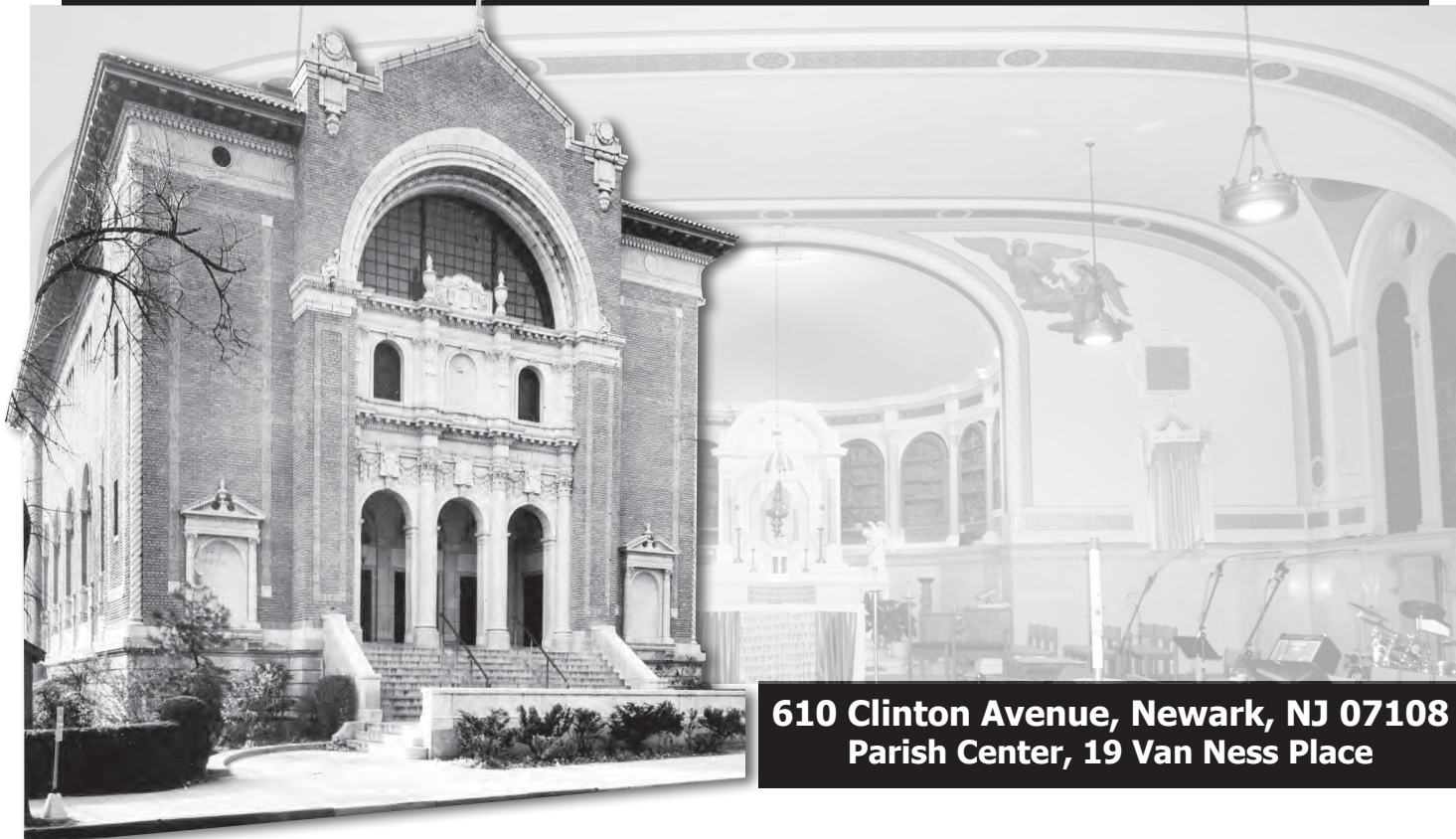


# BLESSED SACRAMENT ST. CHARLES BORROMEO ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



**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](mailto:bsscchurch@yahoo.com)  
Website: [www.bssc.org](http://www.bssc.org)  
Parish Office: Monday–Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 1:00 pm–2:00 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, 7:00 pm in the Church.

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday Masses:** 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 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  
7:00 pm in church. Every Third Thursdays 7:00–8:45 pm in 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 & MASS INTENTIONS

OCTOBER 6, 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, OCTOBER 6 *Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time*

Readings: Hb 1: 2-3; 2: 2-4/  
2Tm 1: 6-8, 13-14

Gospel: Lk 17: 5-10 (141)

8:00 a.m. Mass

10:00 a.m. Mass: *Rest of the soul for  
Obioma Amuzie, special intentions for  
the Amuzie family by Sir Mich Amuzie;  
Nosike Aadaezio asking for God's mercy*

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 CHURCH  
BIBLE STUDY WED., NOON & 7 P.M  
IN THE CONVENT CHAPEL

### Monday, October 7

Readings: Jon 1:1-2, 11  
Gospel: Lk 10: 25-37 (461)

### Tuesday, October 8

Readings: Jon 3: 1-10  
Gospel: Lk 10: 38-42 (462)

### Wednesday, October 9

Readings: Jon 4: 1-11  
Gospel: Lk 11: 1-4 (463)

