



Sept. 1st, 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,

I cannot believe that we have come to Labor Day weekend! Summer just seemed to fly right by this year. As we begin another pastoral year together, we pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to guide and unite us together as a community of believers. We pray most especially for our youth who will begin another academic year. May the spirit of knowledge and fortitude be with them as they grow in the image and likeness of Christ the Lord. Our gospel passage at Mass today teaches us how to practice humility. Our Lord says, "whoever exalts himself shall be humbled and everyone who humbles himself shall be exalted". As we begin a new pastoral year together, let us take heed of the words of Christ today. As we journey together this year, may Christ the great High Priest be the core of all that we say and do. May Jesus Christ be praised, now and forever.

Parish Recognition Luncheon

This November I will begin my 5th year with you as your Pastor. I give thanks and praise to God for the gift of my priesthood and for the opportunity to serve as your shepherd here at St. Martin dePorres Parish. I also thank God for the gift of all of you! The Pastor cannot do all of it on his own. We are blessed to have so many volunteers who allow this parish to grow and flourish. It is in that spirit, that we will hold a parish recognition luncheon honoring 8 parishioners who have given tremendously of their time, talent and treasure. The luncheon will take place on Saturday September 21 at Our Lady of Victory beginning at 10:30AM. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children. To purchase a ticket you can see a representative from each of the three churches or call the parish office.

2019 Annual Catholic Appeal

We are in the middle of our 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal. As Pastor, I thank each of you who have participated with a gift to the 2018 Appeal and ask that everyone prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2019 Appeal. The work and services made possible through your donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal help people in Brooklyn and Queens in ways that no one parish can alone. As you know, each parish throughout the Diocese of Brooklyn is given a financial goal to raise throughout the year. Our goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal this year is \$59,586. This goal can be reached if everyone participates in the Appeal.

Lower Hall of St. Peter Claver Church

I mentioned at Mass last week, work has begun to take up the entire floor in the lower hall of St. Peter Claver Church. We discovered a large pipe that was cracked down the middle, which saturated the entire floor causing the wood to buckle. There was no other decision but to take up the entire wood floor. This is being done in stages. Half of the hall is being worked on now and should be completed in about 3 weeks. The other half will begin right after. It is my hope that the entire project will be completed by the end of October. Thank you for you patience and your prayers.

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, 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.	09/01	SIR 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 PS 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 HEB 12:18-19, 22-24A LK 14:1, 7-14
Mon.	09/02	1 THES 4:13-18 PS 96:1& 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 LK 4:16-30
Tue.	09/03	1 THES 5:1-6, 9-11 PS 27:1, 4, 13-14 LK 4:31-37
Wed.	09/04	COL 1:1-8 PS 52:10, 11 LK 4:38-44
Thu.	09/05	COL 1:9-14 PS 98:2-3AB, 3CD-4, 5-6 LK 5:1-11
Fri.	09/06	COL 1:15-20 PS 100:1B-2, 3, 4, 5 LK 5:33-39
Sat.	09/07	COL 1:21-23 PS 54:3-4, 6 AND 8 LK 6:1-5

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.

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

MASS INTENTIONS:

SPC Saturday, Aug. 31st, 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)

The people of the parish

SPC Sunday, Sept. 1st, 11:30am

Virginia Cox – grace and health

OLV Sunday, Sept. 1st, 7:30am

Marcella Powell – birthday remembrance

Req. by Melanie Powell-Piper

OLV Sunday, Sept. 1st, 10:15am

Ann & Sandra Eley – in memoriam

Req. by John Eley

HRC Sunday, Sept. 1st, 9:00am

Martha Parrillon – in memoriam

Req by Margaret & family

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

BREAD AND WINE:

Tricia Richardson- Grace & blessings

ALTAR CANDLE:

Canonization of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

CHAPEL CANDLE:

Virginia Cox – health & healing

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

Fitzroy Rodney- In memoriam

CHAPEL FLOWERS:



Pray for the Sick

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



Families, Schools of Human Growth

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth".

**Holy Father's Prayer Intention
(Aug. 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.

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**Celebration of Culture and Faith
Labor Day Mass & Parade**

Join the Labor Day committee at St. Matthew's Church on Sunday, September 1st, for Mass and Catholic J'ouvert at 2:00pm. On Monday, September 2nd, Mass will be said at 9:30AM at St. Matthew's Church in Crown Heights with procession on Eastern Parkway immediately afterwards. For more information please call St. Matthew's Church 718-774-6747



Bus Trip to Foxwood Casino and Tanger Outlets

St. Martin de Porres Parish annual bus ride to **Foxwoods Resort & Casino** and Outlet shopping, will take place on **Saturday, October 12th, 2019**. Tickets are \$60.00. For more information, please

TACHS Registration forms for the Test for Admission into **Catholic High Schools** are now available at the entrance of the church. If you know an 8th Grader who may be interested in attending a Catholic High School beginning in September 2020, you may pick up a form and a hand book after mass or visit: www.tachsinfo.com.

