

# Blessed Sacrament St. Charles Borromeo

Roman Catholic Church

## MISSION

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

**610 Clinton Avenue, Newark, NJ 07108 • Parish Center, 19 Van Ness Place**

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday Masses: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.; Igbo Mass: 12:30 p.m.**

**Daily Masses, Monday – Saturday: 8 a.m. (Virtual) & 6:30 pm (Convent Chapel, Rosary at 6 p.m.)**

**Special Masses: Each First Friday and Third Thursday: Mass 6:30 pm; Adoration 7 p.m. in church.**

## PARISH CLERGY AND STAFF

Fr. Albert Nzeh, *Pastor*

Fr. Erasmus Okere, *Parochial Vicar*

Fr. Longinus Ugwuegbulem, *Resident Priest*

Fr. Peter Iwuala, *Resident Priest*

Rev. Fr. Edwin Leahy, *Weekend Assistant*

Mr. John Garner, *Music Director*

Mr. Felix Padia, *Property Manager*

Mrs. Marilyn Smith, *RCIA Director*

## TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Parish Office: 973-824-6548

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Parochial Vicar: Fr. Erasmus Okere,  
Ext: 103

Mary F. Brown, *Office Manager*, Ext. 105

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## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By Appointment Only. Call the Parish Office—9 am-4 pm

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents must be registered in the Parish, sponsors must be practicing Catholics. Please call the Parish to register. 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.

## NIGHTS OF PRAYER FOR FAVORS & RESTORATION

Every first Friday and third Thursday, Mass at 6:30 pm  
Adoration, 7 p.m. in the Church.  
Every second Tuesday, 11 p.m. –  
Midnight Prayer/Adoration (Virtual)



# Church Ministries and Chairpersons

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Solomon Onemheghie  
**BEREAVEMENT:** Janice Champ  
**BULLETIN:** Carol Jenkins  
**COUNTERS:** Lola Walker  
**CURSILLO:** Marilyn Smith  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Marilyn Smith  
**FINANCE:** Patricia Ross  
**FOOD PANTRY:** Blanche Macklin, Helen Brooks  
**HOLY NAME SOCIETY:** Harold Uche  
**HOMEBOUND:** Juanita Moore  
**HOSPITALITY/KITCHEN:** Pat Ross  
**LECTORS:** Fred Hill  
**LITURGY:** Marilyn Smith  
**MAINTENANCE:** Arnie Pinnex  
**MEDIA:** Beverly Mitchell  
**MUSIC/CHOIR:** John Garner, Pat Assan  
**PARISH COUNCIL:** Lionel Leach  
**PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS:** Mary Brown  
**RCIA:** Marilyn Smith  
**REPAST:** Helen Brooks  
**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY:** Veceleine C. Dufrene  
**SANITATION:** Alicia E. Alford  
**TRUSTEES:** Stephanie Williams, Homer Mosley  
**USHERS:** Michelle Williams  
**WELCOME:** Joan Lowery  
**WELLNESS:** Marleyne Tronchin  
**YOUTH:** Fred Hill

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING AND FOR THE HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH**

Celine Larmony, Beverly Ashmon, Lila Dixon, Patricia Tinley, Kim Nestbitt, Jamillah Billings, Karen Barrett, Charlie Howard, Vivian Edey, Alicia Alford, Patricia Ross, Celestia Conway, Verlean Howard, Brehita Taborn, John Anyanwu



# Ministry Outreach

## **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 500 to 600 people a month. Our Pantry hours are 3rd and 4th Saturdays for singles 8 AM – 10 AM and 3rd and 4th Wednesdays for families 11 AM – 1 PM. 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**

Tech Savvy? The media ministry needs you for recording our Mass and uploading to the website, assistance with the PowerPoint slides also needed. Speak with Beverly Mitchell after Mass or call the parish office.

## **MUSIC**

Stop singing in the shower! If you are interested in joining the music ministry come out and audition with our music director John Garner for our Gospel choir. Choir rehearsals are every Thursday at 7 pm. Speak with Mr. Garner at the 8 or 10 am Mass.

## **PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS (PSE)**

Vibrant, creative, enthusiastic, hardworking individuals are needed for the Parish Special Events committee please speak with Mary Brown or call the parish office if you are willing to be a part of this team.

