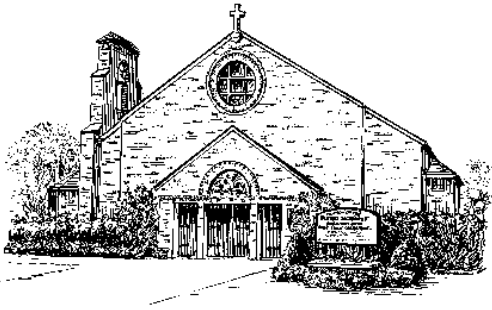


BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Staten Island, New York 10310

October 22, 2017



Reverend Monsignor Peter G. Finn, Pastor
Reverend Francisco Lanzaderas
Reverend Roland Antony Raj, MMI
Reverend Monsignor Francis V. Boyle, Pastor Emeritus

MASSES:

Saturday in the Church: 5:00 PM (Vigil), Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM.
Weekdays in the Church: 7:00 AM and 9:00 AM. Saturday in the Church: 9:00 AM.
Holy Days in the Church: 7:00 PM (Vigil), 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 12:00 to 1:00 PM; 4:15 to 5:00 PM.
Anytime upon reasonable request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Sunday at 2:00 PM. (Except during July & August, then only on the First and Third Sunday and other specified days)
Arrangements should be made at least one month in advance with the priest of the Parish. Parents of a first child and parents who are new to Blessed Sacrament must attend a Baptism Instruction Class which is held the second Tuesday evening of every month (except July and August) at 7:30 P.M. in the Parish House Meeting Room. Godparents should be Practicing Catholics, and must obtain a Sponsor Certificate from their Parish.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements should be made about six months in advance, with a priest of the Parish. Couples must attend Pre-Cana Conferences.

SICK CALLS - At any time.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA - Every Monday after the 9:00 AM Mass.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - First Friday from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 P.M.

NEW PARISHIONERS - Welcome to our Parish.

We invite all parishioners to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. If you are new in the parish, please introduce yourself after Mass and register at the Parish House Office weekdays 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Kindly notify us if you change your address.

PARISH HOUSE

30 Manor Road
442-1581

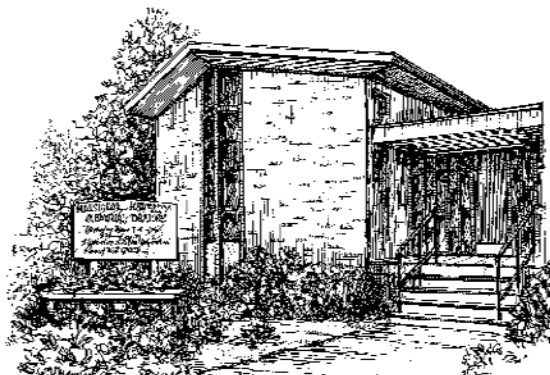
<http://www.blessedsacramentchurchsi.org>

SCHOOL

Mr. Joseph Cocozello
Principal
830 Delafield Avenue
442-3090

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sister Anne Dolores Van Wagenen, C.S.J.B. - D.R.E.
830 Delafield Avenue
448-0378



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Requests our Parishioners take home a plastic shopping bag (in each pew) and return it next weekend, Oct. 28 and 29. They are in need of the following items: **CANNED:** milk, potatoes, tuna fish, soup, fruit; **BOXED:** macaroni & cheese, rice-a-roni, hot and cold cereals, pancake mix, noodle mixes, instant potatoes and peanut butter & jelly, coffee and tea. **PLEASE NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS ONLY AND CHECK EXPIRATION DATES. WE CANNOT DISTRIBUTE EXPIRED FOOD.** Thank you for your continued help.

SETON FOUNDATION

Next weekend representatives from the Seton Foundation for Learning, a program for developmentally disabled children and young adults ages 3 to 21 years will be selling raffle tickets for \$5,000 cash at the doors of the Church. Tickets are \$10.00 each or 3 for \$25.00. Please support this very worthy program.

BEREAVEMENT MASS

Thursday, Nov. 2nd at 7pm.

The Blessed Sacrament Parish Family would like to invite the families, and friends who have lost a loved one during this past year to attend a special Bereavement Mass on Thursday, Nov. 2nd at 7pm. in our Church. Anyone who wishes to remember their beloved deceased in prayer and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is welcome to attend. Following Mass, light refreshments will be served in the Parish Center Meeting Room.

