

#### **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 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. Merilyn Smith, RCIA Director

#### **TELEPHONE DIRECTORY**

Parish Office: 973-824-6548 Pastor: Fr. Albert Nzeh, Ext. 102 Parochial Vicar: Fr. Erasmus Okere. Ext: 103

Parish Fax: 973-624-6030 Email: bsscbchurch@yahoo.com Website: www.bsscb.org

#### **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 p.m. in the Church.



# Church Ministries and Chairpersons

**BEREAVEMENT:** Janice Champ

**BULLETIN:** Carol Jenkins

**CURSILLO:** Merilyn Smith

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**: Merilyn Smith

FINANCE: Lola Walker

FOOD PANTRY: Blanche Macklin

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY:** Harold Uche

**HOMEBOUND**: Juanita Moore

**HOSPITALITY/KITCHEN:** Pat Ross

**LECTORS**: Fred Hill

LITURGY: Merilyn Smith

MUSIC/CHOIR: John Garner, Diane Scott

**PARISH COUNCIL: Mary Brown** 

**PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS: Mary Brown** 

**REPAST:** Helen Brooks

**RCIA:** Merilyn Smith

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY:** Natasha Brown

**SOCIAL MEDIA:** Beverly Mitchell

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, Alice Tate, Celine Larmony, Deacon Billy Moore, Beverly Ashmon, Lila Dixon, Alice Williams, Faye Gaskins, Virginia Perry, Mary Tate, Delores Upshaw, Patricia Tinley, Kim Nestbitt, Jamillah Billings, Sharon Burgwyn, Karen Barrett, Pat Wilson, Gwendolyn Hunt, Charlie Howard, Vivian Ededey, Joyce Leach, David Saddow, Yvette Hall, Fred McClurkin

# **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 Merilyn Smith.

# WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS OCTOBER 9, 2022

All Masses 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 the Masses.

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 2 Kings 5:14-17 2 Tim 2:8-13 Gospel: Lk 17:11-19 8:00 Mass 10:00 Mass 12:30 ICC MASS

DAILY MASSES MON.- SAT. 8:00 AM & SAT. 6:00 PM; ROSARY 6:30 PM MASS LIVE VIA ZOOM 825 5051 6981

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION FIRST
FRIDAY and THIRD THURSDAY,
7 PM IN THE CHURCH
BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAY 7:45 PM

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#### Monday, October 10

Readings: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27,31-5:1 Gospel: Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday, October 11

Readings: Gal 5:1-6 Gospel: Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 12

Readings: Gal 5:18-25 Gospel: Lk 11:42-464

Thursday, October 13

Readings: Eph 1:11-14 Gospel: Lk 12:1-7

Friday, October 14

Readings: Eph 1:11-14 Gospel: Lk 12:1-7

Saturday, October 15

Readings: Eph 1:15-23 Gospel: Lk 12:8-12

Sunday, October 16 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Ex 17:8-13 2 Tim 3:14-4:2 Gospel: Luke 18:1-8



# Your Faith Has Made You Well

oday's First Reading [2 Kgs. 5:14-17] from the Second Book of Kings spoke of the healing of Naaman, a foreigner in the land of Israel. Naaman, the commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy." [2 Kgs. 5:1]

On one of their raid in the land of Israel, the Arameans had taken a young girl captive. [2 Kgs. 5:2] This young girl served Naaman's wife. She told her mistress that if Naaman was with the prophet who is in Samaria, he would be cured of his leprosy. [2 Kgs. 5:3] Hearing of this, Naaman repeated this comment to the king of Aram. Consequently, the king of Aram told Naaman to go and that he would provide him with a letter to the king of Israel. Naaman left, taking with him a number of gifts to present to the king of Israel. [2 Kgs. 5:3-5]

Today's Second Reading concluded by saying, "The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful - for he cannot deny himself." [2 Tim. 2:11-13]

This statement of Paul is a paraphrase of the Words of Jesus that are found in the Gospel of Matthew. "Everyone therefore who acknowledges Me before others, I also will acknowledge before My Father in Heaven; but whoever denies Me before others, I also will deny before My Father in Heaven." [Mt. 10:32-3]

During today's reading from Chapter 17 of the Gospel of Luke, [Lk. 17:11-19] we heard that Jesus healed ten lepers, nine being Jewish, the tenth being a Samaritan. It is interesting to note here that while the Jewish people normally did not mix with the Samaritans, misery so loves company that this group of lepers consisted of both Jews and a Samaritan. As we heard, out of those ten, the one who was a foreigner, was the only one who returned and thanked Jesus. Only ten percent of those who were healed showed gratitude. How offended the Lord Jesus must have been!

Today's readings provide us with an opportunity to reflect upon our own disposition during prayer. Do we beg God for a special favour but forget to show gratitude by giving thanks when our favour is obtained? Do we persevere in our prayers as Paul persevered in his sufferings? If praying while in a state of mortal sin and told by the priest to go and clean ourselves through the Sacrament of Confession so our prayer will be pleasing to the eyes of God, do we grumble, hesitate or even hardened our hearts?

Today's readings provide us with answers as to why some prayers are not answered. They teach us that we are healed when we show gratitude to God for the abundance of blessings that He has bestowed upon us from the moment that we were created.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY MASS:** Children's Liturgy of the Word will take place every Sunday during the 10 am liturgy. On the 4<sup>th</sup> 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 Robyn at the Parish office, 973-824- 6548 ext 104.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN: In order to meet the necessary protocols of the Archdiocese of Newark all volunteers are required to fill out a volunteer application and attend a mandatory PGC session. For more information please call the parish office for further information. Volunteers are Ushers, CCD teachers, Youth Ministers and any individual in service who comes in direct contact with children in the parish. If uncertain, whether you should have this done please contact the office for clarification at 973-824-6548 ext. 105.

**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 – \$137.50 per case, Sacramental Host – \$23 per box, Lux Mundi Oil Refills for the Altar - \$48 per case and Flowers are \$45 per arrangement. Please call the parish office to arrange for the orders.

contact Information: 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 <a href="mailto:bsscbchurch@yahoo.com">bsscbchurch@yahoo.com</a> to update; your address, phone number and email.

**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. Please call the parish office to register.

#### **SAVE THE DATES**

Thanksgiving Community Dinner – November 24 Advent Prayer Breakfast – December 10 Children's Christmas Party – December 17

#### 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=YXpqWE1ieGpBYkV0N1I0dlAxNC9BZz09Zoom: ID 825 5051 6981 Password 570414

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.

**CHAPEL AND CONVENT HALL:** Our 6:30 evening Mass and Children's Liturgy has resumed in the Convent Chapel; all ministry meetings will be held in the Convent Hall.

#### **JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT BSSCB**

#### PART TIME PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

General Description: To work with other parish staff in providing clerical and administrative support to the pastor and the parish. To coordinate the ministries in the parish and be a liaison with the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center on pastoral matters. Qualifications/Skills: Practicing Catholic; Excellent written and oral communication skills; Advanced computer skills for clerical activities; Ability to work within a team; Education and/or Experience; 2 or more years' experience; Undergraduate degree. Physical Demands; The physical demands are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

#### PART TIME PARISH SECRETARY

General Description: To work with other parish staff in providing clerical and administrative support to the pastor and the parish. Qualifications/Skills: Practicing Catholic;Excellent written and oral communication skills; Advanced computer skills for clerical activities; Ability to work within a team. Education and/or Experience: Undergraduate degree: Physical Demands. The physical demands are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Interested applicants for either position should send their resume to: PASTOR: bsscbchurch@yahoo.com.

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