



# CHURCH OF ST. CHARLES



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



MAY 14, 2017 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## Pastoral Staff

### Pastor

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Fr. Stefan Chanas

### In Residence

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### Weekend Associate

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### Permanent Deacons

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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 - MAY 15

8:30 - Mother's Day Novena  
11:30 - Raffael & Guaracino Families - Mem.

## TUESDAY - MAY 16

8:30 - Mother's Day Novena  
11:30 - Barbara Lukan

## WEDNESDAY - MAY 17

8:30 - Mother's Day Novena  
11:30 - Barbara Loiacono - Mem.

## THURSDAY - MAY 18

8:30 - Mary Capó - Mem.  
11:30 - Frank Barone - Mem.

## FRIDAY - MAY 19

8:30 - Paul J. Gregis - Mem.  
11:30 - Amelia Ferrari - Mem.

## SATURDAY - MAY 20

8:30 - The Burrell & Janiszewski Families  
Mem.  
4:00 - Sam Bifulco - Mem.  
5:30 - Lynette Rizzo - Mem.

## SUNDAY - MAY 21

8:15 - George LaManna - Mem.  
9:30 - Parishioners of St. Charles  
10:45 - John Fusco - Mem.  
12:00 - Domenick Pallotta - Mem.  
1:15 - Vincent Bowden - Mem.

## PLEASE NOTE

If a Mass is being said for a member of your family on Saturday evening or Sunday, it would be most fitting if someone from the family would bring up the gifts at the Offertory. Please let one of the ushers **know before Mass.**

## Weekly Offerings

April 30, 2017

**\$11,117.34**

May 1, 2016

**\$13,888.16**

## Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Oils

*The Wine & Hosts for the week of May 14 - May 20, 2017 are offered in loving memory of Louise M. Solan at the request of her daughter, Barbara.*

*The Oils & Candles for the week of May 14 - May 20, 2017 are offered in gratitude for the years of service to REP Sr. Jean Wagner and Sr. Eileen Boyle at the request of St. Charles REP.*

## 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.*

## May 20 / May 21 Mass Schedule

4:00 Msgr. Whalen

10:45 Fr. Marius

5:30 Msgr. Whalen

12:00 Fr. Jerome

8:15 Fr. Jerome

1:15 Fr. Marius

9:30 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**

Will resume in the Fall.

## **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

## **Legion of Mary**

Wednesday at 3:30 PM; rectory

## **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

## **Marian Conference**

On Saturday, May 20th, at Notre Dame H.S. Academy (Arts and Humanities Building), the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be present from 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM. There will be a rosary procession, May crowning and Mass followed by speakers from Good Counsel Homes, Pro-Life Elderly and Homebound Club Inc.; lunch will be served; visit Vendors; confession; Chaplet of Divine Mercy; Stations of the Cross.; Vigil Mass. For more information call: **646-662-3914.**

## **Welcome to our Neighborhood Ministry**

If you know someone new to your neighborhood, please contact the rectory to obtain a "Welcome to the Neighborhood" packet which includes a welcome letter from Fr. Jerome, a bulletin and a bottle of holy water. In the spirit of hospitality, your new neighbor does not have to be Catholic, we just want to welcome them to the neighborhood. We ask that all of you, our parishioners, be the "welcomers", but if you do not feel comfortable visiting a new neighbor, let us know and we will take care of it, care of our welcoming committee.

## **Mother's Day**



Mother's Day is Sunday, May 14. We will have a **Mother's Day Novena** at the 8:30 AM Mass starting on Monday May 15 through Wednesday, May 17 for all mothers, living and deceased. Envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church and in your envelope packet and they will be kept on the altar for the month of May.