## **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.

# WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

FEBRUARY 23, 2025

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Readings: 1 Sm 26:2, 7–9, 12–13, 22–23  
1 Cor 15:45–49

Gospel: Lk 6:27–38

### 8:00 AM Mass

*Thanksgiving & healing for Catherine & Hubert Phillips and God's divine intervention of Arianna by Marva Mendoza; Thanking God for the gift of life and for his protection upon the Mitchell family by Beverly Mitchell; God's continued blessings on Chloe's success throughout her school year requested by Diane & Hans Tanis; Healing for Gwen Hunts son Jean Claude The Soul of Deacon Willie E. Moore, Jr.*

### 10:00 AM Mass

*Thanking God's blessings for Mary F. Brown's entire family; Healing for Kent Cureton and family blessings by the Hill and Cureton families; Thanksgiving, healing and protection for the Boyce and Tronchin families; Soul of Anthonia Onemheghie by Solomon Onemheghie; Thanking God for the gift of life and for his protection upon the Mitchell family by Beverly Mitchell; The Soul of Deacon Willie E. Moore, Jr.; Birthday Blessings- Jasmine & Brianna Ferguson, and Skyler Steele requested by Marilyn Smith: In Memory of Nathaniel Potts requested by Marilyn Smith*

### 12:30 PM ICC Mass

## Monday, February 24

Reading: Sir 1:1–10  
Gospel: Mk 9:14–29

## Tuesday, February 25

Reading: Sir 2:1–11  
Gospel: Mk 9:30–37

## Wednesday, February 26

Reading: Sir 4:11–19  
Gospel: Mk 9:38–40

## Thursday, February 27

Reading: Sir 5:1–8  
Gospel: Mk 9:41–50

## Friday, February 28

Reading: Sir 6:5–17  
Gospel: Mk 10:1–2

## Saturday, March 1

Reading: Sir 17:1–15  
Gospel: Mk 10:13–16

## Sunday, March 2

Readings: Sir 27:4–7  
Cor 15:54–58  
Gospel: Lk 6:39–45



*“Do not judge, and you will not be judged.”*

The spiritual message of Jesus tells us, "Do not judge, and you will not be judged." [Lk. 6:37] "For with the judgment you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get." [Mt. 7:2] To obey this God given command, we must continuously embrace a spiritual approach towards our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Through Adam, our physical bodies have inherited the sinful nature and spiritual death. As the first man was from the earth, made of dust, we have born the image of the one of dust.

But, through the precious Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, during the Sacrament of Baptism, we have received the indwelling Spirit of Christ and our new spiritual nature [Ezek. 11:19-20; 18:31; 36:26-7; Jer. 31:31, 3; Gal. 6:15; 1 Cor. 3:16; 2 Cor. 5:17] of the godly seed, [1 Jn. 3:9] as our first instalment [2 Cor. 1:22] towards the inheritance of salvation in the Kingdom of God. Through the second Man who is from Heaven, the life-giving Spirit, [1 Cor. 15:45] we will also bear the image of the One of Heaven.

During today's First Reading from the First Book of Samuel, we heard a perfect example of being of the world versus applying one's newly received spiritual gift through Christ. When Abishai saw the perfect opportunity to kill Saul, he said to David, "Let me pin him to the ground with one stroke of the spear..." In other words, let me kill him with one stroke of the spear. To this comment, David answered, "Do not destroy him; for who can raise his hand against the Lord's anointed, and be guiltless?"

no one can embrace a spiritual mind and a worldly mind at the same time. It is impossible! If one does what is righteous, he walks his living faith in Christ with a spiritual mind. But, the moment that one places his personal desires over the spiritual law of Christ, he no longer walks his living faith in Christ. His walk is of a worldly mind, satisfying his own personal desires and goals. By the same measure that he judges others, he will be judged!

## *Word Of Life*

**“The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is cherished.”**

**USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ASH WEDNESDAY MARCH 5**, the start of the Lenten Season, Mass Schedules and Ash distribution as follows: 7 AM – Main Church; 8 AM – Virtual Mass; Noon – Main Church; 6:30 PM – Main Church. Ash Wednesday is a day of Fasting and Abstinence and Friday is a day of Abstinence for all ages 18 – 59.

