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APRIL 6, 2025 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening-4:00 PM and 5:30 PM

Sunday-8:15 AM, 9:30 AM, 10:45 AM, and 12 Noon

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday at 8:30 AM and
12 Noon

Saturday at 8:30 AM

Holy Day Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass - 7:00 PM

8:30 AM, 12 Noon and 7:00 PM

Confessions

Saturday: 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM, 5:00 - 5:30 PM, and after
Mass on the Eve of a Holy Day.

Adoration

Monday - Friday Following the 12 Noon - 5:00 PM

Call Joann Olsen (646-436-2197) or

Amy Matthies (917-494-2040) for information

Rosary and Novenas

The Rosary is recited each weekday at 8:10 AM
and 11:30 AM.

The Miraculous Medal novena prayers are said after the 8:30
AM and 12 Noon Masses on Mondays.

Baptisms

Second Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM. Parents should
call the rectory to register for a baptism class. SPONSOR
CERTIFICATES REQUIRED for Godparents and also a
copy of the child's birth certificate.

Marriages

To arrange a marriage at St. Charles, consult with a priest or
deacon at least six months prior to the
proposed date and before social arrangements.
Attendance at Pre-Cana and Natural Family
Planning Classes is required.

Anointing and

Communion of the Sick

Regular administration of the Sacraments should be
arranged for shut-ins by calling the rectory.
Emergency sick calls anytime.



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9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (Monday - Friday)

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM (Sunday)

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(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: Too often, we don't care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right. We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them. But when God looks at us, he sees more than the worst decisions we've ever made.

The Allure of Being Right
It wasn't a real question.

"The law of Moses says we should stone her. What do you say?" the Pharisees asked Jesus as they brought the adulterous woman before him. But they weren't *really* asking. They didn't care what Jesus' answer was. They didn't ask his opinion because they wanted to know. They asked because they wanted to use his words against him.

Righteousness, truth — that wasn't the goal. The goal was being right.

And in the middle of the whole scene, dragged before Jesus, used as a literal prop in this staged drama, is a woman. A real flesh-and-blood woman.

I find myself wanting to know more about her. She had been "caught in the act," they claimed, but I wonder what that even means. With whom was this act committed, and what were the reasons for her participation in it? Was she coerced? Was she scared? Was she confused? Was it really a cut-and-dry, black-and-white situation of adultery, of lust, of making the wrong decision?

We will never know the answers to these questions, and it doesn't matter — it's not our business. God knows the answers. God knows the truth of the matter: what she did, what she chose, what she felt. Because she wasn't a prop to Him. She was a person.

When God looks at us, he sees more than the worst decisions we've ever made.

I worry that we use one another as props even today, when we try like the Pharisees to illustrate "What is Right." We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them.

Too often, we don't care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

If someone is interested in becoming a priest, how does he go about it?

Answer:

Discerning a vocation can happen in any number of ways. It might come as a surprise to the person called or to family or friends. Sometimes it is a gradual process, and other times it is as quick and bright as lightning. Regardless of how it starts, a vocation to the priesthood or religious life requires a process of discerning, testing, and preparing. The best place to begin would be with lots of prayer, receiving the sacraments, and attending daily Mass whenever possible. Then talk to your pastor or a priest you know and trust. Your diocese may have a vocation director who can provide you with guidance and information. The Serra Club is also a great resource for information and contacts to help you discern if indeed God is calling you.

Remember that many young Catholic men have considered the priesthood. Some are ordained and others realize this is not their calling. However, we are all called to be of service to others as we practice our faith. These are extraordinary times in which we live, and they require an extraordinary witness to faith and to God's presence in the world. Our work, our ministry as Catholics, is to be the body of Christ with and for others. The Church needs priests. If God calls you to ordained service in the church, He will provide the grace, direction, and support you need. Just listen and respond with all your heart, mind, and soul.

LITURGY CORNER



MONDAY - APRIL 7

8:30 - Vincent Truscetti – Mem.
12:00 - Living & Deceased Members of the
Bove, Vollaro, & Scarmato Families

TUESDAY - APRIL 8

8:30 - Regina Tomasetti – Mem.
12:00 - Carol & Edmund O'Donnell – Mem.

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 9

8:30 - Kathleen Vigorito – Mem.
12:00 - Mario Rotondo & Angelo & Colomba
Marzella – Mem.

THURSDAY - APRIL 10

8:30 - For the Family of Baby Matthew &
Grace Lombardi
12:00 - Sheila Dattilo – Ann.

