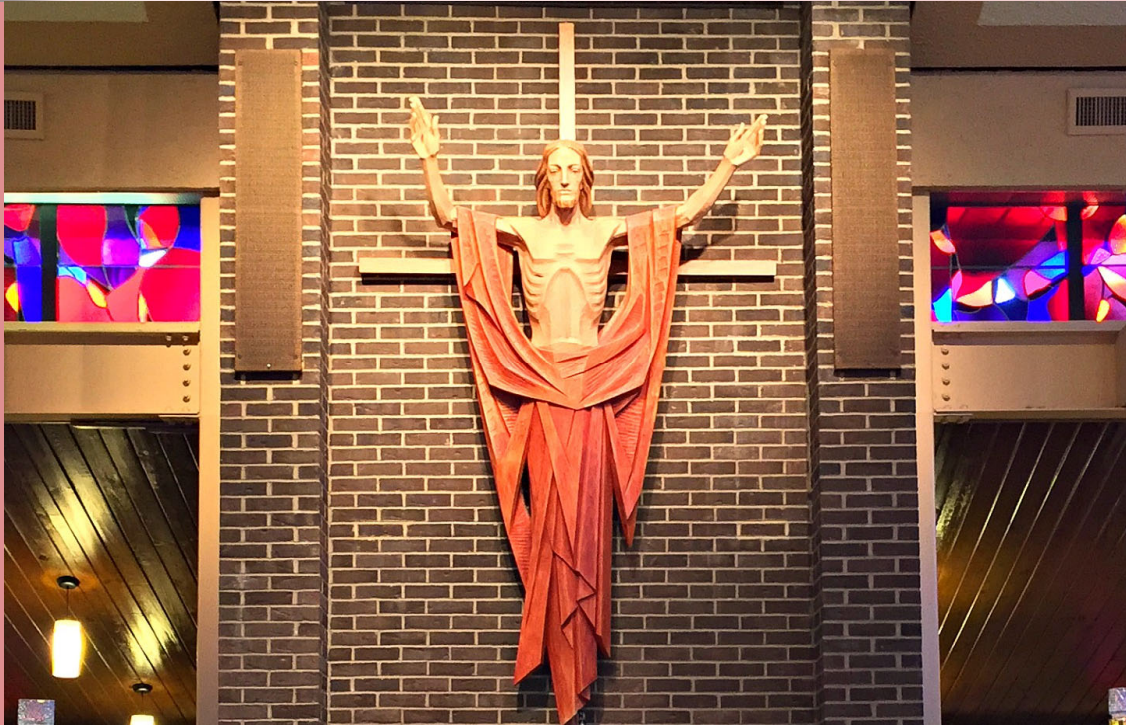




CHURCH OF ST. CHARLES



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



APRIL 9, 2017 PALM SUNDAY

Pastoral Staff

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Rev. Louis R. Jerome

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Marius Fernando

Fr. Stefan Chanas

In Residence

Bishop John J. O'Hara

Weekend Associate

Rev. Msgr. Edmund J. Whalen

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Deacon Lawrence Droge

Pastoral Associate

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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 - APRIL 10

8:30 - Vincenzo & Fiorita DiGiacomo - Mem.
11:30 - William Wallace - Mem.

TUESDAY - APRIL 11

8:30 - Gilles Gervais - Ann.
11:30 - Eileen & John Masterson - Mem.

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 12

8:30 - John P. Pitarresi - Mem.
11:30 - Richard Cross - Mem.

THURSDAY - APRIL 13

See Holy Week Schedule

FRIDAY - APRIL 14

See Holy Week Schedule

SATURDAY - APRIL 15

See Holy Week Schedule

SUNDAY - APRIL 16

See Holy Week Schedule

Weekly Offerings

March 26, 2017

\$12,245.26

March 27, 2016

\$14,658.90

(Easter Sunday)

Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Oils

The Wine & Hosts for the week of April 9 - April 15, 2017 are offered in loving memory of Vivian & John Barbieri at the request of their daughter Vivian.

The Oils & Candles for the week of April 9 - April 15 are offered in loving memory of Paul Filangeri at the request of his wife, Annette & children.

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.

