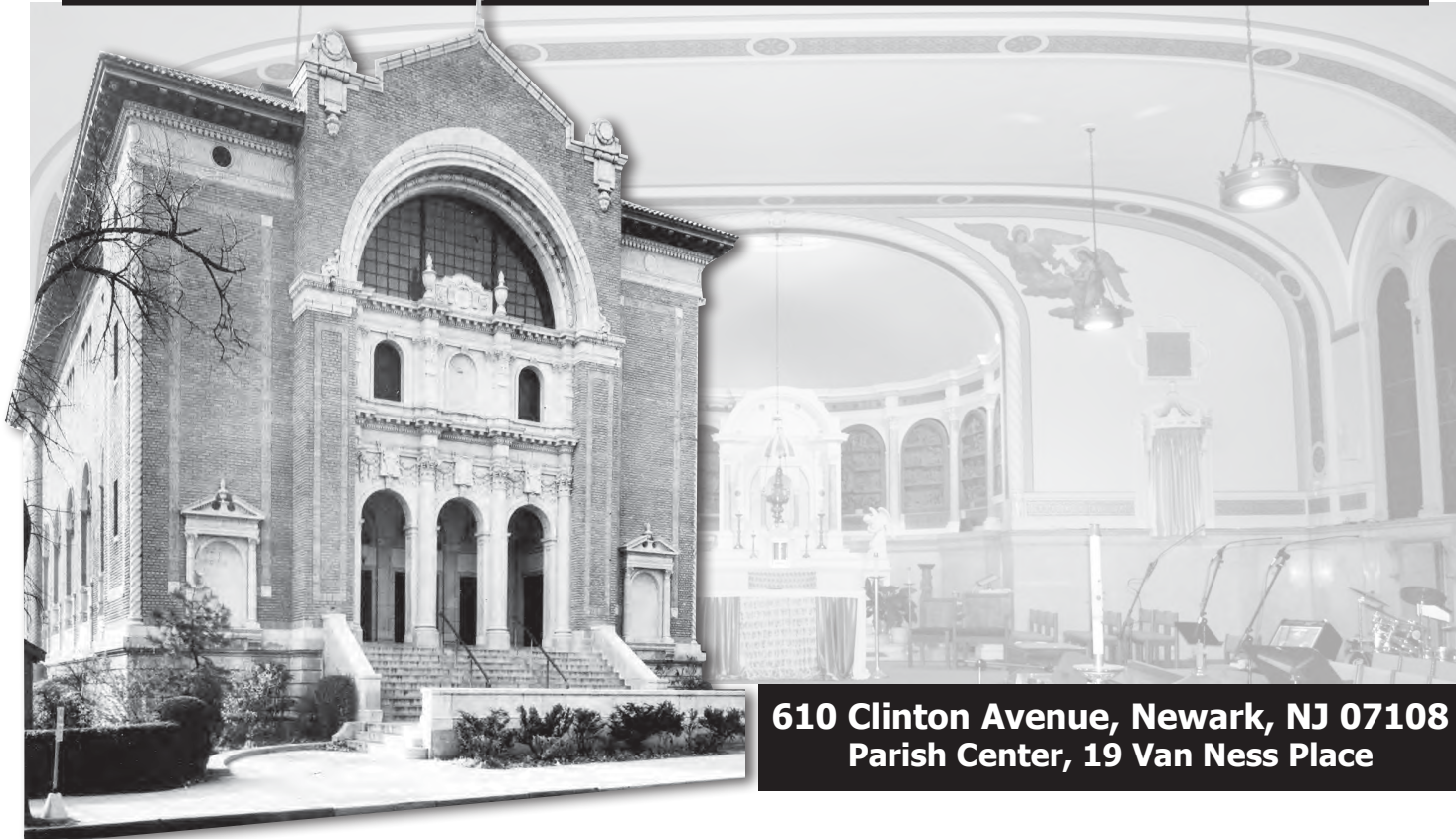


# BLESSED SACRAMENT ST. CHARLES BORROMEO ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



**610 Clinton Avenue, Newark, NJ 07108**  
**Parish Center, 19 Van Ness Place**

## MISSION STATEMENT OF THE PARISH

Faith and  
Catholic tradition  
in ministering  
to the spiritual,  
material,  
educational,  
physical and social  
needs of the  
parish community.

We accomplish  
this in our  
worship, in  
our programs,  
and by the  
example of our  
daily lives.

