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FEBRUARY 6, 2022

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening-4:00 PM and 5:30 PM

Sunday-8:15 AM, 9:30 AM, 10:45 AM,
12 Noon and 1:15 PM

Monday - Friday at 8:30 AM and
12 Noon

Saturday at 8:30 AM

Holy Day Masses

Vigil Mass - 7:30 PM

8:30 AM, 12 Noon and 6:00 PM

Confessions

Saturday: 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM, 5:00 - 5:30 PM,
and after Mass on the Eve of a Holy Day.

Adoration

Monday - Friday 12 Noon - 5:00 PM

First Mondays at 7:30 PM

First Fridays at 7:00 PM

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 AM
and 11:30 AM.

The Miraculous Medal novena prayers are said after
the 8:30 AM and 12 Noon Masses on Mondays.

Baptisms

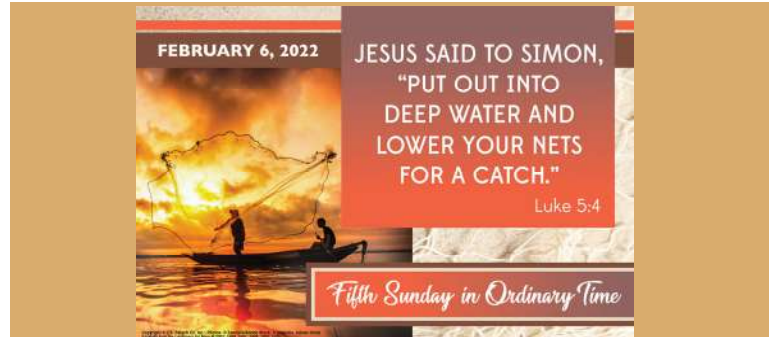
Second Sunday of the month at 2:30 PM. Parents
should call the rectory to register for a baptism class.
SPONSOR CERTIFICATES REQUIRED for God-
parents and also a copy of the child's birth certificate.

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.



Pastoral Staff

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Joe and Louise Kroczyński, *FIYA Teen Club*

Rectory Office

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

10:30 AM - 2:30 PM (Saturday)

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM (Sunday)

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FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES AND WORLD SICK DAY



February 11 is the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes, one of the most famous apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary that took place in southern France. On this day in 1858 a young, poor girl named Bernadette Soubirous was out collecting firewood with her sister and another friend near a grotto when she saw a vision of a lovely lady. In the words of St. Bernadette,

"I raised my head and looked towards the grotto. I saw a Lady dressed in white, wearing a white dress, a blue girdle and a yellow rose on each foot, the same color as the chain of her Rosary."

In the vision Our Lady was praying the rosary. Bernadette reluctantly told her parents of the apparition, and in response they forbade her from going back to the grotto. A few days later, on February 14th, Bernadette was permitted to return to the grotto, and again the Lady appeared to her. This happened again on February 18th. On this third visit the Lady asked Bernadette to come back to the grotto every day for the next two weeks. At these subsequent visits the Lady (who had not yet identified herself as the Blessed Virgin Mary) asked for a chapel to be built on the grounds, for Bernadette to pray for the conversion of sinners, and for her to drink the spring water that was revealed to her at the grotto. Word of these apparitions spread rapidly and caused quite a stir in town. In response, Bernadette was detained, interrogated, and harassed by the civil authorities as if she were a common criminal. The villagers, however, came to her rescue and demanded that the child be released. Through all these difficulties that came to her because of the apparitions, Bernadette was given an interior strength:

"There was something in me that enabled me to rise above everything. I was tackled from all sides, but nothing mattered and I was not afraid."

Many of the townspeople believed that Mary was appearing to Bernadette, and they came down in large numbers to the grotto to pray. The spring that the Lady asked Bernadette to drink from quickly revealed itself to be blessed water with miraculous healing properties. On March 25th, the Feast of the Annunciation, the Lady appeared at the grotto again, this time identifying herself as the Immaculate Conception.

"With her two arms hanging down, she raised her eyes and looked up at the sky, and it was then that she told me, joining her hands together now at the height of her breast, that she was the Immaculate Conception. Those were the last words she ever said to me."