# PARISH NEWS

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS May 15, - May 21, 2017

### Monday - May 15

Spiritual Direction - 7:30 PM; rectory  
Legion of Mary - 7:00 PM; rectory

### Tuesday - May 16

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 - May 17

Adult Faith Formation - 1:30 PM; rectory  
Legion of Mary - 3:30 PM; rectory  
Women's Worship Wednesday - 7:30 PM; rectory

### Thursday - May 18

Caregivers Meeting - 9:30 AM; rectory  
Book Club - 4:00 PM; rectory

### Friday - May 19

Father Daughter Dance - 7:00 PM; school

### Saturday - May 20

### Sunday - May 21

Parish Coffee Hour - 10:30 AM -11:30 AM;  
school  
25th & 50th Anniversary Mass - 9:30 AM;  
church  
Teen Club - 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM; school



## Baby Shower



St. Vincent de Paul will hold their annual baby shower on May 19th, 20th & 21st. New items of clothing for new born babies would be appreciated. Please do not wrap the gifts. A wishing well will be in the vestibule of the church for you to place your gifts. These gifts will be distributed to various agencies by the members of the society. As always, the recipients of these gifts very much appreciate your generosity.

## Our Lady of Fatima



Yesterday, May 13, 2017 was the 100th Anniversary of the Fatima appearances. In a world torn apart by persecution, war and oppression, three children in Fatima, Portugal, were chosen by God to offer an urgent message of hope to the world. Based on the memoirs of the oldest seer, Lucia Santos, and many thousands of independent eye-witness accounts, the 13th Day dramatizes the true story of three young shepherds who experienced six apparitions of Our Lady between May and October 1917, which culminated in the final prophesied Miracle of the Sun on October 13. See the story on the FORMED website (parish code XQ43Q3). *Parents should preview the video before watching with children. Mary's message was to pray the Rosary everyday to bring peace to the world.*

# 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	Chris Madden
James Campitelli	Helen Mahon
Mary Campitelli	Lauren Marie
Clara Carlino	Raymond Mignone
Marty Casey	Ann Murphy
Anthony Cassaro	Pamela Murphy
Irma Cassella	Gennaro Musto
Nick Castagna	Erin O'Keefe
Grace Castelao	Veronica Parascondola
Luz Causon	Mary Parnell
Ann Marie Coppola	Marie Petrocelli
Carmine Coronato, Jr.	Pasquale Petrucci
Philip DeFonte	Lee Rhatigan
Herb DeGroot	Mary Ruggiero
Frances DeMarco	Rose Russo
Randi Dietrich	Vincent Russo
Michael DiFalco	Dorothy Sabatell
Mary Driscoll	Vincent Santore
Marilyn Droge	Dolores & Tony Sclafani
Russell Dunn	Anthony & Leonarda Scocco
Michael Durante	Jerry Scotti
Pearl Dweck	Susan Sexton
Joseph Elia	Howard Shock
Charles Faberzak	Howard Shock, Jr.
Gloria Faraci	Maryann Sparano
Robert Faraci	Marie Starita
Dorothy Fleming	Dolores Tombolini
Aniel Garcia	Ann Van Houten
Robert Gardner	Herb Van Houten
Marie Grzeczka	Roseann Venturino
Emily Harris	Theresa Verry
Cheryl Houss	Margaret Ward
Helen Istico	Sara Weiss
Jeannette Castelao Keane	Norm Zuniga
John Kelley	
Peggy Kiernan	
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*

Leonarda Scocco  
Carmela Izzo

*Dear friends in the Lord:*

*The completion of the Trinity Dome, in preparation for the one hundredth anniversary of the placing of the foundation stone of the National Shrine in 2020, is a monumental undertaking for which the bishops of the United States have approved a special one-time collection to take place on this Mother's Day.*

*The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is the patronal church of our nation, dedicated to the blessed Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception. This great Marian shrine exists today because of the generosity of American Catholics, the prayers of the faithful, and the hard work of the artisans and laborers who began building it nearly on hundred years ago. Mary's Shrine, also known as America's Catholic Church, is an authentic reflection of the diversity of the cultures and ethnicities of the United States and the unity and universality of the Catholic Church as evidenced in the more than eighty chapels and oratories dedicated to Our Blessed Mother.*

*This one-time national collection for the Trinity Dome offers all of us an opportunity to leave a lasting legacy by honoring our Catholic heritage and entrusting ourselves and our families to the Mother of God.*

*Please be as generous as you can.*

*With prayerful best wishes for a blessed Easter season, I am,*

*Faithfully in Christ,*

*Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan*

# PARISH NEWS



## ***25th and 50th Wedding Anniversaries***

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2017 are invited to attend the annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Sunday, June 11th at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please call the rectory to register. The closing date to register for the Mass at the Cathedral is Friday, May 12th. The 25th and 50th Wedding Anniversary celebration will take place here at St. Charles on Sunday, May 21st at the 9:30 Mass. Please call the rectory to register.



