

BLESSED SACRAMENT ST. CHARLES BORROMEO ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



MISSION STATEMENT OF THE PARISH

Faith and Catholic tradition in ministering to the spiritual, material, educational, physical and social need of the parish community. We accomplish this in our worship, in our programs, and by the example of our daily lives.

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PARISH CENTER, 19 VAN NESS PLACE

PARISH CLERGY AND STAFF

Fr. Albert Nzeh, *Administrator*
Fr. Erasmus Okere, *Parochial Vicar*
Rev. Fr. Edwin Leahy, *Weekend Assistant*
Mrs. Robyn Padia, *Pastoral Associate*
Mrs. Stephanie Smith, *Parish Secretary*
Mr. Charles Noun, *Business Manager*
Mr. John Garner, *Music Director*
Mr. Eustace Jeffery, *Director of Property Management*
Mrs. Marilyn Smith, *RCIA Director*
Mr. Isi Igetei, *Parish Sacristan*

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 1:00pm – 2:00pm (Parish Chapel) or call the Parish office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents must be registered in the Parish, sponsors must be practicing Catholics. Please call the parish to register. Registered parishioners, call Fr. Erasmus Okere for an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples must contact a priest of the parish at least six months in advance. At least one of the two to be married must be a member of the Parish.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Parish Chapel.

NIGHTS OF PRAYER FOR FAVORS AND RESTORATION

Every first Friday and third Thursday, 7 pm in the Church.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: 8 a.m., and 10 a.m., Igbo Mass: 12:30 p.m.
Daily Masses (Church Chapel), Mon. – Fri.: 6:30 p.m., Sat.: 7:30 a.m.
Special Masses: First Friday of each month: Sacred Heart Devotion
7 p.m in the church. .Every Third Thursdays 7–8:45 in the church

Bulletin Deadline

Notices for the bulletin must be submitted no later than 9 a.m. Monday for the next bulletin.
All articles must be submitted typed or emailed as an attachment in Microsoft Word to bsscbchurch@yahoo.com.

MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH AND THE CHAIRPERSONS

ALTAR SERVERS: Isi Igetei
BEREAVEMENT: Janice Champ
BOOK SHOPPE: Yvonne Chatman
BULLETIN: Carol Jenkins
CURSILLO: Marilyn Smith
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Ruby Alexander
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FOOD PANTRY: Blanche Macklin
HOLY NAME SOCIETY: Donovan Green
HOMEBOUND: Deacon Bill Moore Jr.
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HOT MEALS/OUTREACH: Stephanie Williams
LECTORS: Fred Hill
LITURGY: Marilyn Smith
MEDIA: Wayne Martin
MUSIC: John Garner
PARISH COUNCIL: Donovan Green
PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS: Mary Brown
REPAST: Helen Brooks
RCIA: Marilyn Smith
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY: Natasha Brown
TRUSTEES: Stephanie Williams, Homer Mosley
USHERS/GREETERS: Marion Gabriel
VAN SERVICE: Donovan Green
WELCOME: Joan Lowery
WELLNESS: Marleyne Tronchin
YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS: Robyn Padia

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING AND FOR THE HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH

Mary E. Brown, Adrian Booker, Gordon Gladden, Ethel Thomas, Anna Groves, Annabell Jordan, Marilyn Northern, Gertrude Washington, Fred McCoggle, Celine Larmony, Deacon Billy Moore, Claire Battle, Beverly Ashmon, Dorothy Broxton, Lila Dixon, Marion Crawford, Tyrone Pinnix, Eddie Bratton, Alice Williams, Aaron Anderson, Jeffrey Ware, James Reed, Michelle Brooks-Bey, Dorothy Pinnix, Shirley Bazemore, Jean McClurkin, Pat Ross, Eustace Jeffery, Faye Gaskins, Marie Burnett, Alice Tate, Sharon Burgwyn, Jaunita Moore, Virginia Perry

Ministry News

EVANGELISM/OUTREACH

Please use the church invitation cards located in the foyer to minister to loved ones, friends, co-workers and neighbors. Also, become a friend of BSSCB on Facebook and post your prayer requests, suggestions and comments. You can also use it to invite others to our church. Let's be on Fire for God and do the work of an evangelist! Anyone desiring to make a difference in the lives of others by the giving of their time and treasure is welcome to do so. Please submit the names of any member who is sick or hospitalized so they may be visited and ministered to by one of our priests.

FOOD PANTRY

The Blessed Sacrament St. Charles Borromeo Church Food Pantry was started in 1984 by Fr. Jack Martin. Our Food Pantry serves families, senior citizens, veterans, disabled and anyone in need food assistance. Most of our clients reside in the Newark area and we serve approximately 300 to 350 people a month. Our Pantry hours are 3rd and 4th Saturdays for singles 9AM -11AM and 3rd and 4th Tuesdays for families 11AM-1PM. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to: BSSCB Food Pantry and give to any staff member in the Parish office. We are a pantry where our clients find hope and help with dignity and respect.

