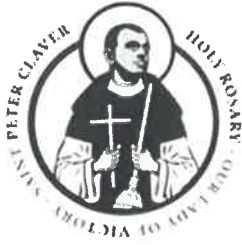


Jan. 10th, 2021



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. This feast day will liturgically bring the Christmas season to an end. This week we move into Ordinary Time until the middle of February when we will begin the season of Lent with Ash Wednesday. In other countries around the world, many churches continue to keep the nativity scene up until February 2, which is the Presentation of the Lord. That custom is not widely practiced here in the United States, but we are invited to keep the image of the nativity alive in our hearts. It is my hope that these last weeks of Christmas was a time of joyful celebration and thanksgiving, even though many of us were unable to celebrate with family and friends because of the pandemic. As we come to this feast day, we are reminded in today's gospel that Jesus is the beloved Son of God. We hear John the Baptist tell us that Christ will baptize us with the Holy Spirit. We must allow the Holy Spirit to be at work in our lives so that we can live in the image and likeness of Christ. As baptized members of the mystical Body of Christ, we pray that Jesus will continue to be at the center of our lives, now and forever.

Christmas Thank You!

I want to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your thoughtful and kind tokens of appreciation and Christmas gifts to both Father Franklin and I. Both of us are very blessed to journey with all of you closer to Christ. As Pastor, I also want to thank you for your financial generosity this Christmas season. Between the masses for Christmas and New Year's, we saw an increase in the collection baskets. Thank you!! I also want to thank all of the liturgical ministers who made our liturgies for Christmas so beautiful and prayerful which included our lectors, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, ushers and altar servers. I also want to thank our parish choir under the direction of Ms. Joan Delahunt and Mr. Joseph Murray. They worked very hard over these last weeks with rehearsals to make our liturgies uplifting. We look forward in just a few weeks to begin the solemn season of Lent, preparing ourselves for the joys of Easter.

St. Peter Claver Church 100th Anniversary

We have looked forward over these last few months to celebrating with joy the 100th anniversary of the establishment of St. Peter Claver Church. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, we have not had the opportunity to gather in celebration the way that we would have. Our anniversary committee have come up with some creative ideas to commemorate this milestone. Of course, with every anniversary, there will be a gala dinner and a fundraising raffle. Our gala dinner has been scheduled for Friday, May 21, 2021 to be held at Glenn Terrace. Not knowing what the Spring will bring us with the coronavirus, we still have secured the date. If it is unable to take place, the date will be changed and you will have the option to have your money refunded. Raffles are available for \$10 per ticket which will be on sale this week after all of the masses at each of the three churches. Prizes include an Apple iWatch, Apple iPad, a Smart TV with Bose sound bar with CD player and a \$500 gift card. All proceeds will go to support St. Peter Claver Church.

Wishing you a blessed and peaceful 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

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School of Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes will be held remotely from September 2020 to December 2020. Our parish program will be conducted virtually with our catechists using modern technology. Registration for all grades, including sacramental preparation, has begun. Register via the parish website, www.smdpp.org. The fee is \$55 per student. For more information, contact Ms. Michelle Joseph at DRE101260@diobrook.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 is 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.

2021 Mass Book



The 2021 Mass Book is open. You may choose to honor a death anniversary, wedding anniversary, birthday celebration, bread & wine, sanctuary candles & altar flowers.

There is only one intention per Mass, except at the 10:15 AM Mass on Sundays where multiple intentions can be offered.

Weekday Mass Schedule:

- 8:00 AM Monday – Friday at OLV
- 12:00 PM Monday & Wednesday at SPC
- 11:00 AM Tuesday at HRC
- 12:00 PM First Friday at SPC.

Mass Stipend:

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

2022 Oberammergau Passion Play



Parish Pilgrimage to Berlin, Prague, Vienna, Munich and attendance to the Oberammergau Passion Play has been rescheduled for August 8-18, 2022. The spiritual directors (Father Kevin McBrien, Father Alonzo Cox and Father Patrick Longalong) invite parishioners and their family and friends from Our Lady of the Snows, St. Martin de Porres and Our Lady of Lourdes to join in a spiritual pilgrimage. This will be a “once in a life time” experience, combining some of the most memorable events in salvation and in human history. The pilgrimage cost remains the same (\$4679 per person) until Dec. 31st! Pilgrimage brochures are available in the Parish Office. Register at www.pilgrimages.com/frmcmbrien, or call 206 Tours at 1-800-206-8687 ext. 1229 for more details.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2019
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Parish Goal: \$65,024

Pledged - \$29, 473: Paid- \$27,269

Unpaid balance \$2,204

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Your gift to **Annual Catholic Appeal**, will make an impact on the life of a young man considering the priesthood, a lonely senior citizen, a hungry child, a helpless immigrant or a searching college student. **You can still give!!**
There are pledge envelopes available for those who have pledged.

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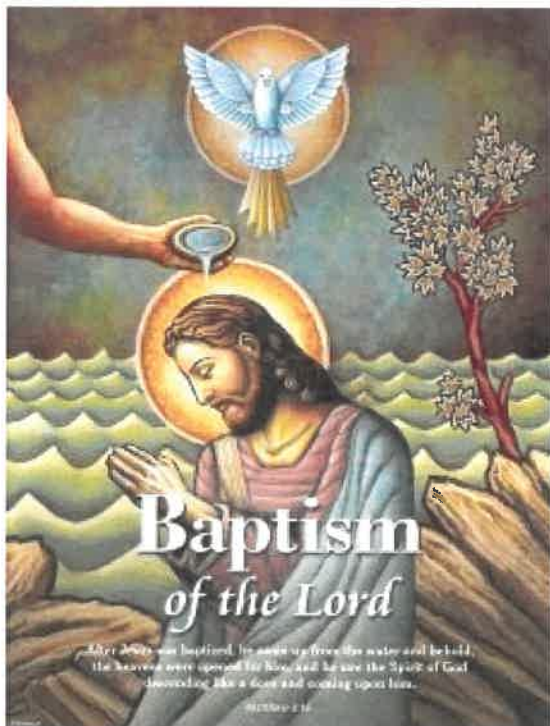
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date*