As for herself, Bernadette suffered much, not only through physical suffering due to her chronic poor health, but also through the jealousy and suspicion from others because she was given the grace of visits from the Blessed Mother. This proved true the words Our Lady spoke to Bernadette at the grotto, "I do not promise to make you happy in this world, but in the other." Four years after Our Lady of Lourdes appeared to St. Bernadette, the local bishop ruled that the apparitions were authentic. St. Bernadette eventually entered a religious house where she continued to suffer physically, uniting her suffering to Christ, and died at an early age.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Pope John Paul II had been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease as early as 1991, an illness which was only confirmed in 2001, and it is significant that he decided to create the World Day of the Sick only one year after his diagnosis. The pope had written a great deal on the topic of suffering and believed that it was very much a salvific and redeeming process through Christ, as he indicated in his apostolic letter *Salvifici Doloris*.

He chose the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes for the date of the observance because many pilgrims and visitors to Lourdes, France, have been reported to have been healed at the Marian Sanctuary there through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin.

***On Friday, February 11th, we will have the Anointing of the Sick at both the 8:30 AM and 12 Noon Masses for anyone in our parish who is in need of healing.**

LITURGY CORNER

MONDAY - FEBRUARY 7

8:30 - Vincent Arnone - Ann.
12:00 - The Amendola & Esposito
Families - Mem.

TUESDAY - FEBRUARY 8

8:30 - Chris Murphy - Mem
12:00 - Nina Savaglia - Mem.

WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 9

8:30 - Catherine Mooney - Mem.
12:00 - Helen Nicita - Mem.

THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 10

8:30 - Betty Caputo - Mem.
12:00 - James Ruland & Rita Williams
Mem.

FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 11

8:30 - George & Rowena McMahon
Mem.
12:00 - Vincent Arnone - Mem.

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 12

8:30 - Msgr. Thomas Gaffney - Mem.
4:00 - Agata DeFrancisci - Mem.
5:30 - Joseph & John Annarumma-Mem.

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 13

8:15 - Lewis Ayers - Ann.
9:30 - Parishioners of St. Charles
10:45 - Deacon Vincent Brigande- Mem.
12:00 - Joseph Ursillo - Mem.
1:15 - James Allen & Salvatore Bosco
Mem.



If you are interested in becoming an altar server (Fourth Grade and up), please contact Fr. Pat at the rectory. Practices will take place on Tuesdays at 3:15 PM in the Church.

Weekly Offerings

Last Weekend

\$4,456.56

Last Year (2021)

\$8,604.24



Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Altar Candles

If you would like to make arrangements to dedicate flowers for the altar, the wine & hosts for the offertory, or candles for the Mass in memory of a loved one or a special occasion, please, call the rectory.

ST. JOSEPH'S WORKSHOP

Monday, February 7th at 7:00 PM in the church, we will have our monthly "**St. Joseph's Workshop.**" This monthly event will have a holy hour of Eucharistic Adoration with the praying of the rosary and confession, a presentation on different aspects of our faith, distribution of sacramentals (medals, holy water, etc.), and time to share food and laughter. This workshop is our way of continuing to grow in the blessings from the **Year of St. Joseph** and promises to be life changing. You will not want to miss out!

ENLIGHTEN

Although we participate week after week, sometimes we don't realize the meaning and origins of what we say and do at Mass and how we are called to live as Catholics. Now, you can deepen your understanding through a joint program of the Archdiocese of New York and Fordham University's Graduate School of Religion and Religious Education. **Enlighten: Faith Education for Today's Catholic** will expand your knowledge of our faith through online courses. Learn more or register at archny.org/enlighten or call 646-794-2581.

PARISH HAPPENINGS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS PARISH RETREATS



March 26th - March 31st

LENTEEN RETREAT PRESENTED BY THE FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF THE RENEWAL

This is a great opportunity to renew our faith during the Lenten Season. Please give yourself and your family this special time. The theme of this retreat is "Strengthening Our Relationship with God and Family". Let's do this!



Our selection for **February 17th** book club meeting is "*The Lincoln Highway*" by Amor Towles.

Brothers Emmitt and

Billy start out on a journey to find their mother who left them 5 years ago. Their intention is to take the Lincoln Highway from Nebraska to California to find her. However, before they are able to even get on the Lincoln Highway, they are 'high jacked' and forced to detour east to New York City. Thus, begins a tale of adventures that introduce them to several characters who provide sage advice or attempt to sabotage their journey. The meeting will be in the rectory at 4:00 PM.

Masks required.



FIYA TEEN CLUB

St. Charles Parish is proud to announce that we are

re-establishing the Teen Club. The mission of the club will be to develop strong leaders and lasting friendships, while servicing the community. The Club is open to all female and male students/parishioners from Grades 6 and up. The Club will meet the 2nd Saturday of every month after the 5:30 PM Mass. Fr. Pat is the moderator of the club and Joe and Louise Kroczyński will co-chair the Club. If your child is interested, please **contact Joe and Louise at 917-589-7822.**

Our next event takes place on Saturday, February 12th. We will go Ice Skating at Clove Lakes Park on Victory Blvd.

