

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

November 20, 2016

Staten Island, New York 10310



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.

EUCHARISTIC 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





Msgr. Finn, Fr. Frank, Fr. Roland, Religious Education program, School, Parish House and Maintenance Staffs wish all of our parishioners and their families a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving.

The **Parish Family Thanksgiving Mass** will be on **Tuesday, November 22nd at 7:00pm**. Light refreshments will be served following the Mass in the Parish Center Meeting Room.

Thanksgiving Day Masses are at 7:00am and 9:00am

BLESSED SACRAMENT SENIORS

The Seniors will meet on Monday, Nov. 21st at 1:15pm in the Parish Center Meeting Room.

PARISH HOUSE OFFICE

The office will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 24th and Friday, Nov. 25th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

“APPARITION HILL”

If you wanted to see “Apparition Hill”, the documentary about the phenomena in Medjugorje, but missed the Staten Island viewing, it will be shown in Manhattan from Nov. 27th through Dec. 1st at Cinema Village at 22 East 12th Street. There are 4 shows each day at 1:30, 4:05, 6:30 and 9:05pm. Follow 7 first-time visitors to the site where Our Blessed Mother first appeared in 1981 and promised a permanent sign from Her Son will appear on the same spot...as proof He exists!

GIVING TREE – We will once again be having a “Giving Tree” beginning next weekend. Everyone is invited to visit the Sacred Heart Altar and take an ornament and give a Christmas gift to someone in need. Your gift will bring joy to a child or adult this Christmas season. Please bring your new, wrapped gift with the original tag ornament back to the Sacred Heart Altar or the Parish House Office by Wednesday, Dec. 14th. Thank you!

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTION</u>	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
\$6,164 (Weekly)	\$6,160 (Weekly)
\$2,041(Debt Reduction)	\$2,614 (Monthly)
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
823 (Adults)	774 (Adults)
160 (Children)	143 (Children)
983	917

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP
KEEPS ITS SILENT VIGIL
BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
LARRY PUCA**

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, Amelia DiMauro, Mary Kenny, 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, Larry Taylor, Jr., Kathy Quinlan, Katie Hanley, Jose Ruiz, Casta Miskowitz, Rosemary Callahan, Elizabeth Coyne, Lucy D’Angelo, Robert Hammerton, Catherine Vitale, Capala Lusi, Jack McGarry, Robert McQuade, Mary Ruggiero, Amparo Isaza, Brian Nelson, Joan Callahan, Julia Micol, Molly Cafaro, Bob Miuccio, Maryann & Danny Brown, James McGarrigle, James Finnigan, Robert Blake, Estelle Ohnmeiss and Dina Menjivar, Maryann & Danny Brown, James McGarrigle, James Finnigan, Robert Blake, Estelle Ohnmeiss, Dina Menjivar and Lelia Moran

SYMPATHY

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

MONDAY

7:00 Florence Abbate
9:00 Michael Luzzo

TUESDAY

7:00 Salvatore Mesina
9:00 Anna LoCasto
7:00 Helen Sigman

WEDNESDAY

7:00 John O’Rourke (Living)
9:00 Mary Tarasovis

THURSDAY

7:00 Maria Giuseppa Buldo
9:00 Carmela & Anthony Sofio & Larry Puca

FRIDAY

7:00 Beverly Shields (Living)
9:00 Nora & Bernard Byrne

SATURDAY

9:00 Else Errico
5:00 Catherine Greene

SUNDAY

8:00 Vito & Catherine Lucatorto
9:30 Helen Dougherty (30th Anniv.)
12:30 Concetta Maccarone

SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 27, 2016**ALTAR SERVERS**

5:00 PM Vigil	Team
8:00 AM	Team
9:30 AM	Team
11:00 AM	Team
12:30 PM	Team

LECTORS

K. KELLEY
C. BURNS
C. WODZINSKI
D. LEDDY
P. THOMANN

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

J. WRIGHT & C. ROONEY
J. HENSEN & E. HODGENS
A. MORRELL & C. WODZINSKI
E. CHECKETT & G. CHECKETT
H. WODZINSKI & E. LAUB

DAYS OF PRAYER AND HEALING

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is help and hope available and the pain and sorrow of abortion need not endure for a lifetime. "Days of Prayer and Healing" offer the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to heal the wound of abortion.

The next "Day of Prayer and Healing" is

Saturday, Nov. 19th. For location and confidential registration call the Sisters of Life at (866) 575-0075 or email hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org.

MSGR. FARRELL CHRISTMAS FAIR

Msgr. Farrell High School, 2900 Amboy Road will hold its Christmas Fair on Sunday, Dec. 4 from 10am to 5pm. 80+ vendors, raffles, hourly door prizes, homemade baked goods and festive foods. Admission: \$3 per person or \$5 per family. For additional info contact: FarrellChristmasFair@gmail.com

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.

