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# **MASS SCHEDULE**

# **SAINT CHARLES**

#### WEEKEND MASSES

#### **Saturday Vigil:**

5:00pm Spanish (U.Ch),

7:00pm Portuguese (L.Ch)

#### **Sunday:**

7:00am Haitian (L.Ch),

8:45am Spanish (U.Ch),

10:45am Portuguese (U.Ch),

11:00am English (L.Ch),

12:45pm Spanish (U.Ch),

5:00pm Haitian (U.Ch)



#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday through Friday - 7:30am English (Chapel)

**Tuesday & Friday - 7:00pm Haitian (Chapel)** 

Wednesday & Thursday - 7:00pm Spanish (L.Ch)

Thursday & Friday - 7:30pm Portuguese (Chapel)

Saturday - 8:00am Spanish (L.Ch)

**Chapel - L. Ch: Lower Church** 

#### **CONFESSIONS:**

EVERY SATURDAY AT 11:00 AM-12:00 P.M & 3:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M

#### PRIEST OFFICE HOURS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

#### **SAINT CHARLES**

FR. ABELARDO- Tuesday & Wednesday: 9:30 am.-12:30 pm.

FR. JAVIER- Thursday: 9:30 am.-12:30 pm.

FR. RICARDO - Friday: 12:30 pm.-3:30pm.

#### **SAINT GEORGE**

FR. ABELARDO- Martes: 4:00 pm. - 7:00 pm. FR. JAVIER- Viernes: 4:00 am. - 6:45 pm.

FR. RICARDO - Jueves: 9:00 am. - 12:30pm.

To make an appointment please contact the parish office: (203) 333-2147

# **SAINT GEORGE**

#### WEEKEND MASSES

#### Sabado Vigil (Saturday):

6:30 PM Spanish

#### **Domingo (Sunday):**

8:30 AM - English

10:30 AM- Spanish

#### **CONFESIONES:**

TODOS LOS SÁBADOS A LAS 5:00 PM

**CONFESSIONS:** 

**EVERY SATURDAY AT 5:00 PM** 

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Lunes (Monday)- 7:00 p.m.

Martes (Tuesday)- 7:00 p.m.

Viernes (Friday) - 7:00 p.m.

Sábado (Saturday) - 6:30 p.m.

Primer Viernes del Mes - 6:00 p.m. Adoración

First Friday of the Month -6:00 p.m. Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions Every Friday 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



## GENERAL INFORMATION

### SAINT CHARLES OFFICE

- **1** (203) 333-2147
- ✓ office@stcharlesbridgeport.org
- 2 1279 East Main Street, Bridgeport, CT 06608
- www.stcharlesbridgeport.org

#### OFFICE HOURS HORARIO DE OFICINA

 Monday/lunes
 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

 Tuesday/martes
 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

 Wednesday/miercoles
 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

 Thursday/jueves
 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

 Friday/ viernes
 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

 Saturday/sabado
 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

#### PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL CAPILLA DE ADORACION PERPETUA



OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

24 HOURS A DAY / 7 DAYS A WEEK
IN THE URBAN CENTER

ABIERTA PARA ORACION PERSONAL
7 DIAS A LA SEMANA / 24 HORAS AL DIA
EN EL CENTRO URBANO

### SAINT GEORGE OFFICE

#### OFFICE HOURS HORARIO DE OFICINA

Lunes/ Monday Closed

Martes/Tuesday 4:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
Miercoles/Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Jueves / Thursday 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Viernes/Friday 4:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

**1** (203) 335-1797

office@stcharlesbridgeport.org

2 443 Park Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604

# ANOINTMENT OF THE SICK/UNCION DE LOS ENFERMOS

Please contact one of our priests by calling the office

#### HOLY EUCHARIST FOR THE SICK

If someone is ill, homebound or hospitalized, please call:

Deacon Rivera at (203) 572-3698

Deacon Fabio Tavares at (347) 307-6875

#### SANTA COMUNION PARA LOS ENFERMOS

Si alguien está enfermo, confinado en casa u hospitalizado, llame a:

Diácono. David Rivera (203) 572-3698 Diácono. Fabio Tavares 347-307-6875



#### Caring for our Retired Priests

"After retiring in 2017, I moved into the retirement home of Queen of the Clergy. Once I was settled in, it quickly became obvious that many of our parishes now had only one priest to serve them. I committed myself to helping our at three parishes on a regular basis. It brought great satisfaction to me as a priest to be able to continue to minister, celebrate the liturgy and preach the word of God. It was a great opportunity for me to be part of different communities and to use my gifts to assist people on their spiritual journey.

