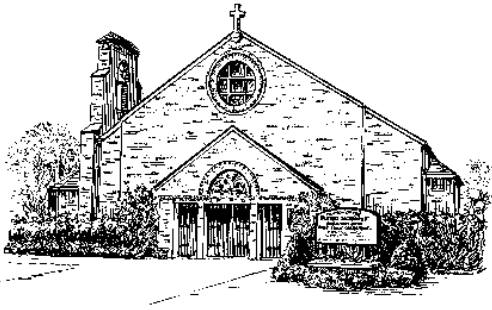


# BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Staten Island, New York 10310

April 24, 2016



**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 Tuesday 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



**ENCYCLICAL ON THE ENVIRONMENT**

In his encyclical "On Care for Our Common Home" Pope Francis refers multiple times, not only to the destruction of the earth and the poor, but also to the destruction of local, indigenous cultures whose insights are essential for planetary survival. May we join Pope Francis' call for the protection of present-day indigenous communities from the misuse of the land, and appropriation of mineral and water rights which too often lead to the destruction of their communities, culture, and the ecological wisdom we desperately need.

**MINISTRY FOR INCLUSION**

The Blessed Sacrament Ministry for Inclusion cordially invites you to **Our Mass for All God's Special People** on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am. Refreshments to follow in the Parish Center Meeting Room.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT PRAYER GROUP**

The Prayer Group is sponsoring a Healing Mass on **Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>**. It starts at 7:00pm with Rosary, praise and worship followed by the Holy Mass at 8:00pm. Celebrant: Fr. Richard Bretone, parochial vicar of St. Patrick's Church of Brooklyn. Contact: Lolita Peralta 347-863-4759 or Charlie Caselli 745-720-2447 for more info.

**NEW DORP HIGH SCHOOL** presents *Little Shop of Horrors*. May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Tickets are \$15.00pp. Call (718) 667-8686 x32073 for tickets.

<b><u>SUNDAY COLLECTION</u></b>	
<b><u>2016</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b>
\$5,964 (Weekly)	\$6,143 (Weekly)
\$2,725 <Monthly	\$2,266 <Debt Reduction
<b><u>ATTENDANCE</u></b>	
<b><u>2016</u></b>	<b><u>2015</u></b>
764 (Adults)	788 (Adults)
<u>142 (Children)</u>	<u>180 (Children)</u>
906	968

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP  
KEEPS ITS SILENT VIGIL  
BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
THE DRONNE FAMILY**

***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, Jane Redmond, Carolyn DeStefano, Robert Tursi, Deirdre Westergren, Nicholas Toto, Marykate Rose, Peggy Travers, Mary Anne Blaine, Jean Cunningham, Jean Elmadary, Alan March, Sebastian Lattuga, Grayce Novaro, Angela Siuzdak, Helen Ramsey, Katherine Barbera, Phyllis Scharfenberg, Margaret Romani, Br. William Herbst, Barbara Brown, Michael Caruso, Patricia Connelly, Mary Belli, Mark Volpe, Elaine Lydersen, Linda Hansen, Dean Robert Ziegler, Danielle Ziegler, Susannah Yates, Marco Antonio Gonzalez, Grace Leddy, Joseph D'Amico, Larry Taylor, Jr., Kathy Quinlan, Katie Hanley, Felicidad Tobias, Jose Ruiz, Casta Miskowitz, Rosemary Callahan, Elizabeth Coyne, Lucy D'Angelo, Robert Hammerton, Catherine Vitale, Capala Lusi, Jack McGarry, Robert McQuade, Amy Mezzacappa, Mary Ruggiero, Amparo Isaza, Brian Nelson, Joan Callahan, Julia Micol, Molly Cafaro, Bob Miuccio, and Maryann & Danny Brown.

***SYMPATHY***

Remember the soul of Vincent Crispino and the souls for whom Mass will be offered during the week, especially:

**MONDAY**

7:00 Josephine Coyne & David Brown  
9:00 Margaret Lutfey

**TUESDAY**

7:00 Anthony Lenza  
9:00 Patricia McLaughlin (Living)

**WEDNESDAY**

7:00 John & Peggy Ciano  
9:00 Brendan Lynch (31<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)

**THURSDAY**

7:00 Josephine & Joseph Cavallo  
9:00 Bernard Phillip

**FRIDAY**

7:00 Doris O'Toole (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.)  
9:00 Anne M. Piazza (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.)