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTION</u>	
<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
\$4,837 (Weekly)	\$5,286 (Weekly)
\$1,900 <Debt Reduction>	\$1,799
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
710 (Adults)	625 (Adults)
156 (Children)	130 (Children)
866	755

ALTAR FLOWERS IN LOVING MEMORY OF ANTHONY MAZZA



BREAD & WINE IN MEMORY OF ANTHONY MAZZA

PRAY FOR THE SICK

The sick are comforted just knowing that you pray for them In your charity please remember: Margaret Pittman-Boyle, Douglas Pfleging, Jr., Phyllis Ribaud, Ann Socci, James Burghardt, Concetta Chicolo, Amelia DiMauro, Mary Kenny, Jean Carter, Jane Redmond, Carolyn DeStefano, Robert Tursi, Deirdre Westergren, Nicholas Toto, Marykate Rose, Peggy Travers, Mary Anne Blaine, Jean Cunningham, Jean Elmadary, Alan March, Sebastian Lattuga, Grayce Novaro, Angela Siuzdak, Helen Ramsey, Katherine Barbera, Phyllis Scharfenberg, Margaret Romani, Br. William Herbst, Barbara Brown, Michael Caruso, Patricia Connelly, Mary Belli, Mark Volpe, Linda Hansen, Dean Robert Ziegler, Danielle Ziegler, Marco Antonio Gonzalez, Larry Taylor, Jr., Kathy Quinlan, Katie Hanley, Jose Ruiz, Rosemary Callahan, Elizabeth Coyne, Lucy D'Angelo, Robert Hammerton, Catherine Vitale, Capala Lusi, Jack McGarry, Robert McQuade, Mary Ruggiero, Brian Nelson, Joan Callahan, Julia Micol, Molly Cafaro, Bob Miuccio, Maryann & Danny Brown, James McGarrigle, James Finnigan, Robert Blake, Lelia Moran, Gail Kees, Troy Crispino, Michelina Farley, Cara Healy, Eileen Doran, Phyllis Morrell, Marion Coolen, Michael Roskowsinski, Barbara Braisted, Jeff Orr and Olympia Portabello

SYMPATHY

Remember the soul and the souls for whom Mass will be offered during the week, especially:

MONDAY

7:00 Alice M. Finn
9:00 James Redmond

TUESDAY

7:00 Gerald Cocozello
9:00 Jack Riley

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Frank Falzetta
9:00 Michael Hayes

THURSDAY

7:00 Gerald Cocozello
9:00 Anthony & Victoria Magliocca

FRIDAY

7:00 Gerald Cocozello
9:00 Edward Reuss

SATURDAY

9:00 Catherine McKeever
5:00 Alfred D'Elia

SUNDAY

8:00 Josephine & Mike Patti
9:30 Kathy Adams
12:30 Mieczyslaw Nowak (50th Anniv.)

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP
KEEPS ITS SILENT VIGIL
BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
TINO BUSCEMA**

SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 29, 2017**ALTAR SERVERS**

5:00 PM Vigil	Team 9
8:00 AM	Team 10
9:30 AM	Team 6
11:00 AM	Team 7
12:30 PM	Team 8

LECTORS

K. Hanley
R. Griswold
M. Peries
T. Sanders
R. Semon

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

J. Wright & N. Mata
A. Coscia & E. Hodgens
M. Thomann & K. Byrne
E. Checkett & G. Checkett
M. Hudson & M. Hudson

PRAYER SHAWL GROUP will meet on Wed., Oct. 25th at 10am in the Nurse's Office.

TITAN LEAGUE BREAKFAST CLUB will meet on Thursday, Oct. 26th at 10am at the Dakota Diner.

BUILDING BRIDGES COALITION OF S. I.

Presents: "The Meaning of America Today" "Response of Faith Communities" on Tuesday, Oct. 24th at 7:30pm at the Jewish Community Center, 1466 Manor Road. Seniors, Adults, Young Adults High School thru College are welcome to ask questions about religious belief and practice to a panel of clergy from several different faiths: Buddhist, Catholic, Hindu, Jewish, Muslim, Protestant. Submit your questions in writing or post on Facebook @ Building Bridges Coalition of Staten Island.

WHITE MASS

The Annual White Mass for Healthcare Professionals will be held on Monday, Oct. 23rd at 12 noon at Richmond University Medical Center Chapel, 355 Bard Ave. Honorees: Dr. Jessie Saverimuttu and Dr. Timothy Sullivan. Mass will include: Blessing of the Healing Hands". Refreshments to follow.

PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

The Parish Nurse's office hours are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. If you wish to make an appointment with the Parish Nurse, Peggy Smith, please call her at 718-447-9657.

