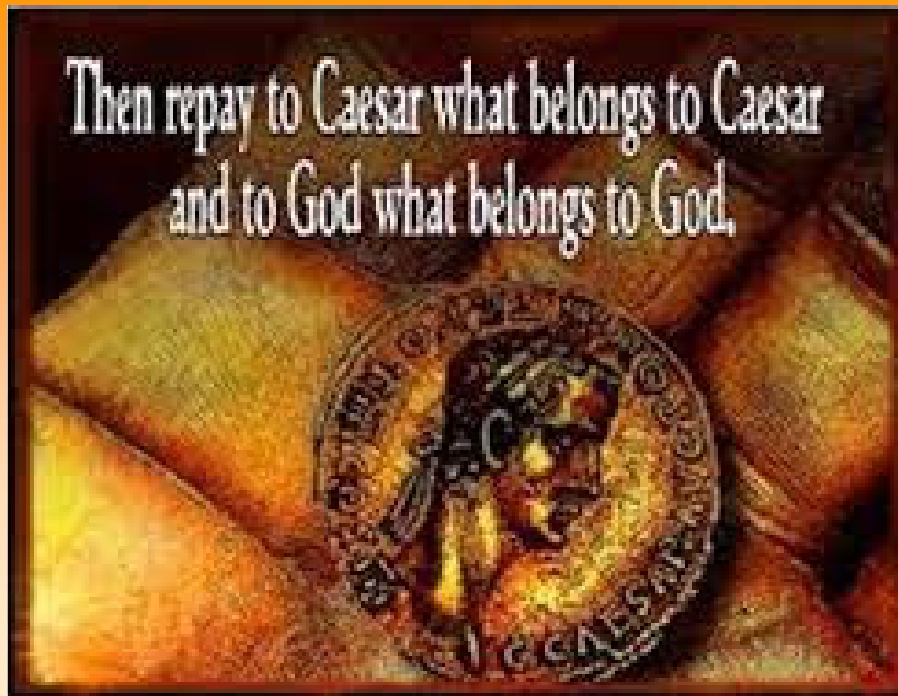




CHURCH OF ST. CHARLES



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



OCTOBER 22, 2017 TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastoral Staff

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Rev. Louis R. Jerome

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Fr. Marius Fernando

Fr. Stefan Chanas

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Rev. Msgr. Edmund J. Whalen

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Deacon Lawrence Droge

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Parish Office Hours

Sunday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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

5:00 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, 5:00 - 5:30 PM, 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 - OCTOBER 23

8:30 - Mr. & Mrs. Frank Horstman - Mem.
11:30 - Michael Feeney - Mem.

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 24

8:30 - Ellen & Angelo Proscia - Mem.
11:30 - Marta & Henry Vouriotis - Mem,

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 25

8:30 - Henry Molinary - Mem.
11:30 - Paul J.Gregis - Mem.

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 26

8:30 - Xeu Qain Zheng - Mem.
11:30 - Ellen Sernitski - Mem.

FRIDAY - OCTOBER 27

8:30 - Nicola Sama - Ann.
11:30 - Lucy Drakos - Ann.

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 28

8:30 - Msgr. John McGowan - Mem.
4:00 - Deceased Members of the Laieta Family
Mem.
5:30 - Bridget & Timothy Leary & Laurence
Sullivan - Mem.

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 29

8:15 - Noelia Molinary - Mem.
9:30 - Parishioners of St. Charles
10:45 - John C. & John K. Filipowicz - Ann.
12:00 - Richard Cross - Mem.
1:15 - Leonard Montalto - Ann.

PLEASE NOTE

If a Mass is being said for a member of your family on Saturday evening or Sunday, it would be most fitting if someone from the family would bring up the gifts at the Offertory. Please let one of the ushers know **before Mass**.

