# 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 ourworship, 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. Merilyn 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 Parish Fax: 973-624-6030 Email: bsscbchurch@yahoo.com Website: 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:** Merilyn Smith

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Merilyn Smith

FINANCE: Lola Walker

FOOD PANTRY: Blanche Macklin

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: Harold Uche

HOMEBOUND: Juanita Moore

**HOSPITALITY/KITCHEN:** Pat Ross

**LECTORS:** Fred Hill

LITURGY: Merilyn Smith

**MUSIC:** John Garner

PARISH COUNCIL: Mary Brown

PARISH SPECIAL EVENTS: Mary Brown

**REPAST: Helen Brooks** 

**RCIA:** Merilyn 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, Aaron Anderson, Dorothy Pinnix, Faye Gaskins, Virginia Perry, Mary Tate, Delores Upshaw, Thelma Bell, Patricia Tinley, Kim Nestbitt, Jamillah Billings, Sharon Burgwyn, Karen Barrett. Pat Wilson

# **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 Merilyn Smith.



# WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

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 SEPTEMBER 26 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary time Readings: Nm 11: 25-29/Jas 5: 1-6 Gospel: Mk 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48 (137) 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 STREAMED ON FACEBOOK **EUCHARISTIC 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, September 27 Readings: Zec 8: 1-8 Gospel: Lk 9: 46-50 (455)

> **Tuesday, September 28** Readings: Zec 8: 20-23 Gospel: Lk 9: 51-56 (456)

#### Wednesday, September 29

Readings: Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12: 7-12a Gospel: Jn 1: 47-51 (647)

#### Thursday, September 30

Readings: Neh 8: 1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 Gospel: Lk 10: 1-12 (458)

#### Friday, October 1

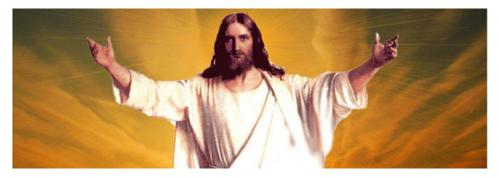
Readings: Bar 4: 5-12, 27-29 (460) Gospel: Lk 10: 13-16 (459)

#### Saturday, October 2

Readings: Bar 4: 5-12, 27-29 (460) Gospel: Mt 18: 1-5, 10 (650)

#### Sunday, October 3

Readings: Gn 2: 18-24/Heb 2: 9-11 Gospel: Mk 10: 2-16 or 10: 2-12 (140)



# Whoever is Not Against Us is For Us

What does this Bible passage mean? Are we to understand that Jesus What does this Bible passage mean? Are we to understand that Jesus is saying that He is tolerant of those who minister in His Most Holy Name apart from His association? Are we to understand it today to mean that Jesus is tolerant of all the Christian Churches, that all religions are equal? Based on those who apply 'Sola Scriptura' in the interpretation of the Holy Scriptures, this is certainly the conclusion that they have drawn, consequently leading to thousands of divisions within the Christian community.

On September 5, 2000, the Vatican released a theological document called "Dominus Jesus." Its purpose was to correct Church theologians who were distorting the true meaning of the spirit of ecumenism. In that document, the Catholic Church rejected pluralism that implies that all religions are equal. To teach that one religion is as good as another one endangers the Church's missionary message that the fullness of salvation can only be found in the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. As some of you may have heard, that document created a worldwide reaction from a number of Christian denominations. At the same time, some of them admitted that this document proposed nothing new, that this had always been the position of the Holy Catholic Church. The difficulty that they had was that they had not heard the Vatican expressing it so openly since before Vatican II.

Today's First Reading from the Old Testament Book of Numbers [Numb. 11:16-17, 25-29] opens our eyes to the fact that the position of God's people in the days of the Old Testament was no different than today's position of the Vatican.

The Lord God told Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of the people and they shall bear the burden of the people along with you so that you do not bear it all by yourself." [Num. 11:16] Two thousand years ago, Jesus did the same thing to help Him with His ministry. He "appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go." [Lk. 10:1] From these Bible passages in the Old and New Testament, we come to the understanding that God's representative on earth should have a number of people under him to assist him in his ministry of leading the people. Following that example, today, His Holiness Pope John-Paul II has all the Bishops of the world who number in the thousands, they assisting him in the effective administration of the Body of Christ, the Holy Catholic Church.

# Word Of Life

"Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die... 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**

#### SEPTEMBER 26 – 26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." Mark 9:41

We are made in God's image and likeness. We tend to forget this. When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them? When others look at you, do they see the face of Jesus in you? When we realize that all lives matter to God, then gratitude and generously become easier. Why? Because that's the way we are made! We are one Body of Christ; when one of us is hurting, all of us feel the pain.

#### WOMEN'S 181ST CURSILLO WEEKEND OCTOBER

**7–10.** Please consider sponsoring a family member or friend for an uplifting spiritual weekend. We are back at the youth centre which is fully prepared to meet all the safety guidelines along with the needs of the group staying there. Please speak with Merilyn Smith or Robyn Padia for further information. You can also check out the Cursillo website at <u>http://www.mycursillo.com/</u>.

**MONTHLY MEN'S FELLOWSHIP OCTOBER 9:** 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.

**PRIEST APPRECIATION** SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24: In appreciation for our priest, we will celebrate them as we do every year. A box will be available for your cards and tokens to them on Sunday, October 3 thru October 22. Your gifts will be presented to them on October 29.

**OCTOBER DEVOTIONS BEGIN OCTOBER 4** with Mass and adoration; continuing every Monday and Friday, ending on the 29th. The evening begins with praying the Rosary at 6 pm followed by Mass and adoration. A petition box will be available for prayer requests.

ALL SOULS INTENTIONS: In order to facilitate the timely posting of all our dearly departed, we ask that you place your clearly printed names in the box provided for the month of October. The names will be collected each week ending on Monday, October 25.

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

### 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?p wd=YXpqWE1ieGpBYkV0N1I0dIAxNC9BZz09 Zoom: ID 825 5051 6981 Password 570414

**Option 4- TELECONFERENCE** ID: 978-990-5000. Access code: 570-414 - You can download the Freeconfrencecall app and use as our meeting ID bsscbchurchmedia. The Zoom ID 825 5051 6981 Password 570414. Web:https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82550516981?pwd=K1NueEhjOS9pUTJpWTExSkl 1KytiQT09

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/HTTejmw2jl23mcpaNE2qxV.

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

**SACRAMENTAL FORMS:** Forms for all Sacraments are now available to download on our parish website: bsscb.org. Please fill forms out legibly before submitting them to the parish office.

**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. A donation of \$10 is suggested.

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

### BSSCB CHURCH PROCLAIMS 2021 A YEAR OF COURAGEOUS WITNESS

How we should share our faith; Witnessing has to go beyond words. Our actions are also an important vehicle for demonstrating our faith and the impact that knowing and loving God, and knowing that we are loved by God has on our lives. For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. So do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner. Rather, join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God. 2 Timothy 1:7-8

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