### Thursday, October 10

Readings: Mal 3: 13-20b  
Gospel: Lk 11: 5-13 (464)

### Friday, October 11

Readings: Jl 1: 13-15; 2: 1-2  
Gospel: Lk 11: 15-26 (465)

### Saturday, October 12

Readings: Jl 4: 12-21  
Gospel: Lk 11: 27-28

### Sunday, October 13

Readings: 2Kgs 5: 14-17/2Tm 2: 8-13  
Gospel: Lk 17: 11-19 (144)

## Unselfish Faith

Recently, I was reading a statement about the condition of the world. It stated: "Ours is a time of religious decay; the permanent vitality of religion has been lost, the mass of the people have become either superstitious or credulous or indifferent to religion; the elite of society are agnostic or sceptical; the political leaders are hypocrites; the youth are in open conflict with established society and with the authority of the past; people are experimenting with eastern religions and techniques of meditation. The majority of mankind is affected by the decay of the times."



Does this sound familiar? While many may think that these words were written yesterday or possibly ten years ago, they are a quote from the "Annals of Tacitus (VI,7)." These words were written around 32-37 A.D., nearly two thousands years ago. How little society has changed for those who live without faith.

When a believer holds to the standard of sound teaching that he has heard from the Gospel of Christ, in the faith and love that are in Jesus, [2 Tim. 1:13] the vitality of his religion is not lost. He does not become superstitious, credulous or indifferent to his living faith in Christ. He is not agnostic or sceptical. He is not a hypocrite in what he does and in what he says. Nor is he in conflict with the established society and its authority. Being secured in his living faith in Christ, he does not need to experience with eastern religions and techniques of meditation. For he knows that the fullness of the truth is found in the Lord Jesus Christ.

During today's First Reading, we heard the prophet Habakkuk calling out to the Lord. Around 626 B.C., Habakkuk called out to the Lord because of the violence that surrounded him. Destruction, violence, strife, contention, these had become the norm of the day. Habakkuk was frustrated because the Lord was not taking control of the situation. He complained that the Lord God would not save the people. Does this sound familiar? Why did the Lord not take control of the situation? It is because He has given every human being a free will to choose right from wrong. God does not control the people. He does not force them to act against their free will.

Continuing on the subject of living faith, during today's Second Reading, Paul said to Timothy, "Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus." [2 Tim. 1:13] In other words, in his preaching and personal conduct, Timothy was called to keep the truths that he had learned from Paul. How was Timothy called to keep the truth? In the faith and love that are in Jesus Christ. Why faith and love? Because faith and love cannot be separated. During today's Gospel Reading, we heard the apostles ask Jesus, "Increase our faith!"

### Word Of Life

"When the seas of life swell and we are battered by the waves, hope allows us to remain anchored in the heart of God. May we hold fast to Christ our hope, from the beginning of life to its very end." 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

SEPTEMBER 29

Collected Amount	Budget Amount	Difference
\$4,333.15	\$4,350.00	(\$16.85)

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

Ushers:	8 am	Onyebuchi Dike
	10 am	Marion Gabriel, Gigi Mosley, Ophelia Koundeage, Uche Anyanw
Lectors:	8 am	Hans Tanis, Roslyn Major
	10 am	Toni Taylor, Natasha Brown
Eucharistic:	8 am	Comlavi Goerke, Marva Mendoza
	10 am	Mary Brown (B) Pat Ross, Juanita Moore, Brehita Taborn, Claire Dufrene

## 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!

### 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control."* 2 TIMOTHY 1:7

Many of us compartmentalize our faith, we bring it out only when we attend Mass or when we attend a parish event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything, all the time. The next time you are at a neighborhood party, at work or out shopping, would your actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

### 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

**ALL SOULS INTENTIONS:** In order to facilitate the timely posting of all our dearly departed, we ask that you place your clearly printed names in the box provided for the month of October. The names will be collected each week ending on Monday, October 28.

**OCTOBER DEVOTIONS** continue every Monday, Wednesday and Friday ending on the 30<sup>th</sup>. During this time, all Monday meetings will be moved to Tuesday and evening Bible study will be cancelled.

**BREAST CANCER WALK October 13:** The BSSCB2 Rosarians are joining the Annual Breast Cancer Walk "Making Strides" in Newark. Support with a donation to help the American Cancer Society save lives from breast cancer. A donation of \$25 can help provide free access to 24-hour information and support; \$50 can provide five rides to or from treatment through the Road To Recovery® program. \$100 can help provide a new breast cancer diagnosis. We appreciate every \$1 donation. No gift is too big or too small.

**CHOIR COSTUME DANCE PARTY, Friday, October 25,** in the church hall, 8 – 2 pm. BYOB. \$25. Tickets on sale now.

**NEWARK ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE** to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC, **Saturday, October 26.** Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, will lead. Sign up ASAP with our parish promoter Natasha Brown.

**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](http://www.rcan.org/sharing).

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Your church needs you!** Please see the bulletin listing of ministries available to join. Our Media, Youth, Liturgical Dance and Church Maintenance need help. If you have a skill or trade in Carpentry, Electrical, Masonry, Plumbing and IT, we welcome you help. Please call the office if you are interested in volunteering your time and talent.

**BSSCB CHURCH PROCLAIMS A YEAR OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL AND COMMITMENT:** He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, Titus 3:5

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