

# Church of Saint Teresa of the Infant Jesus and St. Nicholas Chapel

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**St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus**  
 1634 Victory Boulevard  
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 Staten Island, NY 10314

**March 31, 2019**

**St. Nicholas Chapel**  
 La Bau Avenue and  
 Northern Boulevard



**Rectory Office Hours:** Monday thru Friday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

**Confessions:** Saturdays: 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm or by appointment. Please call the rectory.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Eucharistic Adoration on the First Friday of the month, beginning with the 8:30 am Mass and concluding with a Divine Mercy Holy Hour and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 3:00 pm.

**Novena Services:** Miraculous Medal Novena and the Saint Teresa Novena, with veneration of the relic of Saint Teresa, every Monday following the 8:30 am Mass.

**Baptisms:** Every Sunday of the month 1:30 pm following the 12:30 pm Mass. Parents are asked to contact the rectory and schedule an appointment with one of the parish priests to make arrangements for the celebration of the Sacrament and to register for the Baptism preparation class.

**Marriages:** Please contact the rectory at least one year in advance of the wedding to schedule an appointment with one of the parish priests. Participation in the Marriage Preparation Program offered by the Archdiocese of New York, along with Natural Family Planning classes, is required. To register for Marriage Preparation sessions, contact the Family Life / Respect Life website at [www.flrl.org](http://www.flrl.org).

**Parish Membership:** New parishioners are warmly welcomed. Those already enrolled in the school, CCD Program, sports or other parish activities are not automatically registered in our parish. Please stop by the parish office or call for a membership form. It is important that all parishioners are registered.

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## Mass Schedule

**Saturday** ..... 4:00 pm, *Vigil Mass*

### Sunday

St. Teresa ..... 7:30 am  
 10:00 am  
 12:30 pm  
 5:00 pm

St. Nicholas ..... 9:30 am & 10:30 am

**Eve of Holydays** .... 4:00 pm

**Holy Days** ..... As announced in bulletin.

**Daily Masses** ..... 8:30 & 12 Noon  
 Saturday, 8:30 am only

### First Friday Masses

8:30 am and 12 Noon, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition continues throughout the morning and early afternoon hours, concluding at 3:00 pm with a Divine Mercy Holy Hour and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.



**Do Whatever He Tells You! – (John 2:5)**

SATURDAY, March 30	SUNDAY, March 31	SUNDAY, continued
4:00PM Carolina Pareja	7:30 AM Joseph Coffey 10:00 AM Albert Zucal 12:30 PM Thomas Kennedy 5:00 PM Bernard Nugent	St. Nicholas Chapel 9:30 AM For the People of Our Parish 10:30 AM Orlando Pompili
MONDAY, April 1	TUESDAY, April 2	WEDNESDAY, April 3
8:30 AM James and Alice Cummins 12 Noon DeAngelo Family	8:30 AM 12 Noon Rita Perkowski	8:30 AM Teresann Yashian (Living) 12 Noon Paul Quininez
THURSDAY, April 4	FRIDAY, April 5	SATURDAY, April 6
8:30 AM Napoli and Steele Families 12 Noon Pia Sheeran (Living)	8:30 AM In Honor of Our Lady of Knock 12 Noon Kevin Sheehan	8:30 AM Joseph McCarthy



Your prayers are requested for all who are sick in our parish and community, especially:

Grace Agalo-os, Patricia Andreano, Karen Bertuzzi, Michael Borik, Vincent Borzumato, Nicholas Crispiano, Nicholas Ciricirillo, Carina DeGulio, Mike Donohue, Kevin Dunne, Patricia Dunne, Joanie Edwards, Augustine Ferrer, Mark & Arlene Fileccia, Michael G., Josephine Greco, Elaine Guarlino, David Hall, Vincent Hicks, Barbara Hicks, Buddy Jarrel, Pat Jarrell, Jennifer Johnson, Caitlin Kaht, Donnalyn Lawton, Catherine Leone, Edward Lewis, Genevieve Lewis, Linda Mahoney, Paul Mahoney, Emma Jane Mannix, Mikia James Martin, Susan Morris, Helen Nadeau, Josephine Nastasi, Gregory Nellis, Ryan Pizzaro, Sal Prestigiacomo, Edwin Rodriguez, Jerry Scattaglia, Joseph Tirone, Alex Valenti, David Valle, Margaret White.

