

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

Pastor: Fr. Albert Nzeh, Ext. 102

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Erasmus Okere,
Ext. 103

Mary F. Brown, *Office Manager*, Ext. 105

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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
CURSILLO: Marilyn Smith
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Marilyn Smith
FINANCE: Lola Walker
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 Pinnex
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, Deacon Billy Moore, Beverly Ashmon, Lila Dixon, Patricia Tinley, Kim Nestbitt, Jamillah Billings, Karen Barrett, Pat Wilson, Charlie Howard, Vivian Edeley, Yvette Hall, Alicia Alford, Delores Guyton, Patricia Ross, Celestia Conway, Verlean Howard, Carol Jenkins, Brehita Taborn, John Anyanwu



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 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

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Num 11:25–29

Jam 5:1–6

Gospel: Mk 9:38–43, 45, 47–48

8:00 AM Mass

Thanksgiving & healing for Catherine & Hubert Phillips and God's continued guidance of Arianna requested by Marva Phillips Mendoza; Thanksgiving for all blessings received for Josephine Balima requested by Josephine Balima; In memory of Sylvia Emmanuel requested by Angelica & Janielle Adams

10:00 AM Mass

Thanksgiving for God's blessings for Mary F. Brown's entire family; Thanksgiving and family healing requested by Marleyne Tronchin; Prayer of thanksgiving for Barbara Doherty requested by BSSCB; Birthday blessings for Prince Kwado requested by Prince Kwado; Birthday blessings for James Ozidbo requested by the family; Prayers for healing and birthday blessings for Kent Cureton requested by Fred Hill family; In memory of Alice Williams requested by Marilyn Smith; Heavenly birthday blessings for Jean McClurkin from Mary F. Brown; Thankful for mother Geneva Williams-Ware from children & grandchildren Ware, Brown, Wilkins and Mayers families

12:30 PM ICC Mass

Monday, September 30

Reading: Job 1:6–22

Gospel: Lk 9:46–50

Tuesday, October 1

Reading: Job 3:1–3, 11–17, 20–23

Gospel: Lk 9:51–56

Wednesday, October 2

Reading: Job 9:1–12, 14–16

Gospel: Mt 18:1–5, 10

Thursday, October 3

Reading: Job 19:21–27

Gospel: Lk 10:1–12

Friday, October 4

Reading: Job 38:1, 12–21; 40:3–5

Gospel: Lk 10:13–16

Saturday, October 5

Readings: Job 42:1–3, 5–6, 12–17

Gospel: Lk 10:17–24

Sunday, October 6

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Gen 2:18–24

Heb 2:9:11

Gospel: Mk 10:2–16 or 10:2–12



Whoever is Not Against Us is For Us

Today's First Reading from the Old Testament Book of Numbers [Numb. 11:16-17, 25-29] opens our eyes to the fact that the position of God's people in the days of the Old Testament was no different than today's position of the Vatican.

The Lord God told Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of the people and they shall bear the burden of the people along with you so that you do not bear it all by yourself." [Num. 11:16] Two thousand years ago, Jesus did the same thing to help Him with His ministry. He "appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go." [Lk. 10:1] From these Bible passages in the Old and New Testament, we come to the understanding that God's representative on earth should have a number of people under him to assist him in his ministry of leading the people. Following that example, today, His Holiness Pope John-Paul II has all the Bishops of the world who number in the thousands, they assisting him in the effective administration of the Body of Christ, the Holy Catholic Church.

During the Second Reading from The Letter of James, we heard that the rich people should weep and wail for the miseries that are coming to them. They spend their lives accumulating wealth. Every moment of the day, their minds are set on how they can make a dollar. Some are so obsessed with this worldly desire that they even dream of how to make money. The devil is leading them towards the path of golden coins, surely not towards the golden path of eternal life in the Kingdom of God and salvation.

This week, let us reflect upon our position towards the Lord Jesus and His Church that He has instituted on earth. Are we with Jesus our against Him? Are we with the teachings of Jesus that are found in the Holy Catholic Church or against them? If we seek with all our souls, our minds, our bodies and our strength to humbly serve and obey the Lord Jesus in the Body of Christ by shining as a light in the world, then we truly enjoy the hope that leads to eternal joy and peace in the Kingdom of God, such awaiting those who receive their salvation through Christ.

Word Of Life

"Over the years, the FDA has bent the law and shown disregard for women's health when it comes to chemical abortion. In 2000, mifepristone was first approved using an 'accelerated' review process that is supposed to be only for new drugs that treat serious illnesses and are better than existing treatments. But pregnancy is not an illness, and abortion drugs are riskier than surgical abortion."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Abortion Pills: The Basics"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There are voter registration applications in the back of the church for Essex and Union counties. Please register to vote if you haven't already!

FELLOWSHIP SPONSORS ARE NEEDED for both 8 and 10 am Masses. Please contact Pat Ross at 973-508-8309 reserve the dates.

MASS INTENTIONS: In order to facilitate correct information and a timely entry for Mass intentions in the bulletin, please call the parish office and submit your request one week before the date you wish. Copies of the bulletin are available in the vestibule and at the sheep gate table. Due to printing the bulletins, it must be in by the close of business on Tuesday otherwise it will be placed the following week. A donation of \$10 is suggested. **NO MONEY FOR MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON SUNDAY.**

CLASSES FOR FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION begin **October 5** at 10 am at 19 Van Ness. Please bring Baptismal Certificate for registration. Please see Stephanie Williams (First Communion) and Fred Hill (Confirmation). Young people 8-17 years of age who have not been baptized, should participate in First Communion or Confirmation classes, in preparation for reception of all the sacraments.

RCIA CLASSES begin October 6 after the 10 am Mass at 19 Van Ness and every Sunday in 19 Van Ness Pl. Religious instruction classes for Adults 18 and older to help adults prepare for Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion.

OSV, OUR SUNDAY VISITOR is the company email blast from BSSCB. Please give us your email address so you receive the latest information from the church.

TITHING ENVELOPES: For changes of address, receipt of tithing envelopes and appointments to meet with Fr. Albert, please call Parish Office at 973-824-6548. Our system is currently being updated but if you are not receiving your envelopes please call the office directly to rectify this.

WHEN WRITING CHECKS, please write the complete name of Blessed Sacrament St. Charles. The bank is no longer accepting the initials of BSSCB.

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.

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 886 0650 9047 Password 07108

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 every Wednesday at 7:45 pm on Zoom.

ZOOM: ID 886 0650 9047 Password 07108.

NO BIBLE STUDY DURING JULY AND AUGUST

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 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.

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.