

# 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: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.; Igbo Mass: 12:30 p.m.**

**Daily Masses (Chapel), Mon. – Sat.: 8:00 a.m., Sat.: 6:30 p.m.**

**Special Masses: First Friday of each month: Sacred Heart Devotion 7:00 pm 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*

Mrs. Robyn Padia, *Pastoral Associate*

Mrs. Stephanie Smith, *Parish Secretary*

Mr. Charles Noun, *Business Manager*

Mr. John Garner, *Music Director*

Mr. Felix Padia, *Property Manager*

Mrs. Marilyn Smith, *RCIA Director*

## TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Parish Office: 973-824-6548

Pastor: Fr. Albert Nzeh, Ext. 102

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Erasmus Okere,  
Ext: 103

Pastoral Associate: Ext: 104

Parish Secretary: Ext. 105

Business Manager: Ext: 100

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Website: [www.bsscb.org](http://www.bsscb.org)

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By Appointment Only. 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. 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, 7:00 pm in the Church.



# Church Ministries and Chairpersons

**BEREAVEMENT:** Janice Champ

**BULLETIN:** Carol Jenkins

**CURSILLO:** Marilyn Smith

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Marilyn Smith

**FINANCE:** Lola Walker

**FOOD PANTRY:** Blanche Macklin

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY:** Harold Uche

**HOMEBOUND:** Juanita Moore

**HOSPITALITY/KITCHEN:** Pat Ross

**LECTORS:** Fred Hill

**LITURGY:** Marilyn Smith

**MUSIC/CHOIR:** John Garner, Diane Scott

**PARISH COUNCIL:** Mary Brown

**PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS:** Mary Brown

**REPAST:** Helen Brooks

**RCIA:** Marilyn Smith

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY:** Natasha Brown

**SOCIAL MEDIA:** Beverly Mitchell

**TRUSTEES:** Stephanie Williams, Homer Mosley

**VAN SERVICE:** Kevin Ralph

**WELCOME:** Joan Lowery

**WELLNESS:** Marleyne Tronchin

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



Mary E. Brown, Claire Battle, Alice Tate, Celine Larmony, Deacon Billy Moore, Beverly Ashmon, Lila Dixon, Alice Williams, Dorothy Pinnix, Faye Gaskins, Virginia Perry, Mary Tate, Delores Upshaw, Patricia Tinley, Kim Nestbitt, Jamillah Billings, Sharon Burgwyn, Karen Barrett, Pat Wilson, Ruth Inweh, Gwendolyn Hunt, Charlie Howard, Vivian Ededey, Joyce Leach, Marie Burnett, David Sadow

# 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 300 to 350 people a month. Our Pantry hours are 3rd and 4th Saturdays for singles 9 AM -11 AM and 3rd and 4th Tuesdays 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 Robyn Padia after Mass or call the parish office. The "Sermons on CD" are available after each Mass upon request for evangelizing your neighbors, family, friends and the home bound. Also, the bible study CD'S are available.

## 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 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

## JANUARY 30, 2022

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 altar flowers are available. Call the parish office for these requests.

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

#### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Jer 1: 4-5, 17-19/  
1Cor 12: 31—13: 13

Gospel: Lk 4: 21-30 (72)

8:00 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

12:30 & 4:30 p.m. ICC MASS

DAILY MASSES MON.—SAT. 8:00 AM

& SAT. 6:00 PM; ROSARY 6:30 PM

MASS LIVE VIA ZOOM 825 5051 6981

Password 570414

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FIRST

FRIDAY and THIRD THURSDAY,

7 PM IN THE CHURCH

BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAY 7:45 PM

VIA ZOOM 825 5051 6981

Password 570414

### Monday, January 31

Readings: 2: Sm 15: 13-14, 30;

16: 15-13

Gospel: Mk 5: 1-20 (323)

### Tuesday, February 1

Readings: 2Sm 18: 9-10, 14b,

24-25a, 30—19: 3

Gospel: Mk 5: 21-43 (324)

### Wednesday, February 2

Readings: Mal 3: 1-4/Heb2: 14-18

Gospel: Lk 2: 22-40 or 2: 22-32 (524)

### Thursday, February 3

Readings: 1Kgs 2: 1-4, 10-12

Gospel: Mk 6: 7-13 (326)

### Friday, February 4

Readings: 1Kgs 3: 4-13

Gospel: Mk 6: 14-29 (327)

### Saturday, February 5

Readings: 1Kgs 3: 4-13

Gospel: Mk 6: 3-34 (328)

### Sunday, February 6

Readings: Is 6: 1-2a, 3-8/  
1Cor 15: 1-11 or 15: 3-8, 11

Gospel: Lk 5: 1-11 (75)



## *The Manifestation of Divine Love*

During today's First Reading, in the dialogue between Yahweh and the prophet Jeremiah, we heard a perfect example of Divine Love. Some of the Words that the Heavenly Father spoke are very touching. Yahweh said, "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you"

In His infinite knowledge, the Almighty Lord God knew Jeremiah before He formed him in the womb of his mother. There is no doubt that before each and everyone of us were formed in the womb of our mothers, the Lord God also knew us.

Then, the Lord God said, "Before you were born, I consecrated you." When studying the biblical history of the term to consecrate something or someone, we learn that it means to set it aside for a Divine service. Consequently, we can conclude that Yahweh had set Jeremiah aside for His prophetic mission to the nations.

During today's Second Reading, St. Paul was addressing the Corinthians. Based on the content of the First Letter to the Corinthians, it is believed that the faithful were debating as to which gift of God was the greatest. Was it speaking in tongues? Was it the gift of prophecy? Was it understanding the mysteries of God? Or was it faith? In answer to those questions, St. Paul stated that the best gift of God is the gift of love.

The type of love that St. Paul was speaking about is called "agape" in Greek. This is the kind of love that flows to us from God through Jesus Christ. It is creative and unmotivated. It seeks nothing. It is not attracted by goodness because God loves us as sinners in Jesus. As such, we must open ourselves to the Divine love of God to allow it to be active in us. Then and only then will our love towards others always be pure and unmotivated.

During today's Gospel Reading, thinking spiritually, we were able to perceive how God manifested His Divine love in a very personal way. Through the incarnation in Jesus Christ, God came to dwell among us. What great love God has for us, that He set aside His divinity, took human form upon Himself, and dwelled in our midst so we may come to know Him as He truly is, holy, perfect, eternal, merciful, forgiving, etc... There are no other like Him.

### *Word Of Life*

**"Walk with each other. Do not be afraid to embrace God's gift of life. Whatever storms or trials we face, we are not alone. He is with us. 'Behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age' (Matthew 28:20)."**  
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MONTHLY COLLECTIONS

October: \$9,436.00

November: \$7,496.50

December : \$16, 839.84

## JANUARY 30 – 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

*“Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous...”* (1 Corinthians 13:4)

Do you get jealous? Do you focus more on the things that other people have than on the gifts that God has given to you? Are you pompous? Do you acquire more possessions to impress others? At times we are all guilty of these things. Pray for more humility. Humility helps us become less “self-centered” and become more “God-centered” for the sake of others.

**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 – \$137.50 per case, Sacramental Host – \$23 per box, Lux Mundi Oil Refills for the Altar - \$48 per case and Flowers are \$45 per arrangement. Please call the parish office to arrange for the orders.

## WE WANT YOU

- Are you a strong soprano, alto, tenor, or baritone?
- Do you have the time to dedicate to a choir ministry?
- Do you have the time to rehearse for two hours on a Thursday evening? If you have answered “yes” to all of these questions, we are interested in hearing from you, please call parish office at 973-824-6548 ext 104



**CELEBRATING HERITAGE HISTORY MONTH:** Please join us in celebrating our diverse heritage in the month of February, cultural attire is suggested for the month.

**MONTHLY MEN'S FELLOWSHIP:** Frs. Albert and Erasmus have begun the Parish Fellowship for Men. This fellowship will be engaging in spiritual guidance, teaching and sharing. They invite all men 18 and older to join them every other month on the second Saturday in the parish hall at 9 am. Please call the parish office to register.

**TAX REQUEST STATEMENT:** On behalf of Blessed Sacrament St. Charles Borromeo Church, we wish to express our sincere appreciation for your contributions during the year 2021. To request a statement for tax purposes please call the parish office at 973-824-6548 ext 105.

## 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. Please feel free to “like” the page to follow. You can view uploaded clips of Sunday Mass on Facebook. Type in the search column Blessed Sacrament St Charles Borromeo.

**Option 3- ZOOM:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89846588210?pwd=YXpqWE1ieGpBYkV0N1I0dIAxNC9BZz09>  
Zoom: ID 825 5051 6981 Password 570414

We also have opened a 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/HTTejmw2j123mcpaNE2qxV>.

Our regular activities remain Morning Mass at 8 am, Rosary at 6 pm and Evening Mass at 6:40 pm.

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

**MASS REMEMBRANCE AND FLOWER ENVELOPES** are in your Tithing package. Please place them in the boxes in front of the Blessed Mother altar.

**NOMINATIONS FOR PARISH COUNCIL** will be posted next weekend around the church. The names submitted are Nominations for Parish Council will be posted next weekend around the church. The names submitted are Mary Brown, Jerry Vorbach, Carol Jenkins, Lola Walker, Arnie Pinnix, Lionel Leach, Walter Preston, Fred Hill, Pat Ross, Alicia Alford, Joe Assan. Cherifa Agoro (Youth) please take time to prayerfully consider the selections or about entering your own name.

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN:** In order to meet the necessary protocols of the Archdiocese of Newark all volunteers are required to fill out a volunteer application and attend a mandatory PGC session. For more information please call the parish office for further information. Volunteers are Ushers, CCD teachers, Youth Ministers and any individual in service who comes in direct contact with children in the parish. If uncertain, whether you should have this done please contact the office for clarification at 973- 824-6548 ext. 105.

## BSSCB CHURCH PROCLAIMS 2022 A YEAR OF COURAGEOUS WITNESS II – TESTIMONY

And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even when faced with death. Revelation 12:11

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