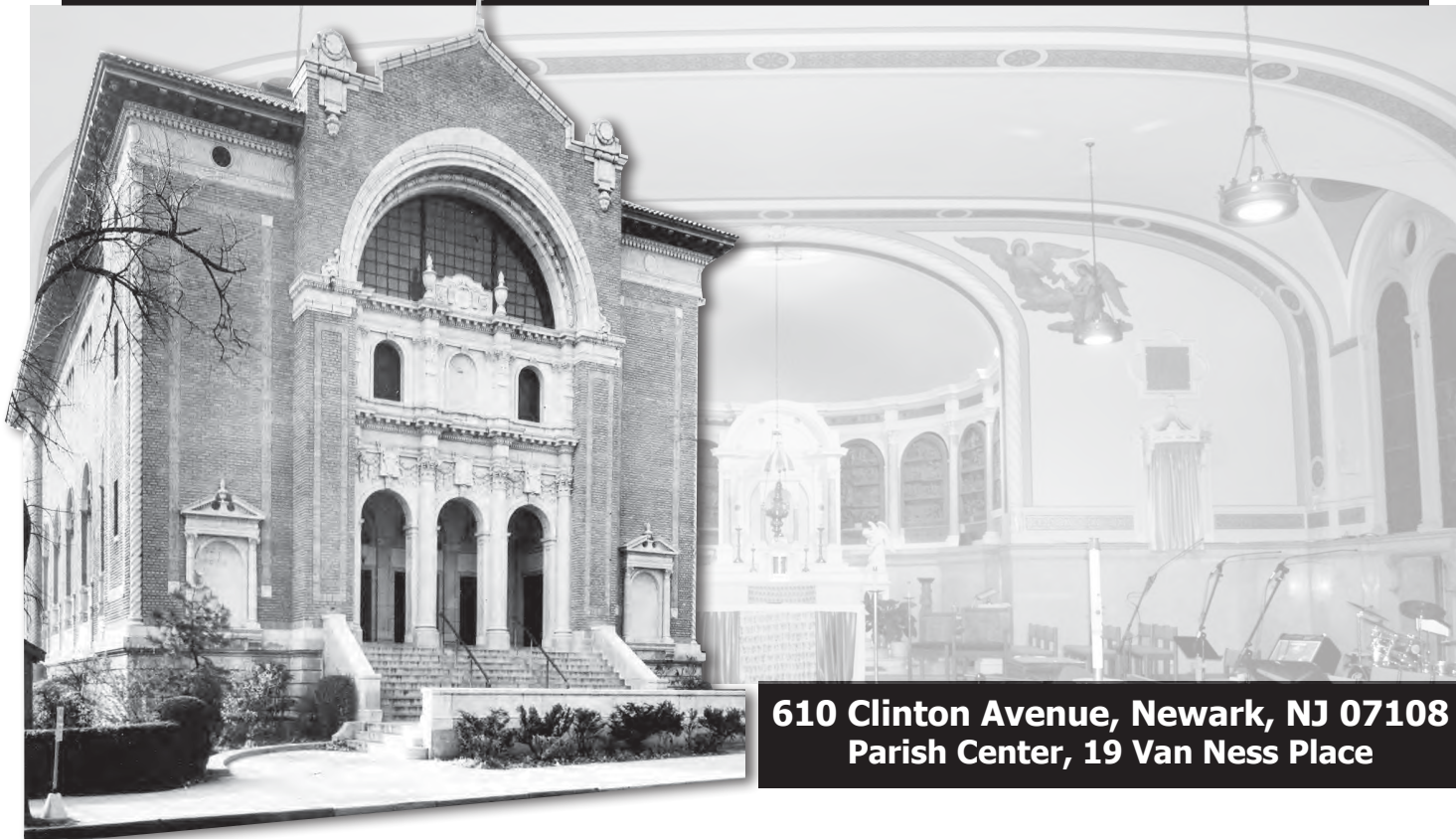


BLESSED SACRAMENT ST. CHARLES BORROMEO ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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, Claire Battle, Alice Tate, Gertrude Washington, Fred McCogle, 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 9 AM -11 AM and 3rd and 4th Tuesdays for families 11 AM-1 PM. 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 PowerPoint 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 home bound. 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

AUGUST 18, 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, AUGUST 18

Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time
Readings: Jer 38: 4-6, 8-10/Heb 12: 1-4
Gospel: Lk 12: 49-53 (120)
8:00 a.m. Mass
10:00 a.m. Mass
12:30 p.m. 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, August 19

Readings: Jgs 2: 11-19
Gospel: Mt 19: 16-22 (419)

Tuesday, August 20

Readings: Jgs 6: 11-24a
Gospel: Mt 19: 23-30 (420)

Wednesday, August 21

Readings: Jgs 9: 6-15
Gospel: Mt 20: 1-16 (421)

Thursday, August 22

Readings: Jgs 11: 29-39a
Gospel: Mt 22: 1-14 (422)

Friday, August 23

Readings: Ru 1: 1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22
Gospel: Mt 22: 34-40 (423)

Saturday, August 24

Readings: Rv 21: 9b-14
Gospel: Jn 1: 45-51 (629)

Sunday, August 25

Readings: Is 66: 18-21/
Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13
Gospel: Lk 13: 22-30 (123)



Statement of Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.S.S.R., on New Jersey's Assisted Suicide Law August 1, 2019

Human compassion fills our hearts with sadness when we hear about an individual who wishes to end his or her life to escape the pain and suffering of illness, disability, or disease. The fear associated with such devastating human conditions is real and legitimate.

