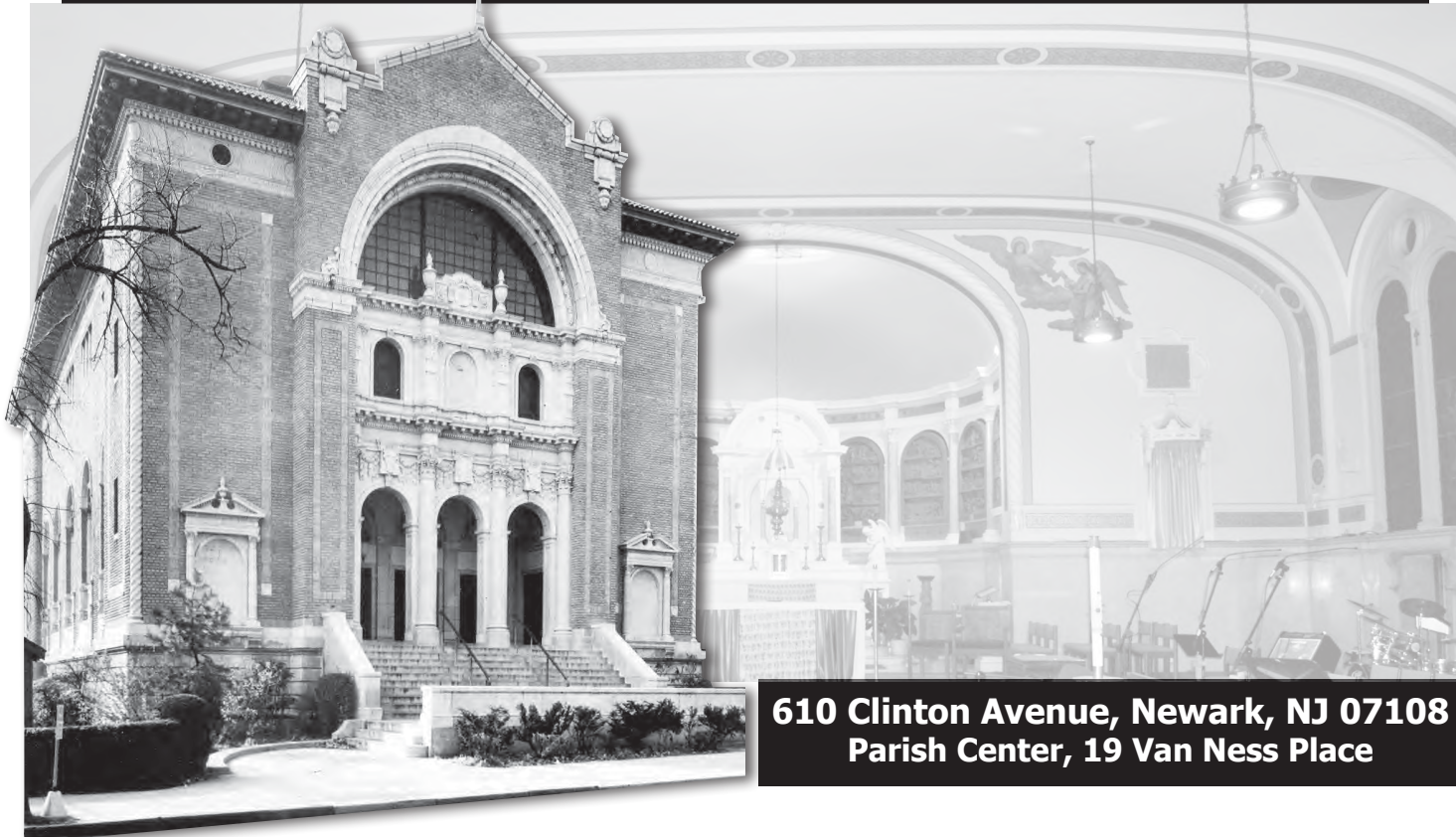


BLESSED SACRAMENT ST. CHARLES BORROMEO ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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: bsscchurch@yahoo.com
Website: www.bssc.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 & 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, Claire Battle, Alice Tate, Gertrude Washington, Fred McCoggle, Celine Larmony, Deacon Billy Moore, Beverly Ashmon, Lila Dixon, Marion Crawford, Alice Williams, Aaron Anderson, Dorothy Pinnix, Shirley Bazemore, Eustace Jeffery, Faye Gaskins, Jaunita Moore, Virginia Perry, Mary Tate, Delores Upshaw, Thelma Bell, Ruby Alexander, Sandy Reed, Olive Brown, Patricia Tinley, William Borem, Mike Mathos, Kim Nestbitt

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
MAY 19, 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, MAY 19

Fifth Sunday Of Easter

Readings: Acts 14: 21-27/Rv 21: 1-5a
Gospel: Jn 13: 31-33a, 34-35 (54)

8:00 a.m. Mass

10:00 a.m. Mass

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, May 20

Readings: Acts 14: 5-18
Gospel: Jn 14: 21-26 (285)

Tuesday, May 21

Readings: Acts 14: 19-28
Gospel: Jn 14: 27-31a (286)

Wednesday, May 22

Readings: Acts 15: 1-6
Gospel: Jn 15: 1-8 (287)

Thursday, May 23

Readings: Acts 15: 7-21
Gospel: Jn 15: 9-11 (288)

Friday, May 24

Readings: Acts 15: 22-31
Gospel: Jn 15: 12-17 (289)

Saturday, May 25

Readings: Acts 16: 1-10
Gospel: Jn 15: 18-21 (290)

Sunday, May 26

Readings: Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29/Rv 21:
10-14, 22-23
Gospel: Jn 14: 23-29 (57)

A Service of Love in the Lord Jesus

When considering Easter Sunday as a starting point for the spiritual journey of new converts, we come to perceive that during the liturgical calendar, the Spirit of God leads the souls towards a gradual spiritual growth. For us who have been Catholics for a number of years, this same spiritual process serves the purpose of reminding us of what we have already been taught during previous years so we may continue to be enriched in the knowledge and understanding of our Faith.

