

Oct. 27th, 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,

This Thursday, October 31 is Halloween. I could remember as a kid growing up celebrating Halloween with my friends. As some of you may know, Halloween has a Christian origin. Halloween is actually known as All Hallows Eve, which alludes to the next day, November 1st, All Saints Day. Tradition holds that boys and girls would dress up as saints and evangelize throughout the community. Unfortunately, Halloween has become extremely commercialized and a negative connotation has become attached to it. I want to wish all of our boys and girls a happy and safe Halloween.

Our Gospel passage for Mass this weekend reminds us of who we are, poor sinners. Jesus gives us the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector. We see how arrogant and pompous the Pharisee is in his prayer, while the tax collector in his humility, makes his prayer so simple, "be merciful to me a sinner". We must always practice humility, not boasting ourselves up with superiority or prestige, but recognizing that we are poor sinners trying our best to get to heaven. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled and who ever humbles himself will be exalted.

All Saints Day and All Souls Day Masses

This Friday, November 1st is the Solemnity of All Saints. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated at each of the three churches, 9:00AM at Holy Rosary, 12:00Noon at St. Peter Claver and 7:30PM at Our Lady of Victory. We will not have First Friday Eucharistic Adoration on November 1st. The next day, Saturday, November 2 is All Souls Day. Mass will be celebrated at 10:00AM at Our Lady of Victory Church, followed by the 1,000 Hail Mary novena that will take place throughout the day. That will be the only Mass celebrated for All Souls Day. Throughout the month of November, we will remember in a special way all of our faithful departed. All Souls Day envelopes are available at the doors of each of the three churches. You may place your loved ones name on the envelope along with the donation. The names will be kept on the altar throughout the entire month of November.

Feast of St. Martin dePorres

We will celebrate our parish feast day on Sunday November 10 at Our Lady of Victory Church beginning at 10:30AM. Please note that there will be only one Mass celebrated that day. There will be a Saturday evening 5:00PM Vigil Mass celebrated at St. Peter Claver Church on November 9. There will be a reception following our parish feast day Mass. We are asking for donations of breakfast food items or monetary donations. There are sign-up sheets at the doors of each of the three churches for those who wish to donate. Thank you for your generosity.

Update on Lower Hall at St. Peter Claver and McGuinness Hall at Our Lady of Victory

Work is nearing completion in the lower hall at St. Peter Claver Church. As I have mentioned before, the plumbing and pipe work has been fixed. It is my hope that the floor will be put down this week along with the painting of the walls. At Our Lady of Victory, work has begun in cleaning, restoring and repainting McGuinness Hall.

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

**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**

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| Sun. | 10/27 | SIR 35:12-14, 16-18 PS 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 2 TM 4:6-8, 16-18 LK 18:9-14 |
| Mon. | 10/28 | EPH 2:19-22 PS 19:2-3, 4-5 LK 6:12-16 |
| Tue. | 10/29 | ROM 8:18-25 PS 126:1B-2AB, 2CD-3, 4-5, 6 LK 13:18-21 |
| Wed. | 10/30 | ROM 8:26-30 PS 13:4-5, 6 LK 13:22-30 |
| Thu. | 10/31 | ROM 8:31B-39 PS 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31 LK 13:31-35 |
| Fri. | 11/01 | RV 7:2-4, 9-14 PS 24:1BC-2, 3-4AB, 5-6 1 JN 3:1-3 MT 5:1-12A |
| Sat. | 11/02 | WIS 3:1-9 PS 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6 ROM 5:5-11 JN 6:37-40 |

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.

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

MASS INTENTIONS:

SPC Saturday, Oct. 26th, 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)

The people of the parish

SPC Sunday, Oct. 27th, 11:30

Lewis Charles – in memoriam

Req. by Catherine Joseph

OLV Sunday, Oct. 27th, 7:30am

Vilma & Gorvin Mitchell – grace & healing

OLV Sunday, Oct. 27th, 10:15am

Judy Mathurin-George – birthday blessing & thanksgiving

HRC Sunday, Oct. 27th, 9:00am

Rodney Pino – in memoriam

Req. by Cora Greene

SPC Monday, Oct. 28th, 12:00noon

Jerry Gille II – birthday blessing

Req. by Grandma

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

BREAD AND WINE:

Pino family – in thanksgiving

ALTAR CANDLE:

Canonization of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

CHAPEL CANDLE:

Fr. Alonzo Cox – thanksgiving

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

Rodney Pino – in memoriam

CHAPEL FLOWERS:

Fr. Daniel Kingsley- thanksgiving



A Missionary "Spring" in the Church

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the church

Holy Father's Prayer Intention

(Oct. 2019)



Pray for the Sick

Dorothy Bailey, Jaret Buyund, Ethel Carter, Felicia Casimiro, Eugenia Charles, Joyce Cochran, Virginia Cox, 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, Andrea St. Agathe, Beverley Thompson, Elaine Travis, Vera Walker, Lucilia Welch, 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.

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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 will begin on Saturday, Oct. 19th, at Our Lady of Victory from 9:30am-11am. For registration, please provide a copy of the student's birth certificate, baptism certificate and registration fee. 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.

Immigration Seminar

On Saturday, November 9, 2019, the Holy Name Society will host our first Immigration Seminar at St. Peter Claver Church from 1 to 3:30pm. We have invited the law group Her Justice (which provides free legal services to people living in the NYC area) to participate in an open forum to discuss and ask questions concerning the status of our current/future immigration policy. All are invited.

HBCU College Fair

On Saturday, November 16, 2019 **SMDPP Youth and Families** are invited to the **NYC HBCU OPEN HOUSE** at Riverbank State Park 679 Riverside Drive New York, New York 10031. For more information, please contact tdaniel@smdpp.org.

