

Nov 11th, 2019



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

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WED & FRI: 9:00AM – 4:30PM

Dear Parishioners,

I take this opportunity to wish each of you a happy Feast Day! Although the church commemorated the memorial of St. Martin dePorres last week, we as a parish community come together this weekend to worship the Lord and to celebrate the fruits that have been born here in Bedford Stuyvesant through the powerful intercession of our patron, St. Martin dePorres. Since the canonical merger of the parishes of Our Lady of Victory, Holy Rosary and St. Peter Claver, God has been able to bless this community with so many wonderful and good people dedicated to bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ. I have been fortunate over these past 5 years as your Pastor to be a part of that mission in preaching the Good News of Christ. This is truly a community rooted in the love of Christ! I see it every day in the faithful who make these three churches their spiritual home. As we commemorate the feast of St. Martin dePorres let us continue live in the image and likeness of Christ, who gives of himself in the Eucharist for our salvation. Allow me to share with you the prayer to St. Martin dePorres for charity:

O St. Martin dePorres, teach us to be generous with the gifts that God has given us. Make us sympathetic towards those who are suffering and afflicted. Pray to our Redeemer and to Our Lady of Mercy that our hearts may not be hardened by sin and selfishness, but that we may always be kind and generous to our neighbors because they are children of our Heavenly Father. Amen.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2019

I take this opportunity to thank each of you for your contribution and participation in this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. As I mentioned at Mass, the Appeal helps support the different ministries of the Diocese of Brooklyn. Our parish goal for the ACA is \$59,586. I am very happy to announce that we have pledged \$41,142 with 125 parishioners who have contributed. The key to having a successful appeal is parishioner participation. Whatever monies we receive beyond the goal comes directly back here to the parish. If you have not yet made a pledge to this year's ACA, please consider it. None of the monies raised through the appeal are used for legal settlements within the church.

Thanksgiving Day Luncheon

As is the custom here at St. Martin dePorres, we will have our parish Thanksgiving Day Luncheon on Sunday, November 24 at St. Peter Claver School Auditorium. It will begin at 12:30PM, immediately following the 11:30AM Mass at St. Peter Claver. All are invited to join in food and fellowship as we give thanks for the many blessings and graces bestowed upon this parish community. Please be sure to join us.

Veterans Day

This Monday, November 11 is Veterans Day. It is a national holiday. The parish office will be closed. There will not be a 12:00Noon Mass at St. Peter Claver Church on Monday. One Mass will be celebrated at 8:00AM at Our Lady of Victory Church. Please remember to keep our veterans in prayer.

Have a great 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

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PARISH CLERGY & STAFF

Dcn. Balfour Thompson, Permanent Deacon
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 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

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.	11/10	2 MC 7:1-2, 9-14 PS 17:1, 5-6, 8, 152 THES 2:16-3:5 LK 20:27-38
Mon.	11/11	WIS 1:1-7 PS 139:1B-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 LK 17:1-6
Tue.	11/12	WIS 2:23-3:9 PS 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 LK 17:7-10
Wed.	11/13	WIS 6:1-11 PS 82:3-4, 6-7 LK 17:11-19
Thu.	11/14	WIS 7:22B-8:1 PS 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175LK 17:20-25
Fri.	11/15	WIS 13:1-9 PS 19:2-3, 4-5AB LK 17:26-37
Sat.	11/16	WIS 18:14-16; 19:6-9 PS 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 LK 18:1-8

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.

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

MASS INTENTIONS:

SPC Saturday, Nov. 9th, 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)

Iris Lett – in memoriam

Req. by Dalma McDonald

OLV Sunday, Nov. 10th, 10:30am

Kimby Harris - birthday blessings



*Pray for the
Sick*

Dorothy Bailey, Jaret Buyund, Ethel Carter, Felicia Casimiro, Eugenia Charles, Joyce Cochran, Virginia Cox, Josie-Mae Boyce, Jennifer Edwards, Delva Ellis, Lessie Everett, Antonio Goodsell, Christabel Gomes, Beryl Hunter, Eva Johnson, Ian Kellman, Gwendolyn Knight, Adolph Lauriano, Irma Liddell, Turner McDuffey, Francis McCloggar, Gorvin Mitchell, Otelia Mitchell, Vilma Mitchell, Theresa Noel, Noreen Simonette, Neville Pinnock, Andrea St. Agathe, Beverley Thompson, Elaine Travis, Vera Walker, Lucilia Welch, Sybil Westmoreland, Rosemarie Wilkie, Evelyn Williams, Marie Williams.

**GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:****BREAD AND WINE:**

Linley & Julienne Roberts - thanksgiving

ALTAR CANDLE:

Canonization of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

ALTAR FLOWERS:

St. Germaine family – in thanksgiving

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

Gabrielle, Edward & Francois Roberts

CHAPEL FLOWERS:**Artificial Intelligence**

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention
(Nov. 2019)

**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.

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

CENSUS 2020 JOB FAIR

The U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting thousands of people across the country to assist with the Census 2020 Count. Tuesday, November 19, 2019 1pm-4pm Brooklyn Central Library in the Lab 10 Grand Army Plaza, Brooklyn, NY 11238. Excellent pay from \$25 an hour: Flexible Hours • Paid Training • Temporary Jobs You will have the opportunity to learn about the importance of the Census, available job opportunities, and apply in person. Representatives from the United States Census Bureau will be at the event to assist you. For additional information, call the District Office at 718-629-6401.



