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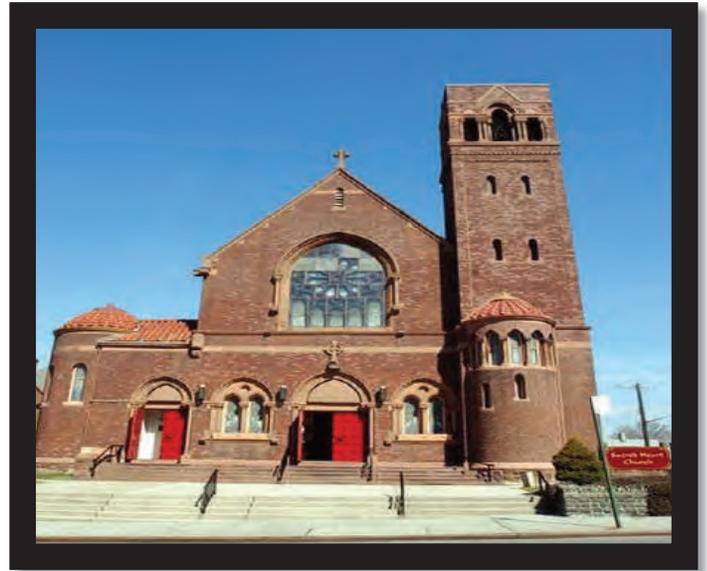
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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Masses

The Lord's Day

Saturday Evening 5:00 PM

Sundays 7:00, 9:00, 11:00AM (Choir), 1:00 PM

Daily Mass 9:30 AM Monday-Saturday

Rosary 9 AM (Monday-Saturday)

Confessions

Saturdays - 4:00 to 4:45 PM, Any time upon request

Parish Registration

Please formalize your membership in our parish community by registering at the parish office. We sincerely welcome all new parishioners!

Handicapped Accessible

Office Hours - Sunday 10 AM - 3PM

Monday-Friday 9 AM - 5 PM

Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM

Church open daily until 5 PM (Sundays until 3 PM)

Novena Devotions: Mon & Wed (after daily Mass)

Pro Life Rosary: Tuesday 9 AM

Sick Calls

Anytime, please contact one of the priests at (718) 442-0058.

Baptism

Parents & Godparents should attend a meeting at 3 PM on the second Sunday of the month in the Rectory with Fr. Eric to initiate the Sacrament. For more information please see: www.sacredheartsi.org/worship/sacraments.

Marriages

Couples should contact the rectory at least 6 months before the wedding to arrange the time, banns, and Pre-Cana Conference.

Sponsor Certificate

If you have been asked to be a godparent for a Baptism or Confirmation attend the 9 AM Mass on Sunday and see Sister Barbara immediately after in the church vestibule. Please see the parish website under the Worship/Sacraments link for godparent guidelines.

Websites:

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JULY 18, 2021

THE 16TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

MASS PARTS (LATIN)

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis (2x).

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

READING 1 **JER 23 :1-6.**

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the LORD. Therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, against the shepherds who shepherd my people: You have scattered my sheep and driven them away. You have not cared for them, but I will take care to punish your evil deeds. I myself will gather the remnant of my flock from all the lands to which I have driven them and bring them back to their meadow; there they shall increase and multiply. I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says the

LORD.

Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David; as king he shall reign and govern wisely, he shall do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah shall be saved, Israel shall dwell in security. This is the name they give him: "The LORD our justice."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **PS 23: 1-3, 3-4, 5, 6.**

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.



READING 2

EPH 2:13-18.

Brothers and sisters: In Christ Jesus you who once were far off have become near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, he who made both one and broke down the dividing wall of enmity, through his flesh, abolishing the law with its commandments and legal claims, that he might create in himself one new person in place of the two, thus establishing peace, and might reconcile both with God, in one body, through the cross, putting that enmity to death by it. He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

ALLELUIA

JN 10:27.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

MK 6:30-34.