**SATURDAY**

9:00 Nicholas Johs  
5:00 Burton Cohen

**SUNDAY**

8:00 Emily Marie McQuade  
9:30 Frank Miller  
12:30 Barbara Kenny (6<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

**SCHEDULE FOR MAY 1, 2016**

<b><u>ALTAR SERVERS</u></b>			<b><u>LECTORS</u></b>	<b><u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u></b>
5:00 PM Vigil	Team	4	Sr. Anne Dolores	C. Rooney & N. Mata
8:00 AM	Team	5	C. Burns	A. Coscia & E. Hodgens
9:30 AM	Team	1	C. Wodzinski	B. Collorec & P. Thomann
11:00 AM	Team	2	J. Pace	J. Spach & M. Spach
12:30 PM	Team	3	L. Pillarella	M. Conigatti & C. Wodzinski

**OUR LADY'S BLUE ARMY**

May 7<sup>th</sup> at the World Apostolate of Fatima Shrine, 674 Mountain View Road, Washington, NJ. "You, at least, try to console me.." Fr. Andrew Apostoli, CFR, renowned author/speaker, explains the Five First Saturdays, leads the Rosary/15 min. meditation requested by Our Lord and Our Lady, and celebrates Mass. All are invited. For more info: [www.bluearmy.com](http://www.bluearmy.com) or call 908-689-1700

**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.

**The Titan League Breakfast Club** will meet on Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M. at the Dakota Diner (Richmond & Forest Avenues.)

**APPARITION HILL**

A Private Screening of *Apparition Hill*, a new film which follows the journey of 7 believers and non-believers as they explore the site of alleged Marian apparitions in Medjugorje at Stadium 16 UA Theater: 2474 Forest Ave. One Night Only – Monday, **May 16<sup>th</sup>**, Doors open at 7pm, Film starts at 7:30pm till 9:30pm. Registration required. To reserve your ticket (\$20), contact: Margaret Moschetto 718-727-2672 or [mmmoschetto@gmail.com](mailto:mmmoschetto@gmail.com). Make checks payable to St. Peter-Assumption-St. Paul. Mail to 53 St. Mark's Place, 10301, Attn: Film. Please include your email address or phone number so receipt of reservation can be confirmed.

**2016 EDWARD CARDINAL EGAN LECTURE**

The Magnificat Foundation cordially invites you to **"Not Born Bad, The Catholic Truth About Original Sin"** by Archbishop J. Augustine di Noia, O.P., Adjunct Secretary of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. Saturday, **May 21<sup>st</sup>** 6:00pm at New York University Catholic Center, 238 Thompson Street. Seating is limited. Ticketed admission only. To receive complimentary tickets, please register at [www.cardinaleganlecture.com](http://www.cardinaleganlecture.com) or call 914-502-1859.

**MEALS ON WHEELS**

The Teen Council of Meals on Wheels of Staten Island is hosting a Flea Market/Vendor Sale on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 2pm at Immanuel Union Church, 693 Jewett Avenue. Come and do your Mother's Day shopping with us!

**ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION+LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL+ST. BENEDICTA PARISH**

Market for Vendors of Handcrafted Items/Indoor Garage Sale, Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9am to 4 pm – Gymnasium of Our Lady of Mount Carmel + St. Benedicta Grammar School – 285 Clove Road. Tables are only \$10 each. To reserve your table or tables, please call the rectory at 718-442-3411. Payments must be made by Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Welcome New Parishioners*****The Baratta Family******Mr. & Mrs. Michael Castellano******Miss Margaret Collins & Mr. Stephen Moran******Mr. & Mrs. Fevelo******Mr. Charles Hargrove******The LoCasto Family******The Thomson Family******The Trentalange Family***

**Our Visitors:** If you are new to the area and are considering Blessed Sacrament as your Parish Family, please stop by the Parish Office to register. Or go to our website, click on the Parish Registration Form link, print out a Registration Form and return your completed form to us in any Sunday Offertory Basket.