*Members of our Legion of Mary are willing to visit the sick at home. For additional information please contact Patricia Signorelli at 718-981-9353.*

#### MASSES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

April 7		Priest
Saturday	4:00 PM	Msgr. Belford
Sunday	7:30 AM	Fr. Jean-Marie
	10:00 AM	Fr. Jean-Marie
	12:30 PM	Fr. Kallattil
	5:00 PM	Fr. Challman
St. Nicholas	9:30 AM	Msgr. Belford
	10:30AM	Msgr. Belford



*Thank you for your faithful support of our parish! Last Sunday's collection was \$9,224.*

*Pray for Our Parishioners in the Military*

*Private Daniel A. Hughes, U.S. Army, Ft. Jackson, S.C.  
Corporal Connor M. O'Brien, U.S. Marine Corp., Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay, GA.  
SRA Michael Mazzarella, US Air Force, Goodfellow AFB ,TX*



*A Message from Our Pastor*  
*Monsignor Belford*

March 31, 2019



Dear Parishioners and Friends of Saint Teresa Church,

I want to say thanks to each of you who have already contributed to our Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal. As of now, 154 families and individuals have pledged \$98,310. This is a good start towards our goal of \$135,500, but we hope for more people to participate. Please examine your sacrifices for Lent. We are all obliged - for our own spiritual good as well as for the practical benefit of others - to do three things during Lent: **more praying, more giving up, more giving to.** In your almsgiving this Lent, when you are deciding what to give to, see this Appeal as a good opportunity to offer significant help to others.

To make giving easy and simple, we have Cardinal's Appeal envelopes in the pews and vestibules today. Use one to mail your Lenten sacrifice, and be sure to indicate that you are a member of our parish. Or send your check in any envelope to: The Cardinal's Appeal, 1011 First Av, NY 10022.

This Lent, all of us priests and all of you who love our Church are laboring under a cloud of hurt and suspicion because of allegations about priests who harmed young people and adults, and questions about how these matters were handled. This could affect your presence at Mass and/or your financial support for our parish and for other appeals. Therefore I want to give you a copy of the message from Cardinal Dolan when he established the Independent Reconciliation and Compensation Program to help victims have some healing and justice. This is what he said then, and reiterates now, about the uses of your donations:

*"You may wonder - since it is your money - where the revenue to cover this compensation will come from. I can tell you where it will not come from: it will not come from the money you have given to your parishes and schools, nor will it come from the archdiocese in our Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal, nor from our Renew and Rebuild capital campaign, nor from Catholic Charities or any other apostolate you intend your generous offerings to support."*

To provide these settlements, the archdiocese has borrowed money against the land it owns under the Palace Hotel across from Saint Patrick's Cathedral. We will repay that loan with sale of other property over time. I assure you that the contributions you make to our parish on Sundays or this coming Easter, or to the charitable Cardinal's Appeal, or to our Renew+Rebuild campaign that we need to air-condition our gym: all will be used for promised and usual purposes, not for payments or settlements.

One of the Cardinal's Appeal purposes is the support of our school for future priests (and deacons). We were very happy to have a seminarian from Dunwoodie - Saint Joseph Seminary in Yonkers - working with us last summer for several months. Brother Bobby Carolan, with his enthusiasm and friendliness, made a very positive impression on all of us. He still asks for our prayers so that he can go all the way to ordination. Men like him will help to bring new life to our parishes, so pray for him and for all those who are answering God's call to explore their possible vocation to priesthood for the people of New York.

This week you can see Brother Bobby on TV! In keeping with the ideal of giving priests-in-training a variety of geographic and pastoral experiences, this summer Brother Bobby will serve at St. Mary's Parish in Poughkeepsie. But producers from the Catholic Faith Network (on all three cable systems that serve Staten Island) recently did a number of profiles called "St. Joseph Seminary: Forming the Future." An episode that features Brother Bobby will air this week and be repeated next week.

The times I received from the Catholic Faith Network for this program are: TUESDAY APRIL 2 at 11am, WEDNESDAY APRIL 3 at 9:30pm, TUESDAY APRIL 9 at 11am. and WEDNESDAY APRIL 10 at 9:30pm. The Catholic Faith Network can be found on Spectrum channel 471. It is also on Cablevision 137 and Verizon 296.

And if you watch, you may see some other parish people too. A crew from CFN came here to do filming about our Sister Margaret Mary Food Pantry. We have wonderful people who volunteer there with kindness and respect for all who come for help. As the producer wrote to me: "Please thank Mary Anne Christoffersen and Kathleen Fawcett. They were great!"

