

THE BROOKLYN ORATORY PARISHES
ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AND ST. BONIFACE
Oratory School of Discipleship (OSD) • Sacraments
Children's Church: Nursery & Liturgy of the Word

2017-2018 Master Calendar

Locations for all activities:

St. Joseph High School (SJHS) is located at 80 Willoughby Street, one block away from St. B.

ABVM of the Blessed Virgin Mary, including ABVM parish hall, (ABVM) is located at 55 Cranberry St.

St Boniface Church (St. B) is located at 190 Duffield St. *Newman Hall (NH), including Aula Minima and Aula Maxima,* is located at 111 Willoughby Street.

Oratory School of Discipleship (OSD)

Themes through the Curriculum:

1st -2nd Grades: We Are Young Disciples

3rd -4th Grades: Our Community Before Jesus (The Old Testament) and Our Community Now, the Church

5th-6th Grade: The Life of Christ (The Gospels) and the Church After Jesus (33-325 A.D.)

10AM-12PM session meets at *SJHS*

2PM-4PM session meets at *ABVM*

5PM-7PM session meets at *ABVM*

Dates of OSD Sundays: Sept 17 • Oct 15 • Nov 19 • Dec 3 • Jan 21 • Feb 11 • Mar 4 • Apr 15 • May 6
On June 9 all OSD sessions meet at *ABVM* for a service project at 3:30 followed by Mass at 5PM and afterwards, pizza.

SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTIVITIES WITH OSD

October: Animal Shelter Supplies and Food Drive

November: Food Drive

December: Coat Drive

January: MLK Service for Providence House

February: Birthday Cards for the sick

March: Rice Bowls for CRS and Turkana

April: Turkana project sponsored by teens (TBA)

May: Summer supplies for kindergartners of BKS

June: Service Day

Contact: Christina Matone

cmatone@oratorychurch.org

Youth Ministered Masses

St. B 9AM Mass: Sept 17 • Oct 15 • Nov 19 • Dec 3 • Jan 21 • Feb 11 • Mar 4 • Apr 15 • May 6

ABVM 10AM Mass: Sept 24 • Oct 29 • Nov 12 • Dec 24 (Sunday 5PM Christmas Eve Mass) • Jan 14 • Feb 25 • Mar 18 • Apr 22 • May 13 • June 9 (Saturday 5PM).

FAMILY CHOIR MASSES AT ABVM

Children, youth, adults, parents and all are welcome to join our Family Choir as we sing and minister at the Mass dates listed below. No auditions are required. Rehearsals are held just before each Mass on the same day that we minister at Mass with joyful song. For Family Choir only, please contact Genevieve Toh, gtoh@oratorychurch.org

Sunday, Oct 29, 10AM – meet at 8:15AM

Sunday, Dec 24, 5PM – meet at 3PM

Sunday, Jan 14, 10AM – meet at 8:15AM

Sunday, Feb 25, 10AM – meet at 8:15AM

Sunday, Apr 22, 10AM – meet at 8:15AM

Saturday, June 9, 5PM – meet at 3PM

Family, Faith, and Fun

FRIDAYS AT ST. B will feature a half hour pizza social followed by a Catholic family discussion for parents, while small kids and tweens/teens groups will meet separately. On the following dates: Oct 20 • Nov 3 • Jan 26 • Feb 16 • Mar 9 • Apr 20

SUNDAYS AT ABVM: Starting in October, following the 10AM Youth Ministered Masses there will be a brunch/lunch in the ABVM Parish Hall along with activities for families and kids.

Contact: Gavin Reidy, Youth and Family Minister
greidy@oratorychurch.org

Children's Church

ABVM, during the 10am Sunday Mass

For further information, please contact Genevieve Toh gtoh@oratorychurch.org

St. B, during the 11:15 Sunday Mass

For further information, please contact Brigida Munoz bmunoz@oratorychurch.org

NURSERY COOPERATIVE: As soon as children can walk and be away from their parents, they are invited to the Nursery. This group provides parents of young children an opportunity to attend Mass without distraction on some Sundays in return for cooperative caregiving on other Sundays. Parents are required to participate as caregivers on a rotational basis.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN (LWC): LWC is a short but spirit-filled liturgical celebration during Mass that aims to nurture a Christ-centered community and build the spiritual experience of Mass for children through relatable ritual, gospel storytelling, song, and prayer, in a separate liturgical space. At the beginning of Liturgy of the Word in Mass the participating children leave the church with the LWC presider and volunteer parents; they return to church and to their families during the Preparation of the Gifts.

LWC is recommended for children in pre-school through 6th Grade.