## PARISH CLERGY AND STAFF

Fr. Albert Nzeh, *Pastor*  
Fr. Erasmus Okere, *Parochial Vicar*  
Fr. Longinus Ugwuegbulem, *Resident Priest*  
Fr. Peter Iwuala, *Resident Priest*  
Rev. Fr. Edwin Leahy, *Weekend Assistant*  
Mrs. Robyn Padia, *Pastoral Associate*  
Mrs. Stephanie Smith, *Parish Secretary*  
Mr. Charles Noun, *Business Manager*  
Mr. John Garner, *Music Director*  
Mr. Felix Padia, *Property Manager*  
Mrs. Marilyn Smith, *RCIA Director*  
Mr. Isi Igetei, *Parish Sacristan*

## TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Parish Office: 973-824-6548  
Pastor: Fr. Albert Nzeh, Ext. 500  
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Erasmus Okere, Ext: 206  
Pastoral Associate: Ext: 202  
Business Manager: Ext: 201  
Parish Fax: 973-624-6030  
Email: [bsscbchurch@yahoo.com](mailto:bsscbchurch@yahoo.com)  
Website: [www.bsscb.org](http://www.bsscb.org)  
Parish Office: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 1 pm – 2 pm (Parish Chapel) or call the Parish office.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents must be registered in the Parish, sponsors must be practicing Catholics. Please call the parish to register. Registered parishioners, call Fr. Erasmus Okere for an appointment.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples must contact a priest of the parish at least six months in advance. At least one of the two to be married must be a member of the Parish.

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Parish Chapel.

## NIGHTS OF PRAYER FOR FAVORS AND RESTORATION

Every first Friday and third Thursday, 7 pm in the Church.

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday Masses:** 8 a.m., and 10 a.m.; Igbo Mass: 12:30 p.m.  
Daily Masses (Chapel), Mon. – Fri.: 6:30 p.m., Sat.: 7:30 a.m.  
**Special Masses:** First Friday of each month: Sacred Heart Devotion  
7 pm in the church. Every Third Thursdays 7–8:45 pm in the church.

# Church Ministries and Chairpersons

- ALTAR SERVERS:** Isi Igetei
- BEREAVEMENT:** Janice Champ
- BULLETIN:** Carol Jenkins
- CURSILLO:** Marilyn Smith
- EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Ruby Alexander
- FINANCE:** Yanielle Roberts
- FOOD PANTRY:** Blanche Macklin
- HOLY NAME SOCIETY:** Donovan Green
- HOMEBOUND:** Juanita Moore
- HOSPITALITY/KITCHEN:** Yvonne Green
- LECTORS:** Fred Hill
- LITURGY:** Marilyn Smith
- MUSIC:** John Garner
- PARISH COUNCIL:** Donovan Green
- PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS:** Mary Brown
- REPAST:** Helen Brooks
- RCIA:** Marilyn Smith
- ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY:** Natasha Brown
- TRUSTEES:** Stephanie Williams, Homer Mosley
- VAN SERVICE:** Donovan Green
- WELCOME:** Joan Lowery
- WELLNESS:** Marleyne Tronchin

## PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING AND FOR THE HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH

Mary E. Brown, Marilyn Northern, Gertrude Washington, Fred McCoggle, Celine Larmony, Deacon Billy Moore, Claire Battle, Beverly Ashmon, Lila Dixon, Marion Crawford, Alice Williams, Aaron Anderson, Dorothy Pinnix, Shirley Bazemore, Eustace Jeffery, Faye Gaskins, Alice Tate, Jaunita Moore, Virginia Perry, Mary Tate, Delores Upshaw, Thelma Bell, Ruby Alexander, Sandy Reed, Olive Brown, Patricia Tinley, William Borem

# Ministry News

## EVANGELISM/OUTREACH

Please use the church invitation cards located in the foyer to minister to loved ones, friends, co-workers and neighbors. Also, become a friend of BSSCB on Facebook and post your prayer requests, suggestions and comments. You can also use it to invite others to our church. Let's be on Fire for God and do the work of an evangelist! Anyone desiring to make a difference in the lives of others by the giving of their time and treasure is welcome to do so. Please submit the names of any member who is sick or hospitalized so they may be visited and ministered to by one of our priests.

## FOOD PANTRY

The Blessed Sacrament St. Charles Borromeo Church Food Pantry was started in 1984 by Fr. Jack Martin. Our Food Pantry serves families, senior citizens, veterans, disabled and anyone in need food assistance. Most of our clients reside in the Newark area and we serve approximately 300 to 350 people a month. Our Pantry hours are 3rd and 4th Saturdays for singles 9AM -11AM and 3rd and 4th Tuesdays for families 11AM-1PM. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to: BSSCB Food Pantry and give to any staff member in the Parish office. We are a pantry where our clients find hope and help with dignity and respect.

## MEDIA

Tech Savvy? The media ministry needs you for recording our mass and uploading to the website, assistance with the power point slides also needed. Speak with Robyn Padia after Mass or call the parish office. The "Sermons on CD" are available after each Mass upon request for evangelizing your neighbors, family, friends and the homebound. Also, the bible study CD'S are available.

