



# 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.

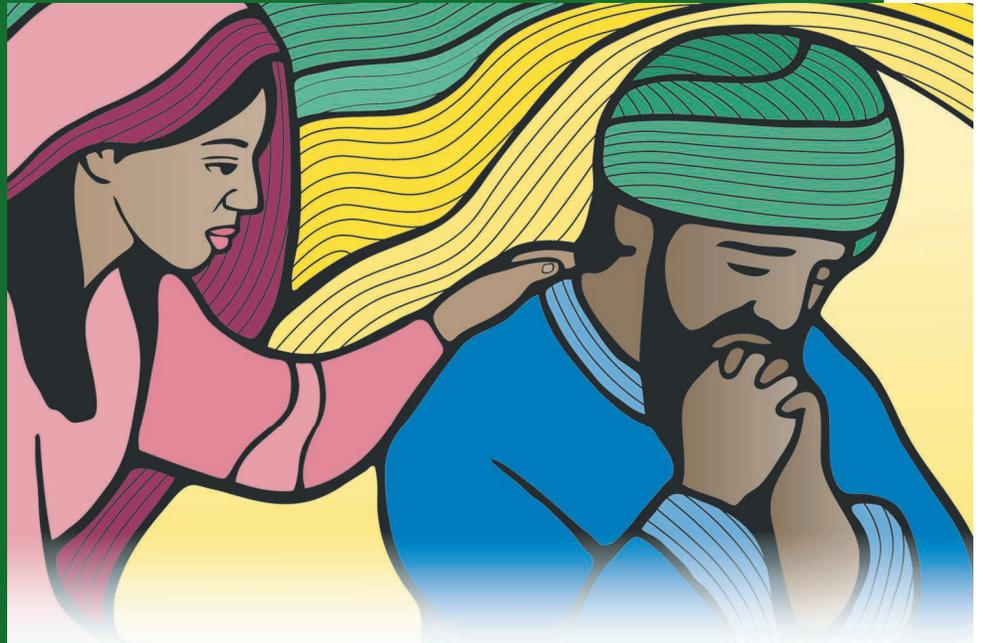
## Clergy Staff

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*



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

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." *Mt 18:21-22*

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK****Sun., Sept. 17 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 People of the parish

11:15 Victims of Hurricane Irma

7:00 Blessings to the Lin Gao family  
by the Lin Gao family**Mon., Sept. 18— Weekday**

12:10 Ida Rose Sica by Wieslawa Latka-Mucha

**Tues., Sept. 19— Weekday**

12:10 Ralph Aracri by Anthony Caraballo

**Wed., Sept. 20— Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon  
& Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions**

12:10 Frank Angelo by friends

**Thur., Sept. 21— St. Matthew**

12:10 Ellen Clee by Mar Regan

**Fri., Sept. 22— Weekday**12:10 Alicja Lewandowska  
by Wieslawa Latka-Mucha**Readings For The Week****Mon., Sep. 18 | 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10***This is good and pleasing to God our savior who wills everyone to be saved. Hear the sound of my pleading when I cry to you, O Lord!***Tues., Sep. 19 | 1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17***When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity for her. Of mercy I will sing; to you, O Lord, I will sing praise!***Wed., Sep. 20 | 1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35***But Wisdom is vindicated by all her children. I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart!***Thurs., Sep. 21 | Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13***One hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. The heavens declare your glory, O God, and the firmament proclaims your handiwork.***Fri., Sep. 22 | 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3***Accompanying Jesus and the Twelve were some women who provided for them out of their resources. O Lord, I will not fear in evil days when my ensnarers ring me round!***Sat. Sep 23 | 1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15***"A sower went out to sow his seed." O Lord, you are good! Your kindness endures forever and your faithfulness, to all generations!***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**

"Whoever believes in the Son of Man will have eternal life." Are you called to bring faith in Christ and eternal life to others as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454, or write: vocations@diobrook.org.

**Fr. Smith Installation**

Fr Smith will be installed as Pastor of St Charles Borromeo on **Sunday, Oct 22nd at the 11 a.m. Mass** (note change in time). Bishop James Massa, Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn and Moderator of the Curia of the Diocese of Brooklyn, will preside.

To provide music for the occasion, we are seeking **volunteers to work with our music ministry.** The commitment would be for several practices beforehand. Please see Sergio, Coco or Ulises after Mass or call Fr. Smith at the rectory.

**October Baptisms**

Baptisms in October will be held on the **third Sunday, October 15**, at the 11:15 a.m. Mass.

**PARISH CONSTRUCTION WORK**

**Church:**

*Exterior:*

Scaffolding is complete.

Power: A 100amp panel has been running from the church and attached to the scaffolding for use by the abatement company.

Wash room: A 6'x20' plastic wrapped shed for the workers to clean themselves and their clothing has been placed along the fence in the garden and the flowers and other plants have been moved to the Rectory Garden. 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:*

- Paint removal: continues through Oct. 1.
- Exterior investigation: Oct. 1.
- File drawings with Landmarks: Nov. 1

**Rectory:**

*Now:* The rectory is functional and the priests are in. There is still plastering to do.

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

- 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.
- 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.

- Ability to plan: Completely rewiring the rectory keeps the variables to a minimum.
  1. 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.
  2. 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.

**St. Charles Garage Sale**

The first St. Charles Borromeo Church Garage Sale takes place **Saturday, Sept. 30th** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 31 Sidney Place between State and Joralemon Sts. Please circle the date the calendar.

We are not accepting bags of donations. Instead, we are asking parishioners, friends, relatives, and neighbors to purchase items or buy a table which costs \$25 to sell your wares. This is an easy way to declutter our homes, make some cash, and help local charities. Your participation helps benefit these local charities: Hour Children, St. John Bread & Life, and Providence House.

**Catechumenate (Sacramental Instruction & Formation)**

Non-Catholics who wish to enter the Catholic Church, whether previously baptized or not, or Catholics who have been Baptized but have not received Confirmation and/or the Eucharist are invited to participate in our RCIA (Revised Christian Initiation of Adults) program. This will begin shortly and we ask that you contact Fr. Smith.

Catholics who have been Confirmed but did not attend church after that are invited to join as well. This is a process of formation as much as instruction and you may find it particularly helpful and valuable. Again, if you are interested, please contact Fr. Smith.

**Liturgical Convocation**

The Liturgy Office is once again sponsoring a gathering for Pastoral, Liturgical and Music Ministers, on **Saturday, October 21** at the Immaculate Conception Center. If you have any questions please, contact the Liturgy Office: 718-281-9612.



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