



# St. Charles Borromeo

*A Roman Catholic community in the heart of Brooklyn Heights*

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## Weekly Mass Schedule

Sundays: 9 a.m. Family Mass  
11:15 a.m.  
7 p.m.

Weekdays: 12:10 p.m.

Holy Days of Obligation as  
announced.

## Office Hours

Mon. – Fri. 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

## Clergy Staff

Fr. William G. Smith, *Pastor*  
Fr. Anselmus Mawusi, *Parochial Vicar*  
Msgr. Al LoPinto, *Resident*

## Our Mission

We, the family of Saint Charles Borromeo Parish, dedicate ourselves to our faith in God. We celebrate our faith through the Eucharist, proclaim our faith through the Gospel, and express our faith by seeking to build a community which is a living testimony of the power of God's love for His children.

*St. Charles is wheelchair accessible*



## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." *Mt 13:22-23*

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK****Sun., July 16– 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 Mary Dionne

11:15 Deceased priests of the parish

7:00 Lin-Gao family peace & healing  
by the Lin-Gao family**Mon., July 17— Weekday**

12:10 Mei-De Gao for healing by Lin-Gao family

**Tues., July 18— Weekday**

12:10 People of the parish

**Wed., July 19— Weekday**

12:10 Vicente Caraballa by Anthony Caraballa

**Thur., July 20— Weekday**

12:10 People of the parish

**Fri., July 21— Weekday**

12:10 O'William Battalia by John Molloy &amp; family

**Readings For The Week****Mon., Jul. 17 | Ex 1:8-14, 22; Mt 10:34--11:1***Whoever loves father or mother more than me, is not worthy of me. Blessed be the Lord, who rescued us like a bird from the fowlers' snare.***Tue., Jul. 18 | Ex 2-15a; Mt 11:20-24***Woe to you Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! I am afflicted and in pain, dear Lord; let your saving help protect me!***Wed., Jul 19 | Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Mt 11:25-27***I give praise to you, Father, ... for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned, you have revealed them to the childlike. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all my being bless God's holy name!***Thu., Jul. 20 | Ex 3:13-20; Mt 11:28-30***Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. I give you thanks, O Lord, and I will make your deeds known among the nations.***Fri., Jul. 21 | Ex 11:10--12:14; Mt 12:1-8***If you knew what this meant, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice," you would not have condemned these innocent men. How shall I make a return to you, O Lord, for all the good you have done to me?***Sat., Jul. 22 | Sgs 3:1-4b; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18***Go to my brothers and tell them, "I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." O Lord, you are my Lord whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts.***Weekly Scripture Group**

Fr. Anselmus is holding a weekly Scripture Group **Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.** in the Parish House. The topic is *Understanding the Bible, It's Formation and Content*.

**Sacraments and Formation**

*Family Faith Formation:* Children attend the 9 a.m. Sunday Family Mass followed by class.

*Reconciliation:* Monday – Friday 11:45 a.m.—noon or call the Rectory.

*Baptism:* The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated the 4th Sunday of each month during the 11:15 a.m. Mass. Registration and parent class is held the 2nd Sunday of each month at 2 p.m. in the Parish House at 31 Sidney.

*Marriage:* Couples seeking to celebrate the sacrament of Marriage are asked to contact the Rectory to arrange an appointment at least 6 months prior to the desired marriage date.

*Anointing of the Sick:* The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered after the 11:15 a.m. Mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month. In an emergency please call the rectory.

**St. Charles Staff**

*Family Faith Formation Director:* Maureen Pond

*Music Director:* Sergio Sandi

*Parish Secretary:* Blanca Anchundia-Toala

*Parish Trustees:* Angela De Marco  
Frank Pond

**Vocations**

"Let everyone heed what they hear." Is the Lord inviting you to know, love and serve Him more closely in the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).

