

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: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.; Igbo Mass: 12:30 p.m.

Daily Masses (Chapel), Mon. – Sat.: 8:00 a.m., Sat.: 6:30 p.m.

Special Masses: First Friday of each month: Sacred Heart Devotion 7:00 pm 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*
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*

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By Appointment Only. 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. 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, 7:00 pm in the Church.



Church Ministries and Chairpersons

BEREAVEMENT: Janice Champ

BULLETIN: Carol Jenkins

CURSILLO: Marilyn Smith

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Marilyn Smith

FINANCE: Lola Walker

FOOD PANTRY: Blanche Macklin

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: Harold Uche

HOMEBOUND: Juanita Moore

HOSPITALITY/KITCHEN: Pat Ross

LECTORS: Fred Hill

LITURGY: Marilyn Smith

MUSIC: John Garner

PARISH COUNCIL: Mary Brown

PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS: Mary Brown

REPAST: Helen Brooks

RCIA: Marilyn Smith

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY: Natasha Brown

TRUSTEES: Stephanie Williams, Homer Mosley

VAN SERVICE: Kevin Ralph

WELCOME: Joan Lowery

WELLNESS: Marleyne Tronchin

**PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING AND FOR
THE HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH**

Mary E. Brown, Claire Battle, Alice Tate, Celine Larmony,
Deacon Billy Moore, Beverly Ashmon, Lila Dixon, Alice Williams,
Aaron Anderson, Dorothy Pinnix, Shirley Bazemore,
Faye Gaskins, Virginia Perry, Mary Tate, Delores Upshaw,
Thelma Bell, Patricia Tinley, Kim Nestbitt, Jamillah Billings,
Sharon Burgwyn, Karen Barrett, Pat Wilson



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 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.

WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

AUGUST 29, 2021

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 altar flowers are available. Call the parish office for these requests.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

*Twenty-Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Readings: Dt 4: 1-2, 6-8/Jas 1: 17-18, 21b-22, 27

Gospel Mk 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23 (125)

8:00 am Mass Intention

10:00 am Mass Intention

12:30 & 4:30 p.m. ICC MASS

DAILY MASSES MON.– SAT. 8:00 AM

& SAT. 6:00 PM; ROSARY 6:30 PM

MASS LIVE VIA ZOOM 825 5051 6981

Password 570414

STREAMED ON FACEBOOK

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FIRST

FRIDAY and THIRD THURSDAY,

7 PM IN THE CHURCH

BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAY 7:45 PM

VIA ZOOM 825 5051 6981

Password 570414

Monday, August 30

Readings: 1Thes 4: 13-18

Gospel: Lk 4: 31-37 (432)

Tuesday, August 31

Readings: 1Thes 5: 1-6, 9-11

Gospel: Lk 4: 31-37 (432)

Wednesday, September 1

Readings: Col 1: 1-8

Gospel: Lk 4: 38-44 (433)

Thursday, September 2

Readings: Col 1: 9-14

Gospel: Lk 5: 1-11 (434)

Friday, September 3

Readings: Col 1: 15-20

Gospel: Lk 5: 33-39 (435)

Saturday, September 4

Readings: Col 1: 21-23

Gospel: Lk 6: 1-5 (436)

Sunday, September 5

Readings: Is 35: 4-7a/Jas 2: 1-5

Gospel: Mk 7: 31-37 (128)



Be Doers of the Word

During today's First Reading, we heard what happened when Moses gave the commandments of the Lord to His people. The Israelites were told to pay attention to the statutes and ordinances so they may live, enter and occupy the promised land. As commanded by God, Moses also told the people that they must not add anything, nor take anything from the commandments of God. [Deut. 4:2] This was to ensure that the commandments would remain intact generation after generation.

As God's chosen leader of the people, Moses explained to the Israelites that by diligently observing the commandments of the Lord, they would be showing an example to the surrounding nations who worshipped false gods and sacrificed children to their gods. When those nations would hear of the spiritual laws of the true God, they would say, God's people are wise and discerning.

The necessity to obey the commandments of God was not to boast regarding the richness of its spiritual benefits; it was necessary to do so because no other nation had a god so near to it as the Lord God was to His people. And no other nations had the fullness of the law that embraced all the physical and spiritual needs of a people so it may shine in love, mercy and justice for the glory of God the Father.

