

Oct. 18th, 2020



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

"A Faith Community, One in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit."
REV. ALONZO Q. COX, PASTOR

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OFFICE HOURS: MON, TUE & THURS. 9:00AM-8:00PM
WED & FRI: 9:00AM – 4:30PM

Dear Parishioners,

As we rapidly move through the month of October, we continue to give thanks and praise to God for the many blessings and graces that he has bestowed upon us and his Church. A parishioner told me after Mass last Sunday that days just seem to blend in with one another. It may seem that the effects of the coronavirus has made us think that way. We continue to ask ourselves what the new "normal" looks like? Ultimately, Christ remains the same yesterday, today and forever. We must never forget that. We hear so beautifully in today's second reading from Paul's letter to the Thessalonians, that we must endure in hope. St. Paul tells us that the Gospel did not come in word alone but in power and in the Holy Spirit with conviction. Let us allow the Holy Spirit to move us, not focusing on what the new "normal" will look like, but allowing our minds, hearts and souls to be rooted in Christ Jesus.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2020 & Parish Stewardship Program

Over these last two weekends, I had the opportunity to speak at the Masses about this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. I thank each of you again for your continued generosity in contributing the ACA each year. Our parish goal is \$65,024. To this date we have pledged \$19,524 from 69 parishioners. Since returning back to Mass after the lockdown, we have been averaging about 300 people in attendance total from each of our three churches. The key to having a successful ACA is participation. If each family from our parish participated, contributing any gift that they can, we will be able to make our goal by January 2021. We as a parish have also been asked to participate in the Parish Stewardship Program. It is a completely separate entity from the ACA. The objective of the Parish Stewardship Program is to get better at connecting with parishioners, making it easier for you to connect with our faith community and help sustain our parish financially. You will be seeing much more in the bulletin and hearing from me and other parishioners about our Parish Stewardship Program.

Feast of St. Martin de Porres

We will celebrate as a parish community the Feast Day of St. Martin de Porres. It will take place on Sunday, November 8 beginning at 10:30AM at Our Lady of Victory Church. As is the custom, only one Mass will be celebrated that day. Masses will not be celebrated at Holy Rosary or St. Peter Claver churches. There will be the Saturday night vigil Mass at 5:00PM on Saturday November 7 at St. Peter Claver Church. This year we will welcome His Excellency Most Reverend Witold Mroziewski as the Main Celebrant and Homilist. Bishop Witold is one of the Auxiliary Bishops of the Diocese of Brooklyn and serves as Pastor of Holy Cross Parish in Maspeth. We look forward to welcoming him to our parish.

Covid19 Restrictions

I want to remind you that we are still following the restrictions and guidelines set forth for places of worship in New York State. Please continue to wear your face masks while in church. Be sure to practice social distancing and to sanitize your hands when you come into church and when you leave.

Wishing you a peaceful and blessed 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

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

READING OF THE WEEK

Sun. IS 45:1, 4-6 PS 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 1THES 1:1-5B MT 22:15-21
 Mon. EPH 2:1-10 PS 100:1B-2, 3, 4AB, 4C-5 LK 12:13-21
 Tue. EPH 2:12-22 PS 85:9AB-10, 11-12, 13-14 LK 12:35-38
 Wed. EPH 3:2-12 IS 12:2-3, 4BCD, 5-6 LK 12:39-48
 Thu. EPH 3:14-21 PS 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19 LK 12:49-53
 Fri. Eph 4:1-6 PS24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 LK 12:54-59
 Sat. EPH 4:7-16 PS 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5 LK 13:1-9

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.

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 ~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. Franklin Ezeroah 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 8th. 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.

Give the Lord glory and honor.

MASS INTENTIONS:

SPC Saturday, Oct. 17th, 5:00pm (Vigil Mass

Claries Findley – in memoriam
Req. by Debra Spence

SPC Sunday, Oct. 18th, 11:30am

Christie, Kyma, Kymora & Tori Paul -
 Birthday blessing
Req. by Paul family

OLV Sunday, Oct. 18th, 7:30am

Christine Dorville & Mourie Danzie -
 Thanksgiving to God

OLV Sunday, Oct. 18th, 10:15am

Frances and Paul Diaz – in memoriam
Req. by Peter Diaz

Sade Brown – birthday blessing

Req. by Georgiana Brown & family

HRC Sunday, Oct. 18^h, 9:00am

Tinayah O’Neil, Jenee & Kaleigh Richardson
 Grace and thanksgiving

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

BREAD AND WINE:

Sade Brown- birthday blessing

ALTAR CANDLE:

Canonization of Msgr. Quinn

ALTAR FLOWERS:

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

CHAPEL FLOWERS:



**Holy Father’s Prayer Intention
 (October 2020)**

The Laity’s Mission in the Church

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

Pray for the Sick

Dorothy Bailey, Terrance Baptiste, Felicia Casimiro, Eugenia Charles, Joyce Cochran, Virginia Cox, Josie-Mae Boyce, Jennifer Edwards, Delva Ellis, Khalil Fletcher, Narcissus Frett-Moses, Sadie Garland, Patrick Gilbert, Antonio Goodsell, Christabel Gomes, Maria Hernandez, Denise Hughes, Ian Kellman, Gwendolyn Knight, Adolph Lauriano, Christina Obiaeri, Shawn Paul, Noreen Simonette, Marilyn Sylvester, Beverley Thompson, Elaine Travis, Vera Walker, Sybil Westmoreland, Rosemarie Wilkie, 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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School of Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes will be held remotely from September 2020 to January 1, 2021. Our parish program will be conducted virtually with our catechists using modern technology. Registration for all grades, including sacramental preparation has now begun. The fee this year is \$55 per student. or through parish website, www.smdpp.org. For more information you may contact Ms. Michelle Joseph at 347-944-2220.

