



St. Charles Borromeo Church

A Roman Catholic Community in the Heart of Brooklyn Heights

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Weekly Mass Schedule

Sunday: 9 a.m. Family Mass • **11:15 a.m.** • **7:00 p.m.**

Monday – Friday: 12:10 p.m.

Holy Days of Obligation: As Announced

Mission Statement

We, the family of Saint Charles Borromeo Parish, dedicate ourselves to our faith in God. We celebrate our faith through the Eucharist, proclaim our faith through the Gospel, and express our faith by seeking to build a community which is a living testimony of the power of God's love for His children.

Family Faith Formation: Children attend the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Family Mass followed by class.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Monday – Friday 11:45 a.m. to noon or call the Rectory.

Baptism: The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated the 4th Sunday of each month during the 11:15 a.m. Mass. Registration and parent class is held the 2nd Sunday of each month at 2:00 p.m.

Marriage: Couples seeking to celebrate the sacrament of Marriage are asked to contact the Rectory to arrange an appointment at least 6 months prior to the desired marriage date.

Anointing of the Sick: The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered after the 11:15 a.m. Mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month. In an emergency please call the Rectory.

Interested in joining the parish or becoming a Catholic? Please call the Rectory.

St. Charles is wheelchair accessible. The access ramp is located on Aitken Place.
A restroom is located through the door to the left of the altar.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- Sun., February 14– 1st Sunday of Lent**
 9:00 Elaine Poster
 11:15 Mr. & Mrs. Clemente Alcuia by the family
 7:00 Joseph V. Coresci
- Mon., February 15 - Lenten Weekday**
 7:30 For the intentions of Frances X. Gates
 12:10 For the intentions of Julianna O'Brien by Robin Curtis
- Tues., February 16 – Lenten Weekday**
 7:30 People of the Parish
 12:10 William G. McCormick
 by Maureen & Frank Pond
- Wed., February 17 – Lenten Weekday**
 7:30 Mary Stuberfield
 12:10 Birthe Mc Glynn
- Thur., February 18– Lenten Weekday**
 7:30 Patricia Thomas
 12:10 Eileen Dixon
- Fri., February 19 – Lenten Weekday**
 7:30 Annette Nolan
 12:10 Bro. George Larkin, O.S.F.



Operation Rice Bowl

Our journey with Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl begins in Colombia where coffee beans are changing lives! What actions can we take this Lent to change lives — at home and around the world? **Visit csricebowl.org for more information.**

Prayer Intentions For The First Sunday Of Lent

For those who are forced from their homes by war, natural disasters and other tragedies, that they may be welcomed with love and hospitality in new and foreign lands. We pray to the Lord.

For our own community of faith, that we remember the words of Christ: "Whatever you did for one of these least brothers or sisters of mine, you did for me." We pray to the lord.

Providence House Donations

Providence House, established by the Sisters of St. Joseph, provides women and their children a safe haven, shelter, support, and educational opportunities to help them lead productive and independent lives. Let us be prayerful and remember the staff and residents at Providence House during this Lenten season.

Please be mindful that we as a parish donate non-perishable food items to the Providence House Food Pantry year round. A plastic storage locker is in the back of the church for your donations of canned goods, pasta, dried beans, and rice.

Thank you for your generosity and prayers,

2015 Annual Catholic Appeal

Thanks to the 143 parishioners (35% of our registered members) who pledged \$59,715 (217% of our assigned goal of \$27,553). The funds above our assigned goal assist us to continue the many charitable works carried on by the Parish. We appreciate the prayers and support of all of our wonderful members!



The devil said to him, All this will be yours, if you worship me. Jesus said to him in reply, It is written: You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve."- Lk 4:6a, 7-8

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Throughout our Judeo-Christian history, people have cried out to God for help, and the Lord has protected us, provided for us, and helped us to grow into a mature relationship with him. We know, as Jesus knows, that we are to call upon the Lord for help, but not to test him, as the devil sometimes tempts us to do.

Vocation Corner

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart." Jesus the Eternal Word continues to call many to lives of holiness as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life. Could you be one of them? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

Lent 2016 Schedule

Daily Mass during Lent will held at 7:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. Try to attend Mass often during Lent.

Eucharistic Adoration will be held Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.—noon. Spend a day with Jesus.



Lenten Reading Program: This year’s selection is Discovering Your Dream by Gerald Fagin, SJ. Fr. Fagin uses St. Ignatius’s principles of the Spiritual Exercises, coupled with an Ignatian approach to decision making, to guide us through a discernment process that truly satisfies our deepest desires and brings us closer to God. He shows readers how St. Ignatius’s own decision-making process can be molded to meet the needs of our faith and lead us to our truest selves that God desires for all of us.

Books will be on sale today after each Mass. The requested donation is \$5.

Lenten Daily Meditation: Daily prayer and meditation bring blessings. Pope Francis in his Lenten Message asks, “the season of Lent in this Jubilee Year be lived more intensely as a privileged moment to celebrate and experience God’s mercy.” We are making available a pocket sized booklet “**Living Lent with Mercy.**” offering food for prayer and reflection for each day of Lent with scripture references.

Bible Discussion Group

You are invited to join us **Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m.** at St. Charles Borromeo church. Our mission is to explore and reflect on the scriptures as well as to foster community through prayer, study and fellowship. We are continuing with the Books of Wisdom and will be discussing the Book of Proverbs next. Please call Gloria Rosado (718) 643-9654 or Tracy Howard (631) 327-4489 for additional information. All are welcome!

Inviting Friends to Join the Church

Each year we Baptize people who say they 'found their way to our Church' because friends, neighbors or family members invited them to explore the Catholic Faith. Please take the time to talk to the people you know to see if any would like to explore the Catholic Faith. Contact Fr Ed for more information.

Eucharistic Adoration—Volunteers Needed

Lent, beginning Ash Wednesday, February 10th, will soon be upon us. This Lenten Season, St. Charles Borromeo Parish will once again observe Eucharistic Adoration in the church each weekday morning from 9 a.m. to noon. To ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is always attended to during this period, we need to schedule volunteers who will commit to one hour a week during this time to be present in church. If you can participate, please let us know the hour and the day of the week that works best for you. If you cannot commit to an hour every week, but can do several specific hours during Lent, we would like to hear from you as well.

Those who have participated in Lenten Eucharistic Adoration before can attest to the abundance of grace as a parish and as individuals that is received from this time spent with Our Lord. Please give serious consideration to participating and **email Maureen Pond at mempond@mac.com if you would like to take part.**



Ideas For Living Mercy During The Jubilee Year

There are many ways we can respond to the call to live mercy. Here are a few ideas:

- Use the “Two Feet of Love in Action” guide to consider how you can strengthen both charitable works and social justice at home and as part of your faith community. **Visit www.usccb.org/twofeet** for more information.
- Get Involved Locally. Explore the map at **Pov-ertyUSA.org** to find local organizations that practice mercy by learning about and addressing poverty. Or, contact your diocesan director for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.
- Participate in Action Alerts on issues of life and dignity from the U.S. Catholic bishops. Go to **cqrcengage.com/catholicbishops**.

To explore the many kinds of works of mercy and how you can live them in your daily life go to **usccb.org** or **iubilaeummisericordiae.va**.