- Msgr. Robert J. Crofut, Retired Priest



Thank you for your support of the Catherine Dennis Keefe Queen of the Clergy Residence through the Bishop's Appeal. Together, One in Christ, we can continue to support our clergy in their retirement.

To support this important ministry and work in our Diocese, please consider making your gift to the Bishop's Appeal today!

Visit: <a href="https://www.2024BishopsAppeal.org">www.2024BishopsAppeal.org</a>

"Unite as One in Christ to bring to life all the diocesan ministries, programs and agencies that deliver the pastoral care and human services that no single parish can provide on its own."

-Bishop Frank Caggiano

#### **OFFERTORY REPORT**

For the Week of November 15, 2024		
Sunday Offertory Collection		\$ 11,912.40
Weekly Offertory Collection		\$ 192.00
Other Income		\$ 7802.30
Online Giving		\$ 521.00
Total Parish Collection		\$ 20,427.70

#### Saint Charles Borromeo & Saint George Parish

One In Christ The 2024 Bishop's Appeal as of 12/17/24

ABA Goal:	\$33,900	
Total Pledged:	\$23,996	
Donors to Date:	158 Donors	

Thank you for your support.

To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at 2024 BishopsAppeal.org, call (203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone.

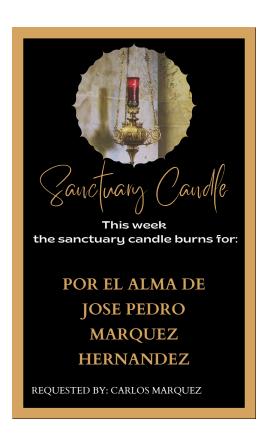


# JANUARY MASS INTENTIONS

#### SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2025

DATE	TIME	INTENTION		REQUESTED BY
Monday, January 6	7:30 a.m.	Paul Michael Xayarath	R. I. P.	Family Xayarath
Tuesday, January 7	7:30 a.m.	Paul Michael Xayarath	R. I. P.	Somchay
Wednesday, January 8	7:30 a.m.	Paul Michael Xayarath	R. I. P.	Family Xayarath
Thursday, January 9	7:30 a.m.	Paul Michael Xayarath	R. I. P.	Somchay
Friday, January 10	7:30 a.m.	Paul Michael Xayarath	R. I. P.	Somchay
Sunday, January 12	11:00 a.m.	Paul Michael Xayarath	R. I. P.	Family Xayarath
Monday, January 13	7:30 a.m.	Paul Michael Xayarath	R. I. P.	Family Xayarath
Tuesday January 14	7:30 a.m.	Paul Michael Xayarath	R. I. P.	Somchay
Wednesday, January 15	7:30 a.m.	Paul Michael Xayarath	R. I. P.	Family Xayarath
Thursday, January 16	7:30 a.m.	Paul Michael Xayarath	R. I. P.	Somchay
Friday, January 17	7:30 a.m.	Paul Michael Xayarath	R. I. P.	Somchay



#### About the Sanctuary Candle...

The red Sanctuary Candle by the tabernacle represents the presence of Jesus Christ in the church. It is a symbol of honor and devotion.

If you would like the candle to burn in memory of someone, for a special occasion, or for a special intention, please contact the Parish Office. The cost is \$50.00, and the candle will burn for one week.

La vela roja del Santuario junto al tabernáculo indica la presencia de Jesucristo en la iglesia. Es un símbolo de honor y devoción.

Si deseas que la vela arda en memoria de alguien, para una ocasión especial, o para una intención, por favor contacta a la Oficina Parroquial. El costo es de \$50.00, y la vela estará encendida por una semana.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S OFFICE

Dear Friends,

#### IV. THE IMPLICATIONS OF FAITH IN ONE GOD

Believing in God as the only One and loving Him with all our being has profound implications for our entire life. This faith calls us to acknowledge God's greatness and majesty, recognizing that His true nature is beyond our full understanding. The belief that God is the Creator and Sovereign of all things leads us to prioritize Him above all else, serving Him first in everything we do. This deep recognition of His majesty shapes our entire existence and directs our actions toward honoring and serving Him.

This faith also leads to a life of gratitude, as we recognize that everything we are and have comes from God. By acknowledging that we have received everything from Him, we are prompted to live in thanksgiving, asking ourselves how we can respond to His goodness. The question, "What shall I render to the LORD for all His bounty to me?" reflects the gratitude that should flow from our hearts as we seek to honor God with our lives and resources.

Believing in the one true God also shapes how we view others and the world. It teaches us to recognize the dignity of every person, made in God's image. We are called to use created things in ways that bring us closer to God, avoiding anything that may lead us away from Him. Trusting God in all circumstances, especially during hardships, reflects our confidence in His unchanging nature. As St. Teresa of Jesus reminds us, "God alone is enough," providing all that we truly need.

