

Apr. 26th, 2020



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

"A Faith Community, One in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit."

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OFFICE HOURS: MON, TUE & THURS. 9:00AM-8:00PM
WED & FRI: 9:00AM - 4:30PM

Dear Parishioners,

On this third Sunday of Easter, we continue to rejoice that the Lord has been raised from the dead! We see throughout scripture of how Jesus continues to reveal himself to his disciples. He does so in such a beautiful way in today's gospel passage. The gospel for Mass today is the "Road to Emmaus". There's a lot that can be said about this particular gospel, but I would like to focus on one aspect. We see at the very beginning of the passage of how the disciples were conversing with themselves while on this journey. They were talking about all of the things that had happened and how it was all discouraging. They witnessed Jesus shed his blood but they still couldn't believe that he was raised from the dead. All of a sudden Jesus comes into their midst, but they don't know it! They are so disheartened and discouraged that they don't realize that they are talking to the Lord. All of a sudden they recognize Jesus in the breaking of the bread! Even in the midst of this horrific pandemic Jesus is in our midst. He does not want us to become discouraged or disheartened. He wants us to have faith! Faith that he will get us through this time so that we can rejoice as a community of believers. Jesus opens the scriptures to us, to see how we must believe and live out the words he brings.

As Catholics we know that the Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith. I know that all of you are longing to receive Jesus sacramentally in the Most Holy Eucharist. Until we can gather again, I invite each of you to spiritually receive Jesus into your hearts. We know he is present body, blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist. He also comes to us in the Word, that he breaks open to us.

As we enter into one month of our lockdown and social distancing here in New York City, I once again take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your prayers and kindness. Both Father Kingsley and I are doing well and are thinking and praying for all of you. We are in the process of calling parishioners to check up on them to see how they are doing. As you can imagine, with a parish our size and with three churches, this is taking some time. We are attempting to call church by church with the help of Ms. Pauli St. Hilaire. If you know of a parishioner that Father Kingsley and I missed, please let us know. We continue to pray for those who are affected by this horrific virus and those who have lost their lives. There are a number of parishioners who have lost loved ones to the coronavirus. We will have an opportunity to pray for them by name this **Tuesday, April 28, at 7:00PM at our Office of the Dead Prayer Service.** It will be livestreamed on our Facebook page and then uploaded on to our parish YouTube page. If there are more names that you would like for us to read on Tuesday evening, please call the parish office or email us.

Please be assured of my prayers for each of you. I know that this is a time of uncertainty and if you're anything like me, feelings of frustration, impatience and even anger can arise. Let us not allow those feelings to take over. May the joy and love of Jesus raised from the dead permeate our minds, hearts and souls.

Wishing all of you a Blessed Week,
Father Alonzo Q. Cox



Holy Rosary Church
139 Chauncey Street
Brooklyn, NY 11233

Mass Schedule
Sundays: 9 AM
Tuesdays: 11 AM



Our Lady of Victory Church
583 Throop Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11216

Mass Schedule
Sun.: 7:30 AM & 10:15 AM
Mon. to Fri.: 8 AM
(in St. Anthony's Chapel)



St. Peter Claver Church
29 Claver Place
Brooklyn, NY 11238

Mass Schedule
Sat.: 5 PM Sun.: 11:30 AM
Mon. & Wed.: 12 Noon
1st Fridays: 12 Noon

HOLY DAYS:
as announced

**St. Francis of Assisi
Catholic Academy**
(718) 778-3700

PARISH CLERGY & STAFF

Ms. Paulitiana St. Hilaire, Secretary
 Mrs. Alicia J. Rosete, Bookkeeper
 Ms. Michelle Joseph, Dir. of Religious Edu.
 Mr. Joseph Murray, Co-Dir. of Music
 Ms. Joan Marie Delahunt, Co-Dir. of Music
 Ms. Tamika Daniel, Youth Minister
 Mr. Humberto DaCosta, Buildings /Grounds
 Mr. Alex DaCosta, Buildings /Grounds

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Roman Catholic Parish of St. Martin de Porres, formed from the tri-church unity of Holy Rosary, Our Lady of Victory and St. Peter Claver churches is led by the Spirit and committed to becoming one in Humility, Faith and Love. In community and by the Eucharist, we journey together realizing that our strength is in our commitment to the Church founded by Christ and to the spread of His Word by the actions of our daily lives.

SACRAMENTS:

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the fourth Sunday of each month. Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment. A baptism preparation class will be held on the second Wednesday or fourth Saturday of each month in the Church. Attendance at this class is required by the parents and godparents of the child to be baptized.

Confession

Saturdays: 4:00pm to 4:45pm, St. Peter Claver.
 Sundays: Holy Rosary Church, from 8:15am to 8:45am. Or call the rectory for an appointment.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made seven (7) months prior to the wedding date. Please call the rectory office to make an appointment with a priest.

