



Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 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,

In my bedroom at the major seminary in Huntington, I kept a written scripture passage on my desk that I would look at almost every day. The passage was, "you cannot serve two masters". Every time I looked at that passage on my desk, I was reminded of the master I will serve, who is Jesus the Lord. All of the hard work that I was executing with formation to the priesthood would lead me to serve the master that is Christ Jesus. Our gospel passage at Mass this Sunday tells us that we cannot serve two masters. We live in a world of hierarchy that is seen not just in the secular realm, but in the Roman Catholic Church. Through both of those realities though, we know who the master is. We know what true wealth is and what it looks like. Jesus is challenging us today to not become jaded or distracted by the "wealth" or so called "masters" of this world, but to keep our minds and hearts on Christ. May we as a parish community continue to serve the master, striving to follow him to the eternal Kingdom of Heaven.

## School of Faith Formation

Our parish school of Faith Formation has begun registration and re-registration for students. All families are asked to register their child for Sunday school classes. All students must be registered in our parish Sunday school program to receive the sacraments. If you should have any questions, please 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. Our goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal this year is \$59,586. This goal can be reached if everyone participates in the Appeal.

## Liturgical Minister Day of Recollection

Next Sunday, September 28, we will hold our parish liturgical ministers' day of recollection. The purpose of this day primarily is to gather all of our liturgical ministers who are lectors, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, choir members, and catechists for a day of prayer. We are blessed here at St. Martin dePorres Parish to have dedicated ministers who bring the love of Jesus through their call to serve. It's important that we gather in prayer, thanking the Lord for his call to ministry and the grace to carry it out. As your Pastor, I thank all of our liturgical ministers for all they do. I strongly encourage all of our ministers to attend next Saturday's day of recollection that will take place at Holy Rosary Church beginning at 9:00AM. The speaker for the day will be Father Anthony Rosado, who currently serves as Parochial Vicar at St. Clare parish in Rosedale, Queens. Refreshments will be served throughout the day. If you should have any questions please feel free to call the parish office.

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  
1<sup>st</sup> 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.	09/22	AM 8:4-7, PS 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8, 1 M 2:1-8, LK 16:1-13
Mon.	09/23	EZR 1:1-6 PS 126:1B-2AB, 2CD-3, 4-5, 6 LK 8:16-18
Tue.	09/24	EZR 6:7-8, 12B, 14-20 PS 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5LK 8:19-21
Wed.	09/25	EZR 9:5-9 TOBIT 13:2, 3-4A, 4BEFGHN, 7-8 LK 9:1-6
Thu.	09/26	HG 1:1-8 PS 149:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6A & 9B LK 9:7-9
Fri.	09/27	HG 2:1-9 PS 43:1, 2, 3, 4 LK 9:18-22
Sat.	09/28	ZEC 2:5-9, 14-15A JER 31:10, 11-12AB, 13 LK 9:43B-45

**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](mailto: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 [www.sfabrooklyn.org](http://www.sfabrooklyn.org). 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.

*Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.*

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

**SPC Saturday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)**  
For the people of the Parish

**SPC Sunday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am**  
Verna Payne - in memoriam  
*Req. by Debra Spence*

Christopher & Joshua Paul – birthday blessings  
*Req. by Jean Paul and family*

**OLV Sunday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 7:30am**  
Florestin Henderson – in memoriam

**OLV Sunday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 10:15am**  
Shidin Gabriel – in memoriam  
*Req. by Eartha Marryshow*

**HRC Sunday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am**  
Rudolph Anthony Phillips – in memoriam

**GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:**

**BREAD AND WINE:**  
Linley & Julienne Roberts – in thanksgiving

**ALTAR CANDLE:**  
Canonization of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

**CHAPEL CANDLE:**

**SANCTUARY CANDLE:**

**CHAPEL FLOWERS:**



The Protection of the Oceans  
That politicians, scientists and economists  
work together to protect the world's  
seas and oceans.  
Holy Father's Prayer Intention  
(Sept. 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, Cora Greene, Antonio Goodsell, Christabel Gomes, Beryl Hunter, Eva Johnson, Ian Kellman, Gwendolyn Knight, 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.



**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.





**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

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### School of Faith Formation

We are currently accepting registration for new and continuing religious education students. Parents and guardians, if you have not received a registration form, you may do so through the Parish Office. Please complete and return the forms to the Office, along with 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.

