



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.



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

"People will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last." *Lk 13:29-30*

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

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Sun., Aug. 25 — 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 For the intentions of the Holy Father

11:15 Prof. Joseph Crea by Francis Chin & family

7:00 People of the parish

Mon., Aug. 26 — Weekday

12:10 Rev. Msgr. John Drogan by Fr. Smith

Tues., Aug. 27 — St. Monica

12:10 In thanksgiving by the Rosado family

Wed., Aug. 28 — St. Augustine

12:10 Dominick Flatley by John & Victoria Hein

Thur., Aug. 29 — Passion of St. John the Baptist

12:10 For victims of gun violence

Fri., Aug. 30 — Weekday

12:10 In memory of Justne Aliotta by her Godmother

Readings For The Week**Mon., Aug. 26 | 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8B-10; Mt 23:13-22****Tue., Aug. 27 | 1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26****Wed., Aug. 28 | 1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32****Thu., Aug. 29 | 1 Thes 3:7-13; Mk 6:17-29****Fri., Aug. 30 | 1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13****Sat., Aug. 31 | 1 Thes 4 9-11; Mt 25:14-30****Relational Meetings**

Fr. Bill's motto is "Belonging Before Believing". This summer, he would like to continue holding one-on-one relational meetings with parishioners, as well as have parishioners meet each other. The purpose of these meetings is to spend some time and truly get to know each other to strengthen our community.

If you would like to participate in a relational meeting, please contact Beth Liou at rectory@stcharlesbklyn.org, or speak with one of our ministers at the end of Mass.

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

Where is God? The summer has been a catalog of horrors: detention centers and raids that separate families on our borders, a public celebration for what would once have been an unthinkable extension of abortions in our State and repeated Mass murders by lonely and disaffected young males, to name the most obvious. The author of the Book of Wisdom, facing a world that presented many difficulties to his faith, urged his readers to make the traditions of their people, both moral and liturgical, the center of their lives. If that was true for the Jews it is even more pertinent for us. Do you know the traditions of the Catholic Church? Have you examined them since high school? Even if you have received all the appropriate Sacraments and attend Mass more than you don't, seriously think about your further Christian formation with the RCIA.

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)

Ministry To The Sick And Homebound

It is our honor and pleasure to bring communion to those who are sick/homebound and unable to attend Sunday Mass. If there is someone you know who would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact the Rectory and speak with Fr. Smith.

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.

Volunteers Needed

Interested in helping with activities, set up, grilling or clean up? Contact the rectory. Thanks!

9/11 Memorial Interfaith Memorial Service

All ages and all faiths are invited to join the Brooklyn Heights Interfaith Clergy Association to remember the 18th anniversary of 9/11 with rituals and prayer. Please gather on the Promenade at the Montague Street entrance at 6:30 p.m. for the sunset ceremony.

This communal moment has become an important part of life in The Heights as sharing a variety of faith traditions brings us together as neighbors and people of faith.

Assistance from Catholic Charities

Persons in need can contact trained workers at Catholic Charities to receive assistance. The Main Walk-In Center is located at 191 Joralemon Street and a Call Center can be reached at 718-722-6001. The Walk-In Center and Call Center are available to provide assistance Monday-Wednesday and Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, and Thursday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Become a member of St. Charles parish!

Fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket, or send an email to rectory@stcharlesbklyn.org

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