Weekly Offerings

October 8, 2017

\$11,942.33

October 9, 2016

\$12,046.10

Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Oils

*The Wine & Hosts for the week of October 22 - October 28, 2017 are offered in loving memory of **Ralph Capurso** at the request of friends of his loving daughter, **Holly Cosoleto**.*

*The Oils & Candles for the week of October 22 - October 28, 2017 are offered in loving memory of **Martin Dama** at the request of **Michael Petrides & family**.*

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.

October 28 / October 29 Mass Schedule

4:00 Fr. Stefan

10:45 Fr. Stefan

5:30 Fr. Marius

12:00 Fr. Jerome

8:15 Msgr. Whalen

1:15 Fr. Marius

9:30 Msgr. Whalen

PARISH MINISTRIES

Adult Faith Formation

Wednesdays at 1:30 PM;

rectory

Baptism Classes

First Tuesday of the month at

8:00 PM; rectory

Bereavement Group

Thursdays at 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

Legion of Mary

Monday at 6:30 PM; rectory

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



St. Joseph by the Sea High School

St. Joseph by the Sea High School's open house will be held on Sunday, October 22nd for boys from 1:00 - 4:00 PM. For more information, call 718-984-6500.

St. Peter's Boys High School

200 Clinton Avenue

Will have its open house on Sunday, October 29 from 1:00 - 4:00 PM. For more information, call 718-447-1676

Notre Dame Academy High School

Notre Dame Academy High School's open house will be held on Sunday, October 22nd from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. For more information, call 718-447-8878.

Bethlehem Christian Families

Our brothers and sisters representing the Bethlehem Christian Families; a nonprofit organization through Land of Peace are with us today speaking about the Christian situation in the Holy Land. They are selling religious articles and rosaries - all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. The sale of these goods will help to build a charitable hospital in Bethlehem and help the poor and needy families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. For more information, visit their website: www.landofpeace.org and www.bcfmission.com

Digital Prayer Tools

FORMED.org (parish code XQ43Q3)

3minuteretreat.com

dynamiccatholic.com

PARISH NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS October 23, - October 29, 2017

Monday - October 23

Legion of Mary - 6:30 PM; rectory
Spiritual Direction - 7:30 PM; rectory

Tuesday - October 24

St. Vincent de Paul food pantry - 11:30 AM - 1:30PM; rectory
Bingo at 7:30 PM; doors open at 6:00 PM; early bird 7:15 PM

Wednesday - October 25

Adult Faith Formation - 1:30 PM; rectory

Thursday - October 26

Caregivers Meeting - 9:30 AM; rectory
Cheerleading Practice - 5:30 PM; auditorium
Bereavement Group - 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM; rectory

Friday - October 27

School Dance Grades K - 6th - 2:30 PM -

Saturday - October 28

Sports Mass - 3:00 PM; church; pasta party & pep rally to follow: auditorium

Sunday - October 29

RCIA - 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon; rectory
Teen Club - 7:00 PM; auditorium



We're excited to launch our new website at www.stcharlessi.org. Please take a look! The old address, saintcharles.weebly.com is no longer in use.



Tickets are on sale for the St. Charles Annual Super Dance which will be held on Saturday, November 11th. Tickets are \$100 each which entitles you and a guest to dinner, dancing and a chance to win the Grand Prize of \$10,000, 2nd prize \$1,500, 3rd prize \$500 or one of the 10 chances to win a \$100 (winner must be present for the \$100 drawing). Only 250 tickets will be sold, so please call Pete McGovern at 917-538-3749 as soon as possible if you want to join us for this special event and have a chance to be one of the lucky winners.



St. Charles Book Club

The current read is *The Stone of Destiny - a Sherlock Holmes Adventure* by Staten island, Richard Ryan. This is an easy read and delightful takeoff in the spirit of Conan Doyle. The book club meets on the third Thursday at 4:00 PM in the rectory. Feel free to join in.

Eucharistic Ministers Retreat

A retreat for our Eucharistic Ministers is planned for October 28 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 pM at the St. Joseph Retreat enter at 850 Hylan boulevard (on the property of St. Joseph Hill Academy). Please call the rectory at 718-987-2670 to let Fr. Stefan know if you will be attending this retreat. It will be a special day of prayer for our ministers and we hope you can attend. God bless you and thank you for your service to our parish.