Reviewing the past few weeks, on Easter Sunday, we proclaimed that the Lord Jesus had indeed risen. On the Second Sunday of Easter, the liturgical readings opened our eyes to the early history of the Christian Church. The following Sunday, we were reminded of our loyalty to the Lord Jesus. Last week, we reflected on Jesus as the Good Shepherd, hearing His voice and following Him. Today, in the next step towards our spiritual growth, we are called to reflect on our service of love in the Lord Jesus.

During today's First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we heard of the praiseworthy service of love that the Christians had for each other in the Lord Jesus. Paul and Barnabas continued on their mission from town to town, "strengthening the souls of the disciples and encouraging them to continue in the faith." [Acts 14:22]

Repeating the words of Paul and Barnabas, this is what they said, "It is through many persecutions that we must enter the kingdom of God." [Acts 14:22] When they were telling the believers that they must persevere through many persecutions, Paul and Barnabas were not telling them to be the cause of each other's persecution. They were not telling them that the Christians should be divided among each other and killing each other as is seen in some countries today. No, the persecutors were the non-believers, those who rejected Jesus Christ as the only begotten Son of God.

Today's Second Reading from the Book of Revelation helps us to understand the purpose of the progressive development of the spiritual wonders of God within the Holy Catholic Church.

During the Gospel Reading, we all heard the Words of Jesus when He gave us a new commandment, "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." [Jn. 13:34] To this, Jesus added, "By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." [Jn. 13:35] By shining in love towards one another, others will know that we are the disciples of Jesus.

These Words of Jesus remind us of the words that are found in the First Letter of John. "Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love." [1 Jn. 4:7-8] "God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them." [1 Jn. 4:16]

Word Of Life

"Patients need to be able to trust their doctors to always care for their lives and never deliberately cause death... Patients facing serious illness may feel hopeless and depressed, as though their lives have lost meaning. Addressing psychological, emotional, and spiritual problems is essential to palliative care. Assisted suicide alleviates none of these problems, but gives in to them." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

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

SUNDAY COLLECTION

MAY 12

Collected Amount	Budget Amount	Difference
\$3,479.05	\$4,350.00	(\$871.00)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, MAY 26

Ushers:	8 am	Onyebuchi Dike
	10 am	Immaculata Anyanwu, Kevin Ralph, Zoungrana Armel, Daniel Musa
Lectors:	8 am	Hans Tanis, Stephanie Williams
	10 am	Ezinne Anyanwu, Ogechukwu Ekeh
Eucharistic:	8 am	Marva Mendoza, Comlavi Goerke
	10 am	Juanita Moore (B) Erin Sweeney, Marleyne Tronchin, Pat Ross, Yvonne Chatman

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!

May 19 – 5th Sunday of Easter

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."

(JOHN 13:34)

It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes strength and courage to love someone when we feel unappreciated, used or feel our opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage to "love my neighbor" when he may be someone I don't like, someone I don't know or someone that doesn't look like me.

IN THE GARDEN...

Keep your loved ones in memory, your family in prayer, healing, and/or thanksgiving:

Sunday Masses 8 am, 10 am & 12:30 p.m.

Weekly Masses 6:30 p.m.

Candles in front of Blessed Mother

Eucharistic Body of Christ

Eucharistic Blood of Christ

The Sanctuary Candle (weekly)

All names will be listed in the bulletin the week prior.

Contact Robyn in the parish office: 973-824-6548



ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAY DEVOTIONS TO THE BLESSED MOTHER will begin May 1, with her crowning. Please join us every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6 pm for the Rosary, followed by Mass and adoration. Please call the parish office for further information.

PRAY THE ROSARY: Please join the parish Rosary Altar Society in praying the Rosary every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. On the second Sunday of each month the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy is prayed. The Rosary is also prayed on the first Friday of each month at 6:30 p.m. (during Lent the Rosary is prayed at 6 p.m.). Please join us in praying this sacred and powerful devotion.

BENEFITS OF THE HOLY ROSARY

- 1) Sinners obtain pardon.
- 2) Those who thirst are refreshed.
- 3) Those who are fettered are set free.
- 4) Those who weep find joy.
- 5) Those who are tempted find peace.
- 6) Those in need find help.
- 7) Religious are reformed.
- 8) The ignorant are instructed.
- 9) The living learn to resist spiritual decline.
- 10) The dead have their pains eased by suffrages.

"Among all the devotions approved by the Church none has been so favored by so many miracles as the devotion of the Most Holy Rosary." -Pope Blessed Pius IX

THE FOOD PANTRY is in need of volunteers with typing and/or computer skills for the 3rd and 4th Tuesdays, 11 AM to 1 PM and/or 3rd and 4th Saturdays 9 AM to 11 AM each month. The Food Banks are now converting to online system only. Therefore, we need help from anyone with these skills. Please speak to any Food Pantry volunteer or telephone the parish office.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE: Couples contemplating marriage should be registered and attending weekly mass. Couples should make initial arrangements one year in advance by contacting the Parish Office at 973-824-6548

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Arrangements should be made two months in advance. A Baptism Preparation Session is required for all parents. Please call the Parish Office at 973-779-6200 to make arrangements.

BSSCB ON YOUTUBE: To view recent recordings of our mass please use youtube.com and search Blessed Sacrament St Charles Borromeo Church.

BSSCB CHURCH PROCLAIMS A YEAR OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL AND COMMITMENT: Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9

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