While you are looking for more things uplifting and important, also check the excellent offerings from our Brooklyn neighbors at NET - New Evangelization Television. They show several Masses at various times each day, including Mass from St. Patrick's Cathedral. There is also a nightly news program, and a very enjoyable weekly program with Cardinal Dolan. NET can be found on these channels: Spectrum 97, Cablevision 30, Verizon 48. And always think of EWTN - the Eternal Word Television Network, channel 460 on Spectrum - founded by Mother Angelica. EWTN has provided years of Catholic presence and conversation and prayer support for Catholics and non Catholics alike.

Wishing you a spiritually productive week as we pass the halfway point of Lent,

Msgr. William Belford



### REPORT FROM MSGR. BELFORD TOWARDS OUR NEW SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

As of Tuesday, I have received 28 letters, emails and notes with thoughtful suggestions about what to change in our new Mass schedule. There is quite a variety of perspectives. Thank you to all who participated. As announced, all contributions for the discussion are needed by April 1. I will bring them to a Parish Council meeting this week. If we review everything and reach a consensus—trying to provide as many opportunities for Mass for as many people as possible—we will have a new schedule to present to you next Sunday. Our email address is [rectory@saintteresasi.org](mailto:rectory@saintteresasi.org). You can also use the mail slot in our front door for personal delivery.

### PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

**WE ADORE YOU, O CHRIST,  
AND WE PRAISE YOU—  
BECAUSE BY YOUR HOLY CROSS  
YOU HAVE REDEEMED THE WORLD**



### SPECIAL DEVOTION FOR LENT

Join us on  
Friday Evenings  
at 7:30PM  
in Our Church.

### PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER YOUR GIFT

**T**he Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal has served the people and parishes of our 10 counties for 40 years. The health of our churches depends on all of us giving what we can. Even small sacrifices can make a big impact. Please answer the call and make your commitment today.

<i><b>Suggested Total Pledge</b></i>	<i><b>5 Monthly Payments of</b></i>	<i><b>Daily Sacrifice of</b></i>
\$250	\$50	\$1.50
\$500	\$100	\$3
\$1,000	\$200	\$6
\$2,500	\$500	\$15
\$5,000	\$1,000	\$30

You can give mail your donation to Cardinals Appeal at 1011 First Av 10022 or give online at [cardinalsappeal.org](http://cardinalsappeal.org). Please indicate that you belong to St. Teresa Church, Staten Island.

### FREE PRE-K FOR THREE YEAR OLDS IS COMING THIS YEAR TO ST. TERESA SCHOOL! REGISTER NOW TO JOIN THE ST. TERESA FAMILY

- Program is for all NYC residents born in 2016
- Registration is happening from now to May 3
  - Register at [MYSCHOOLSNYC](http://MYSCHOOLSNYC)
- Enter our school code 31 RACH to come here

**For more information or to answer questions,  
you are invited to speak with Mrs. Amy Walsh,  
St. Teresa School PreK Coordinator.  
Call her at 718 448 9650.**

### A STATEN ISLAND CYO FUNDRAISER Final Four Road to Victory Party This Saturday April 6th at 5PM

Watch and Party at the CYO Center, Mount Loretto  
\$25 Adults \$10 Children 10 and Under  
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Or Text The Word Mount to the Number 313131  
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### FOUR STRATEGIES FOR A GOOD LENT

- More Praying, Fasting, Giving
- Daily Mass at 8:30 or 12 Noon
- No meat on Fridays if you are 14 or older
- Stations of the Cross Friday nights 7:30pm

*The  
Season  
of  
Lent*



*The winner of our February 50/50 Drawing was: Ms. Nina Bertucci. The prize was \$243.  
If you would like to participate in this monthly activity that benefits our parish and makes people happy,  
look for the 50/50 envelopes in the vestibule. The next drawing will be at the end of March.*



### Easter Flower Memorial

Envelopes are available in the entrances of the church and chapel in order for you to memorialize your loved ones as part of our Easter decorations. Suggested donation of \$15. We will display the names prominently on Easter on the bulletin boards at both our church and chapel. To have the list made on time, we need to receive your name and offering by Monday, April 15.