ST. CLARE EMPLOYMENT GROUP

The St. Clare's Employment Group provides job search assistance and career advisement to the unemployed and their families, and anyone who is concerned about a layoff or career advancement. The group meets the third Thursday of each month at 7:30pm. The next meeting is December, 15th – **"Preparing for the Interview, Behavior-Based Responses, and Follow-up after the Interview"** presented by Holly Block, Assistant director of Recruitment, College of Staten Island. For more information, please call 718-984-7873.

THE LEGION OF MARY meets every Monday at 7:00pm in the Parish House Meeting Room. Come join us!

ST. JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER

Tuesday, Nov. 29th, 1 to 3pm, "Good News Through the Arts", facilitated by Kyle Galante. Come and explore the Divine Artist within. This presentation will nurture personal expression that is intuitive, authentic and inspired by the Holy Spirit. The day will include scripture, music and movement, prayer and the arts. Materials will be provided and no experience is needed. Fee: \$20 For more information please call 718-720-1097 or check the website: sjretreatcenter.org for additional programs.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Among the Catholics seeking religious freedom in America were the Carroll's of Maryland, who arrived in 1649 from Ireland via England. Charles Carroll, born in Annapolis in 1737, was the only Catholic signer of the Declaration of Independence, and was the longest-surviving signer. As was the custom for English Catholics, he attended English schools in Belgium and later university in France. By the time he signed the Declaration, he was the richest man in America, and his decision to sign would hardly go unnoticed by the king.

Because Carroll was so wealthy and because he was a Catholic, he had more to lose than the others. Those who signed became traitors to the Crown and risked losing everything. It is said that someone grumbled that there were many men in the world named Charles Carroll, and he could dodge responsibility if he had to. For that reason, he added a flair to his signature, "of Carrollton," making it clear that he put everything at risk.

His cousin John, also an ardent supporter of the American Revolution, was ordained a Jesuit priest and returned to Maryland at the outbreak of hostilities. Upheavals in Europe forced the Jesuit order to dissolve, leaving Carroll a secular priest. Ultimately, it was John Carroll who was asked to organize the Catholic Church in the new nation. No one was better positioned for this task, a cultured man from an esteemed family, a cherished friend of Benjamin Franklin and George Washington, and a man so thoroughly attuned to an undercurrent of anti-Catholicism in the colonies that he could charm powerful people to a new point of view.

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FROM THE PASTOR

Today we celebrate the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. It is the 34th or last Sunday of Ordinary Time.

In Hebron, David is hailed as king of all the Tribes of Israel. Jesus is anointed king on the word of his cross, a sign of paradox, of defeat yet final victory. Through his cross we have passed from darkness into the kingdom of light.

It is suggested that beginning tomorrow the days before Thanksgiving be set aside for deeds of charity, penance and prayers for economic justice.

How fitting then are the year round efforts of our St. Vincent de Paul Society, who daily supply and serve the needs of our sisters and brothers in need. Our parish Pantry generously supplied by parishioners with food and cards enable us especially at Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter and throughout the year to help those in need.

Likewise, on Monday evening the Annual Poor Peoples Supper will be the 14th consecutive year gathering the at the Hilton Garden Inn for a simple meal of soup, bread and water, a sign of solidarity with the poor, hungry and homeless who have little or less every day.

The proceeds of the dinner plus food collected in parishes, schools, businesses, and civic organizations et.al are distributed by Project Hospitality to Food Kitchens, Pantries, et. al servicing the needy throughout Staten Island.

In addition, our St. Vincent de Paul Society will deliver Thanksgiving turkeys and dinners to some 50 families in our own community on Tuesday of Thanksgiving week. Students from our 8th grade will accompany adults making the home deliveries.

Welcome always are food donations and/or food gift cards for the needy families that are collected by our Holy Name Society.

Most importantly these charitable efforts are taking place throughout the year by St. Vincent de Paul volunteers – truly Christopher's' in action.

Such work is not only work of charity but penance in a sacrificial manner that most certainly pleases Jesus.

On Tuesday evening, we offer and hope and pray that all who can attend our Annual Parish Mass of Thanksgiving here at Blessed Sacrament Church at 7:00p.m. praying for our families, loved ones, parish and our suffering sisters, brothers and families throughout the world. Following Mass a Thanksgiving reception follows in the Parish Center Meeting Room with light refreshments.

Thanksgiving Day Mass is offered at 7a.m. and 9a.m. and God-willing we all have the opportunity to celebrate with family and friends renewing our efforts to continue to work for social justice addressing the needs of all our brothers and sisters.

Happy Thanksgiving and

God bless you
MSGR. FINN