April 15 / April 16 Mass Schedule

8:00 PM Fr. Jerome

8:15 AM Msgr. Whalen

9:30 AM Msgr. Whalen

10:45 AM Fr. Marius

12 Noon Fr. Jerome

12:10 PM Fr. Marius - Auditorium

1:15 PM Fr. Stefan

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 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 PM; rectory



Religious Education Registration **2017-2018**

Grade 1 and New Families

Tuesday, April 11, 2017 - 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM &
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Thursday, April 27, 2017 - 10:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Items required for registration:

Copy of child's baptismal certificate
Parish envelope #

Fee: Cash, money order, or check made payable to St. Charles Religious Education Program
Transfer letter from previous program for each student

Tuition for 2017-2018 Academic Year

1 Child \$230.00

Family \$300.00

All Tuition for 2016 - 2017 must be paid in full to receive the early bird fee.

Re-Registration

Monday, April 10th & Wednesday April 13th -
10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Special Needs Registration

There will be a separate cost for registering a child for general Religious Education classes and Special Needs.

CLASSES MEET 5:30 - 6:00 ON SELECT MONDAYS

Academy Students

If you are entering a Sacramental grade in September 2017 you must register with the Religious Education Program and provide us with a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate and a letter from the school stating they are receiving Religious instruction..

\$80.00 registration fee as well as Sacramental fees.

Divine Mercy Novena

Reminder to begin the Divine Mercy Novena on Good Friday. It ends on Mercy Sunday, April 23. The novena can be found in the vestibule of the church or go online to www.thedivinemercy.org.

PARISH NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS April 10, - April 16, 2017

Monday - April 10

Spiritual Direction - 7:30 PM; rectory

Tuesday - April 11

St. Vincent de Paul - 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM; rectory

St. Anthony Novena; after the 8:30 & 11:30 AM Masses

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

Wednesday - April 12

Adult Faith Formation - 1:30 PM; rectory

Thursday - April 13

Caregivers Meeting - 9:30 AM; rectory

Bereavement - 7:30 PM; rectory

Friday - April 14

Living Stations of the Cross - 8:00 PM; church

Saturday - April 15

Sunday - April 16

Happy Easter

Thank You
for
Everything!

I felt that I am one among you. I express my gratitude to my Pastor Reverend Father-Louis Jerome, the Parochial Vicar Reverend Father Stefan Chanas and all the parishioners for being with me in prayer at the loss of my father. Your love and concern gave me and my family members a lot of strength. Thank you very much for your prayers.

Father Marius Fernando



St. Charles Spring Basketball Clinics

St. Charles Sports Program will be hosting basketball clinics starting April 27th on Mondays and Thursdays for grades Kindergarten through 8th grade. To register go to stcharleschargers.com. The registration fee is \$125 for eight sessions.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. It also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

MARRIAGE BANNS We Celebrate



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

*Samantha Portagallo & Vincent Monteleone
Mary Ellen Ryan & Edward Sosa*

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

THE GET WELL LIST

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

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

Deborah Labargo

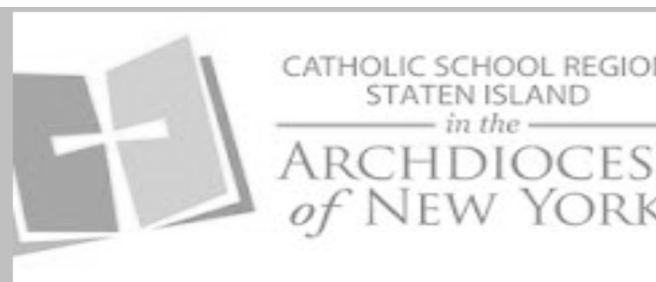
Marion Macaluso

Angela Arvizzigno

June Hurley

Jean Aversano

Joann Schneck



Please join us in prayer and celebration as we honor the individuals who have supported Staten Island Catholic Schools, at the Golden Cross for Education-Award Breakfast. Sunday, April 23rd, Mass at 8:15 AM at St. Charles, followed by award breakfast at the Excelsior Grand from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. The 2017 Honorees will be Assemblyman, Michael Cusick for his sponsorship of the Education Tax Credit Bill and Rev. Monsignor Peter G. Finn, for his tireless efforts on behalf of the Staten Island Catholic elementary schools. Nominees from each of the 22 Catholic elementary schools will receive the 2017 Outstanding Catholic Community Award. Tickets are \$37 or \$350 for a table of ten. For more information visit our website at www.adny-si.org or email

Diana.Gatto@archny.org or order tickets online at www.eventbrite.com/e/the-golden-cross-for-education-award-breakfast- 6

PARISH NEWS

Abstinence

Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years and older.