The "**Media Sisters**" **Daughters of St Paul** will be here today, (OL Victory Church & St Peter Claver Church) with a wide variety of Catholic Bibles, lives of saints, books for children, music, movies, etc. for the whole family. Please take advantage of this faith-enrichment opportunity!

Feast of Saint. Teresa of Calcutta

Join us at the Feast Day Mass for Saint Teresa of Calcutta this Thursday, September 5th at 5:00pm in Our Lady of Victory Church. All parishioners are invited to attend this Mass. The celebrant and preacher will be the Most Rev. Octavio Cisneros, Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn.

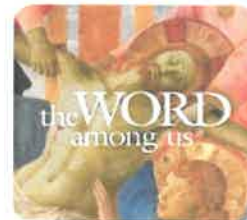


The **Feast of St. Peter Claver** will be celebrated on Sunday, **September 8th** at **St. Peter Claver Church** with the 11:30am Mass. There will be a light reception after the Mass in the driveway. Members of Our Lady of Victory and Holy Rosary Churches are invited.

Thank You



The parish staff wishes to thank all you donated to the School Supply Drive. The backpacks will be blessed and distributed next Sunday immediately after 9:00am Mass at HRC, 10:15am Mass at OLV and 11:30am Mass at SPC Church.



THE WORD AMONG US September issue entitled, "**Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit.**" is now available at the parish. The list price is \$5.95 but can be purchase for only \$3.00. Please call the

Parish office to purchase your copy.

Penny Drive



Support the church and put your loose pennies to good use. Drop your pennies into the penny jar located at the front of the church. Your donation will help support the social outreach of the parish.



God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.



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

New registration and re-registration Faith Formation forms are available in the back of the Church. Please bring the completed form together with birth and baptism certificates for registration. For more information please contact Michelle Joseph, director of Religious Education at mjoseph@smdpp.org.

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.

Mass Intentions Mass Book

We encourage you to honor a loved one, living or deceased, with a Mass, a gift of bread and wine, and sanctuary candle.

Please note, only one intention per Mass, except the Sunday 10:15AM Mass which is a multiple intention Mass. Please make a donation with each request. Thank you.



Ministerial Day of Recollection

There will be a day of recollection for all ushers, choir members, catechists, lectors, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, and masters of ceremony on **Saturday, September 28th, 2019, beginning at 10 AM at Holy Rosary Church**. Members of all parish committees, societies, and prayer groups are asked to attend. Our guest speaker, this year, will be Father Anthony Rosado, Church, Rosedale, NY. If you have any questions or concerns please reach out to either Fr. Kingsley or the head of your society, committee or ministry.

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.

Parish Recognition Luncheon

St. Martin de Porres Parish Recognition Luncheon, will take place on Saturday, September 21st, 2019 from 10:30am to 2pm in Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall. Seven Parishioners will be honored at the lunch for their work in the Parish. The honorees are as follow: **Mr. Stanley and Mrs. Anna Davis, Mrs. Cora Greene, Mrs. Cathy Suarez, Mr. Kirk Godoy, Mr. Glenn Mitchell and Ms. Michelle Joseph**. Tickets are \$25.00 for adults, and \$15.00 for children under 12 years old. For tickets, please see the honorees at your worship site, or you may contact the following committee members. Sabine Nord (OLV), Martin St. Germaine (HRC) and Christy Paul (SPC) or, call the Rectory office, 718-574-5772.

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Second Collection

Second Collection Next weekend, parishes in the diocese will be taking up the National collection for the Catholic University of America. Located in Washington, DC. Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and Lay, of our church and nation. It will also enable the continuance of the Catholic Project. Through research, new academic programs, and dialog, the project brings together the clergy and lay leaders to develop solutions to the issues facing our church and bring about reforms. Thank you for our generosity. Learn more at: Collection.catholic.edu.

The office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day. There will not be a **12:00PM Mass at St. Peter Claver Church**. The 8:00am Mass at our Lady of Victory Church will be as scheduled. **The 11:00AM Mass at Holy Rosary Church will resume on Tuesday, September 3th.**



Annual Catholic Appeal 2019
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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
97 Families Pledged - \$37,007
Received - \$22,123.00

Happy
LABOR DAY



Generations
of Faith

“No work is insignificant. All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance and should be undertaken with painstaking excellence.”

– Martin Luther King, Jr.

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