LWC Sundays

ABVM 10AM Mass

September: 10,17

October: 1, 8, 15, 22

November: 5, 19,

December: 3, 10, 17

January: 7, 21, 28

February: 4, 11, 18

March 4, 11, 25

April: 8, 15, 29

May: 6, 20

June: 3, 17, 24

St. B 11:15AM Mass

September: 10, 24

October: 1, 8, 22, 29

November: 5, 12

December: 10, 17

January: 7, 28

February: 4, 18

March: 11,18, 25

April: 8, 22, 29

May: 13, 20

June: 3, 17, 24

Sacrament information and dates on back >

All Programs for Youth, including all sacrament preparation, are open to children whose families worship with and are registered with the St. B and ABVM/Brooklyn Oratory faith communities. Questions? Contact: Christina Matone, Director of Children's Catechesis (646) 241-1577. cmatone@oratorychurch.org. For Baptisms, please see contact list below.

Sacraments

BAPTISMS will be celebrated on the following days:

- Sunday, 9/17/17, 11:15AM Mass at **St. B**
Contact: Fr. Joel
- Sunday, 10/15/17, 10:00AM Mass at **ABVM**
Contact: Fr. Joel
- Sunday, 11/19/17, 9:00AM Mass at **St. B**
Contact: Fr. Anthony
- Sunday, 12/17/17, 10:00AM Mass at **ABVM**
Contact: Fr. Joel
- Sunday, 1/21/18, 11:15AM Mass at **St. B**
Contact: Fr. Anthony
- Sunday, 2/4/18, 10:00AM Mass at **ABVM**
Contact: Fr. Joel
- Sunday, 4/8/18, 11:15AM Mass at **St. B**
Contact: Fr. Anthony
- Sunday, 5/6/18, 10:00AM Mass at **ABVM**
Contact: Fr. Joel
- Sunday, 6/10/18, 11:15AM Mass at **St. B**
Contact: Fr. Anthony

Families are expected to contact the priest coordinating the baptism to receive more information and to arrange individual preparation.

Fr. Joel (718) 875-2096, ext. 103 or
joel.warden@oratorychurch.org

Fr. Anthony (718) 875-2096, ext. 109 or
aandreassi@oratorychurch.org

FIRST EUCHARIST will be celebrated Saturday, June 2 and Sunday, June 3

All classes take place in the ABVM Parish Hall from 11:00AM to 12:30PM.

Parents must meet their children in church for the last 25 minutes of each class.

- Class 1: Sunday, October 1
Class 2: Sunday, November 5

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Class 3: Saturday, December 16, pre-Mass gathering at 3:30PM, followed by the Catechetical Mass 5:00PM, **ABVM**

Class 4: Sunday, January 7

Class 5: Sunday, February 4

Class 6: Sunday, March 11

Class 7: Sunday, April 29, Q&A for parents and children with priest/brother in church

First Reconciliation Service, Saturday, May 12, 3:45PM, 5PM Mass with special *LWC*, followed with potluck, **ABVM**

Rehearsal, Wednesday, May 30

First Communion, Saturday, June 2nd, and Sunday, June 3rd.

Contact: Christina Matone

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CONFIRMATION

Orientation: Wednesday, October 4, 7PM, *NH*, for Years 1 & 2 and Parents

Class 1: Wednesday, November 1, *SJHS*, 6:00-7:30PM, Years 1 & 2

Day of Service: Sunday, November 19, Coffee hour at *St. B* after the 11:15 mass for Years 1 & 2

Class 2: Wednesday, December 6, *SJHS*, 6:00-7:30PM, Years 1 & 2

Day of Service: Saturday, December 9, 9AM-2PM, *Stella Maris Convent*, Year 2 only

Class 3: Wednesday, January 3, *SJHS*, 6:00-7:30PM, Years 1 & 2

Class 4: Wednesday, February 7, *SJHS*, 6:00-7:30PM, Years 1 & 2 and Parents

Retreat: Saturday, March 3, 8:30AM-1PM, Year 2 only

Class 5: Wednesday, March 7, *SJHS*, 6:00-7:30PM

Reconciliation: Monday, April 1, *St. B, in the church*, 7:00-8:00PM

Confirmation Rehearsal, date TBD

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Contact: Gavin Reidy, Youth and Family Minister

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Safe Environment

All parents as well as adults and teens who have contact with children as part of OSD and Children's Church are required to participate in the Safe Environment efforts as administered by the parish and the Office of Safe Environment of the Diocese of Brooklyn. This includes VIRTUS, a training on child abuse prevention, and Child Lures, an information and empowering training for children in Grades K-8, as well as for parents, that zooms in on methods predators use to lure children into harmful situations.

Parent Covenant

Our parish catechetical and discipleship formation programs for children cannot function without you. We rely on parent support and involvement in almost every part of the program. This includes:

- to participate regularly in Sunday Mass with your children
- to work with your child in the at home components of the OSD program
- to support maintaining a Safe Environment for our children through VIRTUS training
- to serve as catechists, teaching assistants and helpers
- to serve with Children's Church
- to alert pastoral staff of needs and concerns
- to be active members of the community of the Oratory