



# CHURCH OF ST. CHARLES



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



FEBRUARY 19, 2017 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Pastoral Staff

### Pastor

Rev. Louis R. Jerome

### Parochial Vicar

Fr. Marius Fernando (visiting priest)

Fr. Stefan Chanas

### In Residence

Bishop John J. O'Hara

### Weekend Associate

Rev. Msgr. Edmund J. Whalen

### Permanent Deacons

Deacon Stephen Tobon

Deacon Lawrence Droge

### Pastoral Associate

Sr. Jeanine Conlon, O.P.

### School Principal

Mr. J. C. Kiernan

### Religious Education Coordinator

Ms. Kerry Quinn

### Director of Music

Mr. Paul Light

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(718) 987-5780

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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 - FEBRUARY 20

8:30 - Vincent & Eileen Arnone - Mem.  
11:30 - Mario D'Amico - Mem.

## TUESDAY - FEBRUARY 21

8:30 - Aurora & Mario DiGiacomo - Mem.  
11:30 - Tina Parsons - Mem.

## WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 22

8:30 - The Amendola & Esposito Families  
Mem.  
11:30 - Paul LaGreyor - Mem.

## THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 23

8:30 - Patrick McDonough - Mem.  
11:30 - Filomena Cassella - Mem.

## FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 24

8:30 - Ignazio, Maria, Nina, & Anthony  
Chiappone - Mem.  
11:30 - Rose Figliolo - Mem.

## SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 25

8:30 - Rosario Ciccone - Mem.  
4:00 - Deceased Members Bifulco Family &  
Mario & Antoinette Abbatiello - Mem.  
5:30 - Sofia & Antonio Rucci - Mem.

## SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 26

8:15 - Guiseppe Milano - Mem.  
9:30 - Parishioners of St. Charles  
10:45 - Filomena DiRe - Mem.  
12:00 - Michael Riccio - Mem.  
1:15 - Frank Serpico - Mem.

### February 25 / February 26 Mass Schedule

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



February 5, 2017

**\$13,971.67**

February 7, 2016

**\$15,164.69**

## **Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Oils**

*The Wine & Hosts for the week of February 19-February 25, 2017 are offered in loving memory of Angela Celeste at the request of Pat & Elena Garone.*

*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**

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

## **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; rectory



## **Silent Auction**

The St. Charles Spring Auction will take place on Friday, April 7, 2017. With the help of our parish families, we can help ensure another successful fundraiser for our children! We are asking for any donations of new, unopened items, gift cards, bottles of wine, or anything that can be used to help us reach our goal of 400 baskets. Please label it "AUCTION" and drop it off at the school. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

## **Welcome to our Neighborhood Ministry**

If you know someone new to your neighborhood, please contact the rectory to obtain a "Welcome to the Neighborhood" packet which includes a welcome letter from Fr. Jerome, a bulletin and a bottle of holy water. In the spirit of hospitality, your new neighbor does not have to be Catholic, we just want to welcome them to the neighborhood. We ask that all of you, our parishioners, be the "welcomers", but if you do not feel comfortable visiting a new neighbor, let us know and we will take care of it, care of our welcoming committee.

## **Building Bridges Coalition of Staten Island**

Invites you to its **14th Annual Interfaith Passover Seder** which will take place in our school auditorium on March 23 at 7 PM. Reservations are required by emailing [www.buildingbridgessi.com](http://www.buildingbridgessi.com). \$30/adult; \$15/child (under 12 years old free).

Staten Island YMCA is proud to be honoring Bishop O'Hara at our upcoming Dine N Dance event on Friday, March 10 at Hilton Garden Inn. Please contact Heather Scapp at 718-907-6065 or [hscapp@ymcany.org](mailto:hscapp@ymcany.org) for more information.