On Sunday, November 24th, St. Peter Claver Church invites all our parishioners to join them for a Parish **Thanksgiving Lunch** in the Brooklyn Waldorf School Auditorium immediately after the 11:30AM Mass.



SMDPP Annual Christmas Party

Sunday, December 9th, 2019, 1:00pm- 6:00pm, at 272 Macon Street. Tickets: \$20.00 adults, \$15.00 Children. For tickets, contact Yvonne Samaroo, Wilhelmina Randall or Jennifer Parkinson-Gilbert or call the Rectory.



Thanksgiving food baskets will be distributed on Thursday, November 19th, from 12:00 to 2:00pm. If you know of someone experiencing economic difficulty during these trying times, please have them call the rectory office, 718-574-5772.

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES FEAST DAY

We welcome all our parishioners to today's feast day Mass in celebration of the Feast of St. Martin de Porres. Following the Mass there will be a reception in the McGuinness Hall. Let us celebrate together as a parish family.

**HAPPY FEAST DAY
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**



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VETERANS DAY



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy has seats available in the Pre-K for all (UPK) program. If you have a child who was born in 2015, then she/he is eligible for the (UPK) program (FREE PRE-K). If you would like your child to attend Pre-K for FREE in a Catholic school environment, call (718) 778-3700 or visit us at 400 Lincoln Rd, Brooklyn, NY 11225

School of Faith Formation

St. Martin de Porres School of Faith Formation classes began on Saturday Oct. 19th, at Our Lady of Victory. Saturday classes run from 9:30am to 11am. Sunday classes take place after the 7:30am Mass. For registration, please provide a copy of the student's birth certificate, baptism certificate and 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?

RCIA IS:

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults for those who are interested in becoming Catholic, or have not received all of the Sacraments of Initiation. Please contact Fr. Cox or Fr. Kingsley to inquire about our RCIA program.

Healing Mass Cancelled

The parish clergy and staff regret to announce that the Charismatic Healing Mass scheduled for Tuesday, November 19th, at Our Lady of Victory Church, is **CANCELLED**. We hope to resume the Healing Mass as early as December or as late as the New Year with new leadership and zeal. We promise to keep you abreast if there are any new developments in this very important ministry and witness in our Parish community.



Mass Intentions Mass Book

We encourage you to honor a loved one, living or deceased, with a **Mass, gift of bread and wine, sanctuary candle, alter flowers, chapel candle and chapel flowers**. Place your request together with your name and phone number in a sealed envelope in the offering basket. Please make a donation of \$15.00 with each request. Thank you.

Parish Registration

Have you registered as a parishioner at Our Lady of Victory, St. Peter Claver or Holy Rosary Church? If you call St. Martin de Porres Parish your home and attend Mass regularly, please register as a parishioner. This will allow the parish to assist you when you or a family member seek a sacrament, need a letter of good standing, or want to serve as a godparent. It will also help us communicate with you so that you can be up to date on what is going on and how you'd like to be involved at St. Martin de Porres Parish. Thank you.

Second Collection

This week's second collection is for the **Archdiocese of the Military Services, USA**. This important ministry to Catholic service members receives no funding from the military or the U.S. Government and must rely solely on private donations. The Collection for the AMS will fund their co-sponsored Seminarian programs.

Lectors' Workshop

All parish lectors are asked to attend a training workshop on Saturday, November 16th, 2019, at Our Lady of Victory Church, from 10 AM to 12 Noon. Father Cox, our pastor, and Mr. Joseph Murray, our co-director of music will be the facilitators, discussing the spiritual and practical components of the ministry of the Word. If you are unable to attend, please let Fr. Kingsley know via e-mail at dkingsley@smdpp.org

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NOVENA TO ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

NINETH DAY:

Many favors, received through the intercession of Saint Martin, continue to be reported. The working of miracles in God's seal on the sanctity of the saints. During his lifetime and after his death God signified the sanctity of Martin by the wonders that he worked. Since with God all things are possible, we never waver in the hope that our prayers will be answered in accordance with God's loving providence. While invoking the intercession of Saint Martin we realize that the greatest gift which we can receive is to live as he did in trusting Faith, persevering prayer, and Charity towards all.

Prayer:

Loving Father, through the intercession of Saint Martin, grant us the special intention of this Novena (*mention your request*) and everything that we need. Grant that like Martin we may live our lives in trusting Faith, persevering prayer, and Charity towards all.

(say one decade of the Rosary)

Concluding Prayer

Well done, thou good and faithful servant; because thou hast been faithful over few things, I will make thee ruler over many things, said the Lord.

V. Pray for us, Saint Martin de Porres.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

V. Let us pray.

O God, the exalter of the humble, who didst make Saint Martin, thy confessor, to enter the heavenly kingdom, grant through his merits and intercession that we may as follow the example of his humility on earth as to deserve to be exalted with him in heaven. We as this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

R. (+) In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.





Parish Goal: \$59,586

As of 10/28/2019

108 Families Pledged - \$40,127

Received - \$29,926

Balance - \$10,201

80 Families fulfilled their pledges for \$18,802

Your gift to **2019 Annual Catholic Appeal**, will make an impact on the life of a young man considering the priesthood, a lonely senior citizen, a hungry child, a helpless immigrant or a searching college student.

You can still give!!

There are pledge envelopes available for those who have pledged.



Parish Goal - \$610,000 Pledged - \$775,575

Received - \$309,369

Delinquent - \$213,100

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Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall



St. Peter Claver Lower Church Hall