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

THE GET WELL LIST

Corrine Alaimo	Amanda Lavoro
Keith Alaimo	Elizabeth Linton
Paul Alaimo Sr	Anthony Locicero Jr.
Emilia Bizzoco	Diego Lopez
Joan Boragi	Helen Mahon
Madeline Buonpane	Lauren Marie
Mary Campitelli	Barbara Marino
Clara Carlino	John Mastromarino
Joseph Carrubba	Tom Matteo
Marty Casey	Barbara Mazza
Anthony Cassaro	Kathleen Mercado
Irma Cassella	Raymond Mignone
Nick Castagna	Ann Murphy
Grace Castelao	Pamela Murphy
William Connors	Gennaro Musto
Ann Marie Coppola	Virginia Novaro
Carmine Coronato, Jr.	Erin O'Keefe
Philip DeFonte	Anthony Paragone
Herb DeGroot	Veronica Parascondola
Frances DeMarco	Mary Parnell
Randi Dietrich	Marie Petrocelli
Michael DiFalco	Pasquale Petrucci
Andrew DiPadova	Ella Reilly
Elizabeth Donohue	Lee Rhatigan
Mary Driscoll	Stephen Ristano
Russell Dunn	Mary Ruggiero
Michael Durante	Rose Russo
Pearl Dweck	Vincent Russo
Joseph Elia	Dorothy Sabatell
Charles Faberzak	Vincent Santore
Gloria Faraci	Dolores & Tony Sclafani
Robert Faraci	Anthony Scocco
Kevin Finley	Jerry Scotti
Dorothy Fleming	Susan Sexton
Gina Fogliani	Howard Shock
Aniel Garcia	Howard Shock, Jr.
Marie Grzeczka	Maryann Sparano
Emily Harris	Marie Starita
Joseph Hosmer	Dolores Tombolini
Cheryl Houss	Annette Toratore
Gianna Incandella	Ann Van Houten
Helen Istico	Herb Van Houten
Carmella Iucci	Margaret Ward
Jeannette Castelao Keane	Ella Weaver
John Kelley	Sara Weiss
Trevor Kwatkowski	Norm Zuniga
Dolores Laieta	

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*

*Grace DePaolis
Josephine Marella
Benjamin Baldwin*



MARRIAGE BANNS

We Celebrate

We ask the family of St. Charles to pray for the following couples who will receive the Sacrament of Marriage.

*Hannah Tait & Michael Murphy
Anthony Avona & Maria Malito
Margaret Sexton & James Harkin
Meghan Ulsamer & Joseph Feld*

All Saints Day

Wednesday, November 1, is All Saints Day, a holy day of obligation. Masses will be celebrated on Tuesday evening at 7:30 PM and on Wednesday at 6:45, 8:30, 11:30 and 7:30 PM.

All Souls Day

Thursday, November 2 is All Souls Day. It is our tradition to place the All Souls envelopes with the names of deceased parishioners and family members on the Altar for the month of November. There are envelopes in your regular monthly packet for your use and also in the vestibule of the church. We will have the Triduum of Masses for the deceased on Thursday, November 2 - Saturday, November 4 at the 8:30 AM Masses.

PARISH NEWS



Are you interested in becoming Catholic or know someone who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith? If so, our Rite of Christian Initiation process is for those who want to be baptized, or receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. For further information, contact Deacon Steve Tobon at 718-987-2670.

St. Clare Ignatian Prayer Group

The next meeting of the St. Clare Ignatian Prayer Group will be held on Saturday, November 4th in the Presentation Center. They will gather for coffee after the 9:00 AM Mass and prayer begins at 10:00 AM.



Sports Mass

Our Annual Sports Mass will take place on Saturday, October 28th at 3:00 PM. All athletes in our CYO program are invited to attend this Mass as a great way to start our basketball season. A pasta party and pep rally will follow the Mass.