**Family Faith Program Registration for 2017-2018**

Registration for next year's Family Faith Program is now open for families new to the program. We offer religious instruction for children Pre-K to 8th Grade each Sunday, beginning with the 9 a.m. Family Mass, followed by classes in the Mary McDowell School building. Please email Maureen Pond at [mempond@mac.com](mailto:mempond@mac.com) for further information or to register your child.

**Altar & Garden Committee**

Come join us Saturday mornings at 8:30 a.m., as we prepare the church for the upcoming week and tend to our St. Francis Garden. Even if you are not able to come every Saturday, join us when you can! For more information call the Rectory @ 718-625-1177.

**Independent Reconciliation And Compensation Program**

The Diocese of Brooklyn is announcing a significant step in its ongoing response to the sexual abuse of minors by members of the clergy. The Independent Reconciliation and Compensation Program (IRCP) will allow survivors of sexual abuse by priests or deacons of the Diocese to seek financial compensation. Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio is implementing the voluntary program in Brooklyn and Queens to promote healing and to bring some element of closure. **To find out more go to [www.BrooklynDiocese-IRCP.com](http://www.BrooklynDiocese-IRCP.com) or call toll free 855-796-3463.**

**Food Pantry Donations Needed**

The Catholic Charities Food Pantry has requested items that cannot be purchased with SNAP Benefits & Food Program cards (once referred to as food stamps), but are greatly needed. Please donate items such as hand soap, wipes, lotion, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving cream, disposable razors and cotton swabs. Your generous contributions of one or more of these items are greatly appreciated. A collection box is in the back of the church. The Outreach Committee again thanks all who give to Catholic Charities Food Pantry.

**Sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation**

Church law requires that Baptism and Confirmation sponsors themselves frequent the sacraments regularly.

When someone who does not meet that requirement is designated as a sponsor, it is always an unpleasant (and frequently painful) experience for the priest, the parents of the child, and most especially for the person designated.

The priest has a serious responsibility not to admit that person to serve as a sponsor. Nor may the priest give the person a certificate of eligibility to serve as a sponsor at a Baptism or Confirmation which is to take place at another Catholic parish.

The reason a sponsor must be a practicing Catholic is that a sponsor is expected to pay special attention to the efforts of the person who is being baptized or confirmed to live a Christian life in keeping with the teachings of the Catholic Church. In the case of Baptism, sponsors are also expected to assist the parents of the child in their Christian duty as parents, by offering them support through good example, encouragement and prayer.

**Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes**

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions, there will be a diocesan pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes with Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio as Spiritual Director. Dates are **August 30—September 8, 2017**. For more information and a brochure call 855-564-1008 or email [jimadair@thecatholictour.com](mailto:jimadair@thecatholictour.com).

**Share Your Talents**

Live the stewardship way of life! Lend your skills and talents to our parish.

We're always in need of volunteers to serve in our Liturgical Ministries and other areas:

Lector  
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Altar Server  
Hospitality Ministry  
Bulletin Committee  
Altar and Church cleaning and decorating  
Managing our website and Facebook page.

Contact the rectory if you're interested, and thank you!

**Catholic Online**

Please go to [www.catholiconline.org](http://www.catholiconline.org) for Catholic news and information for all people of God to deepen the understanding of our Catholic Faith. The web site provides an objective, unbiased, view of Catholicism. Please visit their web page today!

**Submitting News For The Bulletin**

It has been very exciting to watch the growth in St Charles Borromeo parish over the last several years. As the parish grows, we want to be sure we keep our parishioners up-to-date on all the parish news. One way we propose to do this is by announcing in the bulletin the names of our new parishioners, parishioners getting married and baptized and recognizing the contributions of those that have passed away. We would also like to congratulate those couples celebrating Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversaries.

If you would like to share any of this news or if there are other items you think would be of interest to the parish, please let us know by calling or emailing Teresa in the Parish Office. Phone: 718-625-1177 or Email: [secretary@stcharlesbklyn.org](mailto:secretary@stcharlesbklyn.org).

Please note: the bulletin files are sent to the printer one week ahead of time. Any timely notices should be submitted at least 10 days prior to the Sunday it would need to appear in the bulletin.

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