MEDIA

For your spiritual growth, the "Sermons on CD" are available after each mass, and for evangelizing your neighbors, family, friends and the homebound. Also, the bible study CD'S are available upon request.

MUSIC

If you are interested in joining the music ministry please contact John Garner. Rehearsals are: Thursdays 7 pm (Adult Choir)

RCIA

Instruction classes are available for adults 18 and over who want to know more about the Catholic Church or want to be prepared for the sacraments. Contact Marilyn Smith.

VAN

Please call the Parish Office if you need a ride to Church on Sunday.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

A comprehensive youth program for all teens in grades 8 to 10. Our program promotes growth in catholic values and morals, provides opportunities for Christian service and offers positive social activities. We currently meet every Friday in the Convent Hall from 7 to 9 pm. For further information call Robyn Padia at the parish office.

**Weekly Readings and
Mass Intentions
MAY 13, 2018**

All Masses said in the parish should have an intention. Mass is the most powerful prayer of praise and worship we can ever offer to God. Parishioners are encouraged to offer intentions for these Masses. Donations for flowers at the altar are also available. Call the parish office for any of these requests.

**SUNDAY, MAY 20
PENTECOST SUNDAY**

Readings: Acts 2:1-11/1Cor 12: 3b-7,
12-13 or Gal 5:16-25

Gospel: Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27;
16:12-15 (63)

8:00 a.m. Mass

10:00 a.m. Mass

12:30 a.m. Mass in Igbo

DAILY MASSES MON.– FRI. 6:30 P.M.

SAT. 7:30 A.M.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FIRST
FRIDAY AND THIRD THURSDAY
In BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH
BIBLE STUDY WED., NOON & 7P.M
IN BLESSED SACRAMENT
CONVENT CHAPEL**

Monday, May 21

*Rest of the soul for Edwin Anuforo
by Prisca Anuforo*

Readings: Jas 3: 13-18
Gospel: Mk 9: 14-29 (341)

Tuesday, May 22

*Rest of the soul of Edwin Anuforo
by Prisca Anuforo*

Readings: Jas 4: 1-10
Gospel: Mk 9: 30-37 (342)

Wednesday, May 23

*Rest of the soul for Edwin Anuforo
by Prisca Anuforo*

Readings: Jas 4: 13-17
Gospel: Mk 9: 38-40 (343)

Thursday, May 24

*Rest of the soul for Edwin Anuforo
by Prisca Anuforo*

Readings: Jas 5: 1-6
Gospel: Mk 9: 41-50 (344)

Friday, May 25

*Rest of the soul for Edwin Anuforo
by Prisca Anuforo*

Readings: Jas 5: 9-12
Gospel: Mk 10: 1-12 (345)

Saturday, May 26

*Rest of the soul for Edwin Anuforo
by Prisca Anuforo*

Readings: Jas 15: 13-20
Gospel: Mk 10: 13-16 (346)

As The Father Has Sent Me, So I Send You

Today, we are celebrating Pentecost Sunday. Some of you may ask yourselves, "What is the origin of Pentecost in the Catholic Church?" According to the New Catholic Dictionary of 1929, the word Pentecost is Greek for "pentecostes" which means "fiftieth." This feast "commemorates the descent of the Holy Ghost upon the Apostles, and takes its name from the fact that it comes nearly fifty days after Easter. It was a Jewish festival, and has been observed in the Christian Church since the days of the apostles. It is often called Whitsunday (White Sunday) from the practise of giving solemn Baptism on that day in early centuries, the candidates being attired in white baptismal robes."

Today's three readings made reference to the arrival of the Holy Spirit, being baptized in the Spirit and being sent forth to proclaim the Word of God so others may convert to the living faith.

The arrival of the Holy Spirit was affirmed in the First Reading [Acts 2:1-11] when we heard, "All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages. Being baptized in the Spirit was affirmed in the Second Reading [1 Cor. 12:3b-7, 12- 13] when it was said, "In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body." And being sent to proclaim the Word of God was affirmed in the Gospel Reading [Jn. 20:19-23] when we heard, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." These three passages are the gist of today's homily.

"On the day of Pentecost when the seven weeks of Easter had come to an end, Christ's Passover was fulfilled in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, manifested, given, and communicated as a divine person: of his fullness, Christ, the Lord, poured out the Spirit in abundance." [Acts 2:33-36] (C.C.C. # 731)

"The Church was made manifest to the world on the day of Pentecost by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. [SC 6; LG 2] The gift of the Spirit ushers in a new era in the 'dispensation of the mystery' the age of the Church, during which Christ manifests, makes present, and communicates his work of salvation through the liturgy of his Church, 'until he comes.' [1 Cor 11:26] In this age of the Church Christ now lives and acts in and with his Church, in a new way appropriate to this new age. He acts through the sacraments in what the common Tradition of the East and the West calls 'the sacramental economy'; this is the communication (or 'dispensation') of the fruits of Christ's Paschal mystery in the celebration of the Church's 'sacramental' liturgy." (C.C.C. # 1076)

