

Mar. 29th, 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,

Today we commemorate our Lord's entry into Jerusalem. On this Palm Sunday we recall how Jesus was welcomed into the city of Jerusalem with people waving palm branches before him. This of course is a very different Palm Sunday celebration for us to say the least. Although we cannot gather as a community of believers this Palm Sunday or for the sacred liturgies of Holy Week, we must continue to keep one another in prayer. Both Father Kingsley and I are grateful for the phone calls and emails that we have received from many of you. I must confess that these last two weeks have made me go a bit stir crazy, but of course all of us strives to be healthy and safe! We also keep in prayer those affected by this deadly virus. May Christ the Divine Healer bring all of them strength, peace and comfort. Sadly, we remember those who have died. As you may know, the first priest to die from this virus was from our Diocese, Father Jorge Ortiz. I had the opportunity to know Father Ortiz very well, with our work in the Diocesan Ethnic Apostolates. Let us pray for the souls of the faithful departed, that through the mercy of God they will rest in peace.

As I mentioned last week, all of our Holy Week liturgies will be livestreamed through our Facebook page and then uploaded on our parish YouTube page. The times for those liturgies are on our website. We were scheduled to fully initiate two people into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil this year. Their full initiation will take place at a later date. I also take this opportunity to thank each of you for your continued financial support to St. Martin dePorres Parish. As you know, the weekly offertory collection helps tremendously to cover the daily bills of the parish. In your kindness and generosity we ask that if possible, continue to support our parish community. You may mail your tithing envelopes to the parish office or drop them off. In addition, we have signed up with an electronic giving program called *Give Central*. It is easy to sign up and all donations come directly to the parish and recorded as Sunday tithes. For more information about *Give Central* please see our website.

Just this week, our Holy Father Pope Francis instituted a set of prayers for a Mass in time of pandemic. The prayers beautifully compose the love that God has for those affected by this pandemic. Allow me to end my thoughts with the Opening Prayer of that Mass:

Almighty and eternal God, our refuge in every danger, to whom we turn in our distress;
in faith we pray look with compassion on the afflicted, grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners, healing to the sick, peace to the dying, strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders and the courage to reach out to all in love, so that together we may give glory to your holy name. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Wishing each of you a Blessed Palm Sunday and Holy 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 4:13, 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?



The Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn Vehicle Donation Program 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.



Holy Land Pilgrimage

Fr. Willy Kingsley Ndi will lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from August 1st thru August 10th, 2021. Cost, \$3,999 per person based on double occupancy room. For more info please visit: www.pilgrimages.com/frkingsley.



Mass Intentions
Mass Book



The Mass Intentions Book for 2020 is now opened for announced Masses. Mass intentions are available from January 5th, 2020 through

March 29th, 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.

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Do you need a Letter of Sponsorship?

Then, be an Active Parishioner. To receive a letter of Sponsorship for Baptism or Confirmation from the Pastor, one has to be an active parishioner of this parish for at least six months, received the Sacraments of Initiation, and (if married) be in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church.



Parish Ministry

There are many ministries and groups for children & adults at St. Martin de Porres: **Altar Servers, Choir, Eucharistic Ministers, Youth Ministry, Holy Name Society, Lectors, Ushers, Young Adults/Dynamic Ministry, Rosary Society and much more.** We urge active parishioners, **Find one! Join one! Start One!** For more info please contact Fr. Kingsley at dkingsley@smdpp.org.



EASTER REMEMBRANCE MASS will be offered on Easter Sunday and throughout the Easter season. Easter Remembrance envelopes are placed in entrance of the front of the church. For those who wish to remember their loved ones, living or deceased, at Easter and throughout the Easter Season, please may return your offering in the collection or at the Parish Office.



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:

Sunday, Apr. 5th, 11:30am
Demosthene Brignol. Sr. – in memoriam

The sick and homebound parishioners

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:

For the people of the parish

ALTAR CANDLE:

Canonization of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

ALTAR FLOWERS:

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

For our first responders

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.

Dear visitors, help us to know who you are by becoming a registered member at St. Martin de Porres

send us an email at info@smdpp.org /visit us at www.smdpp.org or simply fill out this form, and drop it in the collection basket.

Name: _____ Cell# _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

**HOLY WEEK/EASTER MASS /SERVICE
APRIL 4TH – 12TH**

LIVESTREAMED MASS

Palm Sunday 10am -MASS

**Holy Thursday 7pm -*SUPPER OF
THE LORD***

**Good Friday 3pm - PASSION OF
THE LORD**

**Holy Saturday 8pm – EASTER
VIGIL**

Easter Sunday 10am EASTER MASS



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

Catholic Youth Ministry Initiative, Catholic Charities; Hospital, College and Prison Chaplains; Diocesan Vocations Office; Catholic Migration Services; Office of Faith Formation; Bishop Mugavero Residence for infirmed clergy; Futures in Education Scholarship

All donations made to the ACA above our parish goal are returned directly back to our parish for operations and improvements.

