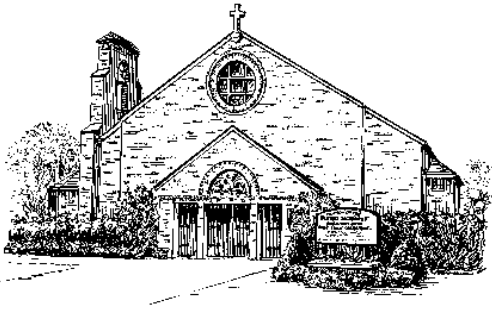


# BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Staten Island, New York



**Reverend Monsignor Peter G. Finn, Pastor**  
**Reverend Francisco Lanzaderas**  
**Reverend Albin Roby**  
**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 Wednesday 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.

**EUCCHARISTIC 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

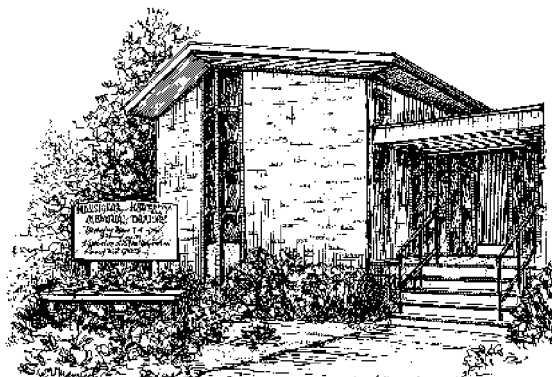
<http://www.blessedsacramentchurchsi.org>

### **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



**FATHER'S DAY NOVENA**

Blessed Sacrament will offer a special Novena of Masses through the month of June. Father's Day Novena Cards are available at the entrances of the Church. On Father's Day, Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup> all the Masses will be offered for the intentions of all fathers both living and deceased.

**CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY**

Saturday, June 13, 2015  
4:00 P.M. Mass

Church of St. Anthony of Padua  
4055 Victory Blvd. (Travis)

Distribution of Bread and Procession immediately following the Mass. Food and refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall after the Procession.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our May 50/50 Raffle winner, Mr. Greg Kmit who won \$865.00. We thank our parishioners who continue to participate in our monthly 50/50 Raffle.

<b><u>SUNDAY COLLECTION</u></b>	
<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
<b>\$6931.00 (Weekly)</b>	<b>\$7100.00 (Weekly)</b>
<b>\$1723.00 &lt; Parish Maintenance &gt;</b>	<b>\$1670.00</b>
<b><u>ATTENDANCE</u></b>	
<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
<b>714 (Adults)</b>	<b>826 (Adults)</b>
<b><u>131 (Children)</u></b>	<b><u>172 (Children)</u></b>
<b>845</b>	<b>998</b>

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP  
KEEPS ITS SILENT VIGIL  
BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
RAYMOND NICHOLSON**

***PRAY FOR THE SICK***

The sick are comforted just knowing that you pray for them In your charity please remember: Margaret Pittman-Boyle, Douglas Pflieger, Jr., Phyllis Ribaldo, Ann Socci, James Burghardt, Concetta Chicolo, Kelly Ward, Amelia DiMauro, Mary Kenny, Kathryn Haring, Jean Carter, Stephanie Barry, 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, Phyllis Giambruno, Margaret Romani, Br. William Herbst, Barbara Brown, Patricia Connelly, Hugh Kiernan, Mary Belli, Mark Volpe, Elaine Lydersen, Linda Hansen, Dean Robert Ziegler, Susannah Yates, Carol Stoltzfus, Marco Antonio Gonzalez, Grace Leddy, Larry Taylor, Jr., Kathy Quinlan, Felicidad Tobias, Jose Ruiz, Casta Miskowitz, Rosemary Callahan, Elizabeth Coyne, Danielle Ziegler, Brandon Toro, Bruce McKee and Robert Hammerton

***SYMPATHY***

Remember the souls of Frederick Herrlich, Alfred D'Elia and the souls for whom Mass will be offered during the week, especially:

**MONDAY**

7:00 Patrick Fitzsimmons  
9:00 Christine Fink

**TUESDAY**

7:00 Rose LoBello  
9:00 Martin Mannion

**WEDNESDAY**

7:00 Dr. Restituto Domingo  
9:00 Louis F. Farese (Living Intention)

**THURSDAY**

7:00 Richard Sigman  
9:00 Erin O'Connor

**FRIDAY**

7:00 Mancuso Family  
9:00 Brett Greeley & Paul Fitzgerald

**SATURDAY**

9:00 Kathleen J. Finn (Living Intention)  
5:00 Anthony Mazza

**SUNDAY**

8:00 Robert Valentine  
9:30 Michael McNamara  
12:30 Dominic & Angelina Librizzi

**SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 14, 2015**

<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>		
5:00 PM Vigil	Team	3
8:00 AM	Team	4
9:30 AM	Team	5
11:00 AM	Team	1
12:30 PM	Team	2

<u>LECTORS</u>
L. Lagmay
R. Griswold
M. Semon
M. Conigatti
E. Trentalange

<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u>
V. Donnelly & J. Wright
A. & S. Coscia
R. Gallop & P. Thomann
M. Morgan & M. McKeever
G. & E. Checkett

**BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL  
CHINESE AUCTION**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2015**

**Doors Open – 6:30 P.M.**

**Hundreds of Beautiful Prizes!**

**Amazing SUPERS!**

**Come, Join the FUN!!**

Reserve your table at [BSSAuction@outlook.com](mailto:BSSAuction@outlook.com)

**CAKE SALE** – The St. Joseph Guild will host their **ANNUAL CAKE SALE** on Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center Meeting Room. Great Desserts! Raffles & 50/50!! Stop in and buy a delicious dessert! Your support is very much appreciated!

