



BULLETIN

May 24, 2020 ~ Seventh 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.
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. Let us continue to use precaution and safety when having to venture outside of our homes.
3. We need for persons who (or know of someone who) have completed their educational pursuits to send a picture, name, and accomplishments to the attention of the parish via associate@sbrchurch.org, or to the office.
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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Transitions This Memorial Day Weekend

We join as a Parish in celebrating the Birthdays of
Ms. Mae Rose Creque
Deacon Michel Hodge
Mr. Tony Bailous

We also stand in solidarity and prayer with Toi Knox-Ward who this past week lost her mother, Rebecca Knox. Rebecca was a member of our Parish.

We also mourn the passing of Ruby Reeves who was the last remaining sister of the late Anita Beckles and the late Loretta Richardson of our Parish.

Graduation 2020

It is our custom at St. Charles Borromeo/Resurrection to give the credit they deserve to the men and women of our Parish who graduate each year. Whether you graduate from Elementary school, High School, College or Graduate school, our congregation wants to celebrate your achievement. BUT FIRST WE NEED TO KNOW WHO YOU ARE!!!

In the coming week please send to Fr. Chisholm (pastor@scbrchurch.org) the following information so that we can celebrate you:

Your Name

The School from which you are graduating in 2020

Your email address

The next School you hope to attend OR the work you hope to begin, when you graduate

Opening Our Churches.... not Yet but Soon!

We are not ready yet to open St. Charles Borromeo and Resurrection. Even though the weather is improving and even though the number of new Virus cases is decreasing, the City of New York remains under an order for the population to remain at home. That order has been responsible, I believe, for the improved health condition of New Yorkers. So, I respect the order and I have no desire or intention to put our congregation at unnecessary risk.

Nevertheless, we at St. Charles Borromeo and Resurrection have been planning for the day SOON when we can safely and securely return to our worship of God. There are a few things already we have thought about: When we return the congregation will have to wear masks; We will have spread ourselves out in the Church so that there are at least 6 feet between you and me; We will have to change the schedule of the Masses and the length of the Mass at each Church so that enough time can be taken to clean the Church and the bathrooms between Masses; We will need Ushers who are trained to greet people, to help people and to ensure that people stay safe; We will even have to improve our ability to make a high quality Mass available at home to those who cannot safely come to Church after we re-open the Church.

As you can read, we have a lot to do for our Church to be ready to have public Masses on Sunday. Probably not before June can we expect to begin our earliest effort to open our Churches in New York City. So, we are NOT READY YET to open Church, but we will be ready SOON.

If you want to help us, please send a note to me at pastor@scbrchurch.org.

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: scbrchurch.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



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 disguised 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.

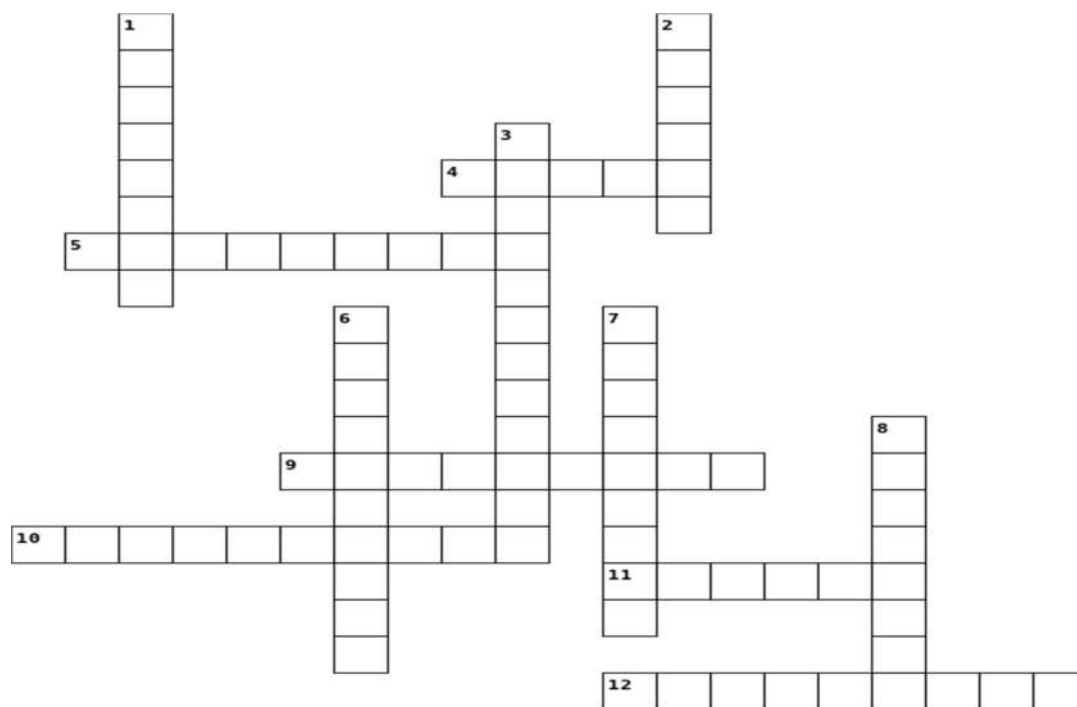
In Christ's love,



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: by Mark George, Pastoral Associate

This Weeks Activity ~ 7th Sunday of Easter, Year A

ASCENSION



Across

4. He presented himself alive to them
5. he enjoined them not to depart from
9. May 21 feast day
10. In the first book
11. The eleven went to Galilee
12. you will be in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth

Down

1. John with water
2. I am with you
3. teaching them to observe
6. But you will receive power when
7. Go, therefore, and make
8. shout to God with

Answers from last week's puzzle: 1. Samaria 2. Ascension 3. Commandments
4. Observes 5. Orphans 6. Holy Spirit 7. Suffer 8. Earth 9. Advocate 10. Baptized
11. Matthew

1. SAMARIA
2. ASCENSION
3. COMMANDMENTS
4. OBSERVES
5. ORPHANS
6. HOLY SPIRIT
7. SUFFER
8. EARTH
9. ADVOCATE
10. BAPTIZED
11. MATTHEW