



## 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

Rev. Mr. Rachid Murad, Permanent Deacon  
Ms. Paulitiana St. Hilaire, Secretary  
Mrs. Maria Matos, Bookkeeper  
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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

### 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

1<sup>st</sup> Fridays: Rosary for Life



### St. Peter Claver Church

29 Claver Place  
Brooklyn, NY 11238

#### Mass Times

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

Monday. & Wednesday: 12noon

1<sup>st</sup> Fridays: 12noon

*Holiday schedule will be announced*

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**Saturday: May. 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver  
vigil Mass:**

Living and deceased mothers of the Parish

**Sunday: May. 9<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am -St. Peter Claver**  
Living and deceased mothers of the Parish

**7:30am-Our Lady of Victory Church**  
Living and deceased mothers of the Parish

**10:15am-Our Lady of Victory Church**  
Living and deceased mothers of the Parish

**9:00am – Holy Rosary Church**  
Living and deceased mothers of the Parish

**Monday: May 10<sup>th</sup>, 8am-Our Lady of Victory**  
Mathilda Sobers – in memoriam  
*Req. by Cathy Sobers*

**Wed.: May. 12<sup>th</sup>, 12noon -St. Peter Claver**  
Aanaya Mattison – birthday blessings  
*Req. by Helena Edwards & family*



## ALTAR BREAD:

## ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard  
Quinn

## ALTAR WINE:

## ALTAR CANDLE:

## ALTAR FLOWERS:

### *Pray for the Sick*

Dorothy Bailey, Burtel Batson, Terrance Baptiste, Georgiana Brown, Sara Burnett, Felicia Casimiro, Eugenia Charles, Joyce Cochran, Virginia Cox, Olive DeRoach-Carter, Delva Ellis, Khalil Fletcher, Narcissus Frett-Moses, Patrick Gilbert, Veronica Gersi, Antonio Goodsell, Christabel Gomes, Maria Hernandez, Denise Hughes, Ian Kellman, Judy Joseph-Jenkins, Gwendolyn Knight, Adolph Lauriano, Jacques Maurice, Leslie McFarlane, Shawn Paul, Veronica Quinn, Noreen Simonette, Patricia Solartes, Marilyn Sylvester, Beverley Thompson, Peggy Travis, Vera Walker, Sybil Westmoreland, Rosemarie Wilkie, Marie Williams.



### **Holy Father's Prayer Intention (May 2021)**

#### **The world of finance**

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

# *From the Pastor's Desk*

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter. This Easter season just seems to be flying right by! We continue to give thanks and praise to God for the gift of his son Jesus who has been raised from the dead! Our scripture readings for Mass today speak to us of the commandment of love. We must love one another because God is love. The Lord is very clear in today's gospel that we must love one another. We know that love is one of those words that can be easily said, but we are called to live the love that Christ is asking us to do. We are called to love one another in the same way that God loves us. It is difficult to love the person who has hurt us, it's human to feel that way. The Lord though wants us to go deeper, to let go of the anger or animosity we may have for someone and to embrace them with love and mercy. May these last days of the Easter season be moments of encounter with the Risen Lord as we continue to truly love one another.

## **Mother's Day**

Today is Mother's Day. On behalf of the entire parish staff here at St. Martin de Porres, I want to wish all of our mothers a very happy and blessed Mother's Day. During the month of May, we most particularly look to our Blessed Mother Mary and her example of motherhood. We will have a special blessing for all mothers at the end of all of the Masses this weekend. In addition, a small gift will be given to all mothers after all of the Masses. During the month of May, we will remember all mother's living and deceased. You are invited to use the Mother's Day envelopes located at the doors of the church. You may place the offering in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office. The names of all the mothers will be placed on the altars of each of the three churches for the entire month of May.

## **St. Peter Claver Church Raffle Fundraiser**

There is still plenty of time to purchase a raffle to win one of the five amazing prizes. Tickets are \$10 each and they can be purchased after all of the masses from any anniversary committee member or by coming to the parish office during business hours.