COME AND SKATE WITH US!



BOY SCOUTS OF ST. CHARLES PARISH CLOTHING DRIVE

On the weekends of February 5th/6th and 12th/13th, the BSA Scouts of St. Charles Parish will conduct a collection drive to benefit underserved children here on Staten Island. This year we would kindly ask for donations of new children's sleepwear, children's sweatshirts, socks and undergarments. These items will be delivered to The Staten Island Giving Circle, who in turn will distribute them to those in need. Donations can be left in the vestibule of the church anytime during these two weeks. The ages of recipients will range from kindergarten to 8th grade. These are basic items that we may often take for granted, but the need is real for far too many young people. We thank you in advance for

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

THE GET WELL LIST

Lucille Abenante	Emily Harris
Keith Alaimo	Timothy Harris
Paul Alaimo Sr.	Luis Herrera
David Bautista	Cheryl Houss
Joan Boragi	Savannah Huffman
Rosemary Barresi	Colleen Kaplan
Madeline Buonpane	Jeannette Castelao Keane
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Lillian DeMartini	Pervolarakis Family
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Theresa Dorsch	Emily Rodriguez
Andrew DiPadova	Nancy Rossi
Marilyn Droge	Marie Simorella
Mary Ferrares	Marie Skiladz
Francesca Franco	Marie Starita
James Gallagher	Abigail Taylor
Anthony Giardina	Jude Riley Taylor
Nina Giblin	Vincent Truscelli
Lou Gioia	Theresa Verry
Michael Graziuso	Christopher Wandy
Fr. Lawrence Gyamfi	Pat Zyla
Cathy Harris	

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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*

Margaret Mascenta

Filomena Iannicco

Patricia DelPercio

Theresa Peruggia

John Fox

Irene Randazzo

Manuel Martinez

Frances Graci



The St. Vincent de Paul Society thanks you for your generous donations to our food pantry throughout the year. During the year 2021, they gave out 1,059 bags of food to 220 families in addition to 12 containers of food to the food pantry at St. Roch's Church (Fr. Roby's parish). We are living in difficult times and your kindness helps feed so many families.

LAST SUNDAY A "WHITE-OUT"

Due to last weekends snowstorm, our Sunday collection was greatly reduced due to the low attendance. We are happy that everyone was safe.

Please bring or mail your parish envelopes for the weekend of January 31st.

We are grateful for your continued support!

PARISH AND LOCAL NEWS

Adult Faith Formation

Wednesday - TBA

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 - TBA

Prayer Group & Holy Hour

First Monday of the month at 7:30 PM; church

Religious Education Classes

Monday 3:45 - 5:15 PM Grades PreK-7

Wednesday 3:45 - 5:15 PM Grades PreK-7

Special Needs: TBA

St. Joseph's Workshop

First Monday of the month at 7:00 PM; church

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Meeting - Second Tuesday of month at 1:30 PM;

Food Pantry open 2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month 11:00 AM -1:00 PM; rectory

Teen Club

Second Saturday of every month after the 5:30 PM Mass

PLEASE NOTE - Your March envelope packet will contain an envelope addressed to St. Charles Church. This for your convenience so that if you wish to, you may mail your entire monthly collection in one envelope .

Thank you for your continued generosity.



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY **FEBRUARY 13TH, 2022**

The search begins for the longest married couple in the Archdiocese of New York! To enter, couples must be sacramentally married for a minimum of 6 years and reside in the Archdiocese of New York. The longest married couples will receive a commemorative certificate signed by His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan. The winning couple will be interviewed and featured in an article in Catholic New York. Winners are determined by how long the couple has been married as of World Marriage Day, February 13th, 2022. For further information, or to submit an entry, contact Kathleen Crayne at the Family Life Office at kathleen.crayne@archny.org or 646-794-3182.

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK **February 7 - 14, 2022**

This annual observance honors and affirms the vocation of marriage and the positive impact of their dedicated example on our society, families, communities, church and nation.

"Be Light" Marriage Renewal Date Night Series

Join other Catholic couples in the Archdiocese of New York and from around the country for a FREE virtual date night series! The **5-part virtual** marriage enrichment and renewal series features five couples who will share very real tips for renewing your marriage during this unique time in our lives. Each date night will include a video from a dynamic couple, reflection questions, and recommended resources. To register contact Kathleen Crayne at kathleen.crayne@archny.org or 646-794-3182.

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