Moses also explained to the Israelites that obedience to the commandments of God was mandatory. Those who obey the commandments of the Lord would be blessed throughout their lives. Those who disobey the commandments of the Lord by turning to other gods, would be cursed. [See Deut. 11:26-8]

During today's Gospel Reading, we heard how the Pharisees and some of the scribes questioned Jesus as to why His disciples ate without washing their hands. In those days, their traditions demanded that all kinds of rules be followed regarding washing. It is more important to obey the commandments of God than to hold on to human traditions. Doing things because our parents and grandparents have done it exactly that way is meaningless. Putting five dollars in the Church collection plate on Sundays, circumcising all male children, going to Christmas midnight Mass versus the daily Mass, preparing eleven dishes for the Easter family meal, spending so much money on a wedding or having to invite so many guests, these are all meaningless traditions. Nobody makes it to heaven by making sure that they followed each of these tradition of their ancestors.

Word Of Life

"No sin or crime is greater than God's mercy. The sacrifice of the Cross reveals that Christ's greatest desire is to forgive those with a repentant heart." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST 29 – 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Be doers of the word and not hearers only...” JAMES 1:22
It's easy to understand the definition of stewardship – living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your actions reflect God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

MONTHLY MEN'S FELLOWSHIP: Frs. Albert and Erasmus have begun the Parish Fellowship for Men. This fellowship will be engaging in spiritual guidance, teaching and sharing. They invite all men 18 and older to join them every other month on the second Saturday in the parish hall at 9 am. The next meeting will be October 9, please call the parish office to register.

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE: The Archdiocese of Newark Respect Life Office will be hosting two upcoming Rachel's Vineyard retreats in 2021 to heal the wounds from abortion. **September 10-12 (English)** and **October 22-24 (Spanish)**. Contact the Respect Life Office for more details by calling 973-497-4350 (Spanish option 2) or e-mail: Cheryl.riley@rcan.org (English) or elvinedoderaquelin@rcan.org (Spanish)

WOMEN'S 181ST CURSILLO WEEKEND will be held **October 7-10**. Please consider sponsoring a family member or friend for an uplifting spiritual weekend. We are back at the youth centre which is fully prepared to meet all the safety guidelines along with the needs of the group staying there. Please speak with Marilyn Smith or Robyn Padia for further information. You can also check out the Cursillo website at <http://www.mycursillo.com/>.

2021 BSSCB SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS: The Scholarship Committee is proud to announce this year's scholarship recipients: Amir Porter will be attending Essex County College; Kaia Reed will be attending Northeastern University; and Ikechukwu Anyanwu will be attending the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

TITHING ENVELOPES: For changes of address, receipt of tithing envelopes and appointments to meet with Fr. Albert, please call Parish Secretary at 973-824-6548 ext 200. Our system is currently being updated but if you are not receiving your envelopes please call the secretary directly to rectify this. If you have not yet filled out a membership registration please do so online and submit or pick up a form at the registration desk, fill out and return immediately.

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. Please feel free to “like” the page to follow. You can view uploaded clips of Sunday Mass on Facebook. Type in the search column Blessed Sacrament St Charles Borromeo.

Option 3- ZOOM: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89846588210?pwd=YXpqWE1ieGpBYkVON1I0dIAxNC9BZz09>
Zoom: ID 825 5051 6981 Password 570414

Option 4- TELECONFERENCE ID: 978-990-5000. Access code: 570-414 - You can download the Freeconferencecall app and use as our meeting ID bsscbchurchmedia. The Zoom ID 825 5051 6981 Password 570414. Web: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82550516981?pwd=K1NueEhjOS9pUTJpWTEsSk1KytiQT09>

We also have opened a 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>.

Our regular activities remain Morning Mass at 8 am, Rosary at 6 pm and Evening Mass at 6:40 pm.



WE WANT YOU

- Are you a strong soprano, alto, tenor, or baritone?
- Do you have the time to dedicate to a choir ministry?
- Do you have the time to rehearse for two hours on a Thursday evening? If you have answered “yes” to all of these questions, we are interested in hearing from you, please call parish office at 973-824-6548 ext 104

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

BSSCB CHURCH PROCLAIMS 2021 A YEAR OF COURAGEOUS WITNESS

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you— unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, *1 Corinthians 15:1-4*

SUMMER HOURS: The parish office will be closed on Fridays at 2pm beginning June 25 thru September 3.

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