



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.



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." Lk 12:39-40

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass #2001, 1998, 1979 CCD.

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Sun., Aug. 11 — 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 People of the parish

11:15 For those affected by gun violence

7:00 For migrant families

Mon., Aug. 12 — Weekday

12:10 Cindy Luberto by Glenn Unger

Tues., Aug. 13 — Weekday

12:10 For the recently baptized of the parish

Wed., Aug. 14 — St. Maximillian

12:10 For those struggling with drug addiction

7:00 For the families of the parish

Thur., Aug. 15 — The Assumption

12:10 For all humanity

Fri., Aug. 16 — Weekday

12:10 Increase in vocations

Readings For The Week**Mon., Aug. 12 | Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27****Tues., Aug. 13 | Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14****Wed., Aug. 14 | Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18: 15-20****Thurs., Aug. 15 | Rv 11:19A; 12:1-6A, 10AB; Lk 1:39-56****Fri., Aug. 16 | Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12****Sat., Aug. 17 | Jos 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15****Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary**

This Thursday, Aug. 15 is The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be an **Vigil Mass on Wednesday, Aug. 14 at 7 p.m.**

The church has always held to the belief that Mary was assumed, body and soul, into a heavenly state, even though the belief was not declared as dogmatic until 1950.

Since Mary was untouched by the stain of sin, she was unable to experience the "wages of sin," which is death. But her Assumption also says something about humanity as well. Sin only has power over us if we allow it. Mary was freed from this power in her Immaculate Conception, and when she responded "yes" to God. On this feast, we should celebrate the great works God has done for us through Our Lady.

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 Program Director: Maureen Pond

Music Director: Sergio Sandi

Parish Secretary: Blanca Anchundia-Toala

Parish Trustees: Francis Chin

Kerin Coughlin

Updates On The Church Renovation

The work at the top of the tower is nearing an end and some of the upper-most scaffolding will be coming down in the next several weeks.

Masonry repairs continue with work ongoing at the chimney areas. Once the chimneys are complete, roof work will commence at the flat roof areas. Gutter replacement is moving along well. The new copper gutters will really accentuate the restored masonry. The slate roof repair will be completed once the gutters are fully installed.

Sandstone and brownstone repair are moving along well. The restoration work is bringing much needed life back to the stone.

The stained glass restoration, which was not originally part of the scope is scheduled to begin now. This was brought into the exterior scope because there is no access from the inside once the exterior protective coverings are replaced.

The planned new interior bathrooms are in final planning stages and will be filed with the city for approval soon.

Adult Sacraments and Christian Formation

Religion, Morality, and You: There are people who believe that our purpose on earth is to be good enough to get into heaven. Religion is basically a moral handbook of strategies to avoid sin and not to be damned. Jesus is then almost incidental. What a terrible thing. If Jesus is not the center of life, then how can a person know true joy? If you find that your faith is simply baptized morality, then you may wish to review it in greater detail and, even though, you have received the appropriate sacraments I urge you to consider the RCIA classes below.

Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation: Non-Catholics who wish to become Catholic or Catholics who wish to receive Eucharist or Confirmation are asked to call or email Fr. Smith. The R(evised) C(hristian) I(nitiation) of A(dults) classes will begin in the Fall. They are set in a seminar format with meetings once per month until Easter. There are 50 to 75 pages of reading per session.

Marriage: St. Charles Parish congratulates those who will become engaged this summer and we wish to accompany you on your way to the altar and beyond. Please contact Fr. Smith at your earliest convenience. This includes those who will be married in another Parish and especially those who will be married in another country.

Please contact Fr. Smith at the Rectory (718-625-1177 ext 409)

Don't Miss Out On The Latest Parish News

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Save The Date! September 15

Godparents Mass

Invite your Godparents, Godchildren or your children's Godparents to attend our first ever **Godparents Sunday Mass, September 15 at 11:15.** We will celebrate the very special Godparent/Godchild relationship and all that Godparents contribute to the amazing journey of faith for their Godchildren.

This is a great opportunity to join your Godparents or Godchildren at a special service at St. Charles, where we will honor the Godparents who are present, and celebrate with food and drink after the Mass.

Parish BBQ

Following the Godparents Mass will be our fall Parish BBQ. Eat, drink and enjoy fellowship with your fellow parishioners and Brooklyn Heights community. We also need volunteers! Interested in helping with activities, set up, grilling or clean up? Contact the rectory. Thanks!

Volunteering At The Border

Thanks to everyone who donated funds to La Frontera in Loreda, TX to aid Catholic Charities' shelter for migrant families.

Many of you have expressed interest in volunteering at a Refugee shelter on the border. A new facility is opening in Tuscon, AZ and there is a need for volunteers. If you're interested, please contact the following:

Teresa Cavendish: Director of Operations, Catholic Community Services of Southern Arizona (Catholic Charities)

Email: teresac@ccs-soaz.org

Phone: 520-670-0800

Diego Lopez

Email: diegol@ccs-soaz.org

Phone: 520-670-0800

Become a member of St. Charles parish!

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