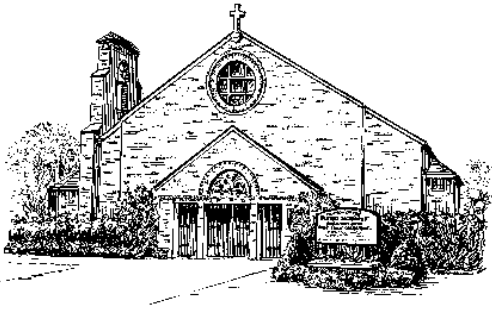


# BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Staten Island, New York



**Reverend Monsignor Peter G. Finn, Pastor**  
**Reverend Francisco Lanzaderas**  
**Reverend Albin Roby**  
**Reverend Monsignor Francis V. Boyle, Pastor Emeritus**

## **MASSES:**

Saturday in the Church: 5:00 PM (Vigil), Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM.  
Weekdays in the Church: 7:00 AM and 9:00 AM. Saturday in the Church: 9:00 AM.  
Holy Days in the Church: 7:00 PM (Vigil), 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday: 12:00 to 1:00 PM; 4:15 to 5:00 PM.  
Anytime upon reasonable request.

## **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Sunday at 2:00 PM. (Except during July & August, then only on the First and Third Sunday and other specified days)  
Arrangements should be made at least one month in advance with the priest of the Parish. Parents of a first child and parents who are new to Blessed Sacrament must attend a Baptism Instruction Class which is held the second Wednesday evening of every month (except July and August) at 7:30 P.M. in the Parish House Meeting Room. Godparents should be Practicing Catholics, and must obtain a Sponsor Certificate from their Parish.

## **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

Arrangements should be made about six months in advance, with a priest of the Parish. Couples must attend Pre-Cana Conferences.

**SICK CALLS** - At any time.

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA** - Every Monday after the 9:00 AM Mass.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** - First Friday from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 P.M.

**NEW PARISHIONERS** - Welcome to our Parish.

We invite all parishioners to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. If you are new in the parish, please introduce yourself after Mass and register at the Parish House Office weekdays 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Kindly notify us if you change your address.

### **PARISH HOUSE**

30 Manor Road  
442-1581

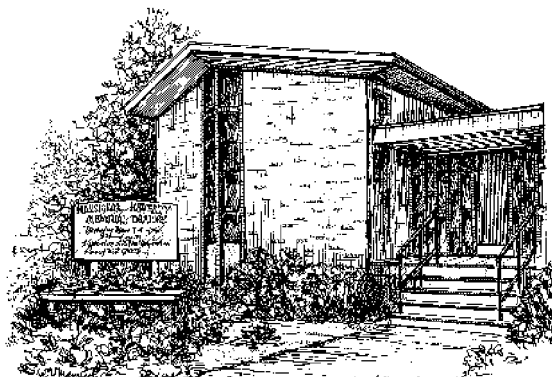
<http://www.blessedsacramentchurchsi.org>

### **SCHOOL**

Mr. Joseph Cocozello  
Principal  
830 Delafield Avenue  
442-3090

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Sister Anne Dolores Van Wagenen, C.S.J.B. - D.R.E.  
830 Delafield Avenue  
448-0378



**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

On August 1, 2015 St. Paul Parish will be merged with St. Peter and Assumption and the Chapel at St. Paul will no longer be used.

On August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 A.M. the last Mass will be celebrated in the Chapel of St. Paul (129 Clinton Avenue). Following the Mass a Procession will bring the Blessed Sacrament to St. Peter's Church (53 St. Mark's Place) for a period of Adoration and Benediction. Afterwards the Procession will continue to Assumption Church (15 Webster Avenue) for a time of Adoration and Benediction. Following this the Procession will proceed back to St. Paul for a Reception from 2:00 to 5:00 P.M. Everyone is invited to come and join for all or part of the day, by walking or driving as we celebrate the 89 grace-filled years God has blessed all of us through the Parish of St. Paul. To help properly prepare for the day, please call 718-447-6362 if you will attend the reception.