## MUSIC

Stop singing in the shower! If you are interested in joining the music ministry come out and audition with our music director John Garner for our Gospel choir. Choir rehearsals are every Thursday at 7 pm. Speak with Mr. Garner at the 8 or 10 am Mass.

## PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS (PSE)

Vibrant, creative, enthusiastic, hardworking individuals are needed for the Parish Special Events committee please speak with Mary Brown or call the parish office if you are willing be a part of this team.

## RCIA

Instruction classes are available for adults 18 and over who want to know more about the Catholic Church or want to be prepared for the sacraments. Contact Marilyn Smith.

## VAN

Drivers are needed for our van ministry. If you have a valid license and are available to assist one Sunday please speak with Mr. Green.

**WEEKLY READINGS  
and MASS INTENTIONS  
MARCH 3, 2019**

All Masses said in the parish should have an intention. Mass is the most powerful prayer of praise and worship we can ever offer to God. Parishioners are encouraged to offer intentions for these Masses. Donations for flowers at the altar are also available. Call the parish office for any of these requests.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 3**

***Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

Readings: Sir 27: 4-7/1Cor 15: 54-58

Gospel: Lk 6: 39-45 (84)

**8:00 a.m. Mass**

**10:00 a.m. Mass:** *Birthday blessings for Veronique Amedjo; Repose of the soul and birthday blessings for Joanne James by Susan Cuyler*

**12:30 a.m. Mass in Igbo**

**DAILY MASSES MON.– FRI. 7:30 AM**

**& 6:30 P.M. SAT. 7:30 AM**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FIRST**

**FRIDAY AND THIRD THURSDAY, 4 PM**

**& 10 PM In BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**CONVENT CHAPEL**

**BIBLE STUDY WED., NOON & 7 P.M**

**IN BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH**

**Monday, March 4**

Readings: Sir 17: 20-24

Gospel: Mk 10: 17-27 (347)

**Tuesday, March 5**

Readings: Sir 35: 1-12

Gospel: Mk 10: 28-31 (348)

**Wednesday, March 6**

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

Readings: Jl 2: 12-18/2Cor 5: 20- 6: 2

Gospel: Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18 (219)

**Thursday, March 7**

Readings: Dt 30:15-20

Gospel: Lk 9: 22-25 (220)

**Friday, March 8**

Readings: Is 58: 1-9a

Gospel: Mt 9: 14-15 (221)

**Saturday, March 9**

Readings: Is 58: 9b-14

Gospel: Lk 5: 27-32 (222)

**Sunday, March 10**

Readings: Dt 26: 4-10/Rom 10: 8-13

Gospel: Lk 4: 1-13 (24)

## *Each Tree Is Known By Its Fruit*

**S**urely, the mystery of our salvation is not found in our worldly nature. The worldly nature that we have inherited through the Adamic seed is sinful. It bears fruits that display human weaknesses. It seeks fame, pleasures of the flesh, wealth and all what is abominable to God. It promotes hatred, disharmony, division, sadness, suffering, war, impatience, malice, selfishness, disloyalty, cruelty, and all what offends God. It lacks self-control.



In our worldly nature, we have a heart of stone. We have a tongue that is a small member, but yet it boasts of great exploits. [Jas. 3:5] Our eyes are not satisfied with seeing, nor our ears filled with hearing. [Ecc. 1:8]

In the worldly nature, we perceive ourselves as being superior to others. We appoint ourselves as teachers. But, can a blind person guide a blind person? [Lk. 6:39] Is a disciple above his teacher? [Lk. 6:40] In this weak nature, we see the speck in the eye of our neighbour, but we do not notice the log in our own eye. [Lk. 6:41] And yet, we say to our neighbour, 'Friend, let me take out the speck in your eye.' [Lk. 6:42]

In the worldly nature, our words, our actions, our eyes, our ears, our hands, all of these disclose the cultivation of our minds. We do not understand our actions. For we do not do what we want, but we do the very thing that we hate. [Rom. 7:15] How wretched we are in our worldly nature. [Rom. 7:24] In the flesh, we are sold into slavery under sin. [Rom. 7:14] Who will rescue us from this body of death? [Rom. 7:24] God did!

In the days of Ezekiel, the Lord God promised, "I will give them one heart, and put a new spirit within them; I will remove the heart of stone from their flesh and give them a heart of flesh." [Ezek. 11:19-20] Through the Sacrament of Baptism, this promise was fulfilled. Being born again of spirit and water [Jn. 3:5] in obedience to the command of Jesus, we have received our new creation (human spirit) of the seed of God. [1 Jn. 3:9] This proves that, "What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit." [Jn. 3:6] Now, we can worship the Heavenly Father in spirit and truth, such being pleasing to Him. [Jn. 4:24]

Through our spiritual nature, we are called to shine in the fruit of the Holy Spirit, these being, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. [Gal. 5:22-3] When our spirits walk in the fruit of the Holy Spirit, we have assurance that out of the good treasure of our hearts, good fruits shall be produced. This clearly tells us that our salvation and eternal dwelling in the Kingdom of God is not found through our worldly nature, but rather, through our spiritual nature.

