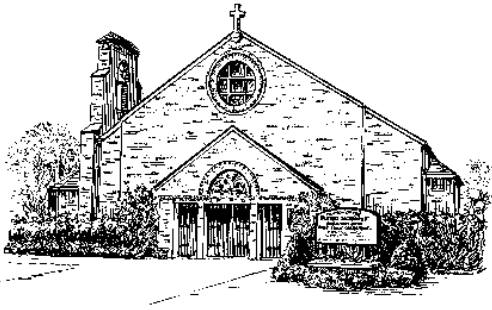


BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Staten Island, New York 10310

August 28, 2016



Reverend Monsignor Peter G. Finn, Pastor
Reverend Francisco Lanzaderas
Reverend Roland Antony Raj, MMI
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



CATECHISTS FOR THE 2016/17 YEAR

We are blessed to have wonderful Catholics who are willing to give of their time and share their faith with the children in our religious education program. Each year there are a few openings in our catechetical program. As a catechist you will learn new things about the Catholic faith and relearn things you might have forgotten. You will have the opportunity to learn more about your own prayer life and share the reasons for your beliefs with your students. You will have an opportunity to help the children develop their prayer life and their relationship with Jesus. I hope you will think about being a catechist, a classroom assistant or even a substitute. Come forward and do not wait for someone to personally ask you. If interested call Sr. Anne Dolores at the CCD Office (718-448-0378).

We have 2 classes open in the lower grades and look forward to hearing from you. I can also be reached at 347-466-2476.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES for the 2016/17 year will begin on Sept. 7th at 6:30pm in the school gym for the Confirmation class. All other grades will begin on Sept. 14th – Grades 1-5 2:00pm to 3:30pm; Grades 6&7 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Release time cards, necessary for grades 1 thru 5 can be picked on Sept. 7th from 5:30-6:30pm in the school gym.

“**EVE OF SOLEMN REMEMBRANCE**” will once again be held at St. Peter’s Church, 53 St. Marks Place, on Friday, Sept. 9th at 7pm. The event is sponsored by the University of Notre Dame Alumni Club of Staten Island. The Most Rev. Bishop John J. O’Hara will be the main celebrant and homilist. The event will begin at 7pm with sacred music by Maura Molloy followed by a concelebrated Mass at 7:30pm.

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTION</u>	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
\$5,991 (Weekly)	\$5,275 (Weekly)
\$1,774 (Debt Reduction)	\$1,350 (Religious Ed.)
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
682 (Adults)	722 (Adults)
133 (Children)	127 (Children)
815	849

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP
KEEPS ITS SILENT VIGIL
BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JOHN MORANO**

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 and Molly Cafaro

SYMPATHY

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

MONDAY

7:00 James D. Finn
9:00 Mickey Dosic

TUESDAY

7:00 Ruth Rodriguez
9:00 Burton Cohen

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Francisco & Bernardina Cabotaje
9:00 Albert F. Tarasoris

THURSDAY

7:00 Gilbert Montalvo, Sr.
9:00 Mary Martin

FRIDAY

7:00 Claire E. Strom (Living)
9:00 John Morano

SATURDAY

9:00 Muriel Steiniger
5:00 Nora & John Riley

SUNDAY

8:00 Emily Marie McQuade
9:30 Albert J. Spero
12:30 John Schwarz

SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 4, 2016**ALTAR SERVERS**

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

LECTORS

K. Kelley
F. Molanphy
M. Boyd
E. Trentalange
M. Peries

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

V. Donnelly & C. Rooney
W. Boyd & D. Vigliotti
C. Wodzinski & A. Morrell
J. Spach & M. Spach
E. Laub & A. Aponte

**Blessed Sacrament School Class of 1966
50th Reunion Plus All Years from 60s**

We are looking for any students of the 60's who had some association with the class of '66 – including siblings, friends, and those who were involved in our class (through theatrical productions, clubs, sports teams or any other association) as we join together to reconnect with old friends and relive common memories of our early teen years.

For more information and photos, Google “Blessed Sacrament School Class of '66 50th Reunion PLUS All years from 60s.”

Celebration Date: Sunday, October 9th

- 11am Sunday Mass
- 11:45am “Kids” from the 60's will take a tour of the old school building
- 12:30pm Celebration and Dinner at LiGreci's Staaten, 697 Forest Ave.
- 5:00pm “AfterParty” at Jody's Club Forest, 372 Forest Ave., for continued good cheer

Interested in joining us please send your name and contact info in an email to:

BSSsixtiesreunion@gmail.com

YOUTH LEADERSHIP MEETING

All public and private high school students are invited to attend a meeting at St. Charles School Auditorium from 6:15pm to 7:15pm on Wed., Sept. 28th. All students will gain service hours and leadership experience in planning St. Catholic Youth Fest which will be located at Moore Catholic High School from 9 to 5pm on Sat., March 11, 2017. Contact Deacon Steve cyminsi@gmail.com for more information.

WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA

Saturday, Sept. 3rd Bishop James F. Checchio, Special Guest Speaker – First Saturday Devotion. Blue Army Shrine, 674 Mt. View Rd. East, Asbury, NJ, call 908-689-1700 or go to www.bluearmy.com for details.

PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

The Parish Nurse's office hours are on Tuesdays and Fridays 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.

Welcome New Parishioners

Ms. Nicole Bennett & Mr. Anthony Grippo
The Boyle Family
Ms. Cathriona Breslin
Ms. Sheila Breslin, Mr. Wayne Mabrouk & Olivia Mabrouk
The Lane Family
The Lauro Family
Ms. Kristin Marchi
The Pannell Family
The Retino Family
The Ryan Family
Mrs. Anna Scampas
Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Schiavone
The Stoffers Family
The Vento Family
The Yammine Family
The Zoricik Family

If you are new to the area and are considering Blessed Sacrament as your Parish Family, please stop by the Parish Office, 30 Manor Road, to register. Or go to our website, click on Parish Registration Form link, print out a Registration Form and return your completed form to us in any Sunday Offertory Basket.

RCIA PROGRAM**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

The RCIA Program offers an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our Christian faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experiences of the Church and to prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Our Parish Program for RCIA will begin on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at 7pm in Blessed Sacrament School. For information and registration please contact Fr. Frank at 718-442-1581 by September 14rd.

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FROM THE PASTOR

Our Parish in recent years has had the opportunity to receive the publication "Three Minutes A Day" annually published by the "Christophers," founded in 1945 by Fr. James Keller, MM.

It has been my honor and privilege to be a member of its Board of Directors since 1986 and to have the pleasure of attending the Annual Christopher Awards Ceremony every Spring when honorees in Theater, Books, Movies, et. al. are announced.

Long time Master of Ceremonies, broadcaster Ernie Anastos was this year's winner of the Christopher Lifetime Achievement Award.

His response upon receiving this award was moving and inspirational.

The following press release from Catholic News Service and the Visitor - "TV Anchor says integrity, compassion, sacrificed is what matters in life – are most fitting for all of us to contemplate.

The value of a person's life "is seen in every act of integrity, compassion or sacrifice that enriches and encourages others," Emmy Award-winning broadcaster Ernie Anastos said in receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Christophers.

The award recognized individuals whose personal and professional contributions to making the world a better place "have left an indelible mark on our culture," according to an announcement from the organization.

Previous winners include jazz legend Dave Brubeck, actor Carroll O'Connor, and author/historian David McCullough.

Anastos, currently at FOX News 5 in New York, has been a television news anchor for more than 35 years. He also has been lead anchor at two other New York stations – WABC-TV and WCBS-TV.

He received the award May 19 during the 67th annual Christopher Award ceremony in New York. The same evening awards were presented to 21 winners in film, TV and book categories.

In his remarks, Anastos quoted a Greek philosopher who he said "once wrote a wonderful line: 'I have a wish to die young but as late in life as possible.' I am standing here before you I'm thankful to the good Lord for giving me this life."

"From the time I was 16 years old, I started my first job in radio, and I haven't been off the air (since)," he said, adding that he remembers all kinds of things that have happened in his life "but most important, every day I think about the blessings I have that God gave me a gift."

"God gave you a gift," he told the other winners.

But over time, he continued, "money, fame and power...become irrelevant. Wins and losses that once seemed important don't matter. Even grudges and resentments disappear. So what really matters?"

"The value of your life is seen in every act of integrity, compassion or sacrifice that enriches and encourages others. It's about character – not just what you have learned, but what you have taught. More than what you got, it's what you gave."

"Life is measured by significance, more than success," said Anastos. The things closest to his heart are his family and fans, and his Greek Orthodox faith and Greek heritage.

The work of those receiving Christopher Awards has "purpose and value," which is something the world needs, he said.

The world also needs "love and compassion more than ever," he added.

Anastos said his association with the Christophers began in about 1980, when Father John Catoir, now retired, was the organization's director.

The TV anchor also has ties with the Archdiocese of New York and Catholic Charities. He devotes time to other charitable organizations, including St. Francis Food Pantries of New York. Proceeds from his children's book, "Ernie and the Big Newz," were donated to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

The Christophers organization was founded by Maryknoll Father James Keller in 1945, in the Judeo-Christian tradition of service to God and humanity, and has long held as its guiding principle the ancient Chinese proverb "It is better to light one candle than curse the darkness."

May we all be candle bearers lighting the way.

God bless you
MSGR. FINN