

Blessed Sacrament St. Charles Borromeo

Roman Catholic Church

MISSION

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.

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.; Igbo Mass: 12:30 p.m.

Daily Masses, Monday – Saturday: 8 a.m. (Virtual) & 6:30 pm (Convent Chapel, Rosary at 6 p.m.)

Special Masses: Each First Friday and Third Thursday: Mass 6:30 pm; Adoration 7 p.m. in church.

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*

Mr. John Garner, *Music Director*

Mr. Felix Padia, *Property Manager*

Mrs. Marilyn Smith, *RCIA Director*

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Parish Office: 973-824-6548

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Parochial Vicar: Fr. Erasmus Okere,
Ext: 103

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By Appointment Only. Call the Parish Office—9 am-4 pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents must be registered in the Parish, sponsors must be practicing Catholics. Please call the Parish to register. 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.

NIGHTS OF PRAYER FOR FAVORS & RESTORATION

Every first Friday and third Thursday, Mass at 6:30 pm
Adoration, 7 p.m. in the Church.
Every second Tuesday, 11 p.m. –
Midnight Prayer/Adoration (Virtual)



Church Ministries and Chairpersons

ALTAR SERVERS: Solomon Onemheghie
BEREAVEMENT: Janice Champ
BULLETIN: Carol Jenkins
COUNTERS: Lola Walker
CURSILLO: Marilyn Smith
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Marilyn Smith
FINANCE: Patricia Ross
FOOD PANTRY: Blanche Macklin, Helen Brooks
HOLY NAME SOCIETY: Harold Uche
HOMEBOUND: Juanita Moore
HOSPITALITY/KITCHEN: Pat Ross
LECTORS: Fred Hill
LITURGY: Marilyn Smith
MAINTENANCE: Arnie Pinnix
MEDIA: Beverly Mitchell
MUSIC/CHOIR: John Garner, Pat Assan
PARISH COUNCIL: Lionel Leach
PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS: Mary Brown
RCIA: Marilyn Smith
REPAST: Helen Brooks
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY: Veceleine C. Dufrene
SANITATION: Alicia E. Alford
TRUSTEES: Stephanie Williams, Homer Mosley
USHERS: Michelle Williams
WELCOME: Joan Lowery
WELLNESS: Marleyne Tronchin
YOUTH: Fred Hill

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING AND FOR THE HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH

Celine Larmony, Beverly Ashmon, Lila Dixon, Patricia Tinley, Kim Nestbitt, Jamillah Billings, Karen Barrett, Charlie Howard, Vivian Edeley, Alicia Alford, Patricia Ross, Celestia Conway, Verlean Howard, Brehita Taborn, John Anyanwu, Toni Taylor, Yvette Hall, Joe Assan, Anna Groves, Lola Walker



Ministry Outreach

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 500 to 600 people a month. Our Pantry hours are 3rd and 4th Saturdays for singles 8 AM – 10 AM and 3rd and 4th Wednesdays 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 Beverly Mitchell after Mass or call the parish office.

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 to 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.

WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

AUGUST 3, 2025

**ZOOM DAILY MASSES MON.– SAT.
8:00 AM STREAMED ON FACEBOOK**

All Masses should have an intention. Mass is the most powerful prayer of praise and worship we can ever offer to God.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

Ec 1:2; 2:21–23

Col 3:1–5, 9–11

Lk 12:13–21

8:00 AM Mass

Healing for Catherine & Hubert Phillips and intervention blessings for Arianna by Marva Mendoza; Eternal rest for Mildred Wicks by BSSCB church family; All living and deceased Rosarians by the Rosary Altar Society

10 AM Mass

God's continued blessings for Mary F. Brown's entire family; Healing for Kent Cureton and family blessings by the Hill and Cureton families; Thanksgiving, Healing and protection for the Boyce and Tronchin families; Eternal rest for Chief Linus Egeolu and family protection by Justin Egeolu; Eternal rest for Mildred Wicks by BSSCB church family; All living and deceased Rosarians by the Rosary Altar Society; Healing for Tonise Taylor by BSSCB church family

