



CHURCH OF ST. CHARLES



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



APRIL 16, 2017 EASTER SUNDAY

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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 17

8:30 - Emil Starita - Mem.
11:30 - Martin DeMonte - Mem.

TUESDAY - APRIL 18

8:30 - Arthur Daly - Mem.
11:30 - The Fasano Family - Mem.

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 19

8:30 - Catherine & Dominick Mirenda - Mem.
11:30 - The Passarelli Family - Mem.

THURSDAY - APRIL 20

8:30 - Vincent & Dorothy Endrom - Mem.
11:30 - Rose & Luigi LoBardo - Mem.

FRIDAY - APRIL 21

8:30 - Michael Feeny - Ann.
11:30 - Mary Mocar - Ann.

SATURDAY - APRIL 22

8:30 - Mario, Vincenza & Francesco
DiGiacomo - Mem.
4:00 - Theresa Lisa - Ann.
5:30 - James McDonough - Mem.

SUNDAY - APRIL 23

8:15 - Catherine & Dominick LiDonni - Mem.
9:30 - Parishioners of St. Charles
10:45 - Henrietta Holt - Ann.
12:00 - Charles & Marie Romanolo - Mem.
1:15 - Anthony & Catherine Serpico - 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

April 2, 2017

\$13,592.57

April 3, 2016

\$12,348.81

Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Oils

The Wine & Hosts for the week of April 16 - April 22, 2017 are offered in loving memory of Theresa Lisa at the request of St. Charles Faculty.

The Oils & Candles for the week of April 16 - April 22 are offered in loving memory of Anthony Labasin at the request of his 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.

April 22 / April 23 Mass Schedule

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

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



Religious Education Registration **2017-2018**

Grade 1 and New Families

Thursday, April 27, 2017 - 10:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Items required for registration:

Copy of child's baptismal certificate

Parish envelope #

Fee: Cash, money order, or check made payable to St. Charles Religious Education Program
Transfer letter from previous program for each student

Tuition for 2017-2018 Academic Year

1 Child \$230.00

Family \$300.00

All Tuition for 2016 - 2017 must be paid in full to receive the early bird fee.

Special Needs Registration

There will be a separate cost for registering a child for general Religious Education classes and Special Needs.

CLASSES MEET 5:30 - 6:00 ON SELECT MONDAYS

Academy Students

If you are entering a Sacramental grade in September 2017 you must register with the Religious Education Program and provide us with a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate and a letter from the school stating they are receiving Religious instruction..

\$80.00 registration fee as well as Sacramental fees.

The Religious Education Program is currently looking for volunteers to assist us as Catechists, Catechist Aides, Substitutes, and Office Assistants. For more information please call
718-979-6800.

Divine Mercy Novena

Reminder to begin the Divine Mercy Novena on Good Friday. It ends on Mercy Sunday, April 23. The novena can be found in the vestibule of the church or go online to www.thedivinemercy.org.

PARISH NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS April 17, - April 23, 2017

Monday - April 17

Spiritual Direction - 7:30 PM; rectory

Tuesday - April 18

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

Wednesday - April 19

Women's Prayer Group - 7:30 PM; rectory

Thursday - April 20

Caregivers Meeting - 9:30 AM; rectory

Book Club - 4:00 PM; rectory

Bereavement - 7:30 PM; rectory

Friday - April 21

Cub Scouts - 7:00 PM; school

Saturday - April 22

Sunday - April 23

Parish Coffee Hour - 10:30 AM -11:30 AM;
School

St. Charles Church Website

Please take some time to visit our website at www.saintcharles.weebly.com. You will find some history of our parish, as well as current bulletins. **If you are new to the area and would like to register with St. Charles Church, there is a link for registration.**



MARRIAGE BANNS We Celebrate

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

*Samantha Portagallo & Vincent Monteleone
Mary Ellen Ryan & Edward Sosa*

WEDDING MUSIC

If you are planning a wedding in the near future and would like to arrange for music, please, call the rectory two months prior to the wedding, and leave a message for Paul Light, our Music Director at (718) 987-2670.



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.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

St. Vincent de Paul Society does appreciate people donating food to our pantry. However we cannot use any food that has expired. Please check your items.

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
James Campitelli	Helen Mahon
Mary Campitelli	Lauren Marie
Clara Carlino	Raymond Mignone
Marty Casey	Ann Murphy
Anthony Cassaro	Pamela Murphy
Irma Cassella	Gennaro Musto
Nick Castagna	Erin O'Keefe
Grace Castelao	Anthony Paragone
Luz Causon	Roberta Paragone
Ann Marie Coppola	Veronica Parascondola
Carmine Coronato, Jr.	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	Margaret Ward
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*

Maria T. Martino

Jacklyn Mastromauro

Digital Prayer Tools

FORMED.org (parish code XQ43Q3)

www.wordonfire.org

3minuteretreat.com

dynamiccatholic.com



FLOCKNOTE

Cardinal Dolan together with Fr. Jerome want to communicate more effectively with you through the technology of today. The Archdiocese has provided us with a tool called Flocknote so that we will be better equipped to keep our parishioners informed of parish events, Archdiocesan announcements, etc. There are two easy ways to connect.

