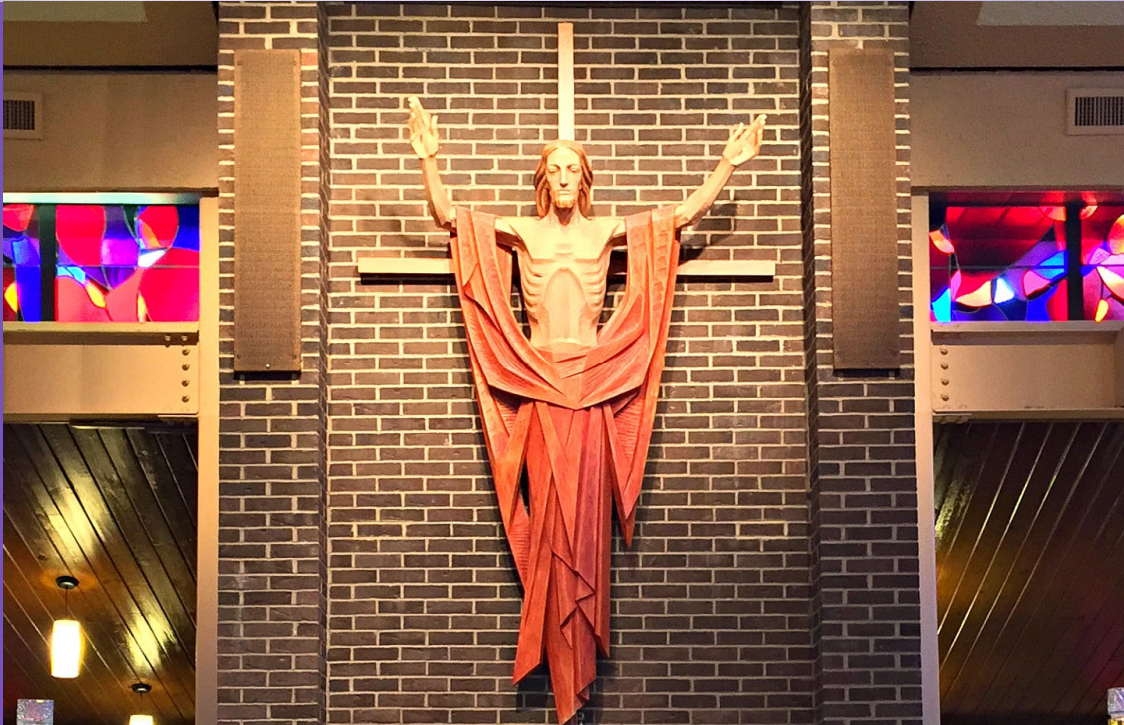




CHURCH OF ST. CHARLES



644 CLAWSON STREET, OAKWOOD HEIGHTS, STATEN ISLAND, NY 10306



APRIL 2, 2017 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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Parish Office Hours

Sunday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Saturday 10:30 AM - 6:30 PM

Sacramental Life

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening 4:00 & 5:30 PM

Sunday 8:15, 9:30 & 10:45 AM
12:00, 1:15

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 8:30 & 11:30 AM

Saturday 8:30 AM

Holy Days Masses

Eve of the Holy Day 7:30 PM

6:45, 8:30, 11:30 AM and 7:30 PM

Parish Registration

New parishioners need to register at the rectory. Please inform us if you move into or out of the parish.

Confessions

Saturday: 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM, after evening Masses, and after Mass on the Eve of a Holy Day.

Baptisms

Second Sunday of the month at 2:30 PM Instruction for parents of the children to be baptized to be arranged at the rectory. SPONSOR CERTIFICATES REQUIRED for Godparents and also a copy of the child's birth certificate.

Marriages

To arrange a marriage at St. Charles, consult with a priest or deacon at least six months prior to the proposed date and before social arrangements. Attendance at Pre-Cana and Natural Family Planning Classes is required.

Anointing and

Communion of the Sick

Regular administration of the Sacraments should be arranged for shut-ins by calling the rectory. Emergency sick calls anytime.

Religious Education Program

Instruction for all grade levels beginning with first grade. For information call the Religious Education Office.

LITURGY CORNER

MONDAY - APRIL 3

8:30 - Helene Carrie - Mem.
11:30 - Rosa Noone - Mem.

TUESDAY - APRIL 4

8:30 - Deceased Members of the Tafuri Family
Mem.
11:30 - Dorothy Yates - Mem.

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 5

8:30 - Grace Ward - Mem.
11:30 - Linda Cassella - Mem.