**St. Peter Claver 100th Anniversary Gala
May 21st, 2021**

Gala Dinner & Raffle Tickets

We are pleased to announce a Gala Dinner, honoring St. Peter Claver's 100th Anniversary. The event will take place on Friday, May 21st, 2021, at Glenn Terrace. Raffles are available at **\$10 per ticket**. Prizes include an **Apple Watch**, an **Apple iPad w/accessory**, a **Bose System with CD Player**, a **Smart TV with soundbar**, and a **\$500 Gift Card**. If you wish to enter please speak to any SPC 100th Anniversary Committee Member, Estella White-McDuffey, Jennifer Parkinson-Gilbert, Curtis Godoy, Patricia Tecla & Darlene Collins-Wellington, or call the Rectory Office.

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.



Second Collection- Diocese Mission
Second collection is for the Diocesan Mission in support of various needy Ministries and Parishes at home and abroad. Thank you for your generosity and support.

**SMDPP Black History
Month Celebration**

St. Martin de Porres Parish Black History Month **Mass of Thanksgiving** will take place on Sunday, **February 7th, 10:30am** in **St. Peter Claver Church**. **Please note:** The Mass schedule for the weekend: 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass at SPC, Sunday 7:30am Mass at OLV. We will **NOT** have the scheduled 9am, 10:15am, or 11:30am Masses that day.

Join us on select Saturdays in **February**, after the **5pm Mass at St. Peter Claver Church**, for movies highlighting African-American history. Movie titles to be TBD.

Save the date!

The Vicariate of Black Catholic Concerns

Prayer Service in honor of the Birthday of:
Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr."

Monday, January 18th, 2021, 12:00noon in
Our Lady of Victory Church.

For more info., please contact the Parish Office
718-574-5772.

*An INDIVIDUAL has not stated living until he
can rise above the NARROW confines
of his INDIVIDUALISTIC concerns to his
broader concerns of all humanity.*

Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

PARISH CLERGY & STAFF

Ms. Paulitiana St. Hilaire, Secretary
 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 42:1-4, 6-7 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 Acts 10:34-38 Mk 1:7-11
Mon. Heb 1:1-6, PS 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 Mk 1:14-20
Tue. Heb 2:5-12 ps8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 1:21-28
Wed. Heb 2:14-18 ps105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9
Thu. Heb 3:7-14 PS95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 Mk 1:40-45
Fri. Heb 4:1-5, 11 PS 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 Mk 2:1-12
Sat. Heb 4:12-16 PS 19:8, 9, 10, 15 Mk 2:13-17

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 encourage 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.

MASS INTENTIONS:

SPC Saturday, Jan. 9th, 5:00pm (Vigil Mass.

Virginia Cox – grace and healing

OLV Sunday, Jan. 10th, 7:30am

Timothy Lubin – birthday blessing

Req. by Lubin family

HRC Sunday, Jan. 10TH, 9:00am

Theresa Trescott-Wilder – health & healing

Req. by Cathy and Kevin Suarez.

OLV Sunday, Jan. 10th, 10:30am

Agatha & Teddy Altifofo – birthday blessing

SPC Sunday, Jan 10th, 11:30am

Christen Samuel – in memoriam

Req. by Laurel Jerome

OLV Sunday, Jan. 11th, 8:00am

Rose Fusco- in memoriam

Req. by Antonia Fusco

Pray for the Sick

Dorothy Bailey, Terrance Baptiste, Sara Burnett, Felicia Casimiro, Eugenia Charles, Joyce Cochran, Virginia Cox, Josie-Mae Boyce, Olive DeRoach-Carter, 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, Patricia Solartes, Marilyn Sylvester, Beverley Thompson, Elaine Travis, Vera Walker, Sybil Westmoreland, Rosemarie Wilkie, Marie Williams.

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

BREAD AND WINE:

Theresa Trescott-Wilder

ALTAR CANDLE:

Canonization of Msgr. Quinn

ALTAR FLOWERS:

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

Victims of human trafficking

CHAPEL FLOWERS:

**Holy Father’s Prayer Intention
(January 2021)**

Human fraternity

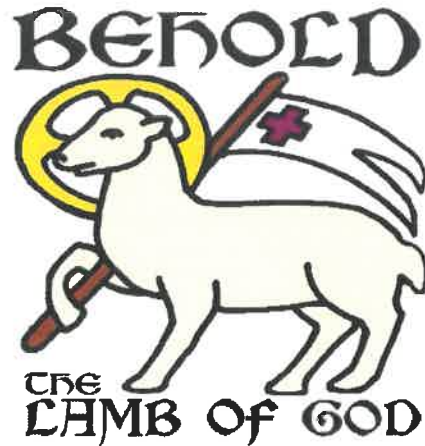
May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.



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.



The Lord will bless his people with peace.



“...when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form, as a dove and a voice came from heaven, “Thou art my beloved Son with thee I am well pleased.” Luke 3:21-22



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Welcome to our Church

If you are new to our parish please feel free to introduce yourself to one of the priests after Mass today. We kindly invite you to visit us at givecental.org/smdpp or come to the Parish Office and register and become a member of St. Martin de Porres Parish. Registration is important for all parishioners because then we are able to issue sponsor letters for Baptism, Confirmation and Matrimony. We can also give end of the year statements of your contributions to the church. Thank you and welcome.

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