1. Visit our parish at: www.flocknote.com/SCBstatenisland and sign up.
2. Text stcharlesb to 84576 from your cell phone to subscribe to Flocknote.

This is a great opportunity for you to get plugged into things going on in our parish and to increase engagement here in our community.



PARISH NEWS



25th and 50th Wedding Anniversaries

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding anniversary anytime during 2017 are invited to attend the annual golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Sunday, June 11th at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please call the rectory to register. The closing date to register for the Mass at the Cathedral is Friday, May 12th. The 25th and 50th Wedding Anniversary celebration will take place here at St. Charles on Sunday, May 21st at the 9:30 Mass. Please call the rectory to register.



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.

Ablaze

New York Catholic Youth Day 2017

Will take place on April 29, 2017 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at St. Joseph Seminary. Registration is \$20 per person (includes lunch, bag and t-shirt) (\$10 late fee after April 10) No walk-ins. To register, go www.oymny.org/ny-catholic-youth-day or call 914-367-8329



RENEW+
REBUILD

You may be wondering why we haven't started up the Annual Cardinal's Appeal for 2017. St. Charles is launching "Renew and Rebuild", a five year campaign to raise funds for some very exciting parish initiatives. Every parishioner will be asked to play a part in our campaign. We will not conduct a separate Cardinal's Appeal this year. You will be hearing more about "Renew and Rebuild" very soon. In the meantime, please pray for the success of this very important undertaking.



Bingo is held every Tuesday evening in the auditorium starting at 7:30 PM. Early bird is at 7:15 PM. Doors open at 6:00 PM.

We Invite You to Become a Parishioner

Please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket next weekend. A census card will be mailed to you for your completion then return it to the rectory.

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ADDRESS _____

EMAIL ADDRESS/TELEPHONE NUMBER

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



WHAT DOES EASTER MEAN TO YOU?

A Sunday school teacher had just finished telling her third graders about how Jesus was crucified and placed in the tomb with a great stone sealing off the only way in and out. Then, wanting to share the excitement of the resurrection and the surprise of Easter morning, she asked, "And what do you think were Jesus' first words when he come bursting out of that tomb alive?"

A hand shot up in the air from the rear of the classroom. It belonged to a most excited little girl. Leaping out of her chair, she shouted excitedly, "I know! I know! I know!" "Good," said the teacher, "Tell us." Extending her arms high in the air, she sang out "Ta-Da." Well, there is a great deal of magic in Easter!

Speaking of children, some kids in grammar school were asked to write a composition the title, "What Easter means to you?" Now, there were some interesting remarks about Easter made by the children. One little boy named Mason wrote, Easter is when Jesus was resurrected, and when the Easter bunny comes to see us the night before." A girl by the name of Hannah wrote what I thought was the best entry. She said, "Easter is really a Pagan holiday with all the bunnies and chicks. But if you celebrated in the right way about Jesus, it is a good holiday." I think Hannah is on to something there!

For many people in our society, Easter has become sort of a Spring ritual of eggs, bunnies, marshmallow chicks, and the big Easter Parade with all those funny hats down Fifth Avenue. But we know as Catholics and as Christians that Easter is much more than all these things as enjoyable as they may be.

Easter of course, means the resurrection of Jesus Christ, plain and simple. Today we celebrate the triumph of Jesus Christ over suffering and death. The Lord's empty tomb is our blessed hope as Christians. The great Saint Paul wrote: "If Christ is not risen again, your faith is in vain and you are yet in your sins." What Saint Paul is saying is that if the Lord did not rise on Easter Sunday morning the Church might as well just "Close up shop" and put "For Sale" signs on the front door of all our buildings!

Jesus' empty tomb really is the cornerstone of our Christian faith. Christianity has no meaning if the resurrection did not take place. When it came to the resurrection, the greatest sceptics and unbelievers were the first Apostles. Even though the Lord had told them in advance that He would rise again, they forgot His words. And in the aftermath of the crucifixion, their hopes were dashed.

But on Easter morning, Jesus came to His friends and showed them beyond a shadow of doubt that He was alive. From then on, the apostles bore witness to the resurrected Christ not only with their words but above all by giving their lives for Him. Certainly they would not have shed their blood for an illusion or a hoax!

As Jesus' disciples in the year 2017, we too must bear witness to the resurrected Jesus by our joy and our enthusiasm. I am reminded of a gloomy old, atheistic philosopher who once commented on how so many Christians look gloomy, somber and sad all the time. He said, "You Christians-you want me to believe in a redeemer-couldn't you just look just a little bit more redeemed?" and that is a very true statement.

What does Easter mean to us? It means that death is not the end and that the grave is not our final home. It means that we have an eternal destiny with God in heaven. And this really is the "Good News of Christianity! God bless you and Happy Easter!

*Sincerely,
Father Jerome*

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