12 PM Mass in Igbo

Monday, August 4

Reading: Nm 11:4b–13

Gospel: Mt 14:13–21

Tuesday, August 5

Reading: Nm 12:1–13

Gospel: Mt 14:22–36

Wednesday, August 6

Reading: Dn 7:9–10, 13–14/2 Pt 1:16–19

Gospel: Lk 9:28b–36

Thursday, August 7

Reading: Nm 20:1–13

Gospel: Mt 16:13–13

Friday, August 8

Reading: Dt 4:32–40

Gospel: Mt 16:24–18

Saturday, August 9

Reading: Dt 6:4–13

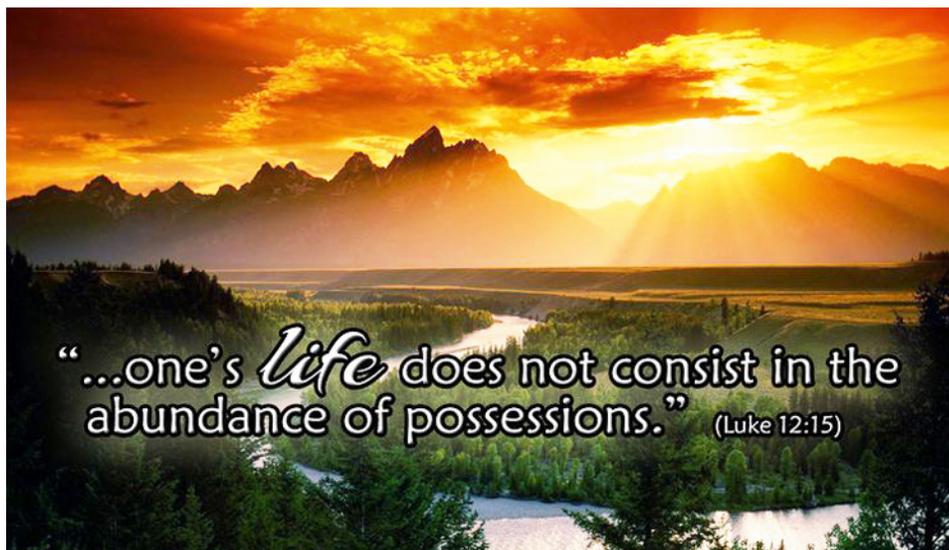
Gospel: Mt 17:14–20

Sunday, August 10

Ws 18:6–9

Hb 11:1–2, 8–19

Lk 12:32–48



Vanity, Vanity in Abundance

Today we are also reminded that we are in a transitory world. Hence, it is a call to make use of the things of this world prudently without losing our ultimate goal. Only when we make heaven our goal that the full meaning of life would be revealed and realized.

The first reading of this Sunday begins with a warning: “Vanity, vanity, the preacher says vanity...!” It strikes a reality that most of us have neglected. However, one day each one of us will come to terms with it. The Preacher calls us to remember God in all we do. He reminds us that there will be an ultimate end to all created things. He also reminds us that the ultimate goal here on earth is to walk our way straight to heaven.

The second reading hits the nail on its head. Paul succinctly differentiates true life, that is, a life lived in Christ, from a life lived outside Christ. Without mincing words, he reminds us that we must be heaven bound where Christ is everything. Hence, Paul tells us: “Kill everything in you that belongs to only earthly life, fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires, greed, false gods, and never tell each other lies.” This call to “kill everything evil” is simply a call to transform our lives, a call to purity of life, and a call to remain steadfast.

Many Christians have become so attached to the things of this world that we hardly reflect on heaven anymore. This is because it has become an ancient tale told by the ignorant and believed by fools. What Paul advocates for here is a Christ-centered life. That is, a life well lived on earth will qualify us for the heavenly banquet.

