

Nov 24th, 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,

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Today also marks the last Sunday of the liturgical year. Next week is the first Sunday of Advent. Christ the King has always been one of my favorite solemnities. The image of Christ as King of Heaven and Earth is one that we as his disciples should always keep in our hearts. Christ is the King that we want to pay homage to. As we await the second coming of Christ, we proclaim and profess that he will come to rule this world with his mighty arm and scepter of power. There is a powerful image of Christ the King at Holy Rosary Church in the stained glass window. It is located up in the choir loft, behind the pipes to the organ. It depicts Christ with a crown on his head, a scepter in his hand and him seated on a throne. I invite all of us to keep that image alive in our minds and hearts, particularly today. Our gospel passage today depicts the repentant thief who was crucified with Jesus on Good Friday. Knowing that Jesus was innocent of the charges placed before him that led to his crucifixion, the thief makes a powerful and profound statement of faith, "Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom". May we continue to profess Christ as our great and eternal King, who will lead us to the kingdom that awaits us, that is heaven.

Thanksgiving Day Luncheon

As is the custom here at St. Martin dePorres, we will have our parish Thanksgiving Day Luncheon today, 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.

Thanksgiving Day Masses

This Thursday, November 28 is Thanksgiving Day. On behalf of the entire parish staff we wish you a very happy Thanksgiving Day. Masses will be celebrated for Thanksgiving on Wednesday evening, November 27 at St. Peter Claver Church beginning at 7:30PM. Mass will be celebrated on Thanksgiving Day, November 28 at Our Lady of Victory Church at 9:00AM. You are invited to bring a dish that will be served at Thanksgiving to be blessed at Mass.

Parish Christmas Party

Our annual parish Christmas party will take place on Sunday, December 8 beginning at 1:00PM at Our Lady of Victory School Auditorium. The entrance to the school is on Macon Street. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for children. There will be a full buffet meal and a DJ. It promises to be an afternoon of fellowship and fun, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus. You may purchase a ticket after any of the Masses this weekend or at the parish office during the week.

Have a great week and Happy Thanksgiving
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

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, 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.	11/24	2 SM 5:1-3 PS 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 COL 1:12-20 LK 23:35-43
Mon.	11/25	DN 1:1-6, 8-20 DN 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 LK 21:1-4
Tue.	11/26	DN 2:31-45 DN 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 LK 21:5-11
Wed.	11/27	DN 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 DN 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67 LK 21:12-19
Thu.	11/28	DN 6:12-28 DN 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 LK 21:20-28
Fri.	11/29	DN 7:2-14 DANIEL 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81 LK 21:29-33
Sat.	11/30	ROM 10:9-18 PS 19:8, 9, 10, 11 MT 4:18-22

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.

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

MASS INTENTIONS:**SPC Saturday, Nov. 23rd, 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)**

People of the Parish

SPC Sunday, Nov. 24th, 11:30am

Dulcie Merrifield – in memoriam

OLV Sunday, Nov. 24th, 7:30am

Deceased members of the Legion of Mary

*Req. by Roberts family***OLV Sunday, Nov. 24th, 10:15am**

Hilda Merle – in memoriam

*Req. by Diana Snell***HRC Sunday, Nov. 24th, 9:00m**

Wilmoth Randall – in memoriam

*Req. by Randall 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, 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:**

Francois Roberts - thanksgiving

*Req. by Roberts family***ALTAR CANDLE:**

Canonization of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

ALTAR FLOWERS:**SANCTUARY CANDLE:**

Yolande Roberts- in memoriam

CHAPEL FLOWERS:

Georgiana Brown – in thanksgiving

**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.

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.



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.

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.



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.

Advent Lessons and Carols

St. Martin de Porres Parish will have its **3rd Annual Service of Lessons and Carols** on Tuesday, December 17th, 7 PM, at St. Peter Claver Church. We are overjoyed to announce that **the Most Reverend Paul Sanchez, Ph.D., D.D.**, auxiliary bishop of Brooklyn, will preside and preach this special service. Our choir, under the direction of Mr. Joseph Murray and Ms. Joan Delahunt, will lead us in the time-honored hymnody of Christmas. All are invited to join us in prayer and song as we mediate on the mystery of the Incarnation.



Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

SMDPP Annual Christmas Party

Sunday, December 8th, 2019, 1:00pm-6:00pm, at 272 Macon Street. Tickets: \$20.00 adults, \$15.00 Children. For tickets, contact -3337, Wilhelmina Randall or Jennifer Parkinson-Gilbert or call the Rectory.

Second Collection

This week's second collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 46 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address obstacles as they work to make permanent and positive changes for their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

THE WORD AMONG US December/Advent issue entitled, "*Come, Let Us Adore Him.*" is now available at the parish. The list price is \$5.95 but can be purchased for only \$3.00. Please call the Parish office to purchase your copy



St. Josephine Bakhita Guild

Annual Advent Day of Reflection

St. Josephine Bakhita Guild Annual Advent Day of Reflection Saturday, December 7th, 2018, from 9:45am-2:00pm in Holy Rosary Church, 139 Chauncey Street. **Facilitator: Bro. Chris Cato, OP.**

Thanksgiving Mass Schedule

On Wednesday, November 27th, there will be a Pre-Thanksgiving Day Vigil Mass in St. Peter Claver Church at 7:30pm. **On Thursday November 28th**, Thanksgiving Day Mass will be celebrated in Our Lady of Victory Church at 9:00am. You are invited to bring a dish from your Thanksgiving table to be blessed at that Mass. You will also receive a Thanksgiving placemat that you may use at your table.



Everyone is invited to the parish Thanksgiving Day Dinner in St. Peter Claver Waldorf School auditorium today, November 24th at 1:00PM.



GROW SPIRITUALLY AND NEVER MISS ANOTHER CHURCH EVENT!

Sign up now For Mass schedules, Event reminders, Changes, Weekly Devotionals and more!!

Simply text "SMDPP" to 99267

or just scan the QR Code



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

"Divine Heart of Jesus, to You do I offer my poor services, laboring that all hearts may acknowledge Your sacred kingship and that thus the reign of Your Peace be established throughout the whole universe." Amen.

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.



**2019 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

Parish Goal: \$59,586

As of 11/18/2019

116 Families Pledged - \$41,342

Received - \$31,554 - Balance - \$9,788

90 Families fulfilled their pledges for \$20,477



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

Received - \$309,369

Delinquent - \$213,100

**Your donation is at work
Please continue to honor your pledge**

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

On behalf of
Fr. Alonzo Cox,
Fr. Daniel Kingsley
and the entire parish staff,
we wish you and your family
a happy and healthy

Happy
Thanksgiving



The Rectory Office will be closed for business on
Thursday and Friday of this week.

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

This Thanksgiving, let those of us
who have much and those who
have little gather at the
welcoming table of the Lord.

At this blessed feast, may rich and poor
alike remember that we are called to serve
one another and to walk together in God's world.
With thankful hearts, we praise our God who like a
loving parent denies us no good thing. Amen.

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.