Memorials ~ Remember your loved ones, or celebrate and give thanks to those around you by offering Bread and Wine, or Sanctuary Candle Memorials. Please make an offering with each request.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Sun.	03/15	EX 17:3-7 PS 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 ROM 5:1-2, 5-8 JN 4:5-42
Mon.	03/16	2 KGS 5:1-15AB PS: 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 LK 4:24-30
Tue.	03/17	DN 3:25, 34-43 PS: 25:4-5AB, 6&7BC, 8-9 MT 18:21-35
Wed.	03/18	DT 4:1, 5-9 PS: 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 MT 5:17-19
Thu.	03/19	2 SM 7:4-5A, 12-14A, 16 PS: 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 & 29 ROM 4:1 16-18, 22 MT 1:16, 18-21, 24A
Fri.	03/20	HOS 14:2-10 PS; 81:6C-8A, 8BC-9, 10-11AB, 14 & 17 MK 12:28-34
Sat.	03/21	HOS 6:1-6 PS: 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21AB LK 18:9-14

Parish Membership

All new families are welcome to the Parish and encouraged to become actively involved in parish societies and activities. New parishioners should register with ushers or at the Rectory as soon as possible. Parishioners are asked to use the weekly envelopes in making their contributions.

SCHOOL OF FAITH FORMATION:

There is ongoing registration for our School of Faith Formation. Registration forms can be found in the back of each church. Registration fee is \$40.00 per child. Please talk to the faith formation representative in your church: Ms. Michelle Joseph – OLV.

Youth Ministry and Leadership~ Meets on Friday evenings from 7:30pm to 8:30pm, in Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall. Please contact Ms. Tamika Daniel, our Youth Minister at tdaniel@smdpp.org.

RCIA~Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. For those who are interested in becoming Catholic or if you have not received all of the sacraments of initiation please contact Fr. Cox, Fr. Kingsley or Mr. Ken Callahan to inquire about our ongoing RCIA program.

School Affiliation: St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy is located on 400 Lincoln Road, Brooklyn, NY 11225. The Academy has two UPK classrooms and serves children in Kindergarten thru Grade 8. Please call 718-778-3700 to schedule a tour. Visit. Tuition Assistance is available through the Diocese.

Reminder~ Novena to St. Therese of Lisieux meets on Fridays at 6:15pm in St. Peter Claver Church to pray for Msgr. Bernard Quinn's canonization.

School of Faith Formation

St. Martin de Porres School of Faith Formation classes has resumed at Our Lady of Victory. Saturday classes run from 9:30am to 11am. Sunday classes take place after the 7:30am Mass. Registration fee of \$40. Please contact the Office should you have any questions or concerns. We look forward to another year of helping our children grow in faith.



R.C.I.A. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Do you know Anyone?

Who has never been baptized? Who has not received the sacraments of Confirmation and/or First Communion? Who has been baptized in another faith tradition, and desires to become Catholic? Who has questions about becoming Catholic?

