



# CHURCH OF ST. CHARLES



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



JUNE 6, 2021 CORPUS CHRISTI

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(718) 987-5780

## 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 & 12 Noon

Saturday                                    8:30 AM

#### Holy Days Masses

Eve of the Holy Day                    7:30 PM

8:30, 12:00 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 - JUNE 7

8:30 - Virginia Zangari - Ann.  
12:00 - Thomas Sheridan - Mem.

## TUESDAY - JUNE 8

8:30 - Pete Mulroy - Mem.  
12:00 - Anthony A. LoGatto - Ann.

## WEDNESDAY - JUNE 9

8:30 - Deceased Members of the Dalton & Quinn Families - Mem.  
12:00 - Mildred & Henry Orzechowski - Mem.

## THURSDAY - JUNE 10

8:30 - Nina Savaglia - Mem.  
12:00 - John C. Somerville - Mem.

## FRIDAY - JUNE 11

8:30 - Steven Spano - Mem.  
12:00 - Luigi DiRe - Mem.

## SATURDAY - JUNE 12

8:30 - Vincent Puglia - Mem.  
4:00 - For the family of Baby Lily Jo Jurgens Mem.  
5:30 - Stella Baldofsky - Mem.

## SUNDAY - JUNE 13

8:15 - Joseph & Josephine DellaMonica - Mem.  
9:30 - Parishioners of St. Charles  
10:45 - Viola Yakubisin & Soika Family - Mem.  
12:00 - Living & Deceased Members of the Riordan Family  
1:15 - Charles Garofalo - Mem.

## June 12/ June 13 Mass Schedule

4:00 PM-	10:45 AM-
5:30 PM-	12:00 PM-
8:15 AM-	1:15 PM-
9:30 AM-	

## Weekly Offerings

May 23, 2021

\$6,428.50

May 26, 2020

\$7,430.00

### Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Oil

*The Wine & Hosts for the week of June 6, - June 12, 2021 are offered in loving memory of Louise M. Solan at the request of her daughter, Barbara.*

*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 7:00 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 11:30 AM and on Saturday at 8:10 AM.  
The Miraculous Medal novena prayers are said after the 8:30 & 12:00 PM Masses on Mondays.*

**Live stream Mass on Sundays at 12 Noon on Facebook - St. Charles Staten Island page. Catholic Faith Network - Channel 296 on Fios and Channel on 162/471 on Spectrum 12 Noon from St. Agnes and 6:30 PM from St. Patrick's Cathedral. Mass is also celebrated on EWTN - Channel 285 on Fios and Channel 460 on Spectrum at 12 noon daily.**

# PARISH MINISTRIES

## *St. Charles School* **Spring Basket Auction**

Don't Miss Out on Your Chance to Win!  
Tickets will be sold and baskets will be on display in the schoolyard after each Mass  
**this weekend**

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## **SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the  
Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive  
you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,

Come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there

And unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.

**In light of the recent easing of COVID-19 restrictions by New York State, mask requirements are no longer mandated at Mass for vaccinated individuals. If you are not yet comfortable with this eased restriction, we have sectioned off part of the church for those who would like to continue to wear a mask and maintain 6 feet social distance.**



"Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker" by Jennifer Chiaverini is the next read for our book club. Elizabeth "Litzzy" Keckley, a former slave, lives in Washington D. C. and becomes the dressmaker to many prominent ladies. She is chosen to become the dressmaker for Mary Todd Lincoln. As a result, her presence in the White House allows her to see some intimate happenings of the Lincoln family. She consoles Mrs. Lincoln upon the death of her son and also the death of the President. She saves swatches of material from the gowns she sewed and makes a quilt known as the Mary Todd Lincoln Quilt. After she publishes "Memories, Thirty Years a Slave and Four Years in the White House", her friendship with the First Lady dissolves. The next meeting will take place at 4:00 PM on June 17th outside in person weather permitting. If you are not on the email list for the book club, please call the rectory for the meeting location and further information.