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**

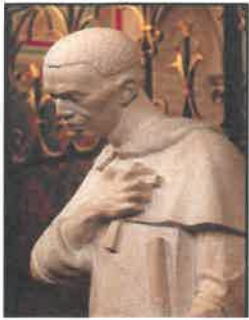
We encourage you to honor a loved one, living or deceased, with a **Mass, gift of bread and wine, sanctuary candle, alter flowers, chapel candle and chapel flowers**. Place your request together with your name and phone number in a sealed envelope in the offering basket. Please make a donation of \$15.00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



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**ST. MARTIN DE PORRES
FEAST DAY MASS**

In celebration of the feast day of St. Martin de Porres there will be **ONE** Parish Mass at Our Lady of Victory Church on Sunday, November 10th at 10:30AM. The three churches will not have their usual

Masses on that Sunday. There will be a 5:00PM Mass on Saturday, November 9th at St. Peter Claver Church. Bishop James Massa will be the celebrant and homilist at this Parish Mass.



On Saturday, November 2nd, 2019, St. Martin de Porres Parish will observe the devotion of 1,000 Hail Mary's. It will begin 10am, at Our Lady of Victory Church, with the celebration of All Souls Day Mass. Parishioners are invited, throughout the day, to pray the mysteries of the Rosary.

SHOES FOR THE JOURNEY

Catholic Charities Brooklyn and Queens is partnering with the Casa Alitas Program in Southern Arizona. New shoes and sneakers are needed for: Children: sizes 2 through 5 Women: sizes 5 through 7 Men: sizes 7 through 9, half sizes are also welcome. Help us provide new shoes and sneakers for migrant and refugee families seeking asylum. To participate in Shoes for the Journey please contact John Gonzalez 718-722-6121, or email john.gonzalez@ccbq.org.



Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 3rd at 2am. Remember to set your clocks back one hour to 1am.

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.

Thank You

Thanks for your generosity towards last week's collection for the **World Mission**. Your support helps the world's most vulnerable communities in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and parts Latin America and Europe.

**All Saints and All Souls
Mass Schedule**

| November 1st, All Saint's Day | Mass Times |
|---|-------------------|
| HRC | 9:00am |
| SPC | 12:00noon |
| OLV | 7:30pm |
| November 2nd, All Soul's Day | Mass Times |
| OLV | 10:00am |

All Souls Day envelopes are available in the entrance of the church. Add your deceased loved one's name on the envelopes with your enclosed offering. **The names will be placed alongside the altar** where the deceased will be remembered at all the Masses during the month of November.



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Annual Catholic
Appeal 2019
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Parish Goal: \$59,586

As of 10/15/2019

106 Families Pledged - \$39,927

Received - \$27,384

Balance - \$12,583

78 Families fulfilled their pledges for \$18,652

We ask every parish family to prayerfully consider
making a tax-deductible gift to the 2019 Annual
Catholic Appeal.



Generations
of Faith

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

Received - \$309,369

Delinquent - \$213,100

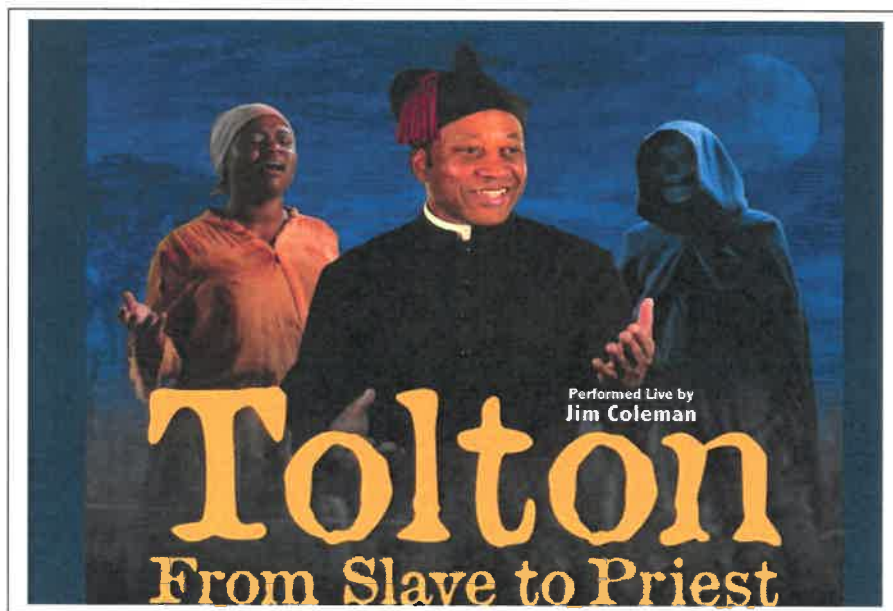
**Your donation is at work
Please continue to honor your pledge**

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**VCBB AMBASSADOR
PRAISE CONCERT**

**Vicariate of Black Catholic Concerns presents a
Praise Concert**

on Saturday, November 2nd, 2019
at 7:00 pm, at Saint Thomas Aquinas RC Church
1550 Hendrickson St., Brooklyn, NY 11234 Music
selection from local choirs and soloist. Donation:
\$20.00. All proceeds will benefit the Ambassador
Youth Leadership Program.



November 16th, 2019
Saint Thomas Aquinas RC Church
1550 Hendrickson St., Brooklyn, NY 11234
For more information on the
Vicariate of Black Catholic Concerns,
call Elreta at 718-774-3806 or visit
blackcatholicconcerns@diobrook.org
Donation: Free-will offering

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