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. Franklin to inquire about our RCIA program.

Annual Catholic Appeal

The Annual Catholic Appeal offer's the opportunity to make your gift and pledge payments online using a credit card or electronic funds transfer from your checking or savings account. For other forms of giving - securities, stocks, mutual funds, IRA Distributions - please visit us www.annualcatholicappeal.org to make your contribution or text ACA to 979-336-1255.

World Mission Sunday

Today, we celebrate **World Mission Sunday**. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and parts Latin America and Europe, as they proclaim the Gospel, build the Church, and serve the poor. With them, you answer, "*Here I am send me.*"

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



In celebration of the feast day of St. Martin de Porres, all three churches will come together to celebrate ONE Parish Mass at Our Lady of Victory Church on Sunday, November 8th at 10:30AM. Due to the limited capacity of 25% (175 people)

occupancy of the sanctuary, we will use McGuinness Hall for the overflow. Bishop Witold Mroziowski will be the celebrant and homilist. There will be a 5:00P Mass on Saturday November 7th at St. Peter Claver Church. *Social Distancing and face masks required to enter the all church buildings



The 2021 Mass Book is open. You may choose to honor a death anniversary, wedding anniversary, birthday celebration, Bread & Wine, Sanctuary Candles & Altar Flowers. Please note, only one intention per Mass, except the Sunday 10:15 Mass with multiple intention Mass.

Weekday Masses are available:

Monday thru Friday 8:00AM-OLV. Monday & Wednesday 12Noon-SPC, 1st Friday 12Noon-SPC. Tuesday 11:00am - HRC.

Mass Stipend:

Intentions: \$15.00 - Bread & Wine: \$25.00 – Altar Candles: \$25.00

November 2nd, All Souls Day		Mass Times
OLV		10:00am
SPC		12noon

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.

Give the Lord glory and honor.



PRAY and give generously



We will begin collecting foods items such as for canned foods and other dried goods for Thanksgiving. All items can be placed in a box after each mass at each church beginning Sunday, Oct. 11th. Thanksgiving food baskets will be distributed on Thursday November 12th. If you know of someone experiencing economic difficulty during these trying times, please have them call the rectory office, 718-574-5772.



GROW SPIRITUALLY AND NEVER MISS ANOTHER CHURCH EVENT!

Sign up now for Mass schedule Event reminders, Changes, Weekly, Devotionals and more.

Text "SUNDAY"

718-550-5830

or just scan the QR Code

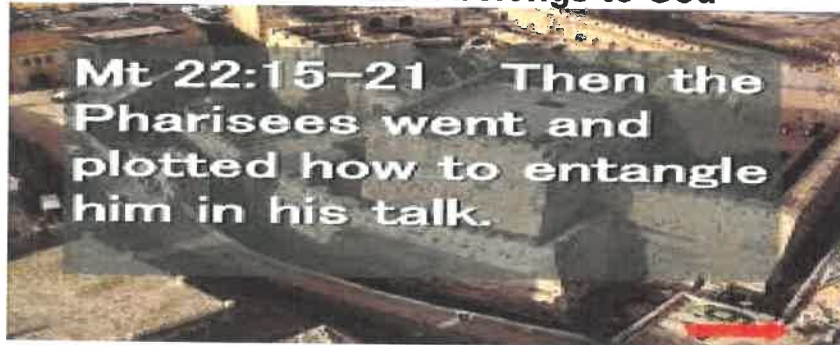
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"Give to God what belongs to God"



You followed us on Facebook, you attended our online masses. now help us know who you are by becoming a registered member of the parish.

send us an email at /visit us at www.smdpp.org

You may also visit us at givecentral.org/smdpp

Name: _____ Cell# _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

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PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

Stewardship: COVID-19 Lessons Learned

1. *Prayer* has the power to transform

In times of isolation and despair, prayer grants us hope, offers comfort, and strengthens our unbreakable bond with God. **Thank you** for keeping the faith.

2. *Technology* brings us closer together

Technology has empowered us to maintain a sense of connectedness. **Thank you** for adapting to these changes with us and for your commitment to participating in parish life.

3. We have discovered what is *essential*

What things do you stockpile during a global pandemic? You gather generous amounts of love, laughter, a comforting hand, God's unwavering Grace. You quickly learn to toss your non-essential possessions. **Thank you** for pausing and reflecting on what is important.