## **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. Our goal here at St. Martin de Porres is \$63,586. We have pledged thus far \$15,930. 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.

## **Seminarian Assigned to the Parish**

Just a few weeks ago, I was informed by St. Joseph's Seminary that Bishop DiMarzio has assigned a seminarian to our parish for his Pastoral Year. His name is Tobechukwu Tobe Jude Offiah. He is from Nigeria and is currently completing his third year of formation at the major seminary. He will arrive at the parish on August 15.

Have a blessed and peaceful week,  
Father Alonzo Q. Cox

**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](http://www.smdpp.org). The fee is \$55 per student. For more information, contact Ms. Michelle Joseph at [DRE101260@diobrook.org](mailto:DRE101260@diobrook.org).

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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 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.

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**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](http://www.pilgrimages.com/frmcmbrien), or call 206 Tours at 1-800-206-8687 ext. 1229 for more details.

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**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 21<sup>st</sup>, 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.

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**St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy**

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy offers a free UPK program. Apply on-line at [www.NYC.gov/prek](http://www.NYC.gov/prek), or call 718-778-3700. Select St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy as your **# 1 Choice**. Use school code: **17KAJW**

**The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving pow’r.**

**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/smdppbklyn.

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**St. Martin de Porres Parish  
Plant & Cake Sale**



On Saturday May, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and Sunday May 23<sup>rd</sup>, support our Stewardship Appeal by purchasing a potted plant and cupcake after Mass at your church location. The proceeds will help support the social outreach of the parish.

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**Penny Drive**

Once again, we are asking for your support, 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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**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL  
MOTHERS  
FROM**

**Father Cox, Father Franklin  
Deacon Rachid  
and the Pastoral Staff  
of St. Martin de Porres Parish**



**MOTHER'S DAY  
REMEMBRANCE**



It is not too late for the Mother's Day remembrance Mass. Offering envelopes are available in the church. You may return your offering in the collection or at the Parish Office. These intentions will remain in the sanctuary from Mother's Day until the end of the month.

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**The Sacrament of First Communion** for our parish children will be celebrated on today at the 10:15am Mass at Our Lady of Victory Church

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

Please return your filled **Lenten coin** cards during the Easter Season. We will **tithe 50% of the Lenten Quarters collections to St. Jude's Hospital for Children.** I hope you will prayerfully support this Lenten act of almsgiving

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**Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn Vehicle Donation Program** 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.

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**Legacy of Faith**

Remember our parish in your will. When you update your estate plans, please consider continuing your lifelong stewardship by leaving a bequest to **St. Martin de Porres Parish.** For more information, please call Fr. Alonzo Cox, 718-574-5772

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Annual Catholic  
Appeal 2021  
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Goal: \$63,586.

**Pledge: \$16,300 -Received \$7,593**

The 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the daily work of our Church throughout Brooklyn and Queens in ways no one parish can accomplish alone by supporting the following ministries: *Catholic Charities; Hospital, College and Prison Chaplains; Diocesan Vocations Office; Catholic Migration Services; Parish Assistance Program; Office of Faith Formation; Bishop Mugavero Residence for infirmed clergy; Futures in Education Scholarship Foundation*



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## Weekday Readings

**Sun.** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 PS; 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 1Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17

**Mon.** Acts 16:11-15 PS149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a& 9b Jn 15:26-16:4a

**Tue.** Acts16:22-34 ps:38 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 Jn 16:5-11

**Wed.** Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 ps:148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14 Jn 16:12-15

**Thur.** Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 16:15-20

**Fri.** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Ps:113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 Jn 15:9-17

**Sat** Acts 18:23-28 Ps: 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 Jn 16:23b-28

## *A Special Mother's Day Prayer*

*Mary, Mother of Jesus, we come before you on this Mother's Day to pray for our own special mothers, May they, like you, be especially blessed by God.*

*May they be gifted with goodness, grace, peace and contentment, wisdom, patience, abundant love and joy. Bless too, all of our mothers who now rest with you in the heart of God. