

# 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

Pastor: Fr. Albert Nzeh, Ext. 102

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Erasmus Okere,  
Ext: 103

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

Elizabeth N. Chukwu

*Pastoral Associate*, Ext. 104

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

## 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  
**CURSILLO:** Merilyn Smith  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Merilyn Smith  
**FINANCE:** Lola Walker  
**FOOD PANTRY:** Blanche Macklin, Helen Brooks  
**HOLY NAME SOCIETY:** Harold Uche  
**HOMEBOUND:** Juanita Moore  
**HOSPITALITY/KITCHEN:** Pat Ross  
**LECTORS:** Fred Hill  
**LITURGY:** Merilyn Smith  
**MAINTENANCE:** Arnie Pinnex  
**MEDIA:** Beverly Mitchell  
**MUSIC/CHOIR:** John Garner, Diane Scott  
**PARISH COUNCIL:** Lionel Leach  
**PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS:** Mary Brown  
**RCIA:** Merilyn Smith  
**REPAST:** Helen Brooks  
**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY:** Veceleine C. Dufrene  
**SANITATION:** Alicia E. Alford  
**TRUSTEES:** Stephanie Williams, Homer Mosley  
**WELCOME:** Joan Lowery  
**WELLNESS:** Marleyne Tronchin  
**YOUTH:** Fred Hill

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



Celine Larmony, Deacon Billy Moore, Beverly Ashmon, Lila Dixon, Virginia Perry, Mary Tate, Patricia Tinley, Kim Nestbitt, Jamillah Billings, Sharon Burgwyn, Karen Barrett, Pat Wilson, Charlie Howard, Vivian Edey, Yvette Hall, Alicia Alford, Delores Guyton, Victoria Hall, Patricia Ross, Merilyn Smith, Walter Preston, Rochelle Preston, Celestia Conway

# 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 Merilyn Smith.

# WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

JUNE 30, 2024

**Sunday, June 30**

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: Wis 1:13–15, 2:23–24

2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13–15

Gospel: Mk 5:21–24, 35b–43

**8:00 AM Mass**

*Thanksgiving & healing mercies for Catherine & Hubert Phillips and God's guidance & intervention of Arianna requested by Marva Phillips Mendoza Healing for Pat Ross and Alicia Alford requested by BSSCB; Birthday blessings for Felicia Eze requested by Eze family*

**10:00 AM Mass**

*Thanksgiving for God's blessings for Mary F. Brown's entire family; In memory of Catherine Diane Scott requested by BSSCB Choir; Emmanuella's graduation and all the youth of BSSCB requested by Prince and Victoria Kwado family; Heavenly birthday for Chukwudumebi Anthony-Luigi Odiachi requested by the Odiachi family; Thanksgiving and family healing requested by Marleyne Tronchin; Cyriacus Ugwuebelem thanking God for blessings; In memory of Catherine Diane Scott requested by the BSSCB Choir; Birthday thanksgiving for Nkechi Ngozi and Stanley Onyeka requested by Nkechi Onyeka-Ekeh; Heavenly birthday for Iheanyi Anyanwu requested by Nkechi Onyeka-Ekeh; Healing for Pat Ross and Alicia Alford by BSSCB*

**12:30 PM ICC Mass**

**Monday, July 1**

Reading: Amos 2:6–10, 13–16

Gospel: Mt 8:18–22

**Tuesday, July 2**

Reading: Amos 3:1–8; 4:11–12

Gospel: Mt 8:23–27

**Wednesday, July 3**

Reading: Eph 2:19–22

Gospel: Jn 20:24–29

**Thursday, July 4**

Reading: Amos 7:10–17

Gospel: Mt 9:1–8

**Friday, July 5**

Reading Amos 8:4–6, 9–12

Gospel: Mt 9:9–13

**Saturday, July 6**

Reading: Amos 9:11–15

Gospel: Mt 9:14–17

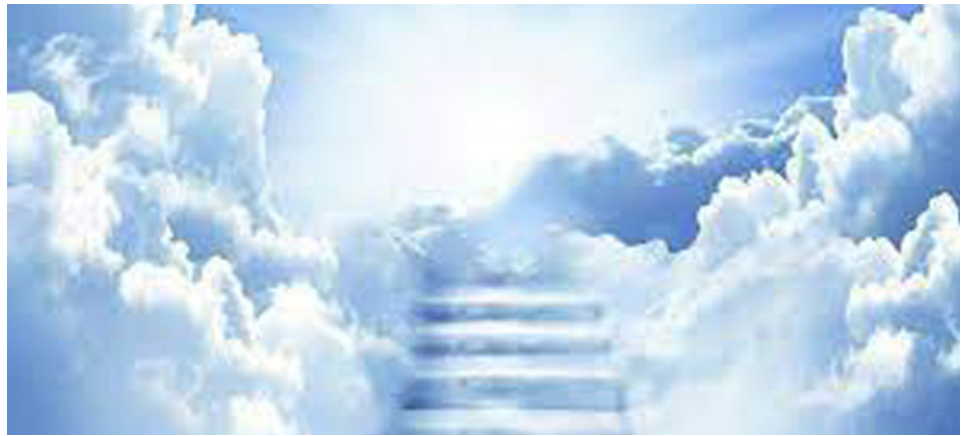
**Sunday, July 7**

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: Ez 2:2–5

2 Cor 12:7–10

Gospel: Mk 6:1–6a



## *Eternal Life in the Kingdom of God*

**T**oday's readings from the Holy Scriptures speak of the gift of eternal life. The First Reading from the Book of Wisdom tells us, "God did not make death, and he does not delight in the death of the living. For he created all things so that they might exist; the generative forces of the world are wholesome, and there is no destructive poison in them, and the dominion of Hades is not on earth. For righteousness is immortal." [Wis. 1:13-5]

When the Lord God created the light, the dry land, the herbs and trees, the sun and the moon, the water creatures, the winged fowl, the beasts, all what creeps on the earth and man, 'it was good.' [Gen. 1:4, 10, 12, 18, 21, 25, 31] Seven times, the words "It was good" are repeated in the First Chapter of the Book of Genesis.

Contrary to what some say, that hell is here on earth, the Holy Bible teaches us that hell is not here on earth. [Wis. 1:14] If some think that hell is here, it is because they are creating their own hell.

For those of us who live a righteous life, we have a different perception of the world. We live for the blessed hope of the life to come, the eternal life in the Kingdom of God. While we are physically present on earth, we are not of this world. Our hearts are set on Jesus, our living hope of the salvation that has been promised to those who live a life of righteousness through their living faith in Christ.

Thanks to the living sacrifice of Jesus, we have the assurance of eternal life in the Kingdom of God. The accuser of our brothers and sisters in Christ has been thrown down from Heaven, he who accuses them day and night before our God. [Rev. 12:9] "For to know (Jesus) is complete righteousness, and to know (His) power is the root of immortality." [Wis. 15:3]

As today's Gospel Reading tells us, Jesus shared generously. Reaching out to the synagogue leader who had faith in Him, Jesus raised his twelve year old daughter. As He had done with Lazarus, Jesus gave life to the little girl that had crossed over to death. Surely, if Jesus can raise the dead from the point of no return, the power is His to raise all the living dead and to grant eternal life in the Kingdom of God to those to who He chooses to do so.

### *Word Of Life*

**If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Select "Find Help" from the menu on [www.hopeafterabortion.org](http://www.hopeafterabortion.org) to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Bridges of Mercy for Healing after Abortion"**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NEW MEMBER MEET AND GREET JULY 21.** If you became a member of Blessed Sacrament St. Charles Borromeo church in the last year, Fr. Albert and the heads of parish ministries will meet with you in the church hall during fellowship after Mass. Marilyn Smith will be reaching out to everyone to confirm attendance. Updates will follow.

**THE 2024 ANNUAL APPEAL** is still ongoing and we are proud to report that BSSCB is making progress toward our goal of \$22,979.00. We are looking forward to getting a 2% incentive from the Archdiocese by June 30.

**FELLOWSHIP SPONSORS ARE NEEDED** starting June 23 for both 8 and 10 am Masses. Please contact Pat Ross to reserve the dates.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** In order to facilitate correct information and a timely entry for Mass intentions in the bulletin, please call the parish office and submit your request one week before the date you wish. Copies of the bulletin are available in the vestibule and at the sheep gate table. Due to printing the bulletins, it must be in by the close of business on Tuesday otherwise it will be placed the following week. A donation of \$10 is suggested. **NO MONEY FOR MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON SUNDAY.**

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

**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

**BLANK ENVELOPES** are available for visitors or if you don't have envelopes. If you want envelopes sent to you, please fill out the envelope and request them.

**TITHING ENVELOPES:** For changes of address, receipt of tithing envelopes and appointments to meet with Fr. Albert, please call Parish Office at 973-824-6548. Our system is currently being updated but if you are not receiving your envelopes please call the office directly to rectify this.

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

**CHURCH WEBSITE:** We need someone to update and upload information to the church's website. Please contact the office for further details.

## 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** 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.

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

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

**REMEMBER! THERE IS NO EATING OR DRINKING IN THE CHURCH.**

**NO DOUBLE PARKING IN SCHOOL OR CONVENT PARKING LOTS. SIGNS ARE UP AND CARS WILL BE TOWED AT OWNER'S EXPENSE.**

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

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