

# 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. 102  
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Erasmus Okere, Ext: 103  
Pastoral Associate: Ext: 104  
Parish Secretary: Ext: 105  
Business Manager: Ext: 100  
Parish Fax: 973-624-6030  
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Website: [www.bssc.org](http://www.bssc.org)

## 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.  
Parish Office: Monday–Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

# Church Ministries and Chairpersons

- ALTAR SERVERS:** Isi Igetei
- 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

# 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.

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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. Ralph.

## WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

JUNE 6, 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 flowers at the altar are also available. Call the parish office for any of these requests.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 6

#### *The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)*

Readings: Ex 24: 3-8/Heb 9: 11-15  
Gospel: Mk 14: 12-16, 22-26 (168)

6:30 pm Mass

8:00 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

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

DAILY MASSES MON.– SAT. 8:00 AM

VIA ZOOM 381-980-5747 & SAT. 6:00

PM ROSARY, 6:30 PM MASS LIVE

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, June 7

Readings: 2Cor 1: 1-7  
Gospel: Mt 5: 1-12 (359)

### Tuesday, June 8

Readings: 2Cor 1: 18-22  
Gospel: Mt 5: 13-15 (360)

### Wednesday, June 9

Readings: 2Cor 3: 4-11  
Gospel: Mt 5: 17-19 (316)

### Thursday, June 10

Readings: 2Cor 3: 15—4: 1, 3-6  
Gospel: Mt 5: 20-26 (362)

### Friday, June 11

Readings: Hos 11: 1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:  
8-12, 14-19  
Gospel: Jn 19: 31-37 9171)

### Saturday, June 12

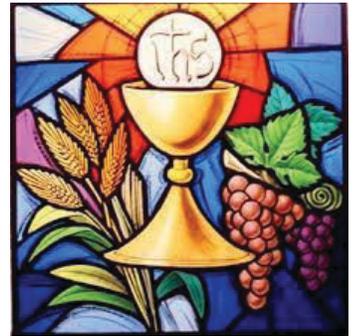
Readings: 2Cor 5: 14-21 (364)  
Gospel: Lk 2: 41-51 (573)

### Sunday, June 13

Readings: Ez 17: 22-24/2Cor 5: 6-10  
Gospel: Mk 4: 26-34 (92)

## Called to Receive the Promised Eternal Inheritance

How appropriate it is to celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ with the opening of the Summer season when all the beauties of nature are in full bloom! For, as the Summer is the blooming season of the year, through the Body and Blood of Christ, we too are called to bloom.



What is the purpose of the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ? This special Feast is celebrated in remembrance of Jesus who gave His life for the salvation of many. It is a Feast in remembrance of Jesus' command to celebrate the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

As we heard during today's Gospel Reading, "While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, 'Take; this is my body.'" [Mt. 26:26; Mk. 14:22; Lk. 22:20; 1 Cor. 11:24] "Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.'" [Mt. 26:28; Mk. 14:24; Lk. 22:19; 1 Cor. 11:25] Jesus commanded us to celebrate the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, to eat His Body and to drink His Blood.

While Jesus was on earth, He stated, "I am the living bread that came down from Heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." [Jn. 6:51]

In the next passage, notice how Jesus began to speak with the words, "Very truly." "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink." [Jn. 6:53-5]

The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist is the Body and Blood of Christ. The gift of salvation and eternal life in the Kingdom of God comes from Christ and no one else. If Jesus is not good enough for us, we refusing to receive Him in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, what living hope do we have of receiving our salvation and inheritance in the eternal Kingdom of God? None! Without the Body and Blood of Christ, we are lost forever!

Through the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ, we can receive our blessed hope, the assurance of our salvation. Through the Body and Blood of Christ, we find the necessary strength to persevere in this world. While we are in this world, we no longer belong to this world!

### Word Of Life

"God uses creation to bring us into loving relationship with himself, most notably through the sacraments. We experience this most powerfully in the Eucharist, the true body and blood of Christ, received under the appearance of bread and wine, where 'all that has been created finds its greatest exaltation' (LS 236)."

## COLLECTION

May: \$19,687.74

### MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) – JUNE 6

*“Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.”* 1 Corinthians 10:17  
As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God’s kingdom here on earth. Two, it is a road map to Heaven. Let’s help each other get there!

**FATHER’S DAY:** A box for Father’s Day prayers and Mass requests will be placed in front of Our Lady’s Altar starting this Sunday, June 6 to June 20. Prayer requests will be on the Altar and Mass requests will be announced on June 20 & 27. Suggested Mass donation is \$10.

**2021 ANNUAL APPEAL:** will fund essential programs and ministries at the heart of our Catholic mission in our four counties – namely to proclaim the gospel, to pass on the faith to future generations, particularly through the celebration of the sacraments, and to care for the poor and those on the margins. Now more than ever, especially during this health crisis, our ministries and programs need your support. The parish goal is **\$20,000.00**. Your generous contributions will help us meet this goal. To date we have received **\$6,397.00**, please consider making a donation, envelopes are available in the church or you can do your donations online at **rcan.org**. <https://support.rcan.org/a/donate>

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS** will be available for students who are graduating this year. Please speak to any member of the PSE committee for further information or contact the parish office 973 – 824 – 6548.

**CCD CLASSES:** If you have any questions regarding the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation please call the parish office, we will need your children’s names and contact information along with email addresses. A permission slip is requested at this time in order for us to do the classes remotely via zoom. Mrs. Stephanie Williams and Sr. Consolatrix Obi will facilitate First Communion and Mr. Fred Hill and Sr. Camillus Uzor will facilitate Confirmation. More information to follow, the office number is 973-824-6548.

**RCIA:** Religious instruction classes for Adults 18 and older by which adults prepare for Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion. 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 and speak to Marilyn Smith for further details on how to proceed. Please call the office and leave a message for Ms. Smith to return your call.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COME LET US WORSHIP THE LORD IN PERSON

Church family, welcome to the house of the Lord. We have begun our Sunday Mass and while it will take some getting used to, we are eager to see everyone and respectful of those who are not yet ready. We have taken every precaution to provide a safe environment. We have sanitizing stations, marked pews and floors for social distancing; cleaning supplies and volunteers to check individuals in and clean between each Mass. Please register with this link when you are ready <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/109480009656>. Registration is required. In addition to our regularly scheduled 8 & 10 AM Mass, we now have a 6:30 pm Mass on Saturdays. Weekday Masses are being held in the Chapel at 8 am Monday thru Saturday on Zoom: ID 825 5051 6981 Password 570414

### 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=YXpqWE1ieGpBYkV0N1I0dIAxNC9BZz09>  
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=K1NueHjOS9pUTJpWTEsSk1KytiQT09>

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/HTTejmw2jI23mcpaNE2qxV>.

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

### BSSCB CHURCH PROCLAIMS 2021 A YEAR OF COURAGEOUS WITNESS

For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? Romans 10:13–14

**WOMEN’S 181ST CURSILLO WEEKEND** will be held October 7 – 10, please visit the [mycursillo.com](http://mycursillo.com) website for applications and information.

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