

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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Parochial Vicar: Fr. Erasmus Okere,
Ext. 103

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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: Marilyn Smith
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Marilyn 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: Marilyn Smith
MAINTENANCE: Arnie Pinnex
MEDIA: Beverly Mitchell
MUSIC/CHOIR: John Garner, Diane Scott
PARISH COUNCIL: Lionel Leach
PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS: Mary Brown
RCIA: Marilyn 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



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, David Saddow, 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 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 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 Marilyn Smith.

WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER 10, 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, SEPTEMBER 10 *23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Readings: Ez 33:7–9

Rom 13:8–10

Gospel: Mt 18:15–20

6:30 Mass

8:00 Mass

Prayer for repose of the soul of Victoria Odunaiké and asking God to grant her eternal rest requested by the Odunaiké family: Chigozie Ojukwu is thanking God for His family mercy and asking God's mercy on his career

10:00 Mass

For God's healing mercies on Anne Apezi Efeurboho requested by Marian Ijeh; For God's Healing mercies for his mother Sheila Sadow requested by David Sadow

12:30 ICC MASS

Monday, September 11

Reading: Col 1:24–2:3

Gospel: Lk 6:6–11

Tuesday, September 12

Reading: Col 2:6–15

Gospel: Lk 6:12–19

Wednesday, September 13

Reading: Col 3:1–11

Gospel: Lk 6:20–26

Thursday, September 14

Reading: Num 21:4b–9

Phil 2:6–11

Gospel: Jn 3:13–17

Friday, September 15

Reading: 1 Tim 1:1–2, 12–14a

Gospel: Jn 19:25–27

Saturday, September 16

Reading: 1 Tim 1:15–17

Gospel: Lk 6:43–49

Sunday, September 17

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Sir 27:30–28:7

Rom 14:7–9

Gospel: Mt 18:21–35



Go and Point Out the Fault

During today's three reading from the Holy Scriptures, we heard that the Lord God gave us the responsibility to be our brothers' keepers. Therefore, the term, "It's none of my business." is not biblical, nor is it acceptable in the practice of the Christian life. Such an expression echoes a passage that we are familiar with from the Book of Genesis where it states, "Then the LORD said to Cain, 'Where is your brother Abel?' Abel answered, 'I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?'"

As parents and caregivers, Christians are responsible and made accountable for the welfare of those under their care, be it their children, grandparents or even friends. Equally, lawyers are responsible and made accountable for their clients. Doctors are responsible and made accountable for their patients. Police Officers, Security Guards and Correctional Officers are responsible and made accountable for their actions of upholding the law. Even Bank Managers are responsible and made accountable for the money deposited by their clients. In each occupation, there is a responsibility and full accountability is required of the individuals.

The Words of God that we have heard today, they did not speak of worldly responsibility and accountability. They spoke of God's commanded spiritual responsibility and accountability that each and everyone of us has towards our neighbors. The meaning of the word "neighbor" in biblical sense has a greater meaning than just "fellow Jews" or the neighbor next door. It spoke of our responsibility of correcting our brothers and sisters in Christ who live in error. This obligation is nothing new. It has always existed in the Catholic Church, from the early days of the Christian community right up to the present time.

Today's Sacred Words of God echo many Bible passages that are commonly known. [Mt. 12:28-34] The first passage from the Scriptures states, "For with the judgment you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get." [Mt. 7:2] While this passage speaks of how some judge others without noticing the log in their own eyes, it holds another spiritual meaning. It speaks of tolerance, allowing freedom, being indifferent to the sins of others. The measure by which we give, we will receive. If we are indifferent to the sins of others, therefore giving approval of such sins, we are just as guilty of the sins of the sinners as if we had committed them ourselves. Our silence condemns us!

Word Of Life

"By our baptism, we are members of Christ's body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God." USCCB, "Open Wide Our Hearts" Bulletin Insert

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY JUBILEE ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE to the National Shrine in Washington, DC is **Saturday, September 16**. \$50 holds your bus seat. We will be joining with St. Mary's church. Give your name and money ASAP to Elizabeth in the church the office.

CLASSES FOR ADULTS PREPARING FOR BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION OR COMMUNION will begin on **Sunday, September 24** after the 10am Mass. Please see Merilyn Smith to register.

REMOTE TRAININGS FOR BEREAVEMENT & MENTAL HEALTH by The Office for Family Life Ministry beginning **September 25**. Please call the office for further information. Please see Janice Champ or Marleyne Tronchin for details.

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

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

FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED after the 8 and 10 AM Masses on August 6. It is simple fellowship. If you want to sponsor a fellowship, contact Pat Ross at 973-508-8309 for more information.

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.

PARENTS ARE NEEDED TO HELP WITH THE CHILDREN DURING THE SUNDAY CHILDREN'S MASS. CONTACT FRED.

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

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 SEPTEMBER 30 DUE TO RENOVATION.

REMEMBER! THERE IS NO EATING OR DRINKING IN THE CHURCH

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>.

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 – \$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.

THE ANNUAL APPEAL FOR 2023: Your gift supports this parish and the Archdiocese, Mercy House, Catholic Charities and the Office of Youth Ministry.

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