**PARISHPAY Online Giving** allows parishioners to give anytime, anywhere with the click of a button. We encourage all parishioners to visit the ParishPay Website at [www.parishpay.com](http://www.parishpay.com). See why so many of our parishioners are choosing to use this easy electronic method of Offertory Donation.

We are grateful to all of our parishioners for their continued support to Blessed Sacrament Parish.

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTION</u>	
<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
\$5269.00 (Weekly)	\$5785.00 (Weekly)
\$1212.00	< 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection > \$1491.00
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
636 (Adults)	730 (Adults)
117 (Children)	141 (Children)
753	871

***PRAY FOR THE SICK***

The sick are comforted just knowing that you pray for them In your charity please remember: Margaret Pittman-Boyle, Douglas Pflieger, Jr., Phyllis Ribaud, Ann Socci, James Burghardt, Concetta Chicolo, Kelly Ward, Amelia DiMauro, Mary Kenny, Kathryn Haring, Jean Carter, Stephanie Barry, Jane Redmond, Carolyn DeStefano, Robert Tursi, Deirdre Westergren, Nicholas Toto, Marykate Rose, Peggy Travers, Mary Anne Blaine, Jean Cunningham, Jean Elmady, Alan March, Sebastian Lattuga, Grayce Novaro, Angela Siuzdak, Helen Ramsey, Katherine Barbera, Phyllis Scharfenberg, Phyllis Giambruno, Margaret Romani, Br. William Herbst, Barbara Brown, Patricia Connelly, Hugh Kiernan, Mary Belli, Mark Volpe, Elaine Lydersen, Linda Hansen, Dean Robert Ziegler, Susannah Yates, Carol Stoltzfus, Marco Antonio Gonzalez, Grace Leddy, Larry Taylor, Jr., Kathy Quinlan, Felicidad Tobias, Jose Ruiz, Casta Miskowitz, Rosemary Callahan, Elizabeth Coyne, Danielle Ziegler, Brandon Toro, Bruce McKee and Robert Hammerton.

***SYMPATHY***

Remember the souls of Mildred Kerr, Michael McCarthy and the souls for whom Mass will be offered during the week, especially:

**MONDAY**

7:00 Peter Mancuso

9:00 Kenneth Aiani

**TUESDAY**

7:00 Jaclyn M. Finn (Living Intention)

9:00 Eugene Esposito

**WEDNESDAY**

7:00 Jean Savage

9:00 Ignatius Navarra

**THURSDAY**

7:00 Marie Novaro

9:00 Barbara Ianacone (12<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

**FRIDAY**

7:00 Ann Buckley

9:00 Sonia Piniero

**SATURDAY**

9:00 Audrey Gartrell-Allman

5:00 Kenneth Aiani

**SUNDAY**

8:00 Anna Cataldo

9:30 John O'Connell

12:30 Carmela & Anthony Sofio & Larry Puca

**SCHEDULE FOR JULY 19, 2015**

<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>		
5:00 PM Vigil	Team	6
8:00 AM	Team	7
9:30 AM	Team	8
11:00 AM	Team	9
12:30 PM	Team	10

<u>LECTORS</u>
D. Maj
J. Hansen
C. Wodzinski
M. Conigatti
J. Pace

<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u>
J. Hansen & E. Laub
P. Manley & R. Gallop
J. Pace & E. Hodgens
E. & G. Checkett
J. & M. Spach

**GOD CHOSE US**

Who chose first, God or you? That is the question explored in today's three readings. The second reading, from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, reads almost like a hymn. It praises God for choosing us, for calling us to serve, and for blessing us in our service. Paul makes it clear how honored we are and how special is the call to live as children of God. This is through no doing of our own.

The first reading and the Gospel use prose rather than poetry to describe the same truth: God did the choosing, not us. When the prophet Amos was berated for being a prophet, he retorted that the whole thing wasn't his idea in the first place. Neither did the twelve apostles in today's Gospel ask for their calling. Jesus sent them forth, two by two, to do the work of his kingdom.

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**CONGRATULATIONS** to our 50/50 Raffle winners for June – Mr. & Mrs. James Driscoll who won \$780.00.

