



CHURCH OF ST. CHARLES



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



JANUARY 7, 2018 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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Fr. Stefan Chanas

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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 - JANUARY 8

8:30 - Timmy Conroy - Mem.
11:30 - Josephine D'Amico - Mem.

TUESDAY - JANUARY 9

8:30 - Lillian Mattera - Mem.
11:30 - Deceased Members of Mattara & Buono Families - Mem.

WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 10

8:30 - John & Bertha Merook - Mem.
11:30 - Gaetano & Aneo LaBargo - Mem.

THURSDAY - JANUARY 11

8:30 - Luke Garrison - Mem.
11:30 - William & Catherine Cross - Mem.

FRIDAY - JANUARY 12

8:30 - Anthony Gimignani - Mem.
11:30 - Helen Rufolo - Mem.

SATURDAY - JANUARY 13

8:30 - Deacon Steve & Thea Tobon - Living Intention
4:00 - Laura Klus - Mem.
5:30 - William Joseph Richards - Mem.

SUNDAY - JANUARY 14

8:15 - Grace & Angelo Novaro - Mem.
9:30 - Parishioners of St. Charles
10:45 - Michael Riccio - Mem.
12:00 - Kenneth Nelson - Mem.
1:15 - Luigi Gassoso - Mem.

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

December 24, 2017

\$11,136.45

December 25, 2016

\$15,669.67

Christmas Day 2017

\$33,728.96

Christmas Day 2016

\$25,092.00

Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Oils

The Wine & Hosts for the week of January 7, - January 13, 2018 are offered in loving memory of William Joseph Richards at the request of his wife, Jean.

The Oils & Candles for the week of January 7, - January 13, 2018 are offered in loving memory of Edward W. Solan at the request of his daughter, Barbara.

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.

January 13 / January 14 Mass Schedule

4:00 Fr.

5:30 Fr.

8:15 Fr.

9:30 Fr.

10:45 Fr.

12:00 Fr.

1:15 Fr.

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

Will resume in the Spring

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



MARCH FOR LIFE

The Staten Island Right to Life Committee will once again organize a bus to the March for Life in Washington, D. C. on Friday, January 19. The bus will depart at 7:30 AM from our parking lot following a Mass at 6:45 AM. The bus will make rest stops for lunch and dinner and return between 9:30 - 10:30 PM to St. Charles parking lot. The cost is \$25.00 per person round trip. Additional money will be collected on the day of the trip (\$6.00 for the local train, tip money for the driver). For reservations text Elisa at 347-874-3346, call 718-815-4267 or email brucebiggins@hotmail.com and mark the email "March for Life." Donations and reservations can be mailed to Staten Island Right to Life Committee, 299 Davis Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10310, Attention: Elisa DiSimone.

ELDER LAW SEMINAR

Mark Gallo, Esq. of the law firm of Gallo & Spero, LLP will be conducting a complimentary Estate Planning and Elder Law seminar on Saturday, January 13, 2018 at 12:30 in the school auditorium. Please call 718-761-6464 or email mgallo@gallosperolaw.com to reserve a seat. Topics to be discussed will include: protecting your home from Medicaid liens, how to avoid probate, asset protection trusts, wills, estate & Medicaid planning, community Medicaid vs. nursing home Medicaid. Health care proxies, living wills and powers of attorney.

Digital Prayer Tools

FORMED.org (parish code XQ43Q3)

3minuteretreat.com

dynamiccatholic.com



FAMILY MASS

Our next Family Mass will take place Sunday, January 14th at the 9:30 AM Mass. Please bring your children for special family prayer time!

PARISH NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS January 8, - January 14, 2018

Monday - January 8

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

Tuesday - January 9

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

Wednesday - January 10

Adult Faith Formation - 1:30 PM; rectory
Cheerleading Practice - 6:00 PM; auditorium

Thursday - January 11

Caregivers - 9:30 AM; rectory
Cheerleading Practice - 5:30 PM; auditorium

Friday - January 12

Cub Scouts - 7:00 PM; school

Saturday - January 13

Cheerleading Practice - 10:00 AM; auditorium
Elder Care Seminar Estate Planning - 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM; auditorium

Sunday - January 14

Family Mass - 9:30 AM; church
RCIA - 10:00 AM; rectory
Parish coffee Hour - 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM; school
Teen Club - 7:00 PM; auditorium

The Second Collection at all the Masses this weekend is for Communications & The Catholic University of America. Envelopes are in your weekly packet and in the vestibule of the church.

