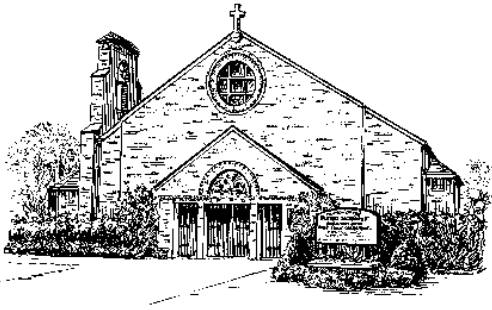


BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

November 5, 2017

Staten Island, New York 10310



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



PARISH HOUSE OFFICE will be closed on Friday, Nov. 10th in observance of Veteran's Day.

ELECTION DAY is Tuesday, Nov. 7th.

34th ANNUAL RED MASS

The Richmond County Red Mass will be celebrated at Blessed Sacrament on Monday, Nov. 6th at 6pm. Members of the legal community, of all faiths are invited. A light repast will be served in the Parish Center Meeting Room following the Mass. Bishop O'Hara will be the homilist.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 11& 12th from 9am to 5pm at Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Center Meeting Room. Guest speakers: Dr. Jaime Irrizari, Jr. and Sis. Sarah Irrizari. No Registration Fee; Fee Breakfast and Lunch. Please register asap as space is limited. Contact: Louie Leyson, 33 Wheeler Ave., 10314

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 Ribaud, 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, 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, Michael Roskowsinski, Barbara Braisted, Jeff Orr and Olympia Portabello

SNOWBIRDS, ARE WE ON YOUR WINTER CHECKLIST?

If you are one of our lucky snowbirds please notify the Parish Office of your leave and return dates so we can adjust our parish mailings while you're away. *Two months advanced notice* is needed to forward or place a temporary hold on your Offertory Envelopes. Please contact the Parish House by phone or email to let us know if you plan to be away for an extended period of time this coming winter. Thank you for helping us keep our parish costs down this winter.

Our parish does get charged for mail that is sent to your home and returned to us while you're away.

SYMPATHY

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

MONDAY

7:00 William O'Rourke (Living)
9:00 Michael Hayes

TUESDAY

7:00 Philip Matteo
9:00 Kathy Adams

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Jeanne Helbock
9:00 Salvina Vella

THURSDAY

7:00 Marielena O'Rourke (Living)
9:00 James Townsley

FRIDAY

7:00 Riley O'Rourke (Living)
9:00 Barbara Martin Keeley

SATURDAY

9:00 Vito & Catherine Lucatorto
5:00 Victoria Magliocca

SUNDAY

8:00 Violet Rives
9:30 Maria Lilla Stanzione
12:30 Angelo & Nicolina DeLisa

SUNDAY COLLECTION

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| <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
| \$5,092 (Weekly) | \$5,886 (Weekly) |

ATTENDANCE

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| <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
| 676 (Adults) | 754 (Adults) |
| <u>186 (Children)</u> | <u>135 (Children)</u> |
| 862 | 889 |

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP
KEEPS ITS SILENT VIGIL
BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
CORNELIUS MCKINNEY**

SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 12, 2017

| <u>ALTAR SERVERS</u> | | | <u>LECTORS</u> | <u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u> |
|----------------------|------|---|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| 5:00 PM Vigil | Team | 1 | Sr. Anne Dolores | J. Wright & N. Mata |
| 8:00 AM | Team | 2 | F. Molanphy | A. Coscia & E. Hodgens |
| 9:30 AM | Team | 3 | M. Boyd & Anna Maj | K. Falcone & M. Thomann |
| 11:00 AM | Team | 4 | T. Sanders | E. Checkett & G. Checkett |
| 12:30 PM | Team | 5 | D. Leddy | M. Hudson & M. Hudson |

ST. ANN'S CHINESE AUCTION

St. Ann's is located at 125 Cromwell Ave. The auction is Friday, Nov. 17th. Doors open at 6pm. Admission is \$7.00. For more info please call 718-351-4343.

NIGHTFEVER NYC

Saturday November 18, 2017. On this night, Nightfever NYC will be hosting a night of praise, worship and reconciliation at Saint Patrick's Cathedral (50th Street and 5th Avenue). We will have the opportunity to pray before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament as well as light candles to honor Our Lord. The evening of music and prayer will start at 7pm and end at 9pm. Confessions will be heard throughout the night. For more information, email: nightfevernyc@gmail.com.

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.

FORUM: STATEN ISLAND'S OPIOID CRISIS

Sunday, Nov. 19th, 1:00pm. at the Unitarian Church of Staten Island, 312 Fillmore Street. The opioid crisis is killing our family, and friends right here on SI. Learn about the crisis, and steps you can take to address it. With Speaker's from the SI District Attorney's Office, Narcotics Anonymous and Nar-Anon. There will be a NARCAN demonstration and training. Free Admission. Donations accepted.

