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St Simon Stock School
2195 Valentine Avenue
Bronx NY 10457
www.stsimonstockschool.org

Grades K through 8

St. Simon Stock provides a safe and nurturing environment:

- Produces academic success
- Teaches integrity and values
- Cultivates a tight-knit community

St. Simon Stock's students receive an education that prepares them to succeed. We offer a well rounded curriculum including English as a second Language and Title 1 Reading and Mathematics for struggling students.

Quality curriculum that provides a solid foundation for the Future. Enrichment programs including; physical education, art, music (choir) and Technology. Remediation program available.

After school and after-school activities (yearbook, newspaper, guitar, Stockettes)

Children of all Faiths Welcome

Convenient hours for working parents - 7:30 am breakfast program
- 6:00 pm after-school program daily

Come in for a Registration Packet or call
Mrs. Angela Ceparano—Principal
Mrs. Gigi Pina or Mrs. Z. Rivera at 718.367.0453

Office is located at
2195 Valentine Avenue, corner 182nd Street



Little Angel Head Start
2195 Valentine Avenue
Bronx, NY 10457
 718-933-9471

For more information please call the Head Start Office



RENTAL OF FACILITIES FOR GET TOGETHER

The school gym and cafeteria are rented to “active” registered parishioners

- You must be officially registered in the parish and have assigned Sunday Donation Envelopes.
- You must use the Sunday Donation Envelopes on a regular basis.

In order to use any of the facilities you must be an active registered member for more than (1) one year. There will be no personal exceptions. Any rental questions may be referred to Minerva at 718-367-1251, Monday—Friday after 12 noon.



St. Simon Stock Church was able to register in an automated giving program known as ParishPay.

ParishPay is an alternative program for parishioners who will like to make monthly donation instead of using the donation envelopes every Sunday. The ParishPay program will collect monthly contribution from your checking, saving, or credit card account. There is NO cost to participate in the program.

With this program, you can easily adjust the amount of your automated contribution through the parish office or do it yourself via a secure website. This allows you to plan your giving, in the same way you budget your other financial commitments, therefore you no longer need to write a check every week.



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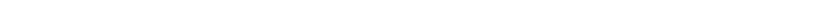
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PARISH OFFICE

Pastoral Associates

Sister Lourdes Victoria
Sister Adelaida Ospina

Office Hours

Monday—Friday	9:00am—9:00 pm
Saturday	9:30am—8:30 pm
Sunday	9:30am—2:00 pm

Parish Secretaries

Minerva Rivera

Letty Jácome

Solanly Hernandez

Lisauri Ceballos



- **Religious Education**

The parish offers a variety of services.

- **Catechism classes for children (CCD)** in English and Spanish usually begins in mid-September until May. Those taking classes in English attend the 8:30 Mass and have class afterward. Those taking classes in Spanish come for class at 9:30 and worship at the 11:00 a.m. Mass.
- **Adult Religion classes (RCIA—RICA)**, are especially for those who are completing their preparation for sacraments, meet on Sunday mornings. Spanish classes begin at 9:30 a.m. (ask for Toribio Alvarez). English classes begins at 11:15 a.m. (ask for Ivy Campbell). There is a once a month class for parents of children in the catechism program. Please look for details.
- **Confirmation class** for high school age students are usually held on Wednesday evenings. This is a two year program. For more information please ask for Ms. Millie or Fr. Nelson
- **Pre Baptism Classes** for parents wishing to have their young children (under 5 years of age) Baptized. The class takes place the first Thursday of every Month. For more information please call the parish office.



• **South Bronx Churches and North West Bronx Community and Clergy Coalition**

These are non-profit organizations that fight against the system in order to provide better services to many communities in the Bronx. Please call the church and leave a message for either Paulina Irizarry or Freda Medrano.

• **Alcoholic Anonymous**



Alcoholic Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experiences, strength and hope with each other. They also help in solving their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. They gather Tuesdays and Fridays from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Group leader is Neftali Caraballo.

OTHER PARISH GROUPS

• **The Parish Council**



It is open to all who care to attend as well as representatives from the other parish groups. Its' purpose is to help arrange the calendar of events, offer advice on the spiritual health of the parish/parishioners, and be aware of the financial responsibilities of the parish and school. The council usually meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:15 p.m. in the parish office.

• **Health Group**



The main goal of the Health program in St. Simon Stock is to reestablish healthy behavior among our families, by increasing their knowledge about nutrition. The program also provide information about most common diseases that targets our LATINO population such as diabetic, obesity, blood pressure and cancer that sometimes are relate to nutrition problem. In addition, this program provides fitness sections where our participants exercise for an hour every Thursday.