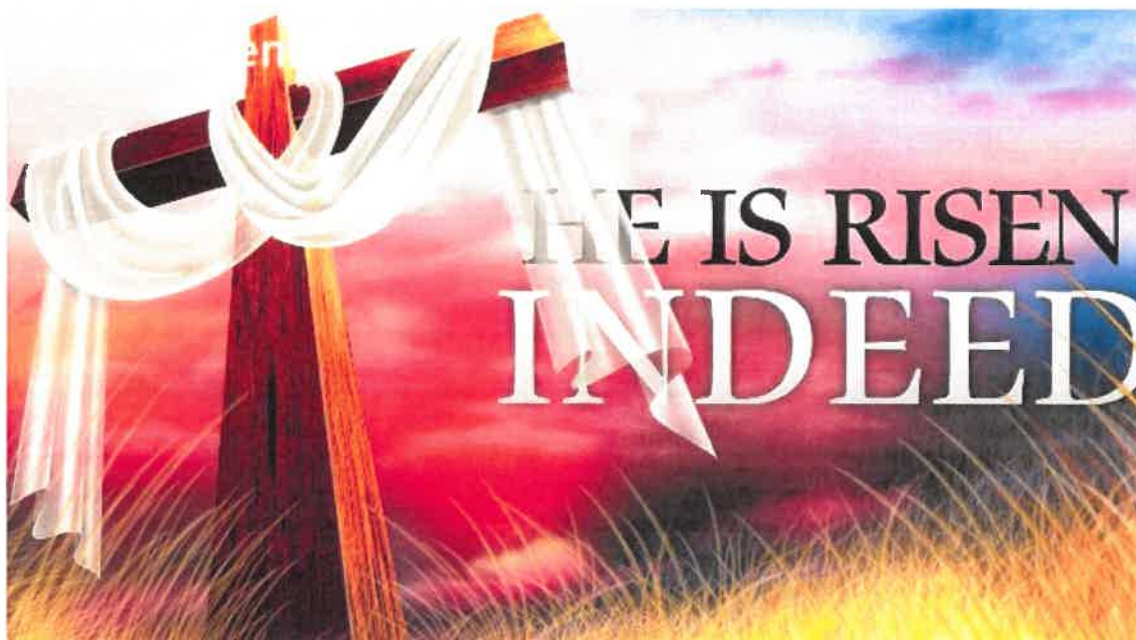


Mass Intentions Mass Book

The Mass Intentions Book for 2020 is now opened for announced Masses. Mass intentions are available from March 29th, 2020 through June 21st, 2020. Please note, only one intention per Mass, except the Sunday 10:15 Mass which is a multiple intention Mass. An intention is \$15.00.

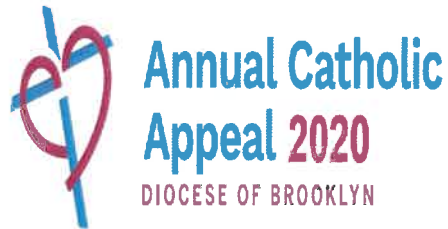


**Generations
of Faith**



PARISH OFFERING

**PLEASE DROP OFF YOUR WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING ENVELOPE
IN THE RECTORY'S MAIL SLOT. THANK YOU.**



Parish Goal: \$65,024

Raised: \$ 6,506

The 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal helps support the daily work of our Church throughout Brooklyn and Queens in ways no one parish can accomplish alone by supporting the following ministries:

*we will ask everyone to consider making a gift to the
2020 Annual Catholic Appeal*

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal Prayer

God and Father of all gifts,
we praise you the source of all who we
are. Teach us to acknowledge always
with generous gratitude
the many good things
your infinite love has given us,
as we support the work of the Church
in Brooklyn and Queens.

Open our hearts
that we may answer your call
to follow the message of the Gospel
as Disciples in love and service,
so that all may come to know you.

We ask this
through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
forever and ever.

Amen

***GROW SPIRITUALLY AND NEVER
MISS ANOTHER CHURCH EVENT!***

Sign up now for Mass schedules,
Event reminders, Changes,
Weekly Devotionals and more.

**Text "SUNDAY" to
718-550-5830**

or just scan **the** QR Code



MASS INTENTIONS:

Nicholas and Stephen Dufont - birthday blessings
Req. by Dufont family

Pray for the Sick

Dorothy Bailey, Jaret Buyund, Ethel Carter, Felicia Casimiro, Eugenia Charles, Jasmine Charles, Joyce Cochran, Virginia Cox, Josie-Mae Boyce, Jennifer Edwards, Delva Ellis, Patrick Gilbert, Antonio Goodsell, Christabel Gomes, Maria Hernandez, Eva Johnson, Ian Kellman, Gwendolyn Knight, Adolph Lauriano, Irma Liddell, Francis McCloggar, Vilma Mitchell, Noreen Simonette, Neville Pinnock, Beverley Thompson, Elaine Travis, Vera Walker, Sybil Westmoreland, Rosemarie Wilkie, Evelyn Williams, Marie Williams.

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

BREAD AND WINE:

Fr. Cox and Fr. Kingsley – grace & blessing

ALTAR CANDLE:

Canonization of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

ALTAR FLOWERS:

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

Jasmine Charles – health & healing

CHAPEL FLOWERS:



Freedom from Addiction

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

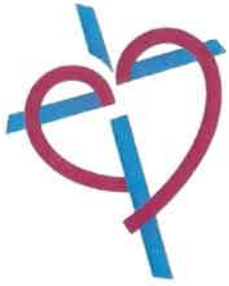
**Holy Father's Prayer Intention
(Apr. 2020)**



Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Please contact us at the Rectory Office if you know of any homebound person or anyone going for medical procedures who would like to be anointed by a priest and/or receive the Eucharist.



Life in the Risen Lord



Annual Catholic Appeal 2020

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Goal:	\$XX
Raised:	\$XX

We would like to thank all those generous individuals who have made a pledge to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal in our parish.

We are asking each family to consider making a tax deductible gift today if you have not already done so. It is our hope for this appeal to receive a prayerful gift no matter the amount from every family so that we can reach our goal!

Daily Sacrifice	Amount per Week (approximately 36 weeks)	Total Pledge Amount for 2020
\$5.95	\$41.60	\$1,500
\$4.76	\$33.34	\$1,200
\$3.96	\$27.78	\$1,000
\$1.98	\$13.89	\$500
\$0.99	\$6.95	\$250
\$0.40	\$2.78	\$100

***On April 25th and 26th
we will ask everyone to consider making a gift to
the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal at all Masses.***