## **Women's Wednesday Worship**

The next meeting of our Women's Wednesday Worship will take place this Wednesday at 7:30 PM in the rectory. Please join us for an evening of prayer and reflection. New members are always welcome?



## **St. Charles Church Website**

Please take some time to visit our website at [www.saintcharles.weebly.com](http://www.saintcharles.weebly.com). You will find some history of our parish, as well as current bulletins. **If you are new to the area and would like to register with St. Charles Church, there is a link for registration.**

## **Legion of Mary**

We will be starting a "Legion of Mary" group in our parish. We will be meeting every Wednesday starting May 3rd at 3:30 PM in the rectory. For further information, please contact Arlene Rhenos at 347-600-8884.



## **Book Club**

The book club is currently reading "*The Power and the Glory*" by Graham Greene who explores corruption and atonement through a priest and the people he encounters. In the 1930's one Mexican state has outlawed the Church, naming it a source of greed and debauchery. The priests have been rounded up and shot by firing squad - save one, the whisky priest. On the run, and in a blur of alcohol and fear, this outlaw meets a dentist, a banana farmer and a village woman he knew six years earlier. Greene has drawn this man and all he encounters vividly and viscerally. This brilliant theological thriller has far more mysteries and troubling ideals than certainties. The next meeting is Thursday, May 18 at 4 PM in the rectory basement.

## **Digital Prayer Tools**

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

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# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



## Happy Mother's Day

Recently I read a cute little story about two little boys, brothers, who managed to save up some money and buy their mother a weary-looking gardenia plant. The boys had saved up the money from their allowance. Mom was pleased because they had done it all by themselves without any prompting. She hugged them and kissed them and then the oldest boy, six years old said, "You know mom, if only we had another three dollars, we could have bought you a really nice bunch of flowers. The flowers had a bow on it that said, 'Rest in Peace.' That would have been really cool, cuz we wanted you to take it easy on Mother's Day!"

Well, we hope all mothers can "Take it easy" on their special day. During this beautiful month of May on this second Sunday, we do stop to honor in a special way all our mothers living and deceased. It would be a good thing to say a prayer for them at Mass on this day.

A mother's job is one that is so important and indispensable. From what I see around the parish here, some moms are like human dynamos. They take kids to soccer and basketball games, cook meals, hold a job down, and keep the family together. What would be the description of a Mother? We could not really put it into words because modern day moms do so much and are in so many places!

Beyond everything that they do, however, we should be eternally grateful to our mothers for bearing us into this world. A few years ago, a priest friend of mine, Msgr. Guy Massie from the Diocese of Brooklyn, lost his mom. The night I attended the wake, there was another priest there in the funeral home who offered prayers and a very moving reflection. In his remarks, this priest pointed to Msgr. Massie's mom and said, "You owe your mom so much... literally you came right from her." It is something that most of us don't even think about. A mother is the bearer of life to us.

During May, we also think about another mother, Mary who was a mother physically speaking to our Lord Jesus Christ. But she became a mother to all of us spiritually speaking at the foot of the cross. Our Lord spoke to his beloved apostle John and said "Behold your mother!" these, Christ's dying words and His will and testament. Saint John stands for each one of us. Therefore, Christ's mother is our mother in the order of grace.

Even though perhaps our moms may have departed this life many years ago, we still have a heavenly mother who watches over us, guides us and protects us-the Blessed Virgin Mary. Father James Alberione once wrote: "Mary gives Jesus Christ to the world and to every person. All good things have passed through Mary. From Mary comes life. She is our mother."

On Mother's Day and every day of the year, let us thank God for our mothers, for life and for every good thing that they have passed on to us!

*Sincerely in Christ,*

*Father Jerome*

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