



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



17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." *Mt 13:44*

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Sun., July 30— 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 Deceased priests of the Diocese

11:15 Edna Reilly by Peggy McGuire

7:00 People of the parish

Mon., July 31— St. Ignatius of Loyola

12:10 Li La Escario by Chit Garbanzos

Tues., Aug. 1— St. Alphonsus Ligouri

12:10 Edward Chin by Francis Chin

Wed., Aug. 2— Weekday

12:10 Deceased religious sisters of the Diocese

Thur., Aug. 3— Weekday

12:10 People of the parish

Fri., Aug. 4— St. John Vianney

12:10 Caroline Palestino

Readings For The Week**Mon., July 31 | Ex 32:15-24; 30-34; Mt 13:31-35***When it is time God tells Moses, "When it is time ... I will punish them for their sin." Forgive us, Lord, our failings. Give us a grateful heart.***Tues., Aug. 1 | Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43***Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field. Forgive us, God, when we decide others do not belong in your kingdom.***Wed., Aug. 2 | Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46***When Aaron ... and the other children of Israel saw Moses, and noticed how radiant the skin of his face had become, they were afraid. Open our eyes to the shining sacred moments of life, we pray.***Thurs., Aug. 3 | Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53***The Kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind. God of love, keep us from deciding who fits in your kingdom.***Fri., Aug. 4 | Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Mt 13:54-58***A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and in his own house. Help us listen, O God, even to familiar voices.***Sat., Aug. 5 | Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12***Give me here on a platter the head of John the Baptist. Faithful God, help us to follow where you lead.***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

"Ask and you shall receive. Seek and you shall find. Knock and it will be opened to you." Ask in prayer to know your vocation! Seek and find ways to serve! Knock on the doors of those who can help guide you! If you think God may be offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

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.

Intention of the Mass

The Intention of the Mass is the most precious gift we can give to our departed beloved ones. We also encourage offering Masses for birthdays, illness or a special intention. The Mass is a truly unique gift. Visit the rectory, call or go online to schedule a Mass.

Letter From Fr. Smith

My Dear Parishioners:

I would like to thank you for your warm and gracious welcome. I am no longer commuting to St Charles from various places and already feel myself a member of the community.

The repair work on the rectory is proceeding as well as can be expected. The office has reopened and I am able to sleep here. By the time you read this we hope that the kitchen will be fully functional and Fr Anselmus will have returned to his rooms. He, Msgr Lo Pinto and, our secretary, Blanca Anchundia-Toala have shown extraordinary patience, good humor and creativity and I am deeply grateful for their kindness and understanding. At the present pace, we expect that the Rectory will be fully functioning by Labor Day.

You will also note that there is scaffolding around the Church. This will allow the needed repairs to begin as soon as possible. My mother was the President of a Co-op board in a landmarked district and I will use her rule of thumb: whatever they tell you about time, double it. I hope the first phase of the renovations will be concluded by next Independence Day. Please note however that this will be a multi-year project and we especially thank those who participated in the "Generations of Faith" campaign for their generosity

*Once more thanking you for both your warm greetings and understanding, I remain
Sincerely yours in Christ,*

*Father William G Smith
Pastor, SCB*

Catholic Charities Food Pantry Donations

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.

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.

Golf Tournament Fundraiser

The 2017 Bishop Joseph M. Sullivan Memorial Golf Classic will be held on **Monday, Sept., 25**, at Sands Point Golf Club in Sands Point, NY to benefit Catholic Charities Brooklyn & Queens.

For more information or to register call the Office of Development & Communications at 718-722-6202.

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 for further information or to register your child.

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 or call toll free 855-796-3463.**

Assistance from Catholic Charities

Persons in need can contact trained workers at Catholic Charities to receive assistance. The Main Walk-In Center is located at 191 Joralemon Street and a Call Center can be reached at 718-722-6001. The Walk-In Center and Call Center are available to provide assistance Monday-Wednesday and Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, and Thursday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

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