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### 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.

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**The Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn** Vehicle Donation Program of the Vincentian Charities 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](mailto:avcb@gmail.com).



### 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.

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### 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 28<sup>th</sup>, 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, parochial vicar of St. Clare's 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.

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### 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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### Mass in honor of Msgr. Bernard J. Quinn

On Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 11AM, there will be a special Mass in honor of Servant of God **Monsignor Bernard J. Quinn** in Wading River, Long Island. A bus will depart from St. Peter Claver Church at 8AM. If you wish to reserve a seat, please call the Rectory, (718) 574-5772. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$20 for children. A lunch reception will follow the ceremony.

*Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.*



**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 call the Rectory, 718-574-5772.

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**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.

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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.

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**Blessing of the Animals Service**

Our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Blessing of the Animals Service will take place on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 2:30PM at St. Peter Claver Church, in the Jefferson Avenue parking lot. Parishioners and neighbors are invited to bring their four-legged friends and other household pets to receive the blessing of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron of the poor and ecology. If you don't have a pet, fish will be available for purchase. For more information, please speak with either Father Kingsley or Ms. Violet Chandler.



**The New Life in Christ Charismatic Prayer Group invites you to their Annual Prayer Breakfast**

will take place on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019, from 9:30am-1:00pm. Guest Speaker: Fr. Jean Augustine Francois: Tickets are \$15.00 adults, \$8.00 for children 12 and under. For more information, please contact any member of the Charismatic Prayer Group.

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**St Martin De Porres Parish, in cooperation with the American Cancer Society, will hold its annual "Breast Cancer Awareness and Survivors Celebration" on Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 starting at 12:30 PM at Our Lady of Victory's McGuinness Hall.**

If you know of anyone who has beaten cancer or has been otherwise directly affected by this disease please add their name to our list and we will include them in a special prayer that we will say on this day. Admission is free & light refreshments will be served. Please share this information with others to support us on this day for this worthwhile effort.

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**Feast of the Lady of the Rosary**

We will observe the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, the patronal Feast of Holy Rosary Church, on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The Rosary will be prayed, that day, at 8: 30 AM, followed by 9 AM Mass at HRC. Light refreshments will be served in the lower church after Mass. All are invited for this special celebration of Marian devotion and fellowship.

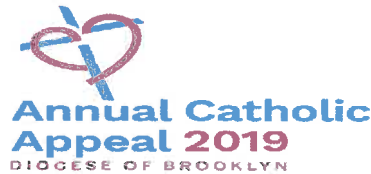
*Welcome to our Church*

*Life is entrusted to man as a treasure which must not be squandered, as a talent which must be used well.*

*Pope John Paul*

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** Please register in the parish. We are a tithing community. We encourage registered parishioners to use their envelopes.

*Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.*



Parish Goal: \$59,586  
As of 9/10/2019

98 Families Pledged - \$37,507: Received - \$24,086  
Balance - \$22,079

69 Families fulfilled their pledges for \$16,767

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

**2019 Annual Catholic Appeal Campaign  
for Brooklyn and Queens**

**Catholic Charities:** Provides critical support to Catholic Charities, allowing them to work for the people they serve with the love of Christ.

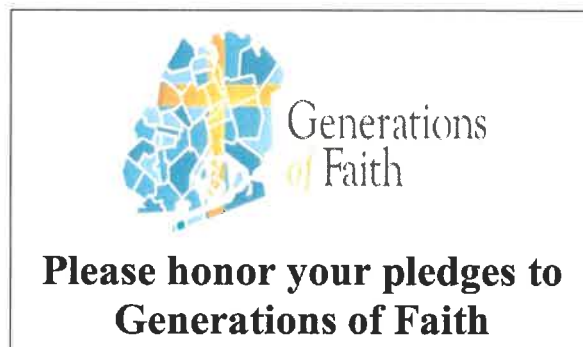
**Migration Services:** Funds Catholic Migration Services, which assist those seeking a new life in our country as citizens.

**Faith Formation:** Funds for training for those who teach religious education, give sacramental instruction and organize parish ministries.

**Hospital Chaplains:** Supports hospital chaplains, who take the sacraments of the church to those who are ill.

**Vocations:** Raises money to help build the church, one vocation at a time.

**Please visit [www.AnnualCatholicAppeal.org](http://www.AnnualCatholicAppeal.org)**



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