

# St. Mary Star of The Sea R.C. Church



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**Serving the faithful of South  
Brooklyn Since 1851**



**ALL ARE WELCOME TO PRAY WITH US!**

## Parish Staff

Father Chris Cashman - Pastor  
Mrs. Debra Russo - Rectory Office Manager  
Ms. Deirdre Donovan - Organist/Cantor  
Mr. Philip Randazzo - Maintenance/Sacristan

## Mass

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: ■ 9:30 AM  
Saturday: ■ 4:00 PM  
Sunday: ■ 10:00 AM  
Holy Days: ■ 7AM & 9:30 AM - No evening Mass

## Baptism

Parents should call the Rectory for an appointment and to learn the date of the next Baptism. A copy of the birth certificate and attendance at Baptism Preparation class are required. Baptism is celebrated several Sundays a year at 11:00 AM.

## Reconciliation/Confession

Saturdays after 4:00 pm Mass, by request after weekday Mass, and other times that are mutually convenient for you and Fr. Chris.

## Marriage

Couples wishing to marry must contact Fr. Chris at least six months prior to the date they desire. Log on to [www.pre-cana.org](http://www.pre-cana.org) for info.

## The Rectory Office

### Hours are:

Monday - Thursday ■ 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM  
■ 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Evenings & Saturdays ■ By Appointment Only

Fridays, Sundays & Holidays ■ Office Is Closed

*Please always call for an appointment during  
Rectory Office Hours. Thank you!*



Everyone who regularly worships here should be properly registered. We ask everyone to use our weekly envelope system. We depend upon your communal, spiritual, and financial support. Thank you!



## Our Mission:

We, the faithful of St. Mary Star of the Sea, joyfully continue the mission begun in 1851. We share in Christ's ministry by proclaiming the Gospel in our thoughts, words, and deeds... seeking to spread the Good News of salvation under the loving care of our Blessed Mother. We live in challenging times of new possibilities; we as stewards pledge to strive to provide for the spiritual and temporal needs of our people. As the stars guide the ships at sea, we seek to be a welcoming beacon of prayer and community to all who come ... that they find a home for their hearts and comfort for their souls.



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## Helping the people of Haiti

The Bishop has asked every parish to take up a special 2nd collection to help the people of Haiti who suffered such devastation and death caused by the recent earthquake.

We will take up this special 2nd collection the **THIS** weekend, September 11th/12th. As always, please make checks out to St. Mary Star of the Sea. I will put them all together & send one big check to the Diocese on Monday, September 13th.

Thank you for helping those most in need.

## Staying Safe!

Listen to Our Holy Father Pope Francis, who calls getting vaccinated against COVID19 an "Act of Love". The Pope urges **EVERYONE** to get vaccinated NOW! There is NO religious exemption for Catholics. The Vatican has deemed all 3 vaccines are morally acceptable.

The surge in illnesses, hospitalization and deaths is among those not vaccinated. The Delta strain is deadly. So many are getting sick; **EVERYONE** needs to do their part to stop the spread! Think of all the young children now suffering needlessly. Also, if you want to eat indoors at a restaurant here in Brooklyn, you must prove you are vaccinated.

We will continue to require masks, social distancing, and respect for the health of your fellow parishioners from everyone. If you haven't gotten the vaccine, please wear a mask at all times and keep the social distance.

Have a good week,

Fr. Chris 



### IT'S ALL ABOUT CONTROL

From toddlerhood to old age, we grow in mastery of our own lives, our bodies, and our destiny. This mastery is hard won, and we don't let go of autonomy easily. Much of this self-mastery involves the avoidance of pain or discomfort, so when we hear things like "take up your cross" and "lose your life," we tend to resist the message.

James says that faith without works is dead. Ouch! That is really a direct message! One way to look at this, as well as the part about losing our life to find it, is that faith is a process of more and more openness to God's direction of our lives. It is very hard for us to give up control, but perhaps what we are being asked to do is not to become passive and babyish, but to allow God to direct where our self-mastery will lead and what it will accomplish. We are asked to relinquish the need to control the results of our efforts; to risk, as Jesus did, the loss of everything we are working to achieve. We are asked to let God take the lead and to control the results, even though we may never see those results.

## Back to School



### St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Academy

**Classes begin right after Labor Day**

Wednesday, Sept. 8:	Monday, Sept 13:
Grades K thru 8	PreK 3 and PreK 4

- Small, on-site classes with COVID protocols in place
- Tuition Assistance available
- Children of all faiths are welcome

**To register your child, or obtain more information, visit our web site:**

[www.sjwca.org](http://www.sjwca.org)

or call us at (718) 768-7629

# On the cover...

## The unveiling and rededication of Station VI NEXT Sunday, Sept. 19th

We have waited so long to have our beautiful Station of the Cross back. The deadly Delta variant of COVID19 has caused us to alter our plans a bit but the unveiling and rededication will go on at the 10:00am Mass NEXT SUNDAY. Please join us!

# REGISTER TODAY!

Catholics who are new to our Parish are asked to please introduce themselves to Fr. Chris after Mass. Registration may be done at the Rectory during office hours or by dropping the parish membership form in the collection basket or poor box.

“Active” parishioners are those who are registered, join us regularly for the celebration of the Mass and use the weekly donation envelopes. Only in this way can we issue documents attesting to Parish Membership and Catholic practice.

### PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Check One:

New Registration/Envelopes \_\_\_\_\_

Change of Address/ Name correction \_\_\_\_\_



#### Saturday, September 11th

4:00 PM ♥ Dorothy Haines– Dina, Diana & Cousins

#### Sun. Sept. 12th 24thSun. in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM ♥ Antonio Barone-The Family  
♥ Recovery of Teresa Vargas- The SMSS Staff  
♥ Deceased members of the Pariente Family- The Family  
♥ Hal Bowie - Daughter, Lea

#### Tuesday, September 14th

9:30 AM ♥ Recovery of Joseph Barbera- Fr. Chris & Debbie

#### Wednesday, September 15th

9:30 AM ♥ Hily Victory-Stewart- Joseph, Marci & Ana

#### Thursday, September 16th

9:30AM ♥ Joseph & Mary Coppola- Daughter, Rose

THE BREAD AND WINE IS OFFERED THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF DEANNA CHAMBERLAIN REQUESTED BY MR.. & MRS. ANGELO RUSSO & FAMILY.



THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF JOAN COMI REQUESTED BY HER DAUGHTER, PAULA.

THE ALTAR CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF ALL THE MEMBERS OF OUR PURGATORIAL SOCIETY.