Fasting

Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, by all Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal; two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid food between meals is not permitted.



Reconciliation Monday

Monday, April 10 is Reconciliation Monday. Confessions will be heard throughout the Archdiocese of New York from 3:00 - 8:00 PM.



Bakers are Needed!

Baked goods are needed for the Holy Thursday reception taking place after the 7:30 Mass of the Lord's Supper. Baked goods can be dropped off in the school before Mass or in the rectory during office hours.

Living Stations of the Cross Presented by the Teen Club

Friday, April 7 - 8:00 PM

Friday, April 14 - 8:00 PM

Palm Sunday - April 9

Saturday Evening at 4:00 PM, & 5:30 PM

*Sunday at 8:15 AM, 9:30 AM, 10:45 AM, 12 Noon,
and 1:15 PM followed by Procession.*

Holy Thursday - April 13

8:30 AM - Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer)

10:00 AM Mass (for those unable to attend evening

Mass of the Lord's Supper)

7:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

followed by Procession of the Blessed Sacrament

Reception to follow in the auditorium

Adoration at Repository concludes with night

prayers at 11:30 PM.

Good Friday - April 14

8:30 AM - Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer)

*12:00 Noon - Three Hour Agony including Stations
of the Cross and Confessions*

3:00 PM - Solemn Service of the Lord's Passion

8:00 PM - Living Stations of the Cross (Teen Club)

Holy Saturday - April 15

8:30 AM - Liturgy of the Hours

(Morning Prayer)

11:30 AM - Blessing of Food

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Confessions

8:00 PM - Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday - April 16

Church Mass Schedule

8:15, 9:30, 10:45, 12 Noon, and 1:15 PM

Auditorium

12:10 PM

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



LOVING IN THE "CONCRETE"

The story is told of Father Fannon. One Sunday, he got up and delivered a really great sermon about love, forgiveness, patience and controlling one's anger. Now during the week, this priest who enjoyed building things, spent long hard hours constructing a wooden frame to hold cement for a driveway. On Saturday he poured the cement, went to the shed for a tool and on his return, found a little boy from the neighborhood walking in the new cement.

Well, the priest starting yelling at the little boy and just then a parishioner was passing by and heard him ranting. "Father" the parishioner said, "What happened to the advice you gave in your homily last Sunday-love, forgiveness, patience, understanding?" The priest thought it over and answered, "You know, it's far easier to love in the abstract than in the concrete!" How true! It's so easy to talk rather than to do!

I think that we could say that Jesus was a man who loved in the concrete and not just in the abstract. Saint Paul in the Letter to the Philipians describes what Our Lord did in this regard. He emptied Himself, He lowered Himself, humbled Himself and became obedient even unto death-death on a cross! Jesus proved His great love and patience for all of us sinners by dying on the cross.

Today on Palm Sunday, we again hear the story of Our Lord's suffering and death. It is called the "The Passion." The word "Passion" comes from the Latin to suffer. It certainly is a story that we have all heard before, a story that is familiar to us-the betrayal of Jesus by Judas Iscariot, the Agony in the Garden, Peter's denials, Pilate's condemnation of Our Lord and finally the horrible crucifixion itself on Mount Calvary.

Yes, it is a story that is familiar to us but it is a story that should truly move us, inspire us, motivate us in our own lives to be more Christ like, not only in the abstract-but above all in the concrete situations, the concrete problems and difficulties that make up this journey that is known as life.

There are lessons to be learned in reading the Passion of Christ. Among those important lessons are sacrifice, patience, long-suffering, forgiveness and mercy. This Holy Week beginning today, could be a time where we could ponder some of these lessons that Our Lord Jesus taught us, not by His words, but above all by what He did by sacrificing Himself for us on the cross.

Recently, I heard a story about a little league baseball game. At this game, a young boy got up to the plate-he looked over at his coach and he saw him give the signal to sacrifice bunt. He then promptly proceeded to take three big swings and strike out. The coach ran up to him and said, "Didn't you see me give you the signal to sacrifice?" "Yes," the boy replied, "But I didn't think that you meant it!"

Well isn't that sort of what we ourselves say to God? "Yes, Lord, I heard the Gospel about your suffering and sacrifice on the cross, but I didn't really think that you meant it! I didn't think you meant it for me! But we know that really, Jesus did mean it. His sufferings and death have relevance for us today in the year 2017.

Let us apply the lessons of Jesus' Passion to our own lives so that we might always love in the "Concrete" and really mean it!

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Jerome

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