The apostles gathered together with Jesus and reported all they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." People were coming and going in great numbers, and they had no opportunity even to eat. So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place. People saw them leaving and many came to know about it. They hastened there on foot from all the towns and arrived at the place before them. When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from Heaven (BOW) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



A Note from The Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

In 1560, Pope Pius IV appointed his twenty-two-year-old nephew, Charles Borromeo, to be Cardinal-Archbishop of Milan. The pontiff also made him secretary of state. In the sixteenth century there was, unfortunately, plenty of nepotism, and this seemed to be one more egregious instance. But Charles Borromeo proved himself to be a gift from God. He tackled his assignments with extreme energy and lived a life of exemplary holiness.

Seeing his nephew's talents and piety, Pius IV appointed him to set up the preparations for the re-opening of the Council of Trent in 1562. The Saint's skillful diplomacy neutralized the forces menacing the bishops before their work was done. Charles himself drafted the council's catechism, summarizing all of the refreshing teachings of the gathering of the world's prelates at Trent. He personally directed the final session of the council that promulgated its most important decrees of the Counter-Reformation, answering the Protestant challenge, and establishing the foundation for a prosperous Church in the coming centuries.

After his uncle's death in 1566, St. Charles was free to leave Rome and take up his duties in Milan, where his archdiocese was in disarray. With firmness, creativity and genuine charity he set about putting it in order, implementing the council's reforms. He instructed his clergy in a series of synods. He founded seminaries that became worldwide models for priestly formation.

Once in an address to his fellow priests, Charles reflected on his intense concern for souls that motivated his ministry: "Oh! If we could only understand what it means to deliver a soul from Hell, I'm sure that many of you would risk any danger in the hope of saving even one person. How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the Gospel of Peace. No wonder that the holy virgin, Catherine of Siena, kissed the ground where priests had walked because they were fellow-workers with Christ. Nothing pleases God more than to be His Son's helpers and to undertake the charge of saving souls. Nothing brings more joy to the Church than those who restore souls to spiritual life, thus despoiling Hell, defeating the Devil, casting out sin, opening Heaven, making the Angels glad, glorifying the Most Holy Trinity and preparing for themselves a never-fading crown." (Bert Ghezzi, *Voices of the Saints*, 2000, p. 125).

Charles personally visited parishes all over his archdiocese. He was very firm about the truth and about how we are to live it, however, he was remarkably gentle at the same time. For instance, in a particular village of his archdiocese there lived a priest who had long scandalized his parishioners. When the cardinal visited there, he was told all about this. St. Charles sent for him and admonished the priest privately without

imposing any public penance. The parishioners were disappointed, hoping for some public vindication of their long struggle to cope with the priest's misbehavior. However, when they realized that the priest was making a sudden and total change in his life, they were filled with wonder and delight. Some considered it to be a veritable miracle that a single meeting with the cardinal could produce such an effect. St. Charles Borromeo exhausted himself in his unceasing efforts to carry out reform. He died in 1584 at the young age of forty-six.

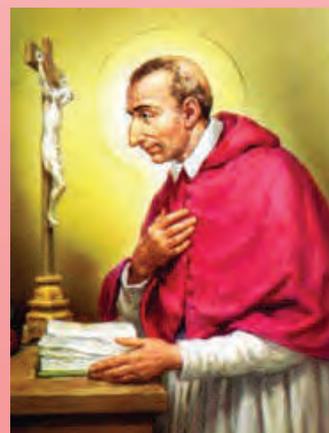
His biographer summed up well the style of St. Charles: "*Blessed are the meek,*" Jesus said, "*for they shall inherit the earth.*" (Matthew 5:5). And Charles Borromeo is an archetype of biblical meekness which means strength under control. Although he was hard as flint when confronting evil, he always approached people with kindness." (Ibid, p. 126).

These days, and, I suppose, any days, Catholics can find themselves yearning for Church leaders of the caliber of St. Charles Borromeo. They can find themselves scandalized by the actions and omissions of the leaders of their own time, like the parishioners of the priest before his meeting with his cardinal.