4. Acts of *Charity*...gifts from the *Heart*

The strength of our parish is derived from our unique spiritual gifts. **Thank you** to those who volunteer their time, check on the well-being of others, and help us sustain this parish community!

Help Sustain our Spiritual Home

As resilient as we are, COVID-19 has exposed the deep-seated financial vulnerability our parish faces. We need to come together to sustain our spiritual home. You can help us now by enrolling in electronic giving. Here are just a few of the benefits this safe and convenient option offers:



Budget your time and money through scheduled and recurring payments.



Help our parish minimize weekly fluctuations in offertory.



Allow us to thoughtfully plan our budget and help sustain our thriving ministries.




It is fast, simple, and sanitary! Help us reduce the spread of germs by limiting the exchange of paper and cash.




You can even use a credit card and earn rewards!

Pray with us, connect with us, and take the first step toward planned, proportionate, and sacrificial giving!










Pray with us! Livestream coverage of Mass is available:
<https://smartindeporresparish.org/>



Support us! Enroll in electronic giving
Text the word 'SUNDAY' to
718-550-5830.



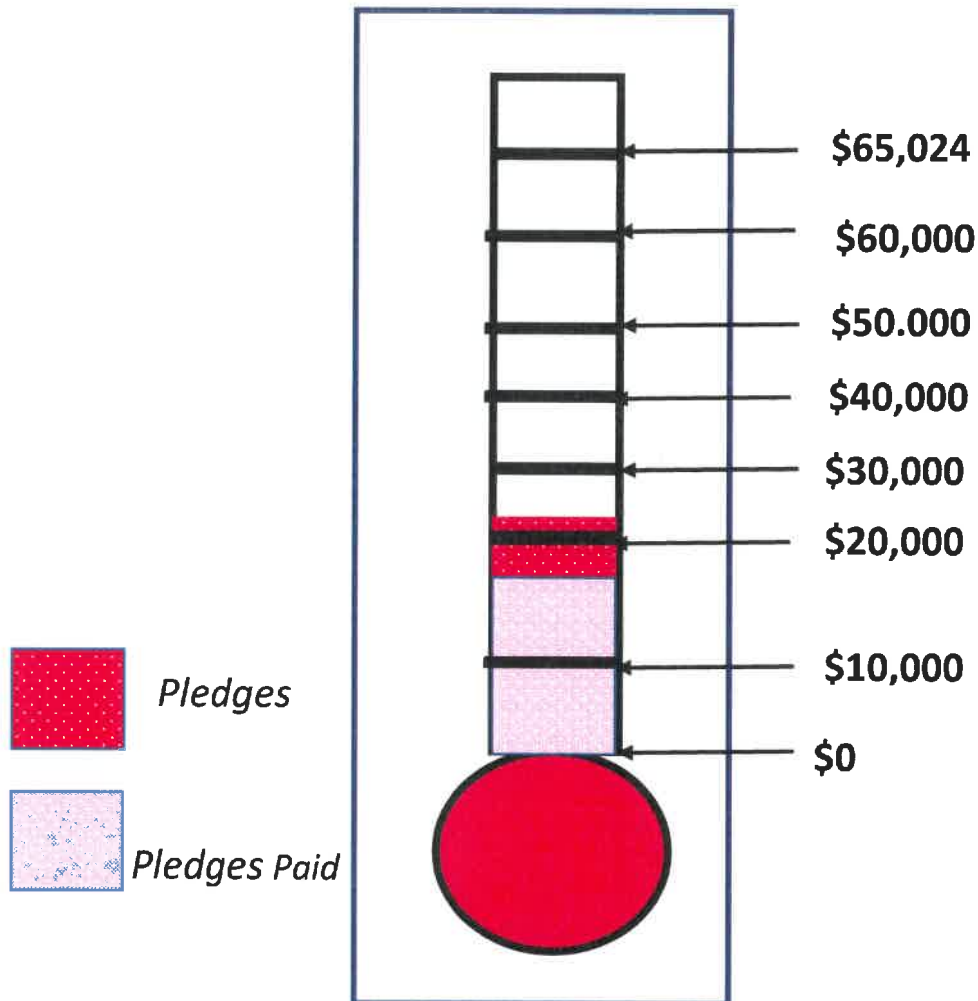
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"St. Martin De Porres Parish – Brooklyn NY"

Weekly Sacrifice	Equivalent to:
\$5 - \$10	 Subway Ticket (2)
\$15 - \$20	 Combo meal for (2)
\$25 - \$35	 Taxi ride
\$45 - \$55	 Night at the cinema for (2)
\$55 - \$65	 Monthly Cable Subscription
\$65 - \$75	 Monthly Phone Plan
\$75+	 Eternal gratitude!



Annual Catholic Appeal 2020

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ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Parish Goal: \$65,024

Pledged - \$19,889: Balance \$45,775

Paid- \$16,727: Unpaid balance \$3,162

We need your support!

If 280 parishioners pledge \$175.00 each to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal, we will exceed our goal.

Please visit. www.AnnualCatholicAppeal.org

Or call the office for a pledge card today.