"Since Pentecost, it is through the sacramental signs of his Church that the Holy Spirit carries on the work of sanctification. The sacraments of the Church do not abolish but purify and integrate all the richness of the signs and symbols of the cosmos and of social life. Further, they fulfill the types and figures of the Old Covenant, signify and make actively present the salvation wrought by Christ, and prefigure and anticipate the glory of heaven." (C.C.C. # 1152)

WORD OF LIFE

"Even among terminally ill patients, a request to die is nearly always a cry for help. ... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, 'Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?'" USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Announcements

We are a tithing parish working on the Biblical Sanction to give 10% of our income to the work of the Church. We encourage everyone to tithe so that we can meet our expectations. Thank you for your generosity to our parish.

"...where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" Lk.12:34

SUNDAY COLLECTION

MAY 13

Collected Amount	Budget Amount	Difference
TBA		

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, MAY 20

Ushers: 8 am Onyebuchi Dike
10 am Marion Gabriel, Gigi Mosley, Ophelia Koundeage, Uche Anyanwu

Lectors: 8 am Roslyn Major, Stephanie Williams
10 am Emmanuel Njoku, Ezinne Anyanwu

Eucharistic: 8 am Comlavi Goerke, Gwen Hunt
10 am Harold Uche (B) Marilyn Smith, Jean McLurkin, Prince Kwado, Marleyene Tronchin

Bible Study at BSSCB Church

Our Bible Study sessions will continue almost every Wednesday through June. Bible study convenes at noon in Church hall and 7:30 pm in the Convent hall.



All are welcome. Participation is necessary by reading and discussing the lessons. Afternoon session ends at 1 pm and the evening session at 9 pm. Be a good steward of your time by reading and studying God's Word daily!

May 20 – Pentecost Sunday

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone." - 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

All of us are blessed, regardless of our own individual circumstances; God has given each of us many gifts. How we use those gifts is our gift back to God. For God's plan to work, each must do what we are called to do and guess what – we are not all called to do the same thing!

CHURCH ETIQUETTE

We ask that you be mindful of your fellow parishioners who are in prayer. When the Rosary is being prayed before Mass, please do not converse with one another. If you do not wish to pray along with the Rosarians, we ask that you stay quiet in your seats and respect those who are in prayer and respect the house of God. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Also, please care for our worship space. It is our responsibility to observe, respond, and advise worshippers on the importance of respecting and caring for our surroundings by not eating in the church. If children must eat, please take them down to the basement.

WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND: Cursillasta Candidates are needed for upcoming Women's Cursillo weekend at the Archdiocesan Youth Center in Kearney, NJ, May 31–June 3. See Merilyn Smith or Donovan Green for details and applications.

MAY DEVOTIONS: We invite you to join us at 6 pm by praying the rosary, then celebrate Mass and benediction in the main church. We have much to be thankful for and even more to pray for as a family.

SAVE THE DATES: June 3: Annual Corpus Christi Mass, Procession and First Communion. June 10: Confirmation with Bishop John Flesey, celebrant. Mass times and details will be announced and posted on the bulletin board.

ANNUAL BYOBB SPRING FLING DANCE: Hosted by the Holy Name Society on **June 8, 8pm to 2am** in the Church Hall. Tickets: \$25. Please see any Holy Name member.

PRAY THE ROSARY: Please join the parish Rosary Altar Society in praying the Rosary every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. On the second Sunday of each month the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy is prayed. The Rosary is also prayed on the first Friday of each month at 6:30 p.m. (during Lent the Rosary is prayed at 6 p.m.). Please join us in praying this sacred and powerful devotion.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY MASS: Children's Liturgy of the Word will take place every Sunday during the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Children will be dismissed from the sanctuary and directed to the convent chapel for their Mass. They will then participate in Mass and will pray their intercessions; place their offerings in a collection basket and Communion will be given to those who have received the Sacrament. They will then break into groups and share in conversation and prayer centered on the message of the day. This is for all children attending that Mass, whether they attend the 8AM Mass, CCD or are visiting. Any schedule changes will be posted in the bulletin. We suggest that children be in the age group of 5 through 16. We also welcome any parent or older sibling who may wish to accompany a child. Volunteers are needed to assist. If you wish to, we ask for a commitment of two Sundays a month to provide consistency.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: In the second reading today, John encourages us to love one another in deed and truth not in speech only. Do you show your spouse that you truly love them, not just say it? Love your spouse in deed by giving the gift of yourself; make the time to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends. For more information contact Mike and Janet Turco at 973 427-7016 or 609 335 6880 or email mikeandjanetwwme@gmail.com

BSSCB CHURCH PROCLAIMS A YEAR OF HOPE AND HEALING WITH LOVE

The LORD will sustain him upon his sickbed; In his illness, You restore him to health.~ Psalm 41:3

Any information to go in the bulletin, must come directly from the church office only.