In Christ,

Rev. J. Abelardo Vasquez

**Pastor** 

Taken from: www.vatican.va - Catechism, Section Two I. The Creeds, Article 1: I Believe In God The Father Almighty, Creator Of Heaven And Earth (222-227)

# DE LA OFICINA DEL PÁRROCO

Queridos Amigos,

#### IV. LAS IMPLICACIONES DE LA FE EN UN SOLO DIOS

Creer en Dios como el Único y amarlo con todo nuestro ser tiene profundas implicaciones para toda nuestra vida. Esta fe nos llama a reconocer la grandeza y majestad de Dios, entendiendo que Su verdadera naturaleza está más allá de nuestra comprensión total. La creencia de que Dios es el Creador y Soberano de todas las cosas nos lleva a ponerlo por encima de todo, sirviéndolo primero en todo lo que hacemos. Este profundo reconocimiento de Su majestad da forma a nuestra existencia y dirige nuestras acciones hacia honrarlo y servirlo.

Esta fe también nos conduce a una vida de gratitud, ya que reconocemos que todo lo que somos y tenemos proviene de Dios. Al reconocer que todo lo hemos recibido de Él, nos vemos impulsados a vivir en agradecimiento, preguntándonos cómo podemos responder a Su bondad. La pregunta, "¿Qué le devolveré al Señor por todo Su bien hacia mí?", refleja la gratitud que debe brotar de nuestros corazones mientras buscamos honrar a Dios con nuestras vidas y recursos.

Creer en el único Dios verdadero también da forma a la forma en que vemos a los demás y el mundo. Nos enseña a reconocer la dignidad de cada persona, hecha a imagen de Dios. Estamos llamados a usar las cosas creadas de manera que nos acerquen a Dios, evitando todo lo que pueda apartarnos de Él. Confiar en Dios en todas las circunstancias, especialmente en los momentos difíciles, refleja nuestra confianza en Su naturaleza inmutable. Como nos recuerda Santa Teresa de Jesús, "Dios solo basta", pues Él nos da todo lo que realmente necesitamos.

En Cristo,

Rev. J. Abelardo Vasquez

Pastor

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

#### **Religious Education Calendar 2024-2025** JANUARY 2025 FRIDAY SATURDAY JANUARY 10- CLASS IN SESSION JANUARY 11- CLASS IN SESSION JANUARY 17- CLASS IN SESSION JANUARY 18- CLASS IN SESSION JANUARY 24- CLASS IN SESSION JANUARY 25-CLASS IN SESSION JANUARY 31- CLASS IN SESSION **FEBRUARY 2025** FRIDAY SATURDAY FEBRUARY 1- CLASS IN SESSION **FEBRUARY 7- CLASS IN SESSION FEBRUARY 8- CLASS IN SESSION** FEBRUARY 14- CLASS IN SESSION FEBRUARY 15- CLASS IN SESSION **FEBRUARY 21-CLASS IN SESSION FEBRUARY 22- CLASS IN SESSION** FEBRUARY 28- CLASS IN SESSION **MARCH 2025** FRIDAY SATURDAY MARCH 1- CLASS IN SESSION MARCH 7- CLASS IN SESSION MARCH 8- CLASS IN SESSION MARCH 14- CLASS IN SESSION MARCH 15- CLASS IN SESSION MARCH 21- CLASS IN SESSION MARCH 22- CLASS IN SESSION MARCH 28- CLASS IN SESSION MARCH 29- CLASS IN SESSION APRIL 2025 FRIDAY SATURDAY **APRIL 4- CLASS IN SESSION APRIL 5- CLASS IN SESSION APRIL 11- LAST CLASS IN SESSION APRIL 12- LAST CLASS IN SESSION** MAY 2025 **FRIDAY** SATURDAY MAY 2- RECONCILIATION 5:00PM-7:00PM UPPER CHURCH MAY 3- RETREAT (TBD) MAY 17- HOLY COMMUNION 10:00AM

#### **CONFIRMATION TO BE DETERMINED**

\*LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH -ALL RELIGIOUS ED STUDENTS 11:00AM MASS (LOWER CHURCH)



#### Religious Education Registration

Every Tuesday & Thursday 4:30pm 6:30pm Second floor of the Urban Center

Martes y Jueves 4:30pm – 6:30pm Segundo Piso de el Centro Urbano





# WANTED WILLING SERVANTS APPLY IN PERSON

-JESUS

Description:
Volunteers to help
teach religious
Education are
needed.

