

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. Marilyn Smith, *RCIA Director*

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Parish Office: 973-824-6548

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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, 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: Merylyn Smith
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Merylyn 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: Merylyn Smith
MAINTENANCE: Arnie Pinnex
MEDIA: Beverly Mitchell
MUSIC/CHOIR: John Garner, Diane Scott
PARISH COUNCIL: Lionel Leach
PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS: Mary Brown
RCIA: Merylyn Smith
REPAST: Helen Brooks
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY: Natasha Brown
SANITATION: Alicia E. Alford
TRUSTEES: Stephanie Williams, Homer Mosley
WELCOME: Joan Lowery
WELLNESS: Marleyne Tronchin
YOUTH: Fred Hill

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



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, Yvette Hall, Alicia Alford, Delores Guyton, Victoria Hall, Marion Gabriel, Patricia Ross

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 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 to 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 Merylyn Smith.

WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER 26, 2023

All Masses should have an intention. Mass is the most powerful prayer of praise and worship we can ever offer to God.

ZOOM DAILY MASSES MON.– SAT.
8:00 AM & SAT. 6:00 PM
STREAMED ON FACEBOOK

Sunday, November 26

Jesus Christ King of the Universe

Readings: Ez 34:11–12, 15–17

1 Cor 15:20–26, 28

Gospel: Matt 25:21–46

6:30 PM Mass

Thanking God for another year of life and continued blessings requested by Marleyne Tronchin

8:00 AM Mass

Rest of the souls of Patricia Schaefer and Charles Doherty requested by Barbara Doherty; Rest of the soul of James Brown requested by the church

10:00 AM Mass

Rest of the souls of Patricia Schaefer and Charles Doherty requested by Barbara Doherty; Rest of the soul of James Brown as requested by the church; Thanking God for another year of life and continued blessings requested by Marleyne Tronchin

12:30 PM ICC MASS

Monday, November 27

Reading: Dan 1:1–6, 8–20

Gospel: Lk 21:1–4

Tuesday, November 28

Reading: Dan 2:31–45

Gospel: Lk 21:5–11

Wednesday, November 29

Reading: Dan 5:1–6, 13–14, 23–28

Gospel: Lk 21:12–19

Thursday, November 30

Reading: Rom 10:9–18

Gospel: Matt 4:18–22

Friday, December 1

Reading: Dan 7:2–14

Gospel: Lk 21:29–33

Saturday, December 2

Reading: Dan 7:15–27

Gospel: Lk 21:34–36

Sunday, December 3

First Sunday of Advent

Readings: Is 63:16 b-17; 64:1, 64:3-8;

1 Cor 1:3-9

Gospel: Mk 13:33-7



The Love of the Eternal King

Reviewing the kingship of the Lord, the title of King goes back quite far in biblical history. The first mention of a king in the Holy Bible is in the Book of Genesis. About 1,500 B.C., King Bela, the son of Beor, reigned in the city of Dinhabah, the capital of Edom. He was one of the many kings who reigned in the land of Edom before any king ever reigned over God's chosen people, the Israelites. [Gen. 36:31]

Biblical history tells us that God chose a people to be His own, starting with Abraham, and going down through his many generations. Unofficially, God was the King of the Israelites, although the word King was not used early in time.

Then came the days of Samuel when his sons were appointed as judges over Israel. They did not follow the ways of their father, turning aside after gain, taking bribes and perverting justice. [1 Sam. 8:3] Because of this, the elders of the Israelite people, God's chosen nation, approached Samuel, asking him to appoint a king over them. [1 Sam. 8:5]

During today's First Reading from the Book of Ezekiel, [Ezek. 34:11-12, 15-17] we heard of God's promise that He Himself would come as the Shepherd of His sheep to seek them out and rescue them from where they have been scattered. In this passage, we perceive the unforgotten love of a King who takes care of His subjects.

During today's Second Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians, [1 Cor. 15:20-26, 28] we heard that Christ was raised from the dead as the first fruits of those who have died. One day, all those who have walked their living faith in Christ will resurrect from the dead to receive their salvation and to be glorified in Christ.

Today's Reading from the Gospel of Matthew [Mt. 25:31-46] discloses to us what will happen just before all of this is accomplished. Jesus will come in His glory with all the angels. He will sit on the Throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him and He will separate the sheep from the goats, the sheep at His right and the goats at His left.

Word Of Life

"Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT PRAYER BREAKFAST: December 9, 9 am to noon. Fr. Patrick Winbush will be the guest speaker.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY: December 16. The giving tree with tags to purchase gifts for the children, will be in the back of the church.

WELCOME MINISTRY needs members. Please see Janice Champ (8am) and Merilyn Smith (10am).

ILL PARISHONERS: If you are ill or know of any ill parishioners, please contact the office so the priest and homebound team can arrange a visit

CALLING ALL TEENS! The food pantry needs your help on the 3rd & 4th Saturday of the month between the hours of 8-10 am. See Helen Brooks for details.

THREE PARENTS PER WEEK are needed to help with the children's Mass, see Fred for details.

FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED after the 8 and 10 AM Masses It is simple fellowship. If you want to sponsor a fellowship, contact Pat Ross at 973-508-8309 for more information.

TUESDAY NIGHT FAMILY PRAYER and Fasting at 10 pm on YouTube Live Stream.

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. A donation of \$10 is suggested.

MASS REMEMBRANCE AND FLOWER ENVELOPES are in your Tithing package. Please place them in the boxes in front of the Blessed Mother altar.

RCIA: Classes are every Sunday after the 10 am Mass in 19 Van Ness Pl. 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 Merilyn Smith for further details on how to proceed.

CLASSES FOR FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION for children. Please bring Baptismal Certificate for registration. Please see Stephanie Williams (First Communion) and Fred Hill (Confirmation).

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 is every Wednesday at 7:45 pm via Zoom.

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@bsscchurch.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 – \$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.

NO MONEY FOR MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON SUNDAY. PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE.

THERE WILL BE NO RENTAL OF THE CHURCH HALL AFTER OCTOBER 15 DUE TO RENOVATION.

REMEMBER! THERE IS NO EATING OR DRINKING IN THE CHURCH.

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