However, as Pope Francis has noted, we must be careful not to yield to a false sense of compassion. Our Holy Father reminds us that we must never take a human life—especially our own—since “this is a sin against God, the Creator.”

The gift of human life and dignity is sacred and must be protected and protected at every stage, from conception to natural death. Respect for human life encourages a firm and peace with God despite illness and suffering.

We remain united to Christ through our suffering. St. Paul reminds us that nothing can separate us from the love of God. We have Christ in life and death—when he will intercede for us and bring us to eternal joy.

We must be clear. What legislatures now refer to as “death with dignity” is legal permission for one to end their own life with a lethal overdose of prescription drugs. This new state law has become an answer to addressing one’s fear of affliction or suffering. What is more, in a for-profit industry-like health care, there is the real danger that euthanasia will be seen as a cost-cutting measure. There is evidence in states that have already legalized assisted suicide that patients encourage this “solution” instead of more costly medical care. The handicapped and injured will feel pressure to end their lives.

This law also puts immense pressure on Catholics in health care ministries to follow their conscience instead of being coerced into providing assistance that is immoral.

Dying patients who request euthanasia should receive loving care, psychological and spiritual support, and appropriate remedies for pain and other symptoms so they can live with dignity until the time of natural death.

Many families surround loved ones with emotion in their final moments of life. The Little Sisters of the Poor provides a powerful witness to the conviction that loving, prayerful, and attentive presence offered in times of suffering and death can be restorative. Their mission, which brings strength, peace, and assurance to those under their care, quietly proclaims their belief that “dying with dignity” comes with humble acceptance, not through the avoidance of suffering.

We only have to consider the wounds of Christ to be reminded that God, in the hour of His greatest suffering, expressed His deepest compassion for us, and chose not to avoid painful torment and humiliation, but to accept it for our sake. ✠

Word Of Life

“The Church affirms the inviolable dignity of every person, regardless of the duration or extent of the person’s incapacity or dependency. Nothing diminishes the unchangeable dignity and sanctity of a person’s life, or the obligation to protect and care for it.” 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

AUGUST 11

Collected Amount	Budget Amount	Difference
\$2,725.35	\$4,350.00	\$1,624.65

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

Ushers:	8 am	Onyebuchi Dike
	10 am	Austin Lawson, Kingsley Ekeu, Kenjuan Howard
Lectors:	8 am	Marva Mendoza, Hans Tanis
	10 am	Ezinne Anyanwu, Emmanuel Njoku
Eucharistic:	8 am	Marva Mendoza, Roslyn Major
	10 am	Elizabeth Chukwu (B) Clair Dufrene, Marilyn Smith, Eugene Tronchin, Sharon Bergwyn

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!



August 18 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." (Luke 12:51)

Living a stewardship lifestyle means stepping out of our comfort zone when needed. Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves, stay in the middle of the road. In today's world we are called to be informed and take a stance for life, marriage and religious liberty.

Holy Humor

Pastor Larry had been watching too much "Seinfeld."

Do you ever wonder what the food is going to be like in Heaven? I wonder if they ever serve deviled eggs? Since we'll probably have wings, maybe they give us airline food!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL SERVICES: To make appointments with Fr. Albert, Tuesday and Thursday 11am to 5pm. Fr. Erasmus, Tuesday 11am to 5pm. All appointments must be made with the parish secretary at 973-824-6548 ext. 200

REGISTRATIONS FOR FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION every Sunday in September after each Mass. Please have a copy of the child's baptismal certificate. Registration forms will also be available online at bsscb.org. Children must be baptized before receiving these sacraments. To make arrangements for baptism please call the parish office 973-824-6548. Classes will resume in October. Catechists are Stephanie Williams (8 AM) and Fred Hill (10 AM) Mass.

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.

AAA&C APOSTOLATE ANNUAL BISHOP FRANCIS DINNER DANCE: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5,6 to 10 pm. Tickets are available. Please support by helping our youth with their school funding. Please see any member for more information. Janice Champ (8 am), Mary Brown, Robyn Padia and Shirley Rush (10 am) The dinner dance will be held at the Hanover Manor, 16 Eagle Rock Ave, East Hanover.

2019 SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL is well underway. We have \$5,729.34 already pledged. This is approximately 28% of our goal of \$20,195.00. The outpouring of support from many parishioners help sustain the important ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Newark. These programs help to make our own parish a more vibrant place of worship. If you have yet to give, please pick up a pledge form at the back of the church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.

SACRAMENTAL FORMS: Forms for all Sacraments are now available to download on our parish website: bsscb.org. Please fill forms out legibly before submitting them to the parish office.

MASS REMEMBRANCE and flower envelopes are in your Tithing package. Please place them in the boxes in front of the Blessed Mother altar.

BSSCB CHURCH PROCLAIMS A YEAR OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL AND COMMITMENT: Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. 1 John 4:20

UNTIL LABOR DAY, THE PARISH OFFICE WILL CLOSE AT 2 PM ON FRIDAYS.

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