



Jul. 7th, 2019

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,

Our gospel passage today reminds us that we must pray that the Lord will send more laborers for his harvest. The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few. The Lord is speaking to us about the Church. We see rapid growth within the Church, but those laborers who serve sacramentally are few. We must continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. This year Bishop DiMarzio ordained 4 men to the priesthood. In a diocese of 1.3 million Catholics, and 186 parishes, we need much more laborers for the flock here in Brooklyn! I truly believe that there are young people in our parish who are yearning to discern a call to serve the church as a priest or religious. The key is asking the question. When was the last time we asked one of our young men, "have you considered being a priest?". When was the last time that we asked one of our young ladies, "have you considered being a religious nun?" Extending the invitation is essential in cultivating a vocation. Let us pray today that the Lord will continue to bless his church with many new laborers, all for the glory and kingdom of God here on this earth.

Kujenga Youth Retreat 2019

The Vicariate for Black Catholic Concerns sponsors the yearly youth leadership retreat called Kujenga. Kujenga is a Swahili word which means leadership. Each year, young people from all over the Diocese of Brooklyn participates in this weekend retreat, filled with activities, talks, Eucharistic Adoration and the celebration of Mass. This year's retreat will take place July 26th to 28th 2019 at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, Long Island. There will be a bus leaving from St. Gregory the Great Church in Crown Heights on July 26th. For more information regarding transportation and registration, please call the Vicariate office at 718-774-3806.

Safety Concerns at each of our Churches

An unfortunate incident of theft occurred at one of our churches last week. Since my time here, there have been a number of incidents of theft which is extremely troubling. It is important that we be aware of our surroundings, most especially with our belongings. These incidents have led me to begin the process of arranging for cameras to be installed at all three of our churches. I ask you to please be extra careful of where you place your belongings when you are at church.

Mrs. Lorna Thompson- Rest in Peace

Last weekend we announced the sad news of the death of Mrs. Lorna Thompson, wife of Deacon Balfour Thompson and mother of Balfour Thompson Jr. Mrs. Thompson struggled with cancer for many years. We as a parish community are asked to pray for the repose of her soul. We also pray for the consolation of her family and friends, most especially her husband and son.

Have a great week,
Father Alonzo Q. Cox

P.S. This will be my last pastor's letter for the next 3 weeks while I will be away on vacation. Father Kingsley will be writing the column in my place.



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

MASS INTENTIONS:

SPC Saturday, July 6th 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)

Quinn Larkin - Health & healing

Req. St. Germain family

SPC Sunday, July 7th, 11:30am

Mrs. Lorna Thompson – in memoriam

OLV Sunday, July 7th, 7:30am

Tempie Bullock – in memoriam

Req. by Valerie Joyner-Emanuel

OLV Sunday, July 7th, 10:15am

Melona Barber & Christopher Barber Jr. -Birthday blessings

Req. by Barber family

HRC Sunday, July 7th, 9:00am

Deceased members of the Rosary Society

Req. by Sadie Hughes

OLV Thursday, July 11th, 7:30am

Victor MacCarthy – in memoriam

Req. by Perpetua Henry

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

BREAD AND WINE:

All Priests and Religious

ALTAR CANDLE:

Canonization of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

CHAPEL CANDLE:

For the souls in Purgatory

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

Victims of human trafficking

CHAPEL FLOWERS:



The Integrity of Justice

That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

**Holy Father's Prayer Intention
(July, 2019)**



Pray for the Sick

Dorothy Bailey, Jaret Buyund, Ethel Carter, Eugenia Charles, Joyce Cochran, Virginia Cox, Jennifer Edwards, Delva Ellis, Lessie Everett, Cora Greene, Christabel Gomes, Beryl Hunter, Eva Johnson, Ian Kellman, Gwendolyn Knight, Quinn Larkin, Irma Liddell, Otelia Mitchell, Vilma Mitchell, Theresa Noel, Noreen Simonette, Minnie Smith, Beverley Thompson, Elaine Travis, Theodore Valet, Vera Walker, Sybil Westmoreland, Rosemarie Wilkie, Evelyn Williams, Marie Williams.



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.

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

PARISH CLERGY & STAFF

Dcn. Balfour Thompson, Permanent Deacon
 Ms. Paulitiana St. Hilaire, Secretary
 Mrs. Alicia J. Rosete, Bookkeeper
 Ms. Michelle Joseph, Dir. of Religious Edu.
 Mr. Joseph Murray, Interim Dir. of Music
 Ms. Tamika Daniel, Youth Minister
 Mr. Humberto 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.	7/07	IS 66:10-14C PS 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 GAL 6:14-18 LK 10:1-12, 17-20
Mon.	7/08	GN 28:10-22A PS 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15AB MT 9:18-26
Tue.	7/09	GN 32:23-33 PS 17:1B, 2-3, 6-7AB, 8B & 15 MT 9:32-38
Wed.	7/10	GN 41:55-57; 42:5-7A, 17-24A PS 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19MT 10:1-7
Thu.	7/11	GN 44:18-21, 23B-29; 45:1-5 PS 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21MT 10:7-15
Fri.	7/12	GN 46:1-7, 28-30 PS 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 JN 16:13A, 14:26D
Sat.	7/13	GN 49:29-32; 50:15-26A PS 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7MT 10:24-33

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 7:00pm 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. Visa. 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.