FRIDAY - APRIL 11

8:30 - Lisa Ann Stahlecker – Mem.
12:00 - Kathleen & John Kelley – Mem.

SATURDAY - APRIL 12

8:30 - Theresa Gawel – Mem.
4:00 - Luigi & Anthony Calandriello – Mem.
5:30 - Passarelli Family – Mem.

SUNDAY- APRIL 13

8:15 - Living & Deceased Members of the
Feeney Family
9:30 - Parishioners of St. Charles
10:45 - Nancy & Mike Trocco- Mem
12:00 - Rose Ditore – Mem.

*If a Mass is being said for a member of your family on Saturday evening or Sunday, it would be most fitting if someone from the family would bring up the gifts at the Offertory. Please let one of the ushers know **before Mass**.*

Weekly Offerings

Last Weekend

\$14,259.00

(Catholic Relief Collection Included)

Last Year (2024)

\$8,647.00



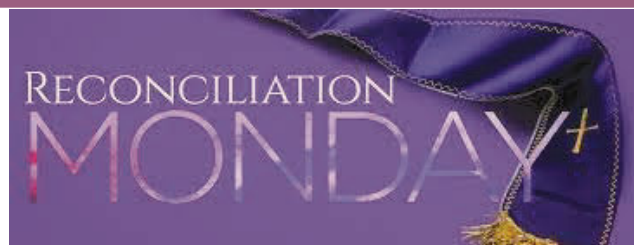
Flowers, Wine & Hosts and Altar Candles

*The Oils & Candles for the week of
April 6th – 12th, 2025 are offered in loving memory of
**Stefano Alaimo at the request of
Maria & David Dowell.***

*If you would like to make arrangements to dedicate the
flowers for the main altar, the wine & hosts for the
offertory or candles for the Mass in memory of a loved
one, or a special occasion, please call the rectory.*

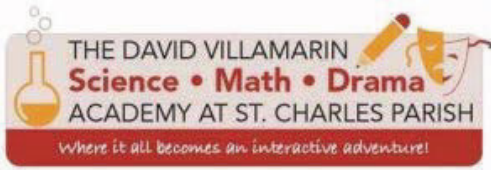
BEREAVEMENT GROUP

The Bereavement Group meets weekly on
Thursdays at 7:30 PM in the Rectory. Whether
you lost a loved one recently, or sometime in the
past. You are welcome to attend. For further
information call **Thea at 718-987-0658.**



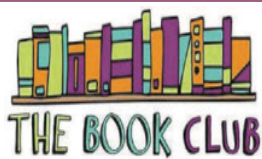
Monday, April 14th is Reconciliation Monday.
This is a good opportunity to prepare for Easter.
Confessions will be heard from **2:00 PM – 4:00 PM**
and from **6:00 PM – 8:00 PM at St. Charles
Church** and at churches throughout the
Archdiocese of New York.

PARISH HAPPENINGS



VILLAMARIN MATH AND SCIENCE SUMMER ADVENTURE

The Villamarin Math and Science Summer Adventure will be returning to St. Charles Parish for the month of July. The program is offered to current UPK 4 students through current 5th grade students. The summer camp will run **from 9:00 AM to 12 Noon Monday through Friday beginning July 7th through August 1st.** Our teachers are hard at work developing engaging lessons and planning fun activities! We will have weekly exciting themes. Applications will be available at St. Charles Rectory or in the vestibule of the church. Registration for camp is \$135 per week or \$520 for four weeks (non-refundable). For more information, contact Cathy Occhipinti at villamarinsummeradventure@gmail.com.



The Book Club has selected "*When the Women Ran Fifth Avenue*" by Julie Salow.

Three women became the CEO's of Bonwit Teller, Lord and Taylor and Henry Bendel. They transformed shopping into a lovely day's outing for women. The customer was treated with style and elegance. Surrounded by beautiful clothes, and accessories they were able to spend time treated comfortably by the staff, have their hair done and enjoy a lovely lunch. Most of the store's merchandise was selected to appeal to the average woman. These three women, although successful in the business world, faced other challengers in their personal lives. **The Book Club meeting is April 17, at 4:00 in the rectory.**

ST. CHARLES YOUTH GROUP

The St. Charles Parish Youth Group will be meeting this evening from **6:00 PM – 8:00 PM in the school cafeteria.** The SCP Youth Group is open to all 5th, 6th and 7th graders that attend St. Charles School or the CCD program at St. Charles. Please contact Joe Kroczyński at 917-589-7822 with any questions.



