



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



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" *Mt 14:28-30*

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Sun., Aug. 13– 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 People of the parish

11:15 Deceased priests of the diocese

7:00 Deceased religious sisters of the diocese

Mon., Aug. 14— St. Maximillian Kolbe

12:10 Intention of Karen McKenna

by Tim & Robin Curtis

Tues., Aug. 15— Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

12:10 Nicholas DeSiena by Donna DeSiena

Wed., Aug. 16— Weekday

12:10 Intention of John McCain

by Robin & Tom Curtis

Thur., Aug. 17— Weekday

12:10 Theresa Turner

by the Turner Family & Mike Spanakos

Fri., Aug. 18— Weekday

12:10 Bernarda Alcudia by the family

Readings For The Week**Mon., Aug. 14 | Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27***The Lord ... executes justice for the orphan and the widow and befriends the alien, feeding and clothing him. O Lord, grant us peace within our borders, fill us with the finest wheat!***Tues., Aug. 15 | Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56***Christ [is] the first fruits. We are borne with gladness and joy, O Lord, as we enter the palace of the King.***Wed., Aug. 16 | Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20***Since then no prophet has arisen in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. Hear now, all of you who love the Lord, while I declare what God has done for me!***Thurs., Aug. 17 | Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21-19:1***Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? The mountains skipped like rams, the hills like the lambs of the flock!***Fri., Aug. 18 | Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12***Have you not read that from the beginning the Creator "made them male and female"? We give you thanks, O Lord, for you are good and your mercy endures forever!***Sat., Aug. 19 | Jos 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15***As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord! I bless you, Lord, who even in the night exhort my heart!***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**

“Get hold of yourselves! It is I. Do not be afraid!” Uncertainty can sometimes bring fear along with God’s call to consecrated life or priesthood. If the Lord is truly calling you, what is needed is trust. If you are discerning your vocation, contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

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*.

Masses for the Solemnity of the Assumption:

Tuesday, Aug. 15th is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation.

Masses will be as follows:

12:10 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

UPDATE ON WORK TO PHYSICAL PLANT:

Church:

Now: Erecting of Scaffolding to be completed by Aug.16th.

From Aug 15th

Exterior:

Power: A 100amp panel will be run from the church and attached to the scaffolding for use by the abatement company. It will be mostly out of sight and certainly out of reach.

Wash room: A 6’x20’ plastic wrapped shed for the workers to clean themselves and their clothing. This will be placed along the fence in the garden, the flowers and other plants will need to be moved to the Rectory Garden by Aug. 19th. This shed will remain up for the abatement portion of the project.

Where the brick and brownstone has been painted: the scaffolding will be wrapped in netting all around to protect all areas from falling debris. Sections of the Church will be wrapped in plastic as abatement work progresses around. The paint will be removed, the bricks inspected and a scope of repairs finalized by the architect.

General Time Scheme for phase one:

1. Paint removal: 4wks, Wed, 8/23/17 to Tues 9/19/17
2. Exterior investigation: 3.4 wks, Mon 9/4 to Tuesday 9/26/17
3. File drawings with Landmarks: 4wks, Wed. 9/27/17 to Tues 10/24/17

Interior:

Some work needs to be done in the Church Boiler room, this may cause some noise but will not interrupt Mass.

Rectory:

Now: Fr Anselmus and I are able to use the kitchen and dining room. Msgr. LoPinto’s room should be livable by the end of the week of August 7th.

Next step: Having consulted with the electricians contracted for the job, Rocklyn realty (the Diocesan real estate group) and an independent electrical contracted retained by Rocklyn, it has been thought most prudent to completely rewire the rectory. There were three compelling reasons:

- 1) **Scope of work:** It has been difficult to determine what needs to be done. Whenever a new section is opened more problems are discovered. If we decided to proceed on our present knowledge we could very easily be so inundated by change orders that more money would be spent than if we did the system over. It is possible that some areas may be better than we thought and we would receive a rebate but I am not counting on it.
- 2) **Previous water damage:** The garden wall of the rectory leaked severely last winter and needed considerable repointing. The wall has since held but the wires were soaked. They may pass a test now but could deteriorate in the future. Fixing this now is a sensible option.
- 3) **Ability to plan:** Completely rewiring the rectory keeps the variables to a minimum.
 - a. The workers will be contracted in advance and a timetable maintained. This would allow enough work to be completed that the Rectory (living areas for the Priests) would be able to fully function by Labor Day. The workers would not finish completely however until the end of September.
 - b. We could begin the efforts to be reimbursed for these expenses. This will be a long process and it would be good to begin it as soon as possible with as clear a set of figures as we can develop.

Once more I would like to thank and commend Fr Anselmus, Msgr. LoPinto and Blanca Anchundia for their support, understanding and creativity during this time.

R.C.I.A. (Revised Christian Initiation of Adults)

Anyone in the community who is not Baptized at all or is a Baptized non- Catholic and wishes to explore joining the Catholic Church, or a Baptized Catholic who has not received first Communion and/or been Confirmed is asked to call or see Fr Smith.

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.

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