**FROM THE PASTOR**

One of the great experiences I witnessed as former Rector of St. Joseph's Seminary, 2001 – 2007 was the advent of Ukrainian Greek Catholic seminarians studying and praying side by side with Roman Catholic seminarians of the Archdiocese of New York. Together these men prayed, studied, worshipped and recreated (social) together in a shared love of Jesus Christ. On one occasion, His Eminence Cardinal Lubomyr Husar, now retired leader of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic church visited the seminary to celebrate Eucharist and meet with the seminarians. Accompanied by Bishop Basil Losten retired Ukrainian Bishop from Connecticut it was a wonderful fraternal gathering.

George Weigel, senior fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, D.C. writes of:

***Ukraines Greek Catholic Heroes***

*Ever since the Maidan revolution of dignity erupted in Kiev in November, 2013, Russian propaganda has been pumped into the world in a steady stream of bilge reminiscent of Germany in the 1930s. That propaganda has come through governmental and putatively independent channels, senior Kremlin officials, TV outlets and Russian Internet trolls. Most unfortunately, it has come from senior officials of the Russian Orthodox Church, who have too often misrepresented what the Kremlin is up to in Ukraine while slandering Ukraine's Greek Catholic leaders with false accusations of Russo phobia.*

*This mendacity is bad enough in itself. Its distortion of international public life is intensified, however, when ignorant, naïve or duplicitous western reporters and commentators take these lies at face value and repeat them. One example appeared in a recent issue of The Tablet, the London-based Catholic weekly that reaches a global audience. In an otherwise insightful article, writer Jonathan Luxmoore recycled Russian Orthodox Metropolitan Hilarion's demonstrably false charge that Greek Catholic leaders in the Ukraine have "used openly Russo phobic rhetoric," thus making it harder to heal historical wounds. He went on to write:*

*"The Moscow Patriarchate has a point. The Greek Catholic Church's youthful, inexperienced leaders undoubtedly helped stoke the 2013-14 uprising against Ukraine's pro-Russian president Viktor Yanukovich, with one bishop in particular, the U. S. born Borys Gudziak, coming close to inciting conflict. None of this can justify Russia's land-grab in Crimea and backing for the breakaway republics of Donetsk and Luhansk. But it may help to explain why Pope Francis has held back in his statements on the conflict, much to the frustration of Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk of Kiev-Halych, the Greek Catholic Church's 45 year old leader."*

*Rarely has so much disinformation been packed into four sentences. It is libelous to suggest that Bishop Gudziak "incited conflict" when the truth is that he, and other Greek catholic Church leaders, risked their lives to sustain nonviolent resistance on the Maidan, amidst an assault by murderous internal security forces who killed over 100 innocent, nonviolent democratic activists.*

*Ukraine's Greek Catholic leaders did not "stoke...an uprising" in Ukraine; they supported their people in the people's insistence that Ukraine's democratic future within Europe by redeemed, when it was being betrayed by a corrupt, kleptocratic government under pressure from Vladimir Putin.*

*As for the "youthful inexperience" of Ukraine's Greek Catholic Church, Cardinal Lubomyr Husar, was present on the Maiden, supporting his younger colleagues. As the most respected man in the country, Cardinal Husar helped give the Maiden revolution its striking moral depth.*

*Cardinal Husar, Major-Archbishop Shevchuk, and Bishop Gudziak are friends of mine, so some may consider me a suspect witness. But I know these men well. The suggestion that Major-Archbishop Shevchuk and Bishop Gudziak are inexperienced naifs is literally incredible to anyone familiar with the heroic roles they have played over the past two-and-a-half years, under difficult circumstances. They have acted as bishops ought to act, and as Pope Francis has asked bishops to act, most recently in Mexico: standing with the flock as true shepherds, risking their own lives. Their witness undoubtedly inspired many conversions on the Maiden; their service since then continues to do so; they are true heroes of the faith, as is their inspiration, Cardinal Husar.*

*Misrepresenting the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church leadership invites the concern that the author of these calumnies has made himself into a tool of propagandists – unwittingly, one hopes. That the editors who handled his material saw fit to pass it through invites the further concern that an important Catholic publication has lost its critical edge.*

*The hoped-for rapprochement between Catholicism and Russian Orthodoxy is not advanced when Catholic publications swallow and then regurgitate toxic falsehoods.*

*"That all may be one."*

God bless you  
MSGR. FINN