



# St. Charles Borromeo

*A Roman Catholic community in the heart of Brooklyn Heights*

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## Weekly Mass Schedule

Sundays: 9 a.m. Family Mass  
11:15 a.m.  
7 p.m.

Weekdays: 12:10 p.m.  
Holy Days of Obligation as  
announced.

## Office Hours

Mon. – Fri. 9 a.m.–5 p.m. (x402)

## Clergy Staff

Fr. William G. Smith, *Pastor* (x409)  
Msgr. Al LoPinto, *Resident* (x406)  
Fr. John Gribowich, *Resident* (x408)

## Our Mission

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.

*St. Charles is wheelchair accessible.*



## 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury."

- Mk 12:42-43

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

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK****Sun., Nov. 11—32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**9:00 Gregory Futchi by Frances X. Gates  
11:15 Austin Behnken by Agnes Agnes Sniechkus  
7:00 Carmelo Tramontana by the Rosado family**Mon., Nov. 12— St. Josaphat**

12:10 Mary E. Keoughan by Frances R. Duffy

**Tues., Nov. 13— St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**

12:10 Helen McBride by Robin &amp; Tom Curtis

**Wed., Nov. 14— Weekday**12:10 Blessings for the Lin Gao family  
by the Lin Gao family**Thur., Nov. 15— Weekday**

12:10 Dolores Fernandez by the Sullivan family

**Fri., Nov. 16— Weekday**12:10 Victor Santos by Irma Matos-Rivera &  
Francois Rivera**Readings For The Week****Mon., Nov. 12 | Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6***Things that cause sin will inevitably occur, but woe to the one through whom they occur. Increase our faith Lord, and strengthen our will for justice and mercy.***Tues., Nov. 13 | Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10***We have done what we were obliged to do. Form us, O God, so we may reject worldly desires and sustain us in our efforts to serve one another.***Wed., Nov. 14 | Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19***Stand up and go; your faith has saved you. May goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life.***Thurs., Nov. 15 | Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25***Behold, the kingdom of God is among you. Refresh our hearts and our fervor, O Lord, that we may become effective workers for your kingdom.***Fri., Nov. 16 | 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37***Whoever seeks to preserve his life will lose it, but whoever loses it will save it. When we fear the world's darkness, Lord, give us the courage to reach out to others in love and hope.***Sat., Nov. 17 | 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8***When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth? Your light shines through the darkness for the upright, O Lord. Your steadfast love endures forever.***Sacraments and Formation***Family Faith Formation:* Children attend the 9 a.m. Sunday Family Mass followed by class.*Reconciliation:* Monday – Friday 11:45 a.m.—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 p.m. in the Parish House at 31 Sidney.*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.**St. Charles Staff***Family Faith Formation Director:* Maureen Pond*Music Director:* Sergio Sandi*Parish Secretary:* Blanca Anchundia-Toala*Parish Trustees:* Angela De Marco  
Francis Chin**Meet and Greet —Today After Mass**

Join us after Mass for coffee and sweets (wine and cheese after the 7 p.m. Mass) to meet your fellow parishioners.

Thanks to the Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers who are hosting.

**Take A Tour Of St. Charles**Interested in knowing more about our church and its history? **A self-guided tour is now available!** Look for the plaques at various locations throughout the building.**Vocations**

“You are not far from the kingdom of God.” Are you being called to love the Lord with an undivided heart as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

**Holiday Fair And Wreath Sale**

St. Charles will be hosting a Holiday Fair, **Saturday, Dec. 1**. If you're interested in being a vendor (tables are \$25) or volunteering contact the rectory.

There will also be a wreath sale on **Sunday Dec. 2** after all the Masses.

**Altar And Garden Committee**

Come join us Saturday mornings at 8:30 a.m. as we prepare the church with plants and flowers for the feast or season. Even if you are not able to join us every Saturday, come when you can! For more information call the Rectory.

**Adult Sacraments and Religious Education**

***Seekers and Wonderers:*** If you are a Catholic who has received all the Sacraments or a non-Catholic who is interested in the Catholic Church but do not know enough to commit we invite you to join our Adult preparation Class. Please Fr Smith during the week.

***Adult Baptism, Confirmation and Communion:*** Please see Fr Smith after Mass or call the rectory.

***Marriage:*** We congratulate those who were engaged this summer and ask them to contact Fr Smith as soon as possible. Even if you are not getting married at St Charles we are responsible for the preparations and wish to make them as uplifting and pleasant as possible.

**Children's Baptism**

Whether you have had a child Baptized before or if this is your first time we are here to assist you. The regular time for Baptisms is the 11:15 Mass on the fourth Sunday of the Month and the pre-baptismal class is at 2:00PM (in the Church) on the second Sunday of the Month. Sunday Baptisms are not usually celebrated during Advent and Lent and we recognize scheduling difficulties during the year and will always seek to accommodate. Please see Fr. Smith after Mass or call him in the rectory.

**St. Charles Book Club**

The next meeting of the Book Club will be **Sunday, Dec. 9 after the 11:15 a.m. Mass**. We will be reading *A Town Like Alice* by Neville Shute. New members are always welcome!

**USCCB General Assembly**

Bishop DiMarzio and bishops nationwide are joining in seven days of prayer and fasting prior to their general assembly this month, where they will make critical decisions regarding the tragedy of clergy abuse. A letter with more details from Bishop DiMarzio and a request for your prayers is available on the parish website.

**Special Preaching Series**

In preparation for the second "World Day of the Poor", next Sunday, Nov. 18th all the homilies at all the Masses will be on the Social Doctrine of the Church. You will find further information on this every week on the Parish Website and our weekly email updates.

**Pastoral Hospital Visits**

Going to the Hospital? Please call Fr Smith so the Parish can ensure proper pastoral care. One of the consequences of the Priest shortage is it is better to arrange for prayer and, if necessary, celebrating the Sacrament of Anointing before entering the Hospital.

**Church Renovation Update**

Work presence has picked up now. Mock-up and samples are being presented to both the architect and Landmarks for approval so materials can be ordered. Brick repair work is in progress. You will see the work gradually increase over the next several weeks until all materials are approved. That will continue in the exterior until Winter fully sets in and masonry work cannot continue. At that point other select work will take place until the weather warms enough for the masonry repairs to be completed. More detail will be provided as materials and samples are approved and work is in full swing.

**Assumption Parish Christmas Celebration**

Tickets are on sale for the Assumption Parish Christmas Celebration on December 8 at 55 Cranberry St. The evening includes a buffet dinner, music, a raffle and auction. Tickets are \$50 for adults and \$10 for children. For more information call 718-625-1161.



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