**FORMATION OF EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION WORKSHOP:** The Worship Office is sponsoring in-person workshops (in English and Spanish) to train (or renew) extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion on **Saturday, March 15**, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center. Please register in [English](#) by March 7. If you have questions, contact the Worship Office at 973-497-4345. Please see Merilyn Smith

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## Lenten Revival

Revivalist

**Rev. Fr. Anthony M. Bozeman, SSJ**

**THEME: TOTAL SURRENDER**

Fr. Anthony Bozeman, SSJ, a priest with the Society of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart (The Josephite Community), is a native of Philadelphia and resides in Washington, D.C. After serving 16 years in the U.S. military on active and Air National Guard Reserve duty, Fr. Bozeman felt a calling to the priesthood and entered St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia, and on May 20, 2000, he was ordained to the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Fr. Bozeman has pastored parishes in Philadelphia, Houston, Louisiana and Los Angeles. He is fond of saying, "God is in charge when the 'Good News' of Jesus Christ is shared." Fr. Bozeman believes that preaching on behalf of the poor is God's will for his life, and he is looking forward to introducing parishes across the country to Cross Catholic Outreach's ministry.



<b>Friday, March 28, Youth Revival beginning with Mass @ 6:30 pm followed by Stations of the Cross and Youth Revival in the church</b>	<b>Saturday, March 29 8:30 am Breakfast Revival continues to 2 pm in the church</b>
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Revival concludes on Sunday, March 30 with Mass at 8 and 10 am

*"Come on out and bring your family and friends. Don't miss the blessing of this 2025 Jubilee Lenten Journey."*

Our revival can be viewed via our Facebook page on <http://bsscb.org> and using our free conference line <https://www.freeconferencecall.com/wall/bsscbchurchmedia>  
Meeting ID: bsscbmedia Dial in number 978-990-5000  
access code 570414.

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**CCD, FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION** classes resume. Please see Stephanie Williams (First Communion) and Fred Hill (Confirmation). Young people 8-17 years of age who have not been baptized, should participate in First Communion or Confirmation classes, in preparation for reception of all the sacraments.

## VIEWING OUR SUNDAY MASS

**Option 1- YOUTUBE:** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGM3EVxhKOb2gHpA1eEhivw>

**Option 2- FACEBOOK:** <https://www.facebook.com/100270185333720/live/> Facebook account not required to view. You can view uploaded clips of Sunday Mass on Facebook. Type in the search column: Blessed Sacrament St. Charles Borromeo.

**Option 3- ZOOM:** ID 886 0650 9047 Password 07108

We have an open line on **WHAT'SAPP** for those who do not have email or Facebook. Please send your name, cell phone number and email address to our Church media Cellphone # 973-280-0651 to be connected to our What'sApp platform. <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HTTejmw2jl23mcpaNE2qxV>.

**BIBLE STUDY** will resume in January every Wednesday at 7:45 pm on Zoom. **ZOOM:** ID 886 0650 9047 Password 07108.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY MASS:** Children's Liturgy of the Word will take place every Sunday during the 10 am liturgy. On the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday all children are invited to sit in the first three front pews facing the Blessed mother. Volunteers needed. Interested persons must be certified in Protecting God's Children in order to facilitate this liturgy. To register for this workshop, contact Elizabeth at the Parish office, 973-824- 6548 ext 104.

**DONATIONS AND GIFTS:** We are thankful to all our parishioners who give of their Time, Talent and Treasure to our parish. If you would like to make a donation or do the offertory as part of your Mass request, here is a list of items to consider. Sacramental Wine – \$110 per case, Sacramental Host – \$30 per box, Perpetual Light Candles – \$73.75 per case, Perpetual Light Candle (singular) – \$10 and Flowers are \$50 per arrangement. Please call the parish office to arrange for the orders.

**LOCK BOX** is on the door at 19 Van Ness is now available for info, envelopes, Mass intentions, etc. Please put in drop box. Put your phone number and other information so we can let you know it was received.

**PARISH CELL FOR ZELLE: 973-392-3139.** Add message: Include purpose, name, Mass date, intention and your name.

**MASS REMEMBRANCE CARDS ARE AVAILABLE:** Please call the office to request and place your Mass intentions at a suggested donation of \$10.

**ILL PARISHIONERS:** If you are ill or know of any ill parishioners, please contact the office so the priest and home-bound team can arrange a visit.

**SUGGESTION BOX** is in the back of the church. If you have any words of wisdom and solutions, please put in the box.

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