**COFFEE SUNDAY** will be held next Sunday in the Parish Center Meeting Room following each Mass. Come and enjoy a donut and cup of coffee with your fellow parishioners.

**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.

**The Senior Spirituality Group** will meet on Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M. in the Parish House Meeting Room.

**AUTOMATED GIVING** – Blessed Sacrament has an automated Giving Program called ParishPay. It is a check-free, no cost, convenient way for you to participate in stewardship and donated to our Parish. For further information or to enroll please visit [www.parishpay.com](http://www.parishpay.com).

**FROM THE PASTOR**

On the Feast of Corpus Christi – The Body and Blood of Jesus Christ we celebrate the central mystery and gift that Jesus instituted at the Last Supper so that his Apostles and Disciples whenever they came together in His Name would make Him really and truly present under the appearance of Bread and Wine. The mystery of “transubstantiation” is one of the most questioned aspects of the mystery of the Holy Eucharist.

Fr. Thomas R. Collins, a priest of the Diocese of Richmond Virginia writes in Priest Magazine “The Holy Eucharist” the prefigurement of the Mass in the Incarnation.

*One of the most questioned aspects of the mystery of the Holy Eucharist is that of how the bread and wine offered at Mass become the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ. The authentic teaching of the Church proclaims that by the epiclesis (overshadowing) of the Holy Spirit and the words of consecration said by an ordained priest in persona Christi (in the Person of Christ) the mystery of transubstantiation is effected. Thus, while the sacred elements retain the appearance bread and wine, the reality underlying these appearances is actually Jesus Christ Himself, dynamically sharing himself with the baptized faithful.*

*For many years, this mystery of transubstantiation was seen as exclusively occurring at Mass. Yet the fact is that this mysterious dynamic is also effected in a different manner at the moment of human conception. For at the moment, God creates and infuses a soul into the new being, transforming what appears to be merely a piece of living protoplasm into a human being, a unique person formed in the image and likeness of God. Thus, whatever is done to that developing new life is done to a person, to whom God has conferred certain basic rights.*

*This fact is rather intriguing, in that it brings to light an aspect of the Incarnation that is often overlooked. At the time God's Word became flesh in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary, there was given to us a beautiful prefigurement of the Consecration of the Mass. For just as the Holy Spirit comes upon the bread and wine to make possible the mystery of their transformation into Christ himself – Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity—so also the coming of the Holy Spirit upon Our Blessed Mother made possible the Incarnation of God the Son in her womb.*

*And, as the priest, in persona Christi, utters the words of consecration (“This is My Body...” This is the cup of My Blood...”), so Mary, living in profound communion with her Son in the life of sanctifying grace, by her fiat (“Be it done to me according to your word”), was asserting, “This is my body, given for You... This is my blood given and poured out for You in holy pregnancy, I now accept in humble obedience, love, trust and gratitude.”*

*In this sacred context, a single cell of living protoplasm, derived from her own body, was transformed in her womb by the gracious action of the Holy Spirit to become God incarnate. Hence, the clear affirmation is later made by Elizabeth, inspired by the Holy Spirit, that his Child was not merely a new creation placed in her womb, but indeed the fruit of her very being in her womb. In the order of God's creation, fruit comes from the living substance of a being, and is not merely artificially inserted into that being.*

*The mystery of Our Blessed Mother's mystical communion with her Son was further substantiated by the fact that Mary nursed the Christ Child after His birth. Doctors now know that, if a nursing mother does not have enough calcium in her diet (a situation rather common in impoverished societies), her body will actually start to take calcium from her own bone tissue to provide adequate nutrition for her nursing infant. Thus, there were times when Our Blessed Mother could actually say to her nursing Child, “You are flesh of my flesh, bone of my bones.”*

*All this points out again the basic truth that authentic spirituality involves the investment of our very substance, and not merely our surplus, both into the sacred mystery of Redemption and into the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass wherein that redemption is made effectively present in the lives of the faithful. As the Church Fathers stressed so often, what is not shared is not redeemed. Our Blessed Mother possesses Christ completely by sharing herself completely with Him and sharing Him completely with us.*

*In addition to this, it is important to note that this whole saving dynamic took place in the context of the Mary's complete communion with the compassion of her Son in the mystery of the Immaculate Conception, whereby she was not only preserved from all stain of sin, but also perfectly shared in the divine life of sanctifying grace from the first moment of her existence. Thus, even though, through the graciousness of God, she was totally sinless and shared perfectly in God's own life, she wanted to share as a gift all that she had received as a gift. Thus it was that she hungered and thirsted for God's saving righteousness to be shared by all of humanity.*

*And, in a humility inspired by the graciousness of the Holy Spirit, she made herself most in need of God's mercy—again, not because her own sin, since she was absolutely sinless, but because of her compassion. Thus, it was that she hungered and thirsted for God's transcendent and transforming righteousness with a purity of heart that no sinner could ever attain. And God, in His gracious fidelity, satisfied that pure and perfect hunger and thirst for righteousness through her in a way beyond comprehension in the mystery of the Incarnation. In this way, He also enabled her, who was so perfectly pure of heart, to see the face of God in the sacred countenance of her Son.*

*Such is the awesome graciousness of our God.*

MAY JESUS IN THE SACRED EUCHARIST STRENGTHEN AND INSPIRE OUR LIVES.

GOD BLESS YOU,  
MSGR. FINN