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn Vehicle Donation Program Vincentian Charities will accept donations of used vehicles in any condition. They will tow the vehicle away. You will get a tax receipt and the parish will get a donation from Vincentian Charities. To donate, call Vincentian Charities at 718-491-2525 or avcb@gmail.com.

Saint Martin de Porres Parish Mass Book



We encourage you to honor a loved one, living or deceased, with a Mass, a gift of bread and wine, sanctuary candle, altar candles, or altar flowers. Please make a donation with each request.

Kujenga Leadership Conference

The Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens Kujenga Leadership Conference will take place July 26th-28th, 2019, at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington, NY. There are flyers available at each of the three churches. For more information, you can contact Elreta Fowler at the Vicariate Office, 718-774-3806.



The 1st Friday Midday Mass at **St. Peter Claver Church** and 11:00am Tuesday Mass at **Holy Rosary Church** will be suspended during July and August. Please note that **we will have** the 1st Friday Holy Hour Devotion at Holy Rosary Church at 7pm during summer.



During the months of July and August until Labor Day, the Rectory office **FRIDAY** hours will be from 8:30am to 12noon.

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference, Scranton, PA. August 2nd thru 4th. Prices include: Registration, 6 meals, and housing for the entire weekend. Adults over 18 years - \$165.00-\$185.00, Preteens & Young Adults-12-18 years- \$118.00, children 5-11 years- \$96.00. Bus leaves Our Lady of Victory on Friday August 2nd, at 11:00 AM sharp. For registration forms and further info please contact the OLV Rectory office, 718-574-5772.



Wading River Bus Outing

The annual bus outing to **Wading River**, the grounds of Little Flower Children's Services on **Saturday, July 20th**. Tickets are: **\$30.00** for adults and **\$20.00**. The bus leaves at 8:00am in front of St. Peter Claver Church and departs from Wading River at 5:00pm. Please contact SMDPP Holy Name Men, or you may call the rectory for tickets.

2019 Summer Mission Appeal

The weekend of July 27th and 28th we are having our 2019 Summer Mission Appeal. The homilist for all of the Masses that weekend will be Bishop Hyacinth Egbebo, MSP, from the Catholic Diocese of Bomadi Nigeria. He will speak about his missionary work and ask for donations for his mission. The Mission provides clean water, and hospital supplies for the people in the rural areas.

The parish clergy and staff regret to announce the passing of Mrs. Lorna Thompson, the wife of Deacon Balfour Thompson. Her funeral service is scheduled for Saturday, July 13th, 11 AM, at the **New Apostolic Church, 145 Crosswalks Park Dr., Woodbury, NY 11797**. In your kindness, please pray for the repose of Mrs. Thompson's soul and the peace and consolation of her family and friends.

"From my point of view, God is the light that illuminates the darkness, even if it does not dissolve it, and a spark of divine light is within each of us."

Pope Francis.

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

The Passion Play in Oberammergau



Join Fr. Alonzo Cox, Fr. Patrick Longalong and Fr. Kevin McBrien on a pilgrimage to Berlin, Prague, Vienna, Munich & Oberammergau, September 2nd thru the 12th, 2020. Cost \$4,679 from New York. brochures are available in the back of the church, or call the rectory to obtain one. For any questions, please call Cara at 206 Tours, (800) 206-8687.

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Annual Catholic Appeal 2019
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Parish Goal: \$59,586

88 Families Pledged - \$27,757

Received - \$16,828.00

We thank you for your support and generosity. Remember, anything that we make over the goal comes directly back to the parish. Together, let us "Answer the Call" to assist the Diocese and our parish. There are pledge forms at each of the three churches.



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FILEA MARKET

Saturday, August 17th, 2019

9:00AM - 4:00PM

163 MacDonough Street & Throop Avenue

All Purpose items, Crafts, Home Made Items, Jewelry, Food and Much more....

\$25.00 per Table

RESERVE YOUR SPACE NOW

Call the parish office at 718-574-5772.

Thank You

Thank you for your contribution to last weekend's Peter Pence Vatican collection. Funds from this collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest throughout the world—those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. It likewise provides the faithful with a tangible opportunity to not only empower the weak, defenseless, and voiceless, but also sustain those who suffer.

IN MEMORIAM



MRS. LORNA THOMPSON

Welcome to our Church

Are you new to the neighborhood? Have you been away from the church for a long time? Come in and join us. EVERYONE is welcome, loved and included and we mean EVERYONE