We will continue to collect Box Tops throughout the school year. For your information, the most popular Box Tops are from: Cheerios, Progresso, Fiber One, Green Giant, Scott, El Paso, and Zip Lock. You can drop off the box tops in the rectory or in the box marked Box Tops in the vestibule of the church. God Bless You for your constant support. (See the attached flyer for participating companies)



This week we will celebrate **World Mission Sunday**. Each year, the entire Church is invited to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the poorest of the poor. This year, we are invited to "Chat With the Pope" to learn more about his missions. Scan this year's World Mission Sunday poster using Facebook Messenger for your mobile device, or learn more at ChatWithThePope.org.

Life Chain

The annual Respect Life Month Life Chain will take place on Sunday, October 29 from 2:30 to 3:30 PM at the corner of Hylan Boulevard and New Dorp Lane. Bring a rosary to peacefully pray for the respect for life of the unborn.



Perpetual Rosary

The Right to Life League will sponsor a perpetual rosary for the respect of life, family values and resurgence of morality. The Missionary Image of Our lady of Guadalupe will be present. This will take place on Saturday, October 28 at St. Christopher's Church following the 4:30 PM Mass until midnight.



PLEASE
SILENCE YOUR
CELL
PHONE
DURING SERVICE!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



ON TEARING DOWN STATUES...

I did not know what to expect last week when I went to St. Patrick's Cathedral to celebrate the Columbus Day Mass. This year with all the protests about Columbus and his statue, I thought there might have been some protests at the Mass or at the parade afterwards. But actually, there was nothing and it all went off smoothly. Perhaps the bad weather on Columbus Day scared some of the protestors off!

Certainly, the figure of Christopher Columbus has come under a great deal of criticism lately in our society. In fact, some people have argued for renaming Columbus Day "Indigenous Peoples' Day." I really don't think this will catch on! There was a rhyme that every school child used to know: "Columbus sailed the ocean blue in 1492." Maybe kids don't know that line any more, but it's true. He sailed hoping to find a short route to India and its spices, but of course, he landed in this new world and the rest as they say is history.

Was Christopher Columbus a saint? No! He was a flawed individual, as all of us are, and he made some bad mistakes. However, one mistake he did not make was to claim this new world for Christ. Columbus after all, was Catholic. His flagship, remember was the "Santa Maria" - actually "Santa Maria De La Immaculada Concepcion," "Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception." The first island on which Columbus touched, he called "San Salvador," "Holy Savior." He planted the cross there and, of course, the faith spread throughout this hemisphere.

I seems to me that those who want to tear his statue down are not only disrespectful of our American heritage, but also of the Christian values that until recently, were the cornerstone of our society. Cardinal Dolan recently said, "I don't like tearing down statues. They inform our memory and our memories constantly need formation. There is good in the past, there is evil in the past. We need to be reminded of both of them, and statues do that. Keep 'em up." The Cardinal speaks words of common sense, but today common sense is not so common anymore.

Whenever I go to the Alba House on Victory Boulevard to say a prayer in the chapel there, I notice an enormous statue of St. Paul right out in front of the place. It is very imposing. We know from our bible history that St. Paul was not always a saint-far from it. In fact, he persecuted the Church of God and killed Christians. The Acts of the Apostles tells us that Paul was complicit in the death of St. Stephen who was the first martyr. He breathed "murderous threats" against the Church, that some Christians probably prayed that God would send him a good coronary attack!

How many Christians he persecuted or killed we don't know. But we do know that Paul turned his life around. From a persecutor of the Church, he became one of its greatest missionaries. In his Letter to Timothy, St. Paul wrote, "Christ Jesus came into this world to save sinners of whom I myself am the worst." He certainly was a humble man.

Despite his gaps and imperfections, St. Paul achieved sanctity and is a good example for all of us in our lives to try to do better and be better disciples of the Lord. Let's not tear down Columbus, St. Paul or any other statue for that matter. What we should really tear down in our lives is the pride and selfishness that keeps us from being all that we can be as Christians!

*Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Jerome*