### *Word Of Life*

"Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**There will be no booking of the Church Hall while the church is being renovated.**

We are a tithing parish working on the Biblical Sanction to give 10% of our income to the work of the Church. We encourage everyone to tithe so that we can meet our expectations. Thank you for your generosity to our parish.

"...where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" Lk.12:34

## FEBRUARY COLLECTIONS

Projected Income	Actual Income	Difference
\$4,350.00 (weekly)		
February 3	\$5,727.06	\$1,377.06
February 10	\$3,453.38	(\$896.62)
February 17	\$2,759.88	(\$1,590.12)
February 24	\$2,925.38	(\$1,242.62)

## FEBRUARY SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Bereavement	\$508.00
Utilities	\$163.00
Security	\$196.50
Scholarship	\$96.70
Initial Offering	\$6.00
Starter Set	\$90.00
Food Pantry	\$180.00

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 10

Ushers:	8 am	Onyebuchi Dike
	10 am	Austin Lawson, Kingsley Ekeu, Kenjuan Howardn
Lectors:	8 am	Onyebuchi Dike, Stephanie Williams
	10 am	Toni Taylor, Inah Abita
Eucharistic:	8 am	Ammy Plummer, Comlavi Goerke
	10 am	Mary Brown (B) Pat Ross, Elizabeth Chukwu, Donavon Green, Marion Gabriel

## Bible Study at BSSCB Church

Our Bible Study sessions will continue almost every Wednesday through June. Bible study convenes at noon in Church hall and 7:30 pm in the Convent hall.



All are welcome. Participation is necessary by reading and discussing the lessons. Afternoon session ends at 1 pm and the evening session at 9 pm. Be a good steward of your time by reading and studying God's Word daily!

### March 3 – Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." (Luke 6:43)

Are you using your God-given gifts in the way God intended? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.

**WOMEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION: *Alive in Christ*, Saturday March 9, 8 am to 4 pm, Seton Hall University.**

**MEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION: March 16, 8 am to 4 pm, Seton Hall University.**

**BSSCB PARISH LENTEN REVIVAL:** Revivalist: Fr. Peter Iwuala. **Friday, March 22**, Youth Revival, Mass: **6:30 pm, 7:30 – 9 pm**: Theme: *Don't Write Yourself Off*; Scripture: Exodus - Chapter 4, VS 1-12: special performance by The Franciscan Mystery Players. **Saturday, March 23**, Open Revival **9 am – 4 pm**: Theme: *Fellowship of the Cross: "Accepting The Mission For Which You Were Chosen"* Scripture: Philippians - Chapter 2-VS-5 & Chapter 3-VS-10. **Sun., March 24**, Masses 8 & 10 am

**JESUS THE HEALER: Friday, March 22, 8 pm.** An unforgettable experience of healing presented by the Franciscan Mystery Players of Notre Dame Church. Depicting Jesus' healing ministry and Passion and death on the cross.

**BSSCB WELLNESS MINISTRY HEALTH FAIR: Sunday, March 31.**

**BSSCB ANNUAL FASHION SHOW/TRICKY TRAY:** Sparkle & Shine Extravaganza, **April 27**, 11am - 4:pm. Ramada Plaza Hotel.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** Try Marriage Encounter - For a Change! Looking for a new way to let your spouse know you love them in the midst of your jobs, carpooling the kids, and trying to keep up with your house and yard? Tell him or her they're still #1 in your life... share a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend with each other. To receive an information and registration brochure, contact Mike and Janet Turco at 973-427-7016 or 609-335- 6880 or email [mikeandjanetwwme@gmail.com](mailto:mikeandjanetwwme@gmail.com)

**BSSCB CHURCH PROCLAIMS A YEAR OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL AND COMMITMENT:** "It will come about after this that I will pour out My Spirit on all mankind; and your sons and daughters will prophesy, Your old men will dream dreams, Your young men will see visions. "Even on the male and female servants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. "I will display wonders in the sky and on the earth, Blood, fire and columns of smoke. "The sun will be turned into darkness and the moon into blood before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. " And it will come about that whoever calls on the name of the LORD Will be delivered; For on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem There will be those who escape, As the LORD has said, Even among the survivors whom the LORD calls. Joel 2:28-32

**Any information to go in the bulletin, must come directly from the church office only.**