



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



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.’
His master said to him, ‘Well done, my good and faithful servant.
Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you
great responsibilities. Come, share your master’s joy.’” - Mt 25:20b-21

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sun., Nov. 19— 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:00 Ernesto Rosado by his family
 11:00 Romeo Dionne by Frances X. Gates
 7:00 Patrick Daniel by John Francois Daniel family & Kerolle family

Mon., Nov. 20— Weekday
 12:10 Maria Segares by her children

Tues., Nov. 21— Presentation of Mary
 12:10 Patrick McArdle by the family

Wed., Nov. 22— St. Cecilia
 12:10 Robert Reichenbach by Mary Regan

Thur., Nov. 23— Thanksgiving
 9:00 Clement Alcudia by the family

Fri., Nov. 24— St. Andrew Dung-Lac & companions
 12:10 Stacey Yolanda Boone Rodriguez by Ophelia Rodriguez

Readings For The Week

Mon., Nov. 20 | 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43

The king erected the horrible abomination upon the altar of burnt offerings. God, the snares of the wicked are twined about me; redeem me from their oppression!

Tues., Nov. 21 | 2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10

What he had said seemed to them utter madness. You, O Lord, are my shield; my glory, you lift up my head!

Wed., Nov. 22 | 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28

Since it is the Creator of the universe who shapes each one's beginning, ... he, in his mercy, will give you back both breath and life. O Lord, keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings!

Thurs., Nov. 23 | Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

"Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine?" Every day will I bless you, O God, and I will praise your name forever!

Fri., Nov. 24 | 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48

Jesus entered the temple area and proceeded to drive out those who were selling things. O Lord, in your hand are power and might; it is yours alone to give grandeur and strength to all!

Sat., Nov. 25 | 1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20: 27-40

God is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive. will give you thanks to you, O Lord, with all my heart, I will declare all your wondrous deeds.

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

“Well done, good and faithful servant....” How are you called to use your talents? If Christ may be inviting you to faithful service as a priest or consecrated religious, contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org

Thanksgiving Mass

Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 9 a.m. There will be no 12:10 Mass that day.

Liturgical Ministers

There will be a training session for anyone who would like to be a Lector, Eucharistic Minister or Minister of Hospitality for St Charles on **Saturday, Dec 9 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Bishop Kearney High School, 2202 60th Street in Brooklyn.** If you are interested please call Fr. Smith in the rectory.

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.*

PARISH CONSTRUCTION WORK UPDATE**Church:**

Most recent activity: The conservator we retained has approved the products and strategies we have employed. Both on the hidden: white painted areas of the building and plan on using on the public “red painted areas”. This is important for continued negotiations with the Landmarks commission.

Fall

What you have and will see and hear: Abatement is moving along well with extra staffing onsite now helping the project move faster. Work is continuously in progress at upper levels. On the street levels work was completed along the Aitken Place façade as well as the north side of the Sidney Place façade. You can now see the unpainted brick along Aitkin Place but will be able to better inspect it when the south side of Sidney is finished. This provides an idea of how the church will look when completed. Please note: this will be rather raw. There will be many cracks in the brick and uneven and discolored mortar. This will be repaired in the spring as brick repair and pointing is very temperature dependent. We will be working as hard as possible to minimize any disruption or inconvenience however, this work does require layers of safety and areas will be cordoned off at times limiting certain means of access. Please bear with us as this part of the process will soon be complete.

What you will not see: As the paint is being removed the architect is making a map of the areas that will need to be repaired. This will be given to the contractor who will do the work and landmarks which will need to approve it.

Winter:

On the hidden areas: If there is a few good days in a row, an area of bricks may be repaired. This is totally weather dependent and there may not be workers here every day.

On the rest of the building: We may be able to do some repairs on the brick but cannot plan on it. Work on the windows, railing, roof, gutters, and other non-weather affected items can continue.

Spring:

When more weather neutral days occur, work can begin in earnest on repairing the brick. We presently expect that the scaffolding will be done by July 4th and the external work on the Church completed by Labor Day.

Note on security cameras: Our ability to monitor the Church has been disrupted by a broken camera, tangled wires and an obscured point to point transmitter. However, we have assured the police that all but one of the cameras is working and if needed our tapes will be available. Live monitoring should be returned soon as well.

Rectory:*Communication:*

Phone Service: I apologize to those who have had difficulty reaching the rectory or who have received the incorrect announcement that the voice mailbox was full. The system will be replaced when we finally get Fios. (I hope this will be in November, the lines have been strung through the school.)

Intercom: It has been thought best to simply install a new system which will connect to the Priests' rooms and, when desired, smart phones. This should be completed before Christmas.

Fire, Smoke and Carbon monoxide alarms: A system was designed for us to connect to ADP, We are seeking to coordinate the installation with Verizon for minimal disruption to our walls.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

God, source and giver of all things,
We give you thanks on this
Thanksgiving Day for the
Beauty of the whole creation.

We give you thanks for the blessings
Of family and friends: both those
Gathered around this table and those
Who are present only in our hearts

We give you thanks for this food,
Prepared by loving hands, and
For the graces you provide to nourish
Our bodies, minds and hearts
So that we might better serve you.

Help us to be faithful stewards
of all that has been given us.
May we reflect that which
We have received to all we meet,
Especially the less fortunate in our midst.

Amen.

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