## **CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA AND CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS**

Next weeks' second collection will be in support of the Church in Latin America and Catholic Home Missions. Envelopes can be found in the vestibule of the church and in your envelope packet. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

## **2022 MASS BOOK OPENING**

The Mass Book for 2022 will open on Wednesday, June 23rd from 5:00 - 8:00 PM in the church. We ask that you come prepared with a list of Masses you wish to reserve for 2022 and an alternate date or time in case the first preference is not available. Limit 6 Mass requests per family and only 3 on Saturday/Sunday. 4

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

## THE GET WELL LIST

Keith Alaimo	Christopher Henrickson
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Joan Boragi	Savannah Huffman
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John Comito	Mary Messias
Elaine Cupak	Benita Mitchell
Mary Ann DeCesare	Doreen Montaldo
Francis Deegan	Steven Morvillo
Michael DelPriore	John Orsino
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Josephine DeSimone	Rita Paragone
Andrew DiPadova	Valerie Parnell
Theresa Dorsch	Pervolarakis Family
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Nina Giblin	David Ramirez
Lou Gioia	Emily Rodriguez
Michael Graziuso	Nancy Rossi
Fr. Lawrence Gyamfi	Marie Starita
Cathy Harris	Abigail Taylor
Emily Harris	Jude Riley Taylor
Timothy Harris	Linda Towers
	Vincent Truscelli

## 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.



### 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*

*Lena (Lee) Gammone*

**St. Michael the Archangel** is the patron saint of police officers and military personnel. In Catholic writings and traditions, he acts as the defender of the Church and chief opponent of Satan and assists persons at the hour of death. The world can use prayers against the wickedness of Satan. Below is the Prayer to St. Michael.

*St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray. O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.*



If you have not already done so, please consider making a donation to the 2021 Cardinal's Appeal. Thus far, we have reached **80%** of our goal. For your convenience, there is a link on our website to make your donation. Envelopes are in the vestibule of the church.



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# FROM THE PASTOR

## BETTER TO LIGHT A CANDLE!

Just recently, I attended the installation of a new pastor here on Staten Island, Father James Ferreira, the pastor of Our Lady Help of Christians in Tottenville. At the reception after Mass, I was seated next to a very fine man by the name of Carmine Caruso. Carmine, along with five other classmates, will be ordained a priest by Cardinal Timothy Dolan at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on this coming Saturday, May 29th.

I suppose that in this year of 2021, it is not very easy to answer the call of Christ to be a priest. There are so many things that militate against a man laying down his life in sacrifice for the Lord Jesus. That is why I was interested in hearing Deacon Carmine's vocation story and what motivated him to aspire to the priesthood.

At 43 years old, Carmine is what we might call a "Delayed Vocation" not exactly young but certainly not old either. He told me that he had a good job at an engineering firm and had a steady girlfriend. Then something terrible happened; the girlfriend became very sick with a disease called Arterial Sarcoma, sort of a cancer of the blood vessels. As it turned out sadly, she succumbed to this illness.

However, throughout all her stay in the hospital, Carmine was very impressed with the ministrations of a very dedicated priest here on Staten Island, Father Thomas Devery, the pastor of Our Lady Star of the Sea. Not only did Father Devery visit his girlfriend in the hospital, he also gave a lot of his time to speaking with Carmine and helped him through a very difficult period in his life.

By seeing the work of a good priest "in action" as it were, Carmine was inspired to apply for the priesthood and entered the Pope John XXIII Seminary in Boston which is a school for older vocations. I listened with interest to his story, and what impressed me above all was the powerful example of a holy priest.

Today we hear a lot in the news about the members of the clergy who have failed in some way in their ministry. However, the faithful and zealous priest who does his duty time and time again is hardly ever noticed. Certainly all of us need role models and positive examples to inspire us so as to make a difference in this world.

Years ago, a Maryknoll priest by the name of Father James Kellar recognized that important fact. Father Kellar founded an organization known as "The Christophers." The motto of "The Christophers" is "It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness."

The origin of the motto went back to a talk that Father Kellar gave in the Los Angeles Stadium in 1945. Father Kellar wanted to emphasize the powerful example of dedicated Christians. He had the lights darkened in that great stadium; then he lit a single match, which hardly made a dent in the black of the night. After that, Father invited all present to strike a match. Immediately, from all points in that arena came the sound of striking matches and an overwhelming blaze of light.

The point was made that as followers of Christ, we are people of the light whose lives should illumine the darkness of this world. Catholics are meant to shed the light of Christ to those around them. Father Devery's kindness and compassion was a powerful light to Carmine Caruso in his life. When we think it over, we can recall people like that too who made a difference in our own lives. Let's pray in a special way for the newly ordained priests of the Class of 2021-may they always reflect the Light of Christ!

Sincerely in Christ,  
Father Jerome