### ARE YOU READY FOR A CHANGE?

If you are planning some time away this winter, please consider signing up now to **provide your weekly donation electronically** when you're away. It's easy to do and makes a big difference for our parish. Besides us receiving your contributions each Sunday, this saves you preparing those envelopes. It also saves us money printing and distributing them!

To see how easy this is, please click on the ParishPay/WeShare link on our website [saintteresasi.org](http://saintteresasi.org) for the details.

### ANNUAL INTERFAITH PASSOVER SEDER

You are invited to join our parishioners and people of many faiths at BUILDING BRIDGES' 16th annual INTERFAITH PASSOVER SEDER, held for the first time at nearby Zion Lutheran Church, 505 Watchogue Rd., on Thursday April 11, at 6:30pm. Contribution for supper meal: \$30 for adults, \$15 for children. Go to [www.buildingbridges.com](http://www.buildingbridges.com) by April 1.

St. Teresa's YOUTH ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION is looking for people to work the snack-stand in the St. Teresa school gym. If you are a graduate of St. Teresa or played a sport for St. Teresa and are 16 or older please email your name and contact information to [vegacrew6@aol.com](mailto:vegacrew6@aol.com).



### BANNS OF MATRIMONY

Michael Solli-Alyssa Brandle

Salvatore Alba-Lisa Guido

Matthew Boyle-Christina Bomengo

### WELCOME TO NEWCOMERS

*If you are a visitor, we welcome you to the Church of St. Teresa and hope that you will come back often. If you are ready to join our parish, please talk to a priest or send a note or call the rectory at 718 442 5412, or email us at [rectory@saintteresasi.org](mailto:rectory@saintteresasi.org). You are most welcome here!*



Prayer Shawl Ministry

*A Quiet Witness*

The St. Teresa Prayer Shawl Ministry is a great group of loving ladies whose hands create warmth and comfort for those going through difficult times. Come join us as we knit, crochet and pray, twice a month in the Parish House at 115 Windsor Road, by the school parking lot. Shawls are blessed and freely given away after the 10 a.m. Mass on the last Sunday of each month. For information call Lucille at 718 816 6753 or Mary Anne at 718 442 8777. You will be welcome and happy to be with us.

### Upcoming Trip With Our Golden Age Society!

You don't have to belong to our Golden Age society or come to regular Monday meetings to take advantage of special events for both members and friends. For example, reserve a seat now for a five day, four night bus trip to Niagara Falls, NY and Toronto, Canada. Cost is very reasonable: \$510, double occupancy. You do not have to be a member of Golden Age to come along! Check your calendar for Monday June 17 to Friday 21. For pictures, video and information, visit: [www.GroupTrips.com/stteresasgoldenage](http://www.GroupTrips.com/stteresasgoldenage). Or call Lorraine at 917 292 6737. \$75 deposit needed soon to assure your seat.

### CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FROM OUR PARISH FOR 2018 ARE READILY AVAILABLE

We are very grateful to everyone who contributes to the support of our parish. We will be glad to provide a statement for your tax purposes. Please write a note or email to [rectory@saintteresasi.org](mailto:rectory@saintteresasi.org), or call 718 442 5412 during the week. Our Parish Manager Lisa Naughton will assist you.



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## Gospel Today Fourth Sunday of Lent | Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

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A man had two sons, and the younger took his share of inheritance and went to a distant country where he spent it all. Finding himself alone and hungry, he returned home to ask for forgiveness and become a servant to his family. The father welcomed him with love and rejoicing, the way God welcomes His people back from a sinful life when they truly want forgiveness.

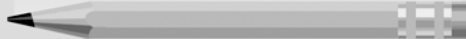
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There will be more joy in heaven  
over one sinner who repents than  
over ninety-nine righteous people  
who have no need of repentance.

LUKE 15:7

### BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words...  
left, right, up, down  
or diagonally.



It took great faith  
for the young  
son to ask for  
forgiveness. Let  
us also believe in  
the truth as we  
**FOLLOW OUR  
FAITH FOR  
40 DAYS.**

Man  
Two  
Sons  
Father  
Divided  
Property  
Younger  
Share  
Inheritance  
Traveled  
Distant  
Country  
Squandered  
Everything  
Famine  
Struck  
Hungry  
Became  
Servant  
Went  
Returned  
Home  
Asked  
Forgiveness  
Repentance  
Welcomed  
Open  
Arms  
Joy

Y	O	U	N	G	E	R	E	T	U	R	N	E	D
D	E	M	O	C	L	E	W	E	N	T	A	V	B
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