



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

"A Faith Community, One in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit."

Rev. Alonzo Q. Cox, Pastor
Rev. Franklin Ezeorah, Parochial Vicar

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

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 to discuss your marriage plans.

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 Ezeorah to inquire about our ongoing RCIA program.

Anointing of the Sick~ Please contact 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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Parish Staff

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:00am. - 4:30pm.
Evenings & Weekends: By appointment.

Holy Rosary Church

139 Chauncey Street, /Brooklyn, NY 11233

Mass Times

Sundays: 9am / Tuesdays: 11am



Our Lady of Victory Church

583 Throop Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11216

Sundays: Masses

7:30am & 10:15am

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday
8am -9am

1st Fridays: Rosary for Life



St. Peter Claver Church

29 Claver Place
Brooklyn, NY 11238

Mass Times

Sat.: 5pm / Sun.: 11:30am

Monday. & Wednesday: 12noon

1st Fridays: 12noon

Holiday schedule will be announced



Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of the entire parish staff here at St. Martin de Porres, I want to wish all of you a happy and blessed Easter Sunday. Over these last weeks of Lent, we have been in spiritual preparation for the celebration of Easter. We come to this day with the joy of the risen Lord. As we gather on this Easter Sunday, we hear in today's gospel of how the disciples find the empty tomb. They find the burial cloths rolled up and the stone rolled away. Jesus has broken the chains of death and has been raised from the dead. On this Easter Sunday, we thank Almighty God for the gift of his son Jesus, our risen Savior who continues to reveal himself to us.

I also take this opportunity to thank all of those who made our Holy Week liturgies to prayerful and beautiful. I thank our altar servers, lectors and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion for their ministry. I also want to thank our ushers who welcomed and greeted all of you and our visitors to our three beautiful churches. I also want to thank our parish choir under the direction of Ms. Joan Delahunt and Mr. Joseph Murray for lifting our voices to the heavens over these last days. Each of our three churches are decorated so beautifully. I thank the volunteers from each of our churches who worked so hard to exquisitely decorate our churches.

Divine Mercy Sunday

Next Sunday, April 11 is Divine Mercy Sunday. As is the custom, we will have Eucharistic Adoration with the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00PM at Our Lady of Victory Church. The service will be livestreamed, but all are welcome to join us in person.

Sacrament of Confirmation

This Saturday, April 10, our young boys and girls will receive the sacrament of Confirmation. It will take place at 11:00AM at Our Lady of Victory Church. We are very happy to welcome His Excellency, Most Reverend James Massa as the presiding prelate. Because of the COVID-19 regulations, the sacrament of Confirmation will take place within a prayer service ceremony, not a Mass. All parishioners are welcomed to join us as we pray for our young boys and girls who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

2021 Diocese of Brooklyn Annual Catholic Appeal

I wish to thank all of you who have already contributed to this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. As you know, the ACA supports the workings and programs of the Diocese of Brooklyn such as Catholic Migration Services, Vocations to the Priesthood, Hospital Chaplains and Youth Ministry. Our goal here at St. Martin de Porres is \$63,586. The key to having a successful ACA is participation. We are asking everyone to participate in this year's ACA that we will be able to achieve our goal. Any monies collected beyond the goal comes directly back to the parish. I thank each of you for your financial support here at St. Martin de Porres.

Queen of Heaven, rejoice. Alleluia. For He, whom you did merit to bear. Alleluia. Has risen as He said. Alleluia. Pray for us to God. Alleluia. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary. Alleluia. Because the Lord is truly risen, Alleluia

Father Alonzo Q. Cox.

**St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy
Free UPK Program**

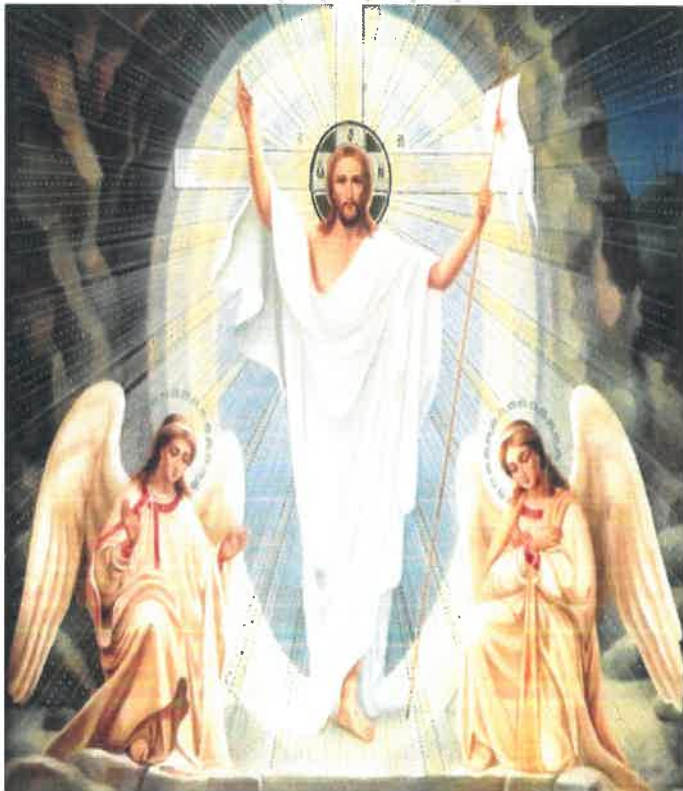
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy offers a free UPK program. All children born in 2017 are eligible to enroll. The **deadline** to apply for September 2021 is April 7.