THURSDAY - APRIL 6

8:30 - Thomas W. Burke - Mem.
11:30 - Ignazio, Marcello & Domenico Sabella
Mem.

FRIDAY - APRIL 7

8:30 - Paul DiGiacomo - Ann.
11:30 - Andrew Backes- Mem.

SATURDAY - APRIL 8

8:30 - Louis Falcone - Mem.
4:00 - Vivian & John Barbieri - Mem.
5:30 - Rose Thompson- Mem.

SUNDAY - APRIL 9

8:15 - Joseph Maturo - Mem.
9:30 - Parishioners of St. Charles
10:45 - Grace & Angelo Novaro & Family -
Mem.
12:00 - Sr. Annmarie Perugini - Ann.
1:15 - Eddie Palmieri - Mem.

April 8/ April 9 Mass Schedule

4:00 Fr. Stefan	10:45 Msgr. Whalen
5:30 Fr. Marius	12:00 Fr. Stefan
8:15 Fr. Jerome	1:15 Fr. Jerome
9:30 Msgr. Whalen	

Weekly Offerings

March 19, 2017

\$12,146.15

March 20, 2016

\$17,735.57

Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Oils

The Wine & Hosts for the week of April 2 - April 8, 2017 are offered in loving memory of Frank Pepe at the request of Jim & Dolores Laieta & family.

If you would like to make arrangements to have the flowers for the main altar, the wine & hosts or oils used for the Mass candles in memory of a loved one or a special occasion, please, call the rectory.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

*Monday - Friday at 12:00-5:00 PM in the Chapel
First Mondays at 7:30 PM in the Church
(cancelled in August)
First Fridays at 7:30 PM in the Church
(cancelled in August)
Call Jeannette Burrell (718-979-0034) or
Lois Galvin (718-948-8193) for information*

Rosary and Novenas

*The Rosary is recited each weekday at 8:10 and 11:10 AM and on Saturday at 8:10 AM.
The Miraculous Medal novena prayers are said after the 8:30 & 11:30 AM Masses on Mondays.*

PARISH MINISTRIES

Adult Faith Formation

Wednesdays at 1:30 PM except for the third Wednesday of the month; rectory

Baptism Classes

First Tuesday of the month at 8:00 PM; rectory

Bereavement Group

Thursdays - 7:30 PM; rectory

Book Club

Third Thursday each month at 4:00 PM; rectory

Caregivers Support Group

Thursday - 9:30 - 11:30 AM; rectory

Choir (Adult)

Thursday at 7:30 PM; church

Divine Mercy Devotion

Friday at 3:00 PM; chapel

Eucharistic Ministers

First Fridays at 7:30 PM; church

Leisure Group

Thursdays 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM; auditorium

Prayer Group & Holy Hour

First Monday of the month at 7:30 PM; church

Religious Education Classes

Monday 3:45 - 5:15 PM Grades 6 & 7

Wednesday 3:45 - 5:15 PM Grades 1-5

Special Needs: Wednesday 5:10 - 5:45 PM

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Meeting - Second Tuesday of month at 1:30 PM; rectory

Food Pantry open 2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM; rectory

Teen Club

Sunday at 7:00 PM; auditorium

Visitation Ministry

Women's Worship Wednesdays

Third Wednesday at 7:30 PM; rectory



Spring Auction

Tickets are now on sale for the St. Charles Spring Auction which will be held on Friday, April 7th at 6:00 PM. Entry tickets are \$10.00. Presale packets are also available for \$40.00. For more information please, call Angela Ameno . You can reach her at 917-848-2764. Donations are still being accepted.

Way of the Cross Over the Brooklyn Bridge

On Good Friday, April 14, 2017, Communion and Liberation will sponsor the Way of the Cross over the Brooklyn Bridge. Participants will congregate for the first station at St. James Cathedral, Brooklyn, at 10:00 AM. After a station on the Brooklyn Bridge, the procession will follow the cross to a third station at City Hall Park in Manhattan, and a fourth station near Ground Zero. The final station will be at St. Peter's Church, on Barclay St., concluding at 1:30 PM. At each station, there will be readings from the Passion, a meditation, a reflection and hymns. For more information, please, call 212-337-3580 or visit its website at www.wocbrooklynbridge.org.

St. Charles Spring Basketball Clinics



St. Charles Sports Program will be hosting basketball clinics starting April 27th on Mondays and Thursdays for

grades Kindergarten through 8th grade. To register go to stcharleschargers.com. The registration fee is \$125 for eight sessions.

Digital Prayer Tools

FORMED.org (parish code XQ43Q3)
www.wordonfire.org

PARISH NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS April 3, - April 9, 2017

Monday - April 3

Tuesday - April 4

St. Vincent de Paul - 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM; rectory

St. Anthony Novena; after the 8:30 & 11:30 AM Masses

Bingo at 7:30 PM; doors open at 6:00 PM; early bird 7:15 PM

Baptism Class - 8:00 PM; rectory

Wednesday - April 5

Thursday - April 6

Caregivers Meeting - 9:30 AM; rectory

Bereavement - 7:30 PM; rectory

Friday - April 7

Living Stations of the Cross - 8:00 PM; church

Spring Auction - 6:00 PM; school

Saturday - April 8

Sunday - April 9

RCIA - 10:00 AM; rectory

Baptism - 2:30 PM; church



Book Club

Our book for April is : "An Invisible Thread". This inspirational New York times bestseller chronicles the lifelong friendship between a busy sales executive and a disadvantaged young boy, and how both of their lives were changed by what began as one small gesture of kindness. We meet the 3rd Thursday each month in the rectory basement at 4:00 PM.



Coming to Mass every Sunday, but still feel a longing for more. We're all looking for answers to the tough questions in our lives. Come join us for an evening of reflection on God's love and to understand His plan for us. The three-day Revive mission will be held on 4/3, 4/4, & 4/5 6:00 pm at O.L.Q. P sponsored by the Archdiocese of New York. Please visit www.FaithEveryDay.com for more information and to register.



Bakers are Needed!

Baked goods are needed for the Holy Thursday reception taking place after the 7:30 Mass of the Lord's Supper. Baked goods can be dropped off in the school before Mass or in the rectory during office hours.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. It also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

WE PRAY...WE CELEBRATE...WE REMEMBER

THE GET WELL LIST

Corrine Alaimo	Amanda Lavoro
Keith Alaimo	Elizabeth Linton
Paul Alaimo Sr	Anthony Locicero Jr.
Joan Boragi	Diego Lopez
Eva Bonafilia	Jessie Luangchan
Mary Campitelli	Helen Mahon
Clara Carlino	Lauren Marie
Marty Casey	Raymond Mignone
Anthony Cassaro	Ann Murphy
Irma Cassella	Pamela Murphy
Nick Castagna	Gennaro Musto
Grace Castelao	Erin O'Keefe
Luz Causon	Anthony Paragone
Ann Marie Coppola	Roberta Paragone
Carmine Coronato, Jr.	Veronica Parascondola
Tony Dattilo	Mary Parnell
Philip DeFonte	Marie Petrocelli
Herb DeGroot	Pasquale Petrucci
Frances DeMarco	Lee Rhatigan
Randi Dietrich	Rose Russo
Michael DiFalco	Vincent Russo
Mary Driscoll	Dorothy Sabatell
Marilyn Droge	Vincent Santore
Russell Dunn	JoAnn Schneck
Michael Durante	Dolores & Tony Sclafani
Pearl Dweck	Anthony & Leonarda Scocco
Joseph Elia	Jerry Scotti
Charles Faberzak	Susan Sexton
Gloria Faraci	Howard Shock
Robert Faraci	Howard Shock, Jr.
Dorothy Fleming	Maryann Sparano
Aniel Garcia	Marie Starita
Robert Gardner	Dolores Tombolini
Marie Grzeczka	Ann Van Houten
Emily Harris	Herb Van Houten
Cheryl Houss	Roseann Venturino
Helen Istico	Theresa Verry
Jeannette Castelao Keane	Mary Woerner
John Kelley	Sara Weiss
Peggy Kiernan	Norm Zuniga
Trevor Kwatkowski	

WE REMEMBER

Eternal rest grant unto their souls, O Lord.

And let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

Deborah Labargo

Marion Macaluso

Angela Arvizzigno

June Hurley



CATHOLIC SCHOOL REGION
STATEN ISLAND
in the
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of NEW YORK

Please join us in prayer and celebration as we honor the individuals who have supported Staten Island Catholic Schools, at the Golden Cross for Education-Award Breakfast. Sunday, April 23rd, Mass at 8:15 AM at St. Charles, followed by award breakfast at the Excelsior Grand from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. The 2017 Honorees will be Assemblyman, Michael Cusick for his sponsorship of the Education Tax Credit Bill and Rev. Monsignor Peter G. Finn, for his tireless efforts on behalf of the Staten Island Catholic elementary schools. Nominees from each of the 22 Catholic elementary schools will receive the 2017 Outstanding Catholic Community Award. Tickets are \$37 or \$350 for a table of ten. For more information visit our website at www.adny-si.org or email

Diana.Gatto@archny.org or order tickets online at www.eventbrite.com/e/the-golden-cross-for-education-award-breakfast-tickets-32417167621.

PARISH NEWS

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent, Stations of the Cross will be conducted after the 11:30 AM Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel. The Teen Club will conduct Living Stations of the Cross on Friday, April 7th and Friday, April 14th at 8 PM in the Church.

Abstinence

Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years and older.

Fasting

Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, by all Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal; two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid food between meals is not permitted.

Chrism Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral

The Chrism Mass will be held on Tuesday, April 11th at 4:00 PM at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Again this year, we will have a bus leaving from the front of Blessed Sacrament Church at 1:30 PM. Anyone interested in attending the Mass and using the bus should contact the Blessed Sacrament rectory at 718-442-1581, space is limited. Donation is \$25/person and the check should be made payable to Blessed Sacrament Church and sent to
30 Manor Road, Staten Island, NY 10310.

Living Stations of the Cross

Friday, April 7 - 8:00 PM

Friday, April 14 - 8:00 PM

Palm Sunday - April 9

Saturday Evening at 4:00 PM, & 5:30 PM

Sunday at 8:15 AM, 9:30 AM, 10:45 AM, 12 Noon, and 1:15 PM followed by Procession.

Holy Thursday - April 13

8:30 AM - Liturgy of the Hours

(Morning Prayer)

10:00 AM Mass (for those unable to attend the Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Procession of the Blessed Sacrament

Reception to follow in the auditorium

Adoration at Repository concludes with night prayers at 11:30 PM.

Good Friday - April 14

8:30 AM - Liturgy of the Hours

(Morning Prayer)

12:00 Noon - Three Hour Agony including Stations of the Cross and Confessions

3:00 PM - Solemn Service of the Lord's Passion

8:00 PM - Living Stations of the Cross (Teen Club)

Holy Saturday - April 15

8:30 AM - Liturgy of the Hours

(Morning Prayer)

11:30 AM - Blessing of Food

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Confessions

8:00 PM - Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday - April 16

Church Mass Schedule

8:15, 9:30, 10:45, 12 Noon, and 1:15 PM

Auditorium

12:10 PM

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



NEVER MIND THE DOG...

The other night after performing a wake service at the Hanley Funeral Home, I took a short walk through the neighborhood there. It was a fairly balmy evening about 55 degrees and so there was no need for a coat! As I sauntered along, I noticed a big sign on a fence in front of a house. The sign read: "Beware of Dog!" But underneath this sign was an even bigger one that said: "Never mind the dog-beware of the owner!" There was a picture of a gun in the background. Obviously, the message was clear and unfriendly!

I must admit that this sign made me think a little bit during my walk. If a dog bites us on the leg we know full well that the dog does not know any better-an animal acts on instinct and therefore there is no culpability. But human beings are different-we can know right from wrong and can make moral decisions. Hopefully we will make the right decisions!

In the Gospel, Jesus spelled out two great commandments-they are the love of God and the love of neighbor. These commandments are really intertwined. If we have a deep love of our Lord, then we would find it easier to love our neighbor and not "Beware" of him! The virtue of charity is central to our lives as Christians. We know that it is not always easy to be charitable to our neighbor. Sometimes we have a great deal to "Put Up" from our brothers and sisters around us at home, on the job, at the store or driving on local roads.

I think that we could say that many in our world are becoming less patient. Courtesy, which is an extension of charity is almost a thing of the past. Fr. Mark Link told a story about an elderly man who was using an ATM machine at a bank one day. The man was confused with all the buttons and he was taking a long time and there was a line. A man on the line yelled out, "Hey Pops, hurry up, I don't have all day like you do!" Certainly there was a lack of charity there!

We are still in the Lenten Season and we should be striving to make greater progress in our love for God and neighbor. If we pray more and pray better, then we will begin to see the Lord in the often distressing disguise of our brothers and sisters around us.

The late Saint Mother Teresa made many converts to the Catholic faith. But she never asked anyone directly to become Catholic. Rather it was by her example of kindness and charity to the poor and destitute that so many people were won over. After seeing her in action, they would often ask, "Mother Teresa, is Jesus like you?" She would answer "No!" But I try to be like Him!" Isn't that the essence of our religion in a nutshell? We are to be like Christ!

Lent is a time to ask ourselves how well we are doing in that endeavor. Are we better persons than we were last year? Or would we have to admit that maybe at times people should beware of us because of our "Biting Tongue," angry disposition or envious nature? It's something for all of us to think about as we walk through this journey that is known as "Life!"

*Sincerely in Christ,
Father Jerome*

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