



## BULLETIN

May 17, 2020 ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter

*The Parish of St. Charles Borromeo, Resurrection and All Saints*

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Bulletin for this week is found on the Parish website: [sbrchurch.org](http://sbrchurch.org).
2. After checking in on our rectory staff and volunteers, I am glad to report that everyone is doing well. Let us continue to pray for one another as well as all the essential workers that go out everyday to do their jobs.
3. Two of our young men from St. Charles Borromeo Parish have taken the time to share with us the impact that COVID 19 has had on them being High School seniors and not being able to partake in all the things that comes with graduation. You will find their thoughts in part of this week's bulletin.
4. There will be a Prayer Service at 1pm EDT on Zoom. The ID is 834 8889 8246 the Password: 355608. If you call by phone the number is 646-558-8656.



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### **Getting Tested Is Important**

Testing for exposure to the Coronavirus has improved dramatically in New York and New Jersey in just two weeks. We have now reached the stage where you can EASILY be tested for the COVID-19 virus right in Harlem and the Bronx. The New York State Initiative testing is available in selected Churches. See the LIST of Church Sites at the end of this Note. Testing can help you and it helps communities where our people live. Health professionals should know your exposure to COVID-19 and whether you test positive so that you may be properly treated in the event of illness or symptoms as soon as possible. Our community benefits from your testing because the State and City can use the information to plan measures that will lessen the long-term effects of the Virus in our neighborhoods.

The Mass for the 6th Sunday of Easter will be available on the Parish website: SCBRCHURCH.ORG on Sunday morning, May 17, at 8am.

There will also be a Prayer Service at 1pm on Sunday, May 17, on the topic: "Finding God in All Things." The Prayer Service is offered on ZOOM:

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#### COVID-19 Temporary Testing Sites at Churches

The following is a list of churches that will be used as temporary COVID-19 testing sites by borough/county:

Week 2 - Tuesday, May 19, 2020 - Saturday, May 23, 2020

#### BROOKLYN

Mt. Ararat Baptist Church - 425 Howard Avenue 11233

Holy Cross Brooklyn - 2530 Church Avenue 11226

Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help - 526 59th Street 11220

St. Paul Community Baptist Church - 859 Hendrix Street 11207

#### QUEENS

The Greater Springfield Community Church - 177-06 129th Avenue 11434

First Baptist Church of Corona - 100-10 Astoria Boulevard 11369

## BRONX

Union Grove Baptist Church - 1488 Hoe Avenue 10460  
Latino Pastor Action Network - 14 W 170th Street 10452  
Fort Mott Baptist Church - 446 Willis Avenue 10455

## MANHATTAN

Convent Avenue Baptist Church - 420 W 145th Street 10031  
Mount Nebo Baptist Church - 1883 Adam Clayton Powell Jr Blvd 10026

## STATEN ISLAND

Central Family Life Center - 59 Wright Street

## NASSAU COUNTY

Union Baptist Church - 24 Clinton c Boone Place 11550  
For more information please visit, [www.governor.ny.gov/newinitiative](http://www.governor.ny.gov/newinitiative)

## **Donations to St. Charles Borromeo-Resurrection**

In April 2019, the Parish of St. Charles Borromeo, Resurrection and All Saints received \$65,968, through Collections, Easter Donations and Online Giving. This amount reflects the level of generosity the Parish receives at Easter from our congregation. This year, 2020, in the midst of the COVID-19 crisis, our Parish received \$44,063, through Collections (via regular mail). Easter Donations (via regular mail) and Online Giving (via the We Share program on the Internet).

In a season of great personal sadness for many families, as well as large levels of job losses this amount reflects the support of many for our Church. Thank you.

The difference in support between 2019 and 2020 reflects a decrease of 33% in income for our ministries. This diminishment in the level of support is comparable to the change found in all parishes throughout the Archdiocese. I am pleased nevertheless that the amount of financial support of our congregation through the WeShare online giving program has increased by over 200%. The WeShare program at the website: [sbrchurch.churchgiving.com](http://sbrchurch.churchgiving.com) is a secure, safe, and reliable way for the members of our congregation to continue supporting our Church if they are in a position to do so.



## **Updated Information on Our Pantries**

**By: Sr. Dorothy Hall**

As the growing need of food insecurity continues to grow in our Central Harlem Community, the pantries at St. Charles Borromeo and Resurrection Chapel are feeding approximately 375 families a week.

That is almost triple the normal weekly distribution. As a result of the pandemic the pantries are experiencing food shortage of certain items, such as pasta, etc. and higher prices for produces

Because of the shortages and higher prices, we are asking for monetary help to offset the specific items that need to be purchased to provide nutritious food choices to those in need.

Kindly send your donations to St. Charles Borromeo Church / Attn: Pantry

**Finally, we want to thank all the volunteers who come out faithfully every week to serve those in need. God Bless you All!!**

Prayerfully,

Sr. Dorothy Hall, OP



## **The Impact of COVID 19 on our High School Seniors**

### **Hendryck Empole**

Covid-19 has completely changed how I thought my senior year of high school was going to be. I was looking forward to spending one last year with my friends before we ultimately had to say our goodbyes and now thanks to the virus everything is so sped up. Graduation right now is pushed back until August, and who knows if they'll push it back further. It's just annoying that we seniors couldn't really enjoy our last year of high school, even though it was totally out of our control. And now that it's been a couple of weeks into this quarantine, I am not as frustrated about this situation as I was in the beginning because at the end of the day I will be going to college soon, and this extra time at home is helping me get into that mindset that I'm growing up. Even though I may never see some of my friends again, I'm about to embark on a new journey and that terrifies/excites me at the same time. I'm choosing to be as optimistic as possible about the current global pandemic because I feel there's no reason to dwell on things you can't change, just keep moving forward and pray for the best. God knows what he is doing.