Apply on-line at www.NYC.gov/prek, or call 718-778-3700. Select St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy as your # 1 Choice. Use school code: **17KAJW**



Easter Mass Remembrance

During the Easter season we will pray for your loved ones. Fill out the Easter remembrance envelope (located at the front of the church) with the name of person(s) who is/are to be remembered during the masses, and drop it in the collection basket or at the rectory.



**COIN CARDS FOR ST. JUDE'S CHILDREN
HOSPITAL**

Lent is a time of renewal in faith. One way of renewal is to engage in a more serious devotion. This year we, at the Parish of St. Martin de Porres, would like to support **St. Jude's Hospital for Children**. We will **tithe 50% of the Lenten Quarters collections towards this cause**. I hope you will prayerfully support this Lenten act of almsgiving.



Second Collection

Next week our parish will be taking its annual collection for **Retired Priests of the Diocese**. Collected funds are used to support our retired priests and provide health and other welfare benefits for our senior and disabled priests



Online Parishioner Registration

In reflecting upon your support of the parish, consider online giving, a quick and easy way to do your part to foster the life and ministry of our parish. We invite you to register as a member of our parish family. Text "**SUNDAY**" to 718-550-5830 to register. Also, follow and like us on Facebook at facebook.com/smdpbklyn.



CONFIRMATION PREPARATION



Let us pray for the young people of the parish who will be receiving their Confirmation on April 10th. **Brianna Brown, Jayden McSween, Kadie Jengo, Cameron Nicolas, James Welcome, Devin Watkins, Adesola Odufuade & John Paul Aneke.**

*Do not abandon yourselves to despair.
We are the Easter people and
Hallelujah is our song.*

Pope John Paul II

School of Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes will be held remotely from January 2021 to June 2021. 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.



MASS BOOK. The opportunity to pray in a special way for the repose of the soul of a loved one or other prayerful intention is made available each day with announced Mass offerings. You

may choose to commemorate a death anniversary, wedding anniversary or birthday remembrance. The 2021 Mass Book is now open and each offering is \$15.00. Please come to the Parish Office to make special Mass offerings for your loved ones.

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



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.



St. Peter Claver 100 Anniversary Fund Raising Raffle

SPC Anniversary fundraising raffle tickets are available for purchase 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**. Raffle drawing will take place on Friday, May 21st, 2021. To purchase tickets, see the following Anniversary Committee Members: Estella White-McDuffey, Jennifer Parkinson-Gilbert, Curtis Godoy, Patricia Tecla, Darlene Collins-Wellington **SPC**, Sabine Nord-Joseph **OLV**, Anne-Marie Stanislaus and Pauli St. Hilaire **HRC**. You can also purchase a ticket by calling the Rectory Office 718-574-5772.



2021 Summer Youth Employment Program.

NYCSYEP provides NYC Youth with the opportunity to explore their interests and career pathways, develop workplace skills and engage in learning experiences that help to develop their social, civic, and leadership skills. If you are between the ages of 14-21, Visit <https://on.nyc.gov/syep> for eligibility or call 800-246-4646.

Divine Mercy Sunday



Divine Mercy Sunday, will be on April 11th, 2021. That day, we will have 2PM Confessions at St. Peter Claver Church followed by a 3PM Service of Vespers and Eucharistic Adoration. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung during the service.



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Goal: \$53,586
Raised: \$9,145

To make a donation to the **Annual Catholic Appeal** online. Open your camera on your phone hover over the **QR Code** click the pop-up notification to be taken to the website to begin your online donation. All donations made to the **ACA** above our parish goal are returned directly back to our parish for operations and improvements.



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Event reminders Changes,
Weekly, Devotionals &
much more.

Text "SUNDAY" 718-550-5830

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Weekday Readings

- Sun.** Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps:118:1-2,16-17, 22-23
Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9
- Mon.** Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps :16:1-2a& 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11
Mt 28:8-15
- Tue.** Acts 2:36-41 Ps: 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 &22
Jn 20:11-18
- Wed.** Acts 3:1-10 Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9
Lk 24:13-35
- Thur.** Acts 3:11-26 Ps: 8:2ab &5, 6-7, 8-9
Lk 24:35-48
- Fri.** Acts 4:1-12 Ps: 118:1-2& 4, 22-24, 25-27a
Jn 21:1-14
- Sat.** Acts 4:13-21 Ps:118:1& 14-15ab,16-18, 19-21
Mk 16:9-15



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God and Father of all gifts, we praise you
the source of all we are.
Teach us to acknowledge always
with generous gratitude
the many good things your infinite love has
given to us, as we support the work
of our Diocese 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, for ever and ever.
Amen.



On behalf of the entire pastoral staff at St. Martin de Porres Parish, we wish you and your family a very blessed Easter.



*Are you new to the neighborhood? Have you been away from the church for a long time? Come in and join us. **EVERYONE** is welcome, loved and included and we mean **EVERYONE!***

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Dear visitors, help us to know who you are by becoming a registered member at St. Martin de Porres

send us an email at info@smdpp.org /visit us at www.smdpp.org or simply fill out this form, and drop it in the collection basket.

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Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Email: _____