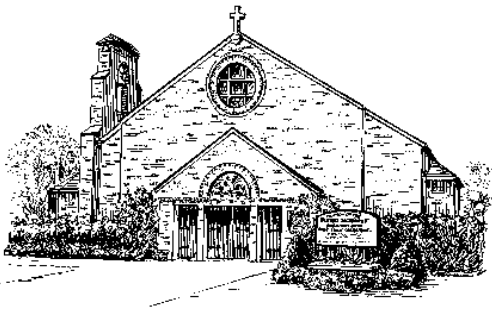


BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Staten Island, New York 10310

August 20, 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.

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

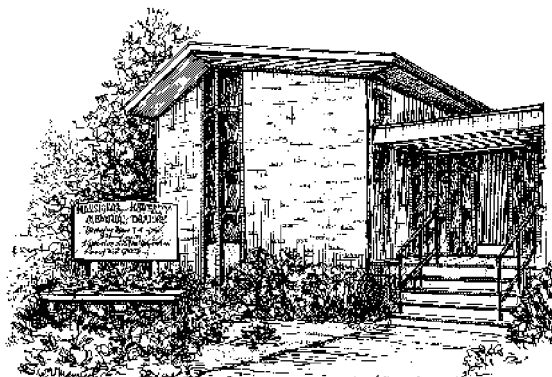
<http://www.blessedsacramentchurchsi.org>

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



N. Y. CATHOLIC BIBLE SCHOOL PROGRAM

Beginning Wed., Sept. 6th, the New York Catholic Bible School Program, sponsored by the Archdiocesan Catechetical Office, will be holding classes on Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9pm, at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament. The NY Catholic Bible School exists because there is joy and hope in the Bible! Being grounded in our beliefs leads us to a deeper relationship with God and an evolving sense of life's meaning. Intense study of the Bible brings us to life-changing personal growth in spirituality and service. This program is for adults who are seeking "something more" in their spiritual journey, and who are willing to commit to two years of study with an option to complete the full four-year program. No particular educational background is required. Tuition is \$150 per trimester with a \$35 non-refundable registration fee. Registration is a must and is done through the NY Catholic Bible School website. Discounts are available for parish catechists who have completed levels 1 and 2 catechist formation. For more information: Bible@archny.org or call Maureen McKew at 646-794-2855. Website: www.nyfaithformation.org/ny-catholic-bible-school.

2018 MASS BOOK

The 2018 Mass Book will open on **Wed., Aug. 30th** at 9:00a.m. Intentions for the Living and Deceased, Anniversary Masses, Masses of Thanksgiving, Special Intentions and Intentions of the Sanctuary Lamp can be arranged at that time. Announced Masses are \$15, Unannounced are \$10. **No Phone Call** requests will be taken until after the 30th.

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTION</u>	
<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
\$4,796 (Weekly)	\$5,618 (Weekly)
\$1,960 <Monthly >	\$2,208
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
652 (Adults)	681 (Adults)
130 (Children)	104 (Children)
782	785

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP
KEEPS ITS SILENT VIGIL
BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
EDWARD KLINGELE**

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, 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, Grace Leddy, 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 and Michael Roskowsinski

SYMPATHY

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

MONDAY

7:00 John E. Finn, Sr.
9:00 Paterna Calamba

TUESDAY

7:00 Phylis Prevosti
9:00 Peter J. Finn

WEDNESDAY

7:00 George Froehlich, Sr.
9:00 Helen Tellefsen (23rd Anniv.)

THURSDAY

7:00 James Finn Family
9:00 Brian Hudec

FRIDAY

7:00 Dennis Lombsky
9:00 Robert O'Toole

SATURDAY

9:00 Victoria Magliocca
5:00 Kathy Ryan

SUNDAY

8:00 Rose Marie Carino
9:30 David Reinhardt
12:30 Rose Mary Marchese

SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 27, 2017

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

<u>LECTORS</u>
K. Hanley
F. Molanphy
M. Boyd
T. Sanders
D. Leddy

<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u>
J. Wright & M. McKeever
J. Hansen & D. Vigliotti
B. Collorec & E. Hodgens
M. Hudson & M. Hudson
H. Wodzinski & E. Laub

ST. IGNATIUS PRAYER GROUP

We are happy to announce our yearly weekend silent retreat, Sept. 22-24 at the Loyola Jesuit Retreat Center, Morristown, NJ. You can register for the retreat by calling The Loyola Jesuit Center at 973-539-0740 or online at www.loyola.org/event/september-22-24-2017-coed-weekend-retreat-come-away-rest. During the weekend retreat we will take a close look at the life of St. Ignatius with a view toward discovering the similarities between his spiritual journey and our own.

PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

The Parish Nurse's office hours are on Tuesdays and Fridays 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.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

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T	E	R	A	S	E	N	N	E	G	DAUGHTER	DEVIL	LOST
I	O	L	L	E	W	I	S	R	O	SHEEP	WOMAN	HOUSEDOGS
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100TH Anniversary
Our Centennial Celebration is fast approaching, don't

be left out, send in your response card now! All journal ads and raffle tickets must be in by September 1st. Remember all parishioners, alumni and friends are invited to join us on Sunday, September 17th for the 11:00am Mass and on Thursday, September 21st at the Excelsior Grand. Raffle tickets are \$100 for a chance at a Grand Prize of \$10,000, First Prize \$5,000 and Second Prize \$2,500. Interested in coming, but didn't receive your invitation just call the parish house office at 718-442-1581.

CLAM BAKE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

The Catholic School Region of Staten Island invites you to join us for the inaugural Clam Bake for Catholic Schools honoring Msgr. Thomas J. Bergin. Wednesday, Aug. 30th from 6 to 10pm at The Vanderbilt at South Beach, 300 Fr. Capodanno Blvd. To purchase tickets please visit www.ClamBakeSI.org. Event sponsorship \$2,500 (10 event tickets, reserved seating and 20 premium raffle tickets); Premium Ticket \$250 (1 event ticket plus 10 premium raffle tickets); General Admission tickets are \$100 (1 event ticket). Featuring Food, Music and Fireworks. For more info contact Alyson.Vetter@archny.org or 646-794-3330.

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FROM THE PASTOR

Heroism, martyrdom, witness can occur in a dramatic, quiet, violent, solemn or any of a number of situations. Some such situations are without immediate notice while others totally dramatic are featured headlines across the globe. Such was the case of Father Jacque Hamel.

Christopher White, Director of Catholic Voices USA writer in the NY Times House of Worship of:
The Martyrdom of Father Jacque Hamel

Dominique Lebrun, the archbishop of Rouen, France was attending the Catholic Church's World Youth Day in Poland last July when the news came. One of his priests, 85 year old Father Jacques Hamel, had been murdered by Islamic State-inspired terrorists while celebrating morning mass on July 26.

Archbishop Lebrun soon received an urgent request from Francois Hollande, then the French president. Fearful of civil unrest between the nation's Christians and Muslims, Mr. Hollande requested the archbishop speak with him before making any public statements. "What will you say?" the president asked the archbishop. "I am going to pray and ask God to help me love my enemies," he replied.

A few months later, Mr. Hollande admitted the prelate had stunned him: He actually seemed to believe what he was saying, and his tone of forgiveness and reconciliation was crucial after the attack. The following week Muslims throughout the country were encouraged by Islamic leaders to attend Mass as a show of solidarity with their catholic neighbors.

The killing moved millions of people, including Pope Francis. In September the pope described Hamel as a martyr. He urged Catholics to ask for the intercession of the late priest so that he "gives us the courage to say the truth: to kill in the name of God is satanic." The Vatican has fast tracked Hamel's path to sainthood, and Francis has already declared him "blessed" the first step in the canonization process.

In an earlier era, France's leader would not have been so shocked by the archbishop's words of forgiveness. Once thought of as a Catholic country, France, like much of Europe, has abandoned any overt association with its Christian heritage over the past several decades. If Europe's political leaders were somehow able to reclaim the attitude of sacrifice and solidarity embodied by Archbishop Lebrun's statement, it could reshape the way their ailing continent deals with terrorism and the anti-immigrant, populist backlash it produces.

In the aftermath of World War II, when nations throughout Europe were on the verge of collapse, the project of European integration was born to ensure that the war's atrocities could never be repeated. There was a strong sense that those who had died in the war had sacrificed themselves so that others could live in freedom and prosperity. In the new European project, stronger countries would help weaker ones. They had a moral responsibility.

And while the European Union has at times been hostile to religious concerns, it nonetheless has been undergirded by the Catholic doctrine of solidarity. This principle demands shared responsibility and sacrifice in spiritual and physical matters, between nations and peoples, rich and poor. A core commitment to the belief in the dignity of all human beings means that the practice of solidarity isn't one of mere charity, but one of Christian duty.

Speaking to European heads of state this spring, Pope Francis argued that solidarity was the antidote to populism and extremism. "Politics needs this kind of leadership, which avoids appealing to emotions to gain consent," he argued, adding that the European Union needs "a spirit of solidarity and subsidiarity."

Is it a coincidence that in an era of nationalist populism, the one country that offered a resounding rejection of such principles is the one where an elderly priest was brutally beheaded while offering his daily mass? Could it be that, in this secular European nation, Hamel's martyrdom triggered, unconsciously, an examination of conscience, stirring many French citizens to reconsider the type of future they want to build and the values they want to define them?

In his statement after Hamel's death, Archbishop Lebrun noted that the attack produced three victims: the priest and his two killers. Hamel's brutal end personified true sacrifice while his attackers' deaths perverted it. Perhaps the witness of this modern martyr will lead to an embrace of this traditional teaching of solidarity, and therein shore up the foundation of a country and a continent.

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs
pray for us

God bless you
MSGR. FINN