MINTY AWARDS DINNER

The Minty Organization for the Performing Arts will be hosting its annual Minty Awards Dinner Gala on January 11 at 7 PM at Nicotra's Ballroom at the Hilton Garden Inn. It promises to be a night of dining, dancing, entertainment and fantastic raffles. Honorees include the Sr. Raimonde Bartus (Carl W. Lesch Memorial Award for Educator of the Arts), Frank Lombardi (Distinguished Alumni Award), Ed Burke (Community Enrichment Award), Moore Catholic's 1972 SHOW BOAT (Outstanding Show Award) and Tyler Kelly and Dominique Treglia (Msgr. Joseph C. Ansaldi Memorial Prize). Tickets are \$85 (\$65 for those under 21) and can be purchased by calling 347-688-9527 or visiting www.mintys.org. RSVP by January 8. Over the past seven years, The Minty Awards has honored and showcased the best of Staten Island's Catholic high school theatre departments and its students, donating over \$60,000 back to these programs.



The next book club meeting will be January 18, 2018 at 4:00 PM in the rectory. The next book that will be discussed is *The Grunt Padre* by Fr. Daniel Mode. This is the story of Fr. Vincent Capodanno, native Staten Islander.



For your convenience in making your weekly contributions, an online service is available at www.churchgiving.com (formerly Parish Pay). 5

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

THE GET WELL LIST

Corrine Alaimo	Jeannette Castelao Keane
Keith Alaimo	Amanda Lavoro
Paul Alaimo Sr	Elizabeth Linton
Emilia Bizzoco	Anthony Locicero Jr.
Joan Boragi	Diego Lopez
Christopher Buono	Helen Mahon
Madeline Buonpane	Lauren Marie
Mary Campitelli	Barbara Marino
Clara Carlino	Raymond Mignone
Joseph Carrubba	Ann Murphy
Marty Casey	Pamela Murphy
Anthony Cassaro	Gennaro Musto
Irma Cassella	Virginia Novaro
Nick Castagna	Erin O'Keefe
Grace Castelao	Veronica Parascondola
Antonio Colombo	Mary Parnell
William Connors	Diane Petraglia (McKenna)
Ann Marie Coppola	Marie Petrocelli
Jeannie Corbo	Pasquale Petrucci
Teresa Deegan	Ella Reilly
Philip DeFonte	Lee Rhatigan
Marianne DelPiano	Stephen Ristano
Frances DeMarco	Joe Romano
Randi Dietrich	Mary Ruggiero
Michael DiFalco	Rose Russo
Andrew DiPadova	Vincent Russo
Mary Driscoll	Dorothy Sabatell
Russell Dunn	Vincent Santore
Michael Durante	Dolores & Tony Sclafani
Pearl Dweck	Anthony Scocco
Joseph Elia	Jerry Scotti
Charles Faberzak	Susan Sexton
Ken Faljean	Howard Shock
Gloria Faraci	Howard Shock, Jr.
Robert Faraci	Maryann Sparano
Dorothy Fleming	Marie Starita
Gina Fogliani	Barbara Swartz
Lois Galvin	Dolores Tombolini
Aniel Garcia	Annette Toratore
Marie Grzeczka	Ann Van Houten
Emily Harris	Herb Van Houten
Joseph Hosmer	Margaret Ward
Cheryl Houss	Ella Weaver
Gianna Incandella	Sara Weiss
Helen Istico	Norm Zuniga
Carmella Iucci	



MARRIAGE BANNS

We Celebrate

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

John Riviuccio & Priscilla Paladino

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

Doris Corbett

PRE-CANA CLASS

Pre-Cana Class will be held on Sunday, February 4, 2018 from 11:00 AM - 5:30 PM in the **St. Patrick's School Building**. To register, please call St. Patrick's Parish Office at 718-979-4227.

The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents

To meet the spiritual needs of parents whose children of *any* age have died by *any* cause - no matter how long ago- the Family Life Office offers the Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents. A unique, faith-based program providing spiritual retreats *for* grieving parents offered *by* grieving parents, the Emmaus Ministry provides a safe place where you can find peace, comfort, and hope, at least for a time. The entire retreat focuses on the parents' personal spiritual journey, where you can engage as much or as little as you want. To register: www.emfgp.org/2018-archny or contact Sue DiSisto at 646-794-3191.

PARISH NEWS



Stop N Shop A PLUS Rewards is once again giving money to schools when you scan your customer store card. If you registered last year, then you are automatically in it again. Sooooo we only need **new**

customers to help us by giving their Bar Code number and first three (3) letters of their last name. You can email the information to us at secretary@stcharlessi.org or give it directly to Sr. Jeanine

22 12 38 89 34 48 7 (CON) for Conlon.