# PARISH NEWS

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS February 20, - February 26, 2017

### Monday - February 20

Spiritual Direction - 7:30 PM ; rector  
Cheerleading - 7:30 PM; school

### Tuesday - February 21

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

### Wednesday - February 22

Adult Faith Formation - 1:30 PM; rector  
Cheerleading - 6:00 PM; school

### Thursday - February 23

Caregivers Meeting - 9:30 AM; rector  
Seniors - 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM; school  
Cheerleading - 5:30 PM ; school

### Friday - February 24

Cub Scouts - 7:00 PM; school

### Saturday - February 25

### Sunday - February 26

RCIA - 10:00 AM; rector  
Teen Club - 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM; church



## Swimming Registration

Online registration for the St. Charles Swim Team is now open. Practices are to begin February 27, 2017. Register at [www.stcharleschargers.com/2017-swim-team](http://www.stcharleschargers.com/2017-swim-team). Any questions about the swim team may be directed to [scsswimming@gmail.com](mailto:scsswimming@gmail.com).

## Registration Information

### NEW Family Registration for the 2017-18 Academic School Year

Registration for NEW families interested in enrolling in grades Pre-Kindergarten 3 and Kindergarten through 8th grades for the 2017-2018 academic school year is now open. To fill out an online application, please go to the school website: [www.SaintCharlesSchoolSI.org](http://www.SaintCharlesSchoolSI.org) and click on the "APPLY NOW" button.

After completing the application process, the school will contact you to set up a meeting and interview. At the time of the interview, please bring the child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate, immunization records, report cards and NYS ELA and Math scores (grades 3-8).

The application period for all Universal Pre-Kindergarten/Pre-K For All students will begin on **January 17, 2017** and end on Friday, **February 24, 2017**. All children born in 2013 who live in New York City are eligible to apply to PreK for All for the Fall 2017 school year.

The application can be done over the phone by calling 718-935-2067, in person at 715 Ocean Terrace, Building A, Staten Island, NY 10301 or on-line at [schools.nyc.gov/ApplyOnline](http://schools.nyc.gov/ApplyOnline). No UPK applications can be submitted to St. Charles School. To be considered for the St. Charles UPK program, families will need to use the Saint Charles school code: 31RABM. If you have any UPK registration questions, please call Ms. Eileen at the school at 718-987-0200.

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

## THE GET WELL LIST

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

## Digital Prayer Tools

FORMED.org (parish code XQ43Q3)  
www.wordonfire.org  
3minuteretreat.com

## 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*

*Corporal Michael A. Cipolla*

*Steven S. Duke*

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O. P. at 212-371-1100 ext. 2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via e-mail at [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org). In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

## Formed.org

A featured program this month is *Our Lady of Sorrows*, a 90 minute podcast. Speaker and author Kimberly Hahn, wife of Dr. Scott Hahn and mother of six, is a convert to the Catholic faith. Although honoring Mary was difficult for Kimberly to understand initially, she began to encounter Mary's loving guidance in little ways on a daily basis. In this presentation, she reflects on the joys and sorrows that Mary prayerfully experienced during her time on earth and share how her example leads us closer to Christ.