Fr. Basil Cole offers a valuable insight on the subject. He writes, "It does happen from time to time in ecclesial life that less capable men are nominated to be bishops or pastors and others know this and become reasonably sad because they fear the damage that will ensue to a diocese or a parish. It takes a great deal of faith to surrender to divine providence and accept the reality which God alone has control over. If Yahweh Himself could choose a person as king (Saul: 1 Samuel 9:17-19) who would become a disaster morally speaking, no one need be surprised if bishops or priests who do not have all the prerequisites for sound leadership are chosen by higher authority. The permissive will of God is inscrutable since we know hardly at all the reasons for such permissions—such as Jesus choosing a Judas." (Basil Cole, O.P., *The Hidden Enemies of the Priesthood: The Contributions of St. Thomas Aquinas*, 2007, p. 157).

God bless you!

Father Eric



Saint Charles Borromeo



Saturday, July 17:

5:00 Gregory Forster

Sunday, July 18:

7:00 Deceased Members of The Quinn & McCauley Families & Souls in Purgatory

9:00 Jesus Santos

11:00 Cathy Vento

1:00 Patricia Mazzella & Mary Jane Meyer

Monday, July 19:

9:30 Joseph Souza

Tuesday, July 20:

9:30 Marie O'Neill

Wednesday, July 21:

9:30 People of the Parish

Thursday, July 22:

9:30 Margarita Savedra

Friday, July 23:

9:30 Mary Donohue

Saturday, July 24:

9:30 Stanley Modzelewski

5:00 Eugene M. Brown

Sunday, July 25:

7:00 Ben Zarrelli

9:00 People of the Parish

11:00 Brendan Hoey

1:00 Gladys Wall

Saturday, July 24:

5:00 PM Bill Jones

Sunday, July 25:

7:00 AM Joan Prenty

9:00 AM Sr. Jessica

11:00 AM Ken Wisniewski

1:00 PM Don Maj

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 24:

5:00 PM Sean Ahern

Sunday, July 25:

7:00 Jacob Torres

9:00 Abigail Cruz

11:00 Michael Contardo

1:00 Jason Suazo

Collections:

July 11th.....\$6,369.00

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ATTENDANCE JULY 11TH: 479

Wedding Banns

**III. James Thomas Duffy
& Samantha Alessandra Herz**

**I. Jean Baptiste Lucny
& Myriam Altidor**

Sacred Heart Communion Breakfast: The annual Sacred Heart Communion Breakfast will take place on Sunday, September 19th, at 10:30 AM at The Staaten. This year the keynote speaker will be Frank Siller, Chairman and CEO of The Tunnel to Towers Foundation. Members of The Holy Name Society will begin selling raffles after the Masses on Sunday during the summer. The cost is \$25 per person, \$20 for children (children under 12 are free) and all checks should be made payable to Sacred Heart Church. After a very difficult time with the Corona Virus this is a great opportunity to come together as a parish and give thanks for all we have been given.

Food Donations: The Holy Name Society is in need of food donations for their pantry. Boxes of hot and cold cereal, mashed potatoes, rice, pasta, macaroni & cheese, cans of soups, vegetables, fruit, tomato sauce, fish, meats and jars of peanut butter and jelly are all needed and appreciated.

Cardinal Dolan: Recently, Cardinal Dolan released a letter to parishes in our Archdiocese in which he addressed the obligation to attend Mass during the Corona Virus and returning to Mass now. In the letter His Eminence said that the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday "Can never be waived. *Remember to Keep Holy The Sabbath Day.*" Therefore "A dispensation to attend Mass can never be issued." That being said, the Church has always maintained that illness, infirmity and advanced age are "justified reasons for missing Mass." During the mandatory shut-down last spring Churches were closed to the public. Mass was not open to parishioners in order to stop the spread of the virus. Mass was available via television, computers or streaming devices. When Churches did reopen parishioners were asked to "make an informed decision as to attending Mass. Pre-existing conditions, advanced age and ability to spread the virus were to be considered." Vaccines are now available. Virus case numbers are dropping. Many of our restrictions have been lifted which means that attending Mass should be a priority among us.

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