ST. JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER

The St. Joseph Retreat Center, 850 Hylan Blvd. is offering the following programs in October: Women of Wisdom, Tuesday, Oct. 24th from 1-3pm Facilitated by Sister Lois Curry, OP; Fee: \$25 St. Catherine of Siena, St. Teresa of Avila, St. Therese of Lisieux and St. Hildegard of Bingen, were named Doctors of the Church in the 20th and 21st Centuries. Together we will plunge into the mystery of some insights concerning God's plan for the church and world, God's continuing providence and God's timeless promises discovered in their lives and still at work in ours.

*Welcome New Parishioners**The Chiari Family**Mr. John Clynch**The Giordano Family**The Pasqualone Family**The Paredes Family*

If you are new to the area and are considering Blessed Sacrament as your Parish Family, please stop by the Parish Office to register. Or, go to our website, click on the Parish Registration form link, print out a form and return it to us in any Sunday Offertory Basket.

FROM THE PASTOR

When I was a student in the 7th grade, eons ago, our teacher was a lay woman; one of very few in 1950 among the Sisters of Charity at Sacred Heart School on North Burger Ave., West Brighton, Staten Island, NY, and her name was Mrs. Anderson.

From the very first day of class, we noticed, as was the case, the Palmer Method alphabet, upper and lower case letters above the blackboard. However, in addition to these letters, on the blackboard was the following phrase from the bible - "Judge not lest you yourself be judged". She declared that to be our Class Motto and hoped we would make it our "Life Motto" as well. Every morning, following the prayers and pledge of allegiance we recited our motto.

Mrs. Anderson was an unforgettable. talented and magnificent lady, teacher and mentor of young adolescents never to be forgotten. She stood tall and next to the magnificent Sisters of charity who staffed Sacred Heart School in the 1950's.

I would not pretend to have faithfully fulfilled that motto and example all my life. Suffice it to say, I never forgot it and tried however imperfectly. I am still trying.

In the tumultuous days we face as a nation and world permit me to share the following interesting article by Tony Rossi of The Christophers entitled:

Politics, Punditry and Personal Faith

You probably know John Dickerson as moderator of the popular CBS Sunday morning political program "Face the Nation," but he is also a lifelong Catholic whose faith impacts the way he does his job. Dickerson joined me recently on "Christopher Close-up" to discuss his book "Whistlestop: My Favorite Stories from Presidential Campaign History," as well as his own spiritual roots and insights.

Prior to reading "Whistlestop," I thought the 2016 presidential campaign was unprecedented in the sense of the divisiveness and insults being thrown around. But in 1948, Harry Truman compared Republicans to Hitler and Mussolini, and referred to voters as "suckers."

Sometimes the negativity was influenced by religion. For instance, explained Dickerson, "In 1884, one of the reasons James G. Blaine lost [the presidency] is that a Reverend Urchard in New York was at a Blaine event and said that the Democrats bowed to the 'gods of rum, Romanism and rebellion.' The Irish Catholics in New York were furious about that shot at the Pope and made Blaine pay for it."

Religion has played a far more beneficial role in Dickerson's life. He still attends 5:30 Mass on Saturday evenings in the church where he grew up, Holy Trinity. He said, "It's full of so many memories of my life and childhood and the grounding nature of faith that I've always reached to. Also, in the case of politics and the world of television, there are a lot of things that can blow you off course and make you forget yourself. But that hour of worship and worship in general - no, I'm not as good as I should be - really help me try to keep my eye on the ball instead of getting distracted.

Dickerson's late mother, pioneering broadcast journalist Nancy Dickerson, was a devout Catholic, as was her mother, who went to Mass daily. And his father converted to the faith. Even after his parents divorced, the Church remained an integral part of Dickerson's life. He believes it has helped him in the often harsh world of Washington, D.C. politics.

He said, "I try to see the good in people. I think bringing joy to others - and not focusing always on those cynical and dire parts of things - is an important way to live one's life. Going back to my faith, [I think of] 'judge not lest you be judged.' You can be an analyst and assess in as clear-eyed a fashion as you can without slipping over into judging people's motives, judging their hearts, and getting into more corrosive snap judgments, which condemn people and entire classes of people. If we think about people, with all of their frailties and complexities - and recognize that in ourselves - it's a better way to approach life than to be so ruthlessly judgmental in the way that we discard people."

Alongside faith, Dickerson notes that being a parent has helped him become a better man and journalist as well: "When I talk to my kids about what it's like to be fair to the politicians I cover, what it's like to be fair to people who disagree with you, or people with a different view of the world than you have - all of that, when you have to say it out loud and talk about principles in politics and journalism, explaining it to a kid, it helps you put yourself back in touch with what your goals should be as a professional in a way that is very grounding."

Judge not lest you yourself be judged.

God bless you
MSGR. FINN