POOR PEOPLE'S DINNER

The Poor People's Dinner to benefit Project Hospitality will take place on Monday, Nov. 20th at 6pm at the Staten Island Hilton Garden Inn. Join us for a simple meal of soup, bread and water to show your support for poor and hungry neighbors in our community. This year's keynote speakers will be Mayor Patti Ann McDonald and Conor McDonald, the wife and son of the late NYPD officer Steven McDonald. Tickets are 475 for individuals, \$50 for seniors and \$35 for students. For more info, please contact Debra Falco at 718-448-1544 ext. 101.

Welcome New Parishioners

Rigney Family

Miss Kaitlin Paris

The Rivera Family

The Piscicelli Family

The Rodriguez Family

If you are considering Blessed Sacrament as your Parish Family, please stop by the Parish Office to register. Or, go to our website, click on the Parish Registration form link, print out a form and return it to us in any Sunday Offertory Basket.

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

Honor your loved ones this Christmas Season with a beautiful Christmas Tree! Each tree will be lit with your dedication and placed on the property of Blessed Sacrament during a Special Lighting Ceremony on Saturday, Dec. 2nd after the 5pm Mass. Trees are \$200, checks made payable to Blessed Sacrament Church. Send to Blessed Sacrament School c/o Mothers' Guild, 830 Delafield Ave., 10310. Deadline is Nov. 12th

MOTHERS' GUILD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR

The Blessed Sacrament Mothers' Guild Annual Christmas Fair "Celebrating 100 years of Christmas with Blessed Sacrament" will be held on Friday, Nov. 17th from 8am to 3pm, Saturday, Nov. 18th from 12pm to 5pm and Sunday, Nov. 19th from 9am to 4pm.

FROM THE PASTOR

Is it possible that clocks fall back, All Saints and All Souls celebrations are upon us, the Red Mass for the Legal Profession is tomorrow, Election Day, Poor Peoples Supper, Thanksgiving, Christmas Fair are a blink of an eye on our agenda? Time truly flies for children of the 21st Century, Year 2017.

With all the challenges of this busy season and the usual radical climate change and onset of colds, flu and temperature challenges, I propose for your consideration "A Saints Medical Ministry" from Light One Candle, Christopher News Note, Fr. Ed Dougherty, M.M. for your season of change consideration.

A Saint's Medical Ministry

In a chapel in the cathedral of Benevento, an ancient city in southern Italy, a marble statue commemorates the birth of St. Giuseppe Moscati. He was born in Benevento in 1880, the seventh of nine children in a devout catholic family of noble lineage. His father served on the altar in a chapel of the Poor Clares, and their family was friends with Caterina Volpicelli, foundress of the Maids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and someone who emerged as an important spiritual advisor to Giuseppe.

When he was a boy, his older brother fell from a horse and needed prolonged medical attention, which led to Giuseppe's interest in medicine. He eventually pursued that interest, receiving a doctorate from the University of Naples and then joining the staff of physicians at the Ospedale degle Incurabili (Hospital for Incurables), where he took on duties as an administrator. When Mount Vesuvius erupted in 1906, Giuseppe rushed to a facility in Torre del Greco just a few miles from the mouth of the volcano and evacuated every last patient as the building began to crumble. He was a leader in combating the cholera outbreak in Naples in 1911, and he was a pioneer in experimenting with insulin to treat diabetes.

The film "St. Giuseppe Moscati: Doctor of the Poor" dramatizes his life and provides insight into the principles that guided him to view the practice of medicine as a ministry of God. A poignant sequence in the film depicts Giuseppe's trying to come to terms with the death of Aniello, a street child in his care. In a state of grief, Giuseppe kneels before a statue of a shrouded and entombed Christ and repeatedly pleads, "Show yourself. Show yourself. Show yourself." There is silence in response to his pleas, yet Giuseppe's countenance evinces a realization. The next scene shows him standing over a patient who looks very much like the entombed Christ as he lies in bed with a bandage over his face. Giuseppe kneels before this man and removes his bandages almost as though to reveal the face of Christ.

In the following scene, Giuseppe tells a sister working at the hospital, "Today I realized something: Jesus lives in every sick person." And later, he says, "If I were only to treat the diseases, I would be destined for defeat. I would think of science's limitations and feel helpless. I realized that with Aniello's death. Being a doctor is a lot less and a lot more. I want to give my whole strength, my whole self."

Giuseppe refused to charge poor people for their treatment, sometimes actually giving them money along with prescriptions. He took a vow of chastity and never married, being known today as the patron saint of bachelors as well as those rejected from religious orders. A powerful intercessor, he was considered a miracle worker even in his lifetime, and he called on his patients to utilize their faith and the sacraments in seeking cures.

He was a daily communicant and received the Eucharist on the morning of the day he died at the age of 46. His like story is a testament to the powerful influence faith can have on the practice of medicine. Faith can imbue physicians with the fire to know that a profound encounter with Christ awaits them with each patient they treat; and this, in turn, can inspire those patients to have faith on their journey towards healing.

How proud we can be that in our Staten Island Community at Richmond University Medical Center and Staten Island University Hospital, Northwell Health and our nursing homes, there is a real awareness of faith imbued physicians, medical administrators and staff seeking to provide such an encounter with every patient they treat.

The Annual White Mass held recently at RUMC with such representation is real witness imitating A Saint's Medical Ministry. Congratulations to all involved.

God bless you
MSGR. FINN