Monday thru Friday 8:30 am (Spanish)
 9:30 am (English)

Friday Evening 7:30 pm (Spanish)

Saturday 9:00 am (Bi-lingual)

Sunday Masses

Saturday evening 6:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday 8:30 am (English)
 11:00 am (Spanish)
 12:30 pm (English)





PARISH GROUP

Ministries of Public Prayers (Liturgies)



- **Ushers** - They greet our parishioner as they enter our church, assist in finding a place to sit, collect the offerings and hand out the weekly bulletin after Mass. Please call the parish and ask for Jose Rosario.



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- **Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors** - Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors are involved and trained to assist in distributing Holy Communion in Church and to those who are home bound. They read the Word of God publicly at Mass and at other times of prayer. Please call the parish and ask for Sr. Adelaida Ospina.



- **Altar Server** - This is a learning experience as well as a privilege for our children. Servers are prepared to assist at Mass and at other public prayer services. Ask for Fr. Christopher Iannizzotto



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- **Choirs** - There are three opportunities to sing or play in our parish choir.
Saturday 6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass — Ricardo Bustamente is the director. **Sunday 11 a.m. Spanish Mass**— the choir is led by Ramonita Ayala. **Sunday 12:30 p.m. English Mass** is under the direction of Sr. Lourdes Victoria. Please call the parish office for more details.



- Our Lady of Schoenstatt



Schoenstatt emphasizes a strong devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, upholding her as a perfect example of love and purity. Schoenstatt seeks to invite the Blessed Mother (and, hence, her divine Son, Jesus Christ). The group prays the rosary in various homes and in the church

Feast Day is in October
 Coordinator: Sofia Ceballos

- Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Patroness of the Carmelite Order
 Feast Day is July 16th
 Coordinator: Carmen Perales



- Our Lady of Suyapa



Patroness of Honduras
 Her Celebration is in February
 Coordinator: Freda Medrano

SOCIAL ACTION GROUP

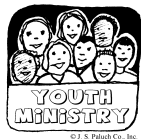
- **Saint Vincent of Paul**

Its purpose is to help those who need occasional food assistance, the homeless, poor and disenfranchised. Services such as food pantry and clothes are provided in the parish office every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. They also help coordinate the Christmas food basket. Please ask for Ruth Gourdine or Lillian Gutierrez.



- **AIDS**

This group provides information in the fight against AIDS as well as information on health. For more information please call the parish office and leave a message for Eneroliza Bello or Paulina Irizarry.



• **Our Hearts with Christ**

The group meets every first and third Friday of each month in the school gym at 6:30 p.m. The members share prayers and Bible readings which they apply to their daily lives. They work with the community in whatever is necessary. They share different activities, movies, dances, and retreats among other things. The group is for young adults 13 to 24 years old. If interested please call the parish office and ask for Fr. Christopher Iannizzotto.

THE PATRONAL GROUPS

Each group prepares for a yearly celebration of its Patron. The members of each group organize activities to collect funds on behalf of the church for the celebration of the Mass and the reception that follows. If you are interested in being a member of one of these groups, please call the parish office and ask for the respective coordinator.

• Divine Child (El Divino Niño)



Feast day is usually the first weekend in September and every First Friday of the month
Coordinator: Ana Morales

• Our Lady of Providence

Patroness of Puerto Rico
Feast day is in November
Coordinator: Carmen Perales



• Our Lady of Guadalupe



Patroness of México
Feast day is in December
Coordinator: Maria Eugenia Saldaña

• Our Lady of Altagracia

Patroness of Dominican Republic
Feast day is in January
Coordinator: Rafaela Caraballo



PRAYER GROUPS

• **Charismatic Prayer Group (Circle of Prayer)**

The Charismatic Prayer group gathers every Friday in the Chapel. They share the Word of God, prayers and teachings. They also give religious instructions. The group visits home and apartments as a communal prayer group. They also promote retreats for formation and spiritual growth, Vigils and Healing Masses. Please call the parish office and ask for Maria Henriquez or Americo Tejada.

• **Libertad Group**

The Libertad group gathers every Monday evening; they sing and share the Word of God. They study a variety of themes. They celebrate special occasions such as Christmas, New Years, Mother's Day, Father's Day, etc. They do apostolic ministry as well as weekend retreats of renewal and prayers. Please call the parish office and ask for Rafaela Caraballo.

• **Cursillo Group**

Cursillo is a Spanish word meaning short course, in this case a short course in Christianity. They focus on what it means to be Christian in the 21st Century. Cursillo is a small local group offering friendship and support in living as a follower of Christ. This group is available to anybody who is looking for support and encouragement in their Christian witness. If you are interested, please call the parish office and ask for Freddy Rivera

• **Daughters of Mary**

This group of girls and young women gathers every other Saturday at 1:00 pm. During their meeting, they share prayers and Bible readings. On special occasion, they help and assist the priest during the mass. If you are interested in your daughter being a member, please call the parish office and ask for Mrs. Ne-reida Diaz.