ST. CHARLES COFFEE HOUR

Our coffee hour will take place today after the 9:30 AM Mass. All are Welcome!



ST. CHARLES CHURCH FOOD PANTRY

Our pantry services those in need in our community and is open to the public on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. The need has been great and our shelves are running low. If you would like to help with this need, you can drop off non-perishable items to the rectory. The items we could use are canned vegetables, canned soups, peanut butter and jelly, tuna, pasta, tomato sauce, macaroni and cheese, cereal, crackers. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

**CHURCH RENOVATIONS ARE IN
FULL SWING. SEE FUTURE
BULLETINS FOR UPDATES**



WE PRAY...WE CELEBRATE...WE REMEMBER

THE GET WELL LIST

Keith Alaimo	Colleen Kaplon
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Grace Castelao	Mary Messias
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John Comito	Christine Momole
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Cheryl Houss	Christopher Wandy
Vianey Johnson	Drew Young

FLOCKNOTE and PARISH REGISTRATION SIGN-UP

Please utilize Flocknotes to stay informed of parish announcements. Below are the instructions to sign up if you haven't already done so!

There are two easy ways to connect:

1. visit our parish at: www.flocknote.com/SCBstatenisland and sign up.
2. Text stcharlesb to 84576 from your cell phone to subscribe to Flocknote.

This is a great opportunity for you to get plugged into things going on in our parish.



Eternal rest grant unto their souls, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Abelardo Santos

Diane Federico

Juliet Mancuso

James Laieta

Domenico Magnante

Catherine DeSetto



The next St. Joseph's Workshop will be held on **Monday, April 7th at 7:00 PM** in the church. This workshop is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith. It also allows us to spend more time in prayer and faith sharing. Coffee and refreshments will be served after the workshop. Mark your calendars.

REMINDER

Please silence your cellphones before the start of the Mass. Also, please refrain from bringing food or drink to Mass or any other prayer services that you might be attending.

Heavenly Father, thank You that my sins have been forgiven and there is no condemnation to those that are in Christ Jesus. I confess that there are times when I have been critical of others, forgetting that my own sins were scarlet, but by Your grace have been washed white as snow.



PARISH AND LOCAL NEWS

Deacon Michael Coleman who was a seminarian here at St. Charles last summer, will be ordained a priest on **Saturday, May 24th at St. Patrick's Cathedral**. The parish is arranging for a bus to take those who are interested in attending. **We will leave the church parking lot at 7:00 AM and return by approximately 1:00 PM.** Please call the rectory to reserve a seat on the bus if you would like to attend.

Charitable Outreach

Thanks to the *Appeal*, our charitable organizations receive support to aid New York's most vulnerable.

Services like food pantries, pop-up clinics, counseling services, and elder care are a few examples of the

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To learn more about the *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal*, contact us at 646-794-3300 or visit cardinalsappeal.org.



APRIL 13 - PALM SUNDAY

Masses - Saturday evening 4:00 PM and 5:30 PM

Sunday - 8:15 AM, 9:30 AM, 10:45 AM and 12 Noon

APRIL 17 - HOLY THURSDAY

8:30 AM - Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer)

10:00 AM - Mass

(for those who are unable to attend the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 PM)

7:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Procession of the

Blessed Sacrament

Adoration at Repository in the auditorium

Reception to follow in the gymnasium

(Concludes with Night Prayer at 11:30 PM in the auditorium)

APRIL 18 - GOOD FRIDAY

8:30 AM - Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer)

12:00 Noon - Three Hours Agony including Stations of the Cross and Confessions from

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

3:00 PM - Solemn Service of the Lord's Passion

APRIL 19 - HOLY SATURDAY

8:30 AM - Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer)

11:30 AM - Blessing of Food

3:00 PM to 5:00 PM - Confessions

8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass

APRIL 20 - EASTER SUNDAY

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

8:15, 9:30, 10:45, 12 NOON

CONFESSIONS

Reconciliation Monday, April 14 - 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

FRIDAY - APRIL 18 - 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

SATURDAY - APRIL 19 - 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM



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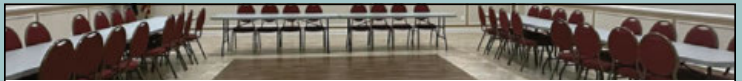
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