If you'd like to know more and help out, please contact: Juanita Martinez (203) 260-8853

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MASS ATTENDANCE
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/RCIA CATECHIST/CLERGY SIGNATURE:
STUDENT'S NAME:
DATE:

### Grupo de Parejas

It was a beautiful afternoon for these couples, filled with blessings and unforgettable moments. They joyfully celebrated birthdays and gathered for the last couples' meeting of the year. The gathering ended on a high note, with peace and love present in each person. The group is deeply grateful to Father Abelardo and Father Javier for their generosity and dedication in sharing this time with them. May the Lord continue to pour blessings upon each member and allow them to grow together in faith and unity!

















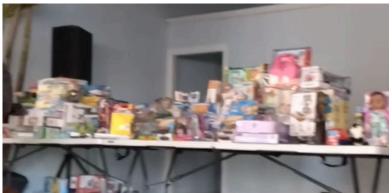






# Breakfast at Saint George & Three Kings Gifts

This past Sunday, after the 10:30 AM Mass at St. George Church, attendees gathered in the social hall to share a delightful breakfast with their families. It was an immensely enjoyable and pleasant experience. Families brought their children to receive gifts in celebration of the Feast of the Three Kings. The event was truly heartwarming, and the community thoroughly enjoyed the time together.

















# YOUTH CORNER



# TODAY IS THE DAY! YOUTH GROUP RESUMES TODAY



FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

AGES: 11 - 18 YEARS OLD ONLY

DON'T MISS IT!



# PRAYER CHALLENGE

JOIN THE YOUTH GROUP PRAYER CHAIN CHALLENGE TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY!!

- Simply pray the Hail Mary in front of an image or statue of Our Lady
- Take a video of you and your family or friends doing it
- Post it on Facebook using the hashtags #MotherMary #HailMary

Don't forget to tag the St. Charles
Borromeo Youth Group Facebook
Account

















alimentos para personas

necesitadas.

Every second week of each month we are collecting food for people in need.

Semana de despensa:
Cada segunda semana de cada mes estamos recolectando



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# PARISH GROUPS

A

Adoracion Nocturna de Hombres

Inocente Saldivar, 1er Sabado del mes 8PM - 6AM

Adoracion Nocturna de Mujeres

Elizabeth Saldivar, Ultimo Sabado de Mes 8PM - 6AM

В

Men's Rosary Prayer Group

Weekly Wednesday, 7:30Pm - 8:30PM

Mothers Who Pray for their Children

Every 2 Weeks, Mondays 7:30PM - 8:30 PM

Rosario de las Familias

Weekly Thursdays and Fridays 7PM - 7:30PM

Prayer Group

Weekly Tuesdays, 7:30PM - 9:30PM

Youth Group

Every Two Weeks, Sundays 5PM

D

Divino Niño Jesus

Benjamin & Damaris, Tercer Sabado de Mes 5PM

Disciples of Jesus

Monday at 7:30PM, Urban Center

Davotion Au Sacre Coeur Group

Fridays 7PM Chapel

Ε

El Amor en Accion

Mercedes Jimenez, Parroquia de San Jorge, Lunes 7:30PM

F

Family United of Jesus

Father Penn

G

Grupo Carismatico

Elman Rodriguez, Miercoles Despues de la Misa de 7PM

Grupos Marianos

Maria Monge

Grupo de Parejas

William & Alicia Ramires, Cada Ultimo Domingo de Mes

Н

Haitian Youth Group, Angel's of God

Weekly Fridays 7:30PM - 10PM, UC

J

Juan XXIII Movimiento

Byron Lopez, Saint George

K

Knights of Colombus

Raul Ruiz

L

Lazos de Amor Marianos

Maria Angelica Bernal, Saturdays after 8AM Mass

Blue - Spanish

Green - Portuguese

Red - Creole

Grupo de Liturgia

Sundays After Mass

M

Movimiento Eclesial Misionero,

"Palabra de Dios"

Domigos, Adultos y Ninos de 10:30AM - 12PM, UC

Ministerio de Lectura

Minerva Almonte

Ministerio de Damas

Elizabeth Camacho, 2nd Saturday each Month 7:30PM, UC

N

Neocatechumenal Way

Victor Melgar, Saturday at 8PM

P

Prayer Charismatic Group

Tuesdays 7PM Chapel

Pastoral Sick Group

Sundays After Mass

S

Sagrado Corazon de Jesus

Maria Monge

Saint Charles Youth Group

Segundo Ruiz, Sundays 5PM - 7PM

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD YOUR GROUP PLEASE EMAIL scbgraphicdesign@gmail.com

OR CALL THE OFFICE (203) 333-2147

SI DESEA AÑADIR SU GRUPO, ENVÍE UN CORREO ELECTRÓNICO A

scbgraphicdesign@gmail.com

O LLAME A LA OFICINA (203) 333-2147