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 (Chapel), Monday – Saturday: 8 a.m., Saturday: 6:30 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. Merilyn 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.104 Elizabeth N. Chukwu, *Pastoral Associate*, Ext. 105 Frederick Hill, *Youth Minister*, Ext. 105 Parish Fax: 973-624-6030 Email: info@bsscbchurch.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, 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: Merilyn Smith

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Merilyn 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: Merilyn Smith

MAINTENANCE: Arnie Pinnex

MEDIA: Beverly Mitchell

MUSIC/CHOIR: John Garner, Diane Scott

PARISH COUNCIL: Lionel Leach

PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS: Mary Brown

RCIA: Merilyn Smith

REPAST: Helen Brooks

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY: Natasha Brown

SANITATION: Alicia E. Alford

TRUSTEES: Stephanie Williams, Homer Mosley

VAN SERVICE: Kevin Ralph

WELCOME: Joan Lowery

WELLNESS: Marleyne Tronchin

YOUTH: Fred Hill

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, Faye Gaskins, Virginia Perry, Mary Tate, Patricia Tinley, Kim Nestbitt, Jamillah Billings, Sharon Burgwyn, Karen Barrett, Pat Wilson, Charlie Howard, Vivian Ededey, Joyce Leach, David Saddow, Yvette Hall, Alicia Alford, Delores Guyton, Victoria Hall, Marion Gabriel

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 8 AM - 10 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 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 Merilyn Smith.



WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS JUNE 11, 2023

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, JUNE 11 Corpus Christi Readings: Deu 8:2–3, 14b–16a 1 Cor 10:16–7 Gospel: Jn 6:51–58 10:00 Mass

Repose of the soul of Chukwudumebi Anthony-Luigi Odiachi requested by his mom Ngozi Odiachi; Birthday blessings and thanksgiving for Barnabas Oshiokemhe Onemheghie requested by the Onemheghie family

12:30 ICC MASS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION FIRST FRIDAY and THIRD THURSDAY, 7 PM IN THE CHURCH BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAY 7:45 PM VIA ZOOM DAILY MASSES MON.– SAT. 8:00 AM & SAT. 6:00 PM; ROSARY 6:30 PM MASS LIVE VIA ZOOM 886 0650 9047 Password 07108 STREAMED ON FACEBOOK

> Monday, June 12 Readings: 2 Cor 1:1–7 Gospel: Mt 5:1–12

Tuesday, June 13 Readings: 2 Cor 1:18–22 Gospel: Mt 5:13–16

Wednesday, June 14 Readings: 2 Cor 3:4–11 Gospel: Mt5:17–19

Thursday, June 15 Readings: 2 Cor3:15–4:1, 3–6 Gospel: Mt 5:20–26

Friday, June 16 Readings: Deu 7:6–11 • 1 Jn 4:7–16 Gospel: Mt 11:25–30

> Saturday, June 17 Readings: 2 Cor 5:14–21 Gospel: Lk 2:41–51

Sunday, June 18 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Readings: Ex 19:2–6a Rom 5:6–11 Gospel: Mt 9:36–10:8



The Sacrament of Life

uring today's readings, Jesus clearly told us that in order to inherit the Kingdom of God, we must receive the Church Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Those who reject the life giving Bread from Heaven are spiritually dead and they will lose the final eternal glory that awaits the faithful!

It is sad that so many are blind to this truth. How often do we hear someone say, "I am saved because I have faith in Jesus!" How often do we hear others say, "I am saved because I was baptized!" Such statements are based on the misunderstood words of Jesus who said, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit." [Jn. 3:5] While identifying the first word "water" with the Sacrament of Baptism, these poor misguided souls have totally ignore the second word, "Spirit." While these souls have been born of water, they have not been born of the Spirit.

My brothers and sisters, when we thoroughly study the Holy Bible, we learn that the word water signifies the Sacrament of Baptism. We also learn that being born of the Spirit signifies to be sanctified in Christ. And sanctification means to persevere in the living faith.

When we were baptized with water, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we received the "righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ" [Rom. 3:22] "whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by His blood, effective through faith. He did this to show His righteousness, because in His Divine forbearance He had passed over the sins (that we had) previously committed." [Rom. 3:25] I hope that all have heard the last words that were just said, "He, Jesus, passed over the sins (that we had) previously contrary to the belief of many who are being deceived, the Sacrament of Baptism alone does not save anyone. The sins that committed after the Sacrament of Baptism are not erased; they will be used against us on Judgment Day.

Word Of Life

"Christ's blood reveals to man that his greatness, and therefore his vocation, consists in the sincere gift of self. ...It is from the blood of Christ that all draw the strength to commit themselves to promoting life. It is precisely this blood that is the most powerful source of hope, indeed it is the foundation of the absolute certitude that in God's plan life will be victorious."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT YOUTH GROUP MEETING will be June 16 at 7 pm.

BIBLE STUDY is every Wednesday at 7:45 pm via Zoom.

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST sponsored by the Women of the Parish on June 18th after the 8 & 10 am Masses. Monetary donations are being accepted for 8 am Mass, see Janice Champ; 10 am see Pat Ross, Sharon Burgwyn or Mary Brown. You can also Zelle your donation to Pat Ross at 973-508-8309.

FATHER'S DAY PRAYER PETITION BOX is on the Blessed Mother Altar.

CONFIRMATION MASS, SUNDAY June 24th at 10am with Bishop Manuel Cruz presiding. There are 37 youth and one adult being confirmed. Volunteers are needed for the reception. See Fred Hill.

NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS WORKSHOP on Saturday, June 24, 8:45 am-12:30 pm at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center. Registration will be sent to the Archdiocese on Tuesday, June 13. If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, give your name to Elizabeth or Merilyn Smith after Mass or call the office by noon on Monday June 12.

FOOD PANTRY needs assistance with deliveries. Please see Helen Brooks for the schedule.

MONTHLY MEN'S FELLOWSHIP: Fathers 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.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS: High School Seniors get your transcripts and letters of recommendations ready. The BSSCB Scholarship application will be available soon.

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.

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?p wd=YXpqWE1ieGpBYkV0N1I0dIAxNC9BZz09 Zoom: ID 886 0650 9047 Password 07108

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.

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.

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: info@bsscbchurch.com to update; your address, phone number and email.

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 – \$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.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE: Couples contemplating marriage should be registered and attending weekly Mass. Couples should make initial arrangements one year in advance by contacting the Parish Office.

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