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

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

## Parish Staff
**Rev. Msgr. Massie - Administrator**
**Rev. Fr. Cletus - Priest**
**Rev. Fr. Anthony - Priest**
**Deacon Edwin Rivera - Deacon**
**Deacon John Heyer - Deacon**
**Ms. Deirdre Donovan - Organist/Cantor**
**Mr. Philip Randazzo - Maintenance/Sacristan**
**Mr. Akeem Cahoon - Parish Manager**

## Parish Council Members
**Liz Balsamo, Monika Nyzio, Cathy McDermott, Doris Palenque, Edwin Duran, Eduardo Santana**

## Mass
**Tues, Wed & Thurs: 9:30 AM**
**Saturday: 4:00 PM**
**Sunday: 9:00 AM**
**Holy Days: Will be announced**

## Baptism
**Please call the Rectory for information on dates & requirements.**

## Reconciliation/Confession
**Saturdays 3:15pm before Mass, by request after weekday Mass, and other times that are mutually convenient for you and Msgr. Massie.**

## Marriage
**Please contact the Rectory at least 6 months in**

## The Rectory Office

### Hours
**Thurs - Mon: 8:00AM - 12 Noon**
**Evenings: By Appointment Only**
**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 or participate in online giving. 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.**

# REGISTER TODAY!

# *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 1. 2026*

## Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is on **February 18th** this year. Ashes will be distributed at all of the following:

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| 7:30 AM Service | @ SHSS |
| 8:00 AM Morning Prayer | @ SHSS |
| 8:30 AM Mass | @ SHSS |
| **9:30 AM Mass** | **@ St. Mary** |
| 12 Noon Mass | @ SHSS |
| 3:45 PM Service | @ SHSS |
| **4:00 PM Service** | **@ St. Mary** |
| 6:00 PM Service | @ SHSS |
| **7:00 PM Service** | **@ St. Mary** |

## Community Outreach

We are donating 600 sandwiches this month to CHiPS Food Bank. Please join us on any of the following Sundays after 9:00AM Mass to assist in sandwich preparation:

**February 8th**
**February 22nd**

## Court Street Merchants Association

The Court Street Merchants Association is a member-funded organization made up of merchants doing business on and around Court Street.

We are dedicated to supporting and promoting the businesses, property owners, and residents of Brooklyn's Court Street corridor. The funds being raised for this drive will go directly to our efforts to redesign Court Street to support business and the community.

Membership forms will be available in the back of the church. We thank you for your support!

## Mass Attendance and Collection

**January 17th & January 18th**

Total Collection: $892.00
Sunday/Saturday Collection: $667.00
Online Giving: $225.00
Sat Attendance: 17
Sun Attendance: 46

## Celebrating 175 Years of Faith at St. Mary Star of the Sea

Founded in 1851, St. Mary Star of the Sea joyfully celebrates our 175th anniversary. For nearly two centuries, our parish has stood as a spiritual home for generations of families, immigrants, sailors, workers, and neighbors offering hope, prayer, and community through times of growth, challenge, and change in Brooklyn and beyond.

Throughout our history, this parish has been a place where sacraments are celebrated, traditions are passed down, and faith is lived out through service and fellowship. From baptisms and weddings to moments of prayer in times of joy and sorrow, St. Mary Star of the Sea has remained a steady presence in the lives of countless parishioners.

As we look ahead to this milestone anniversary, we warmly invite all longtime members, returning parishioners, and newcomers alike to continue walking with us. Your presence at Mass, participation in parish life, and generosity through the weekly collection and the Annual Catholic Appeal help sustain our mission and ensure that St. Mary Star of the Sea remains a vibrant parish for future generations.

Together, we honor our past, celebrate our present, and look forward with hope to all that lies ahead. Thank you for being part of the ongoing story of St. Mary Star of the Sea.

## Fundraisers

**We are deeply grateful to our parish community for surpassing last year's Annual Catholic Appeal goal by over $5,000**. Your generosity and faith made a powerful impact. As we begin the 2026 Appeal with a goal of **$16,947** , we ask you to bring that same spirit, commitment, and fervor as we continue supporting the vital ministries of our Church.

**Annual Catholic Appeal**
**Parish Goal:** $16,947.00

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## Please pray for:

**Rosa Randazzo**
**Paula Comi**
**Jennie Bianco**
**Saniyah Rivera**
**Antoinette Gearhart**
**Catherine Powers**
**Augustine Mantia**
**Rocco DiMaggio**
**Margaret Dome**
**Andrew Meola**
**Mrs. Anne Mortillaro**
**Krista Giacalone**
**Paul & Nellie Battaglia**
**Miles Pittman**
**Liz Mortensen**
**Florence Castagliola**
**Recovery of Judy Weheda**
**Recovery of Vivian Medina**
**Recovery of Paul & Rita Barchitta**
**Recovery of Thomas Casucci**
**Recovery of Barbara DeVito-Viders**
**Recovery of Harvey Kaufman**
**Recovery of Maria Luzia**
**Recovery of Joseph Pattison**
**Recovery of Ray Lam**
**Recovery of Noel Rivera**
**Recovery of Jack Pattison**
**Recovery of Ava Grace Bracco**
**Recovery of Teresa Giacalone**
**Recovery of Joanne Rizzuto**
**Recovery of Nancy Quis**
**Recovery of Bridget Winslow**
**Recovery of Alice Palenque**
**Recovery of Kathleen Collins**
**Recovery of Michael Ferrari**
**Recovery of Patrick Reis**
**Recovery of Loredana Bacci**

**PARISHIONER**

**REGISTRATION QR CODE**

**<u>Saturday, January 31, 2026</u>**
**4:00pm ♥ Andrew & Catherine Gallo - Daughters Anna & Bridget**

**<u>Sunday, February 1, 2026</u>**
**9:00am ♥ Victor & Carmine Casaletto - Maria Ambrosino**
**♥ Beloved Teacher Richard Demers - Dennis Sciria**
**♥ Gaetano Tommy Aleo & his sister Concetta Aleo - Jeannie Amore**

**<u>Tuesday, February 3, 2026</u>**
**9:30am ♥ Salvatore Bianco - Daughter Joanne**

**<u>Wednesday, February 4, 2026</u>**
**9:30am ♥ Andrew & Catherine Gallo - Daughters Anna & Bridget**

**<u>Thursday, February 5, 2026</u>**
**9:30am ♥ Rosa Randazzo - Art Mortensen**

**The Sanctuary Lamp this week is in memory of Salvatore Bianco requested by Daughter Joanne.**

**The Bread & Wine this week are offered in memory of Marguerite Porcaro requested by Angelo & Carmela Russo & Family.**

**The Altar candles burn this week for Andrew & Fr. Cashman requested by St. Mary Star of the Sea.**

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