In today's gospel, Jesus speaks to us as he did to the man from the crowd: “Watch out and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made more secured by what he owns.” The pursuit of wealth and the pleasures of this world have blinded us to the reality that we are pilgrims here on earth. Avarice is one of the seven capital sins. It is a sin that makes one become like the material good that one seeks. It is a hidden enemy of every child of God. So, we must avoid it because it is dangerously contagious!

Word Of Life

“We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life” (EV 86).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL FAMILY & FRIENDS BBQ, August 9th.
We need your support with flyers for you to fill out for donations. Please give them back to the ushers.

40 DAYS OF PRAYER continues through August 15 and every Tuesday is prayer night at 11 pm on Zoom.

CHECKS: The bank will no longer accepts checks made out to Blessed Sacrament Church or BSSCB. It must be made out to Blessed Sacrament St. Charles.

FOOD PANTRY is in need of diapers, wipes and tuna. Please support the food pantry with these items or a monetary donation.

KITCHEN MINISTRY NEEDS FELLOWSHIP SPONSORS AND HELP at both 8 and 10 am Masses. Please contact Pat Ross at 973-508-8309 reserve the dates.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE NEEDED for the Tanis and Mendoza, students . Please see their parent directly.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE YOUR EMAIL AND CONTACT INFORMATION for the OSV mailing blast. Please provide your name, address, phone number to update our registry. It is important for us to have your updated contact information, if you have changed your address, phone number or email, please inform the office. This will assist us in ensuring you receive accurate information in a timely manner, and reduce the chance that important mail does not get lost. Your information is confidential and will not be shared with any anyone, this is for church records only. If your information has changed please call parish office at 973-824-6548 or email: info@bsscbchurch.com to update.



VIEWING OUR SUNDAY MASS

Option 1- YOUTUBE: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGM3EVxhKOb2gHpA1eEhivw>

Option 2- FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/100270185333720/live/> Facebook account not required to view. You can view uploaded clips of Sunday Mass on Facebook. Type in the search column: Blessed Sacrament St. Charles Borromeo.

Option 3- ZOOM: ID 862 7252 8462 Password 07108 Morning Mass only, Monday – Saturday

We have an open line on **WHAT'SAPP** for those who do not have email or Facebook. Please send your name, cell phone number and email address to our Church media Cellphone # 973-280-0651 to be connected to our What'sApp platform. <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HTTejmw2jl23mcpaNE2qxV>.

BIBLE STUDY will resume in September every Wednesday at 7:45 pm on Zoom. **ZOOM:** ID 886 0650 9047 Password 07108.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY MASS: Children's Liturgy of the Word will take place every Sunday during the 10 am liturgy. On the 4th Sunday all children are invited to sit in the first three front pews facing the Blessed mother. Volunteers needed. Interested persons must be certified in Protecting God's Children in order to facilitate this liturgy. To register for this workshop, contact Elizabeth at the Parish office, 973-824- 6548 ext 104.

DONATIONS AND GIFTS: We are thankful to all our parishioners who give of their Time, Talent and Treasure to our parish. If you would like to make a donation or do the offertory as part of your Mass request, here is a list of items to consider. Sacramental Wine – \$110 per case, Sacramental Host – \$30 per box, Perpetual Light Candles – \$73.75 per case, Perpetual Light Candle (singular) – \$10 and Flowers are \$50 per arrangement. Please call the parish office to arrange for the orders.

LOCK BOX is on the door at 19 Van Ness is now available for info, envelopes, Mass intentions, etc. Please put in drop box. Put your phone number and other information so we can let you know it was received.

PARISH CELL FOR ZELLE: 973-392-3139. Add message: Include purpose, name, Mass date, intention and your name.

MASS REMEMBRANCE CARDS ARE AVAILABLE: Please call the office to request and place your Mass intentions at a suggested donation of \$10.

ILL PARISHIONERS: If you are ill or know of any ill parishioners, please contact the office so the priest and home-bound team can arrange a visit.

SUGGESTION BOX is in the back of the church. If you have any words of wisdom and solutions, please put in the box.

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