**PARISH NURSE PROGRAM**

The Parish Nurse's office hours are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. If you wish to make an appointment with the Parish Nurse, Peggy Smith, please call her at 718-447-9657.

**Feast of St. Clare Festival**  
**St. Clare's Church**  
**110 Nelson Avenue, Staten Island**  
**Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**11:00 A.M.**

Games, Raffles, Dunk Tank, Arts & Crafts,  
 Vendors, Food & Snacks!  
 Come & join the fun!

**FROM THE PASTOR**

If Memorial day marked the unofficial beginning of Summer 2015, then last week's celebration of July 4<sup>th</sup> spectacularly formalizes those "Lazy Day of Summer" and vacation time.

As we look forward to the too short for kids and sometimes too long for parents, we seniors and other "ages" have mixed emotions about the time frame.

However, the Editorial Board of *Our Sunday Visitor* suggests the following:

***THIS SUMMER, DON'T.....***

***For the Church, both nationally and internationally, this summer is the calm before the storm, so to speak, as we prepare for a fall filled with Pope Francis' apostolic visit to the United States, the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia and the second part of the two part Synod of Bishops on the Family. How, then, to make the most of the relative quiet while we are able? Addressing the problem conversely, here are six ways not to spend these coveted summer months:***

- 1) ***DON'T STASH YOURSELF BEHIND A SCREEN. Though we didn't know it then, life was relatively easy when televisions were the only threat to a game of summer-evening tag. The portable supercomputers each of us now carries around in our pockets are incredible sources of power and knowledge, but they're too often also time-sucking sources of mindless entertainment and distraction. This summer, set boundaries with your devices and with your communication.***

*Seek affirmation face to face rather than virtually. Break bad tech habits and create new, healthier ones. In his message for this year's World Day of Communications (May 17), Pope Francis wisely said: "The great challenge facing us today is to learn once again how to talk to one another, not simply how to generate and consume information."*

*2) DON'T FACE INWARD. Most likely there is a lot on your summer to-do list that has to do with you: hobbies you want to focus on, vacations you want to take. This summer, though, what if we channeled Pope Francis and sought out the "encounters" in life? Consider spending one extra hour in the company of elderly loved ones, especially if they're in a nursing home or assisted living facility. Offer to baby-sit one morning a week for a busy mom who needs a break. Seek to do for others. The moments when we look outside ourselves are when we grow.*

*3) DON'T BECOME SPIRITUALLY COMPLACENT. Find God in the written word this summer. Prepare for the World Meeting of Families by reading "Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive." Commit to attending Eucharistic adoration one hour each week. If you're spending a lot of time in the car, consider praying a Rosary as a family or by yourself. Or perhaps simply open and close each leg of travel with the sign of the cross and a short prayer to St. Christopher, patron saint of travelers. Even small gestures can create space for prayer and gratitude.*

*4) DON'T SKIP MASS. It's a no-brainer, but make it a priority to get to Mass, even and especially when traveling. There's no better way to communicate the importance of the Faith to your children and grandchildren than by spending a sunny, beach-perfect morning inside a church.*

*5) DON'T BE UNREALISTIC. Maybe this summer isn't right for the trip to Europe or two-week beach vacation. Be realistic about budget and time constraints, remembering, with a spirit of gratitude, to prioritize what is really important: quality time with loved ones and with God.*

*6) DON'T OVERDO. Pope Francis often has stressed the importance of cultivating "a healthy sense of leisure." Rekindle the pleasures of art and literature, he advised. Spend time playing and relaxing. We agree, and we hope our Holy Father, too, sets aside some time this summer to recharge before the fall. In a talk to the Roman Curia in December, Pope Francis said, "Rest...must be taken seriously: in spending a little time with relatives and respecting the holidays as a time for spiritual and physical replenishment, it is necessary to learn the teaching of Ecclesiastes, that 'there is a time for everything.'"*

When all is said and done, I pray we shall all have a restful, peace filled, happy and wonderful summer 2015 with God, Family, Friends and Loved Ones!

GOD BLESSYOU,  
MSGR. FINN