### **CaJe Tarrats**

This quarantine has done a lot to change my life. It has taken so many things away from me and it saddens me that I have to deal with it. My graduation and prom were canceled, the musical that I was going to star in was shut down, and I lost a family member that I was very close to. School has shifted to online learning and I've been trying my best to deal with the change, making sure that no matter what, I will receive my diploma by June. I've been stuck in my house, trying to pass the time with anything whenever I finish my schoolwork. I sleep, eat, play video games, and yet it seems that time is moving slower than usual. Quarantine really has affected me in a lot of ways. I just wish it to be over sooner than later so that I can celebrate the last few moments of my teenage years before I move on toward college.



### *A Letter to the Parents & Young Disciples from Mr. Joseph Salemo: Catechists*

Dear

In the light of the growing coronavirus concern I hope that all is going well. I would like to take a few moments to share with you my prayers during these most difficult times in our lives. Many times, during the day, I often think of each of you in a special way. During your ministry, this year you have been very kind, compassionate, patient, understanding and brilliantly creative...and so much more.

When we return everything will be so different with our young disciples, parent ambassadors, parents, and each of us. We will greet one another in a special way despite our many fears. Each of us will be disguise with facial masks and remembering to keep an awareness for 'social distancing' in our learning centers.

Jesus has shared the same experiences throughout his ministry with his apostles. There were times when the apostles kept their distance for fear that there would be some outburst from the crowds. However, Jesus assured them that he would be with them always. So, throughout your day I ask that you remember our religious education families in your prayers.

Keeping this in mind, we as catechists must be aware that our young disciples, parent ambassadors and parents will have the same fears for their young disciples. So, we must be strong in our faith and welcome each of them with an open heart.

My dear catechist, remember you are the '**rock stars**' of Saint Charles Borromeo, Resurrection, All Saints Parish. I cannot 'thank you' enough, but God will.

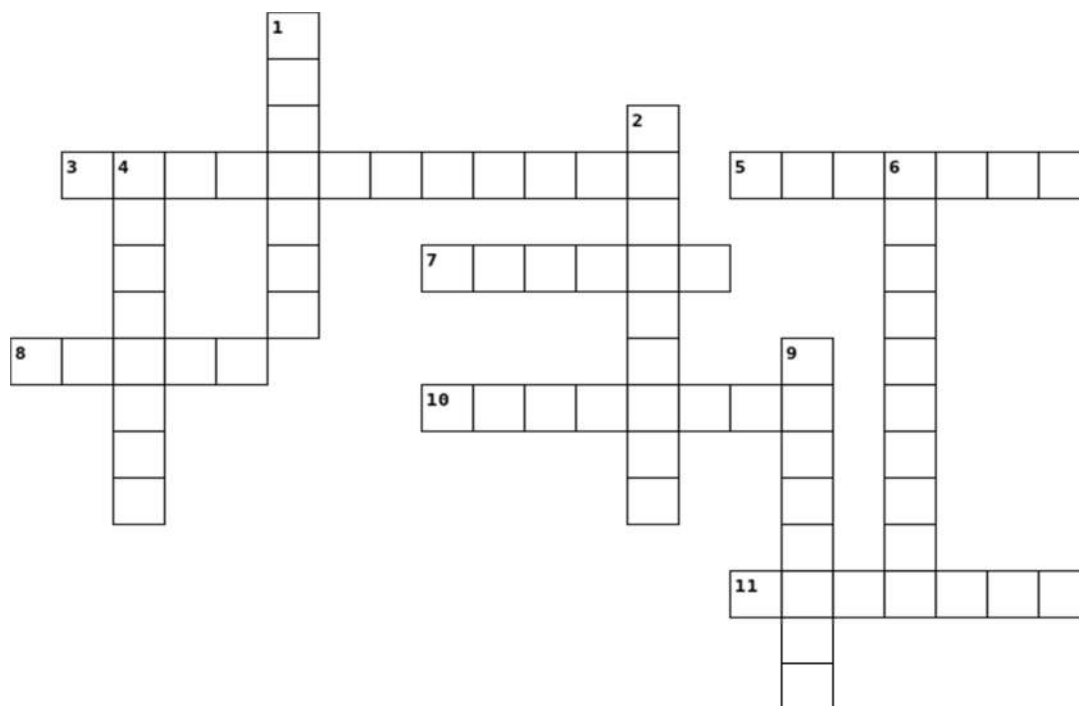
May the Blessings of Mary, Jesus and Saint Joseph be with you and your family always.

In Christ's love,



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: by Mark George, Pastoral Associate

### This Weeks Activity ~ 6th Sunday of Easter, Year A



#### Across

3. Keep these if you love me
5. I will not leave you
7. it is better to ... for doing good
8. cry out to God with joy
10. They had only been ... in the name of the Lord Jesus
11. May 14 Feast Day (apostle)

#### Down

1. Philip went there and proclaimed the Christ to them
2. May 21, 2020
4. the one who loves me
6. Peter and John went down and prayed for them, that they might receive
9. give you another to be with you always

**Answers from last week's puzzle:** 1. WAY 2. CORNERSTONE 3. ANNOUNCE 4. ACTS  
5. PRIESTHOOD 6. CHOSEN 7. MERCY 8. LAID 9. NATION 10. BELIEVES  
11. SEVEN 12. HELLENISTS 13. DWELLING