# CHILDREN'S PAGE

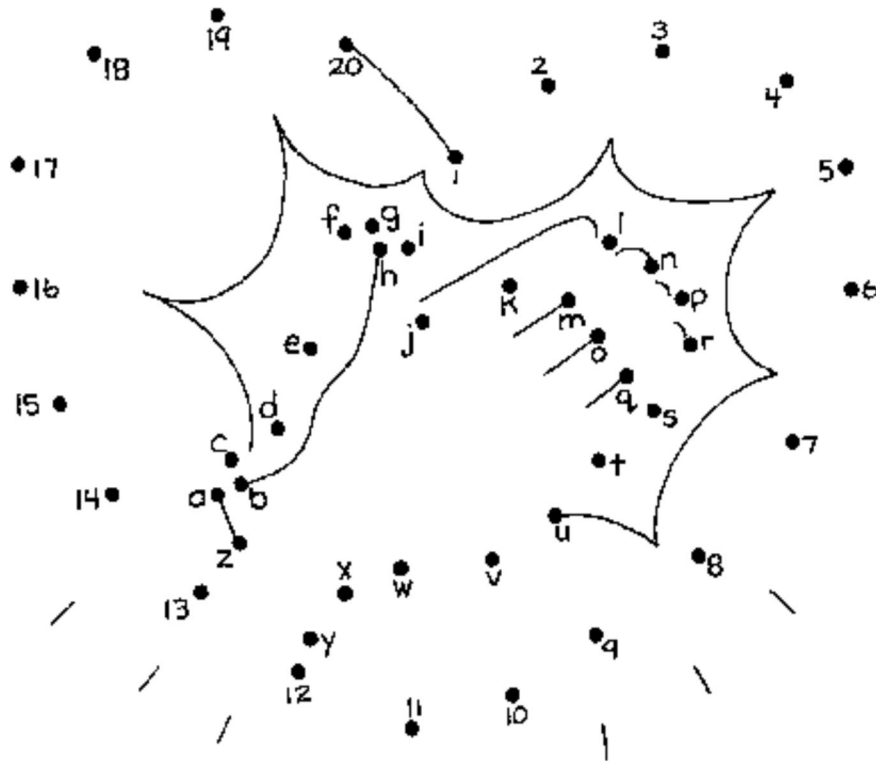
## Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Do you know what Jesus told his disciples  
to do for their enemies?

First connect the letters, then connect the numbers.

You'll find two symbols that show the answer.

If you need help, see Matthew 5:44 in your Bible.



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# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



## FAITH AT THE PHARMACY...

One of the identifying marks of a Roman Catholic Priest of course is the Roman Collar. I heard a story about a priest who was invited to a parishioner's home one night for dinner. The daughter of the host, a little girl about five years old, kept staring at the priest's collar. Finally, the priest to make conversation, took his collar off and showed it to the girl. Pointing to the cleaning instructions on the inside of the collar, he said, "Do you know what it says here?" She said, "Oh yes Father - kills fleas and ticks for up to six months!"

Now some priests don't like to wear the collar when they go out socially. One Father said, "You know, I never wear my collar when I go out-you get bothered by too many people." His priest friend replied, "Yeah, I know-but that's the reason I wear mine!" Obviously that Padre did not mind being bothered by the concerns of the people!

Just recently, I saw the powerful witness of the Roman Collar and the priesthood which it signifies. I was at this pharmacy which I would describe as kind of a "Throwback." It was not a large pharmacy like a CVS, Duane Reade or Walgreens. Rather it was a small operation-with an old fashioned candy counter and even a penny scale in the back!

Well, as I approached the register with my purchases, the druggist, a very nice lady, said, "Oh Father, I am so glad you're here. I have a question to ask you. It's about Baptism-can you have two male sponsors?" I explained to her that at a baptism the law of the Church states that there can only be one godmother and one godfather. It's possible of course to have a single sponsor but not multiple ones. She seemed satisfied with that answer.

As I was putting my items on the counter for her to ring up, another clerk came out from the back and saw my roman collar. She said, "Oh a priest! Father can I 'pick your brain' for a moment?" I said, "Sure" and thought to myself I am doing better business here in the drugstore than I do in the rectory!

In any event, this question was far different from the subject of Baptism. This time I was asked about Judas Iscariot. We have all heard of him. He was the Apostle who betrayed Our Lord. She asked, "Is Judas in hell?" I said that we don't know exactly who is in hell. I then remembered a quote from the scripture in which Jesus said this about hid renegade apostle, "Woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed. Better for him if he had never been born!"

The Lord's words plainly indicate that Judas did not have a happy ending and could possibly be there. The pharmacist accepted this and then she said, "Well, couldn't he have repented of his sin after he died? I went on to explain to her that after we die, it's too late to make decisions concerning what is right and wrong. The time to make good choices is when we are alive, after we pass on, it's really too late!

This well meaning woman said that she was a Catholic but had some differences with church teaching. I said I would pray for her! The point is that many people have a good deal of questions when it comes to the faith. We priests hopefully can and should always answer those questions-not only in church but wherever we're "Collared"-even at the pharmacy counter!

Sincerely in Christ,  
Father Jerome

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