Many thanks for your cooperation

ADULT LEARNING CENTER OF ROCKLAND

The Adult Learning Center of Rockland is an organization of retired seniors who volunteer to teach other seniors (and over 50s) how to use computers and other 21st century devices. They are a program sponsored by Meals on Wheels. They are now accepting applications for January/February 2018 classes. Classes are two hours, once a week for six weeks. More advanced classes are four weeks. They teach introduction to computers, word processing, excel - spreadsheets & databases, power point, photo editing using Picasa, Genealogy - finding your ancestors, and how to use DNA in your search. More advanced classes will be given if requested. They also teach one-time-only two hour classes on how to use your digital camera, computer maintenance, how to use your ipad and iphone, skype and facebook. Classes are small - only 8 students per class with one instructor and two coaches. For more information, call Eileen Herkes, Directory of Education at 845-623-5467 or 845-356-4198.



St. Charles School application process for **NEW** students entering **PK-3** and grades **Kindergarten through 8th** for the **2018-2019 school year** is officially open.

Families can not begin applying to Saint Charles School by going to the school website at www.SaintCharlesSchoolSI.org

Once on the school website:

1. Click on the **“Apply Now for 2018-2019.”** You will then be asked to follow the simple three step process for submitting an application.
2. Please be sure to choose the **“Fall 2018-Spring 2019 School Year”** option
3. After choosing the school year, information regarding the application and financial assistance will appear. At the bottom of the page **“Click Here to Apply”** when ready to begin.
4. Families will be able to apply for **Financial Assistance** during this process.
5. You will be asked to create a TADS+ account.
6. After the process is completed, the school will call families to continue the application process.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Browne in the main office at 718-987-0200.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



CHANGING THE OUR FATHER?

A boy challenged his friend: "I bet you don't even know the Lord's Prayer." "I bet I do!" The friend replied. The other kid said, "Listen, I will bet you ten dollars that you can't say it!" But the friend was persistent, "I can do it" "Okay," the first boy said, "You're on-let's hear it!" So the kid folded his hands and prayed, "Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the Lord my soul to keep. If I should die before I wake, I pray the Lord my soul to take." "Gee," the other boy said, "Here's your ten dollars. I didn't think you could do it!"

I suppose that most of us do know the Lord's prayer. Well, at least we've heard it before at Mass. We call the Our Father the "Lord's Prayer." It was the Lord Jesus himself who taught His disciples this prayer. The Our Father contains seven petitions that if prayed well could lead us to great holiness of life.

Several weeks ago at the Vatican, The Holy Father Pope Francis made the news when he suggested that the Our Father be changed. A good number of people have recently asked me about what the Pope wanted to do. Suffice it to say that the Holy Father's intentions were good.

What he actually wanted to adjust or clarify was one line in the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation." the Pope said, "That is not a good translation... It is not God who throws me into temptation and then watches how I fall... God helps us get up." Pope Francis added, "It is Satan who leads you into temptation."

We thank the Pope for that clarification because it's an important one. It's obvious too, that the Pope takes time saying his prayers and reflects upon the meaning of the words. Many of us don't do that. There was a young child who once recited the Our Father this way: "Lead us not into Penn Station!" Maybe that's not a bad prayer! Obviously, a child could be forgiven for not comprehending the words in a prayer. But for us adults, it's a different story. We should try to pray with attention and devotion. Sometimes we don't do that. It seems that we're always in a rush to say our prayers as quickly as possible which is not good!

The Our Father as taught by Jesus really was a revolutionary prayer to the people of His time. The idea of calling God "Father" was unbelievable to them. Yet, Jesus encouraged us to be on such familiar terms with God that we could go to Him with our needs and concerns just as we would to our own earthly father with a pressing problem. Saint Cyprian wrote: "How merciful the Lord is! He wished us to repeat this prayer in God's sight-to call the Lord "Our Father." None of us would have dared to utter this name, unless he had allowed us to pray in this way."

A word about temptation, it comes to all of us. It's not a sin to be tempted at all. But we need the grace of God to overcome it. The way to receive that grace is to pray fervently each day. Without the power of prayer, however, we're "sitting ducks" for our enemy the devil to gain the upper hand. As we start the new year, let's pray that in 2018 we might be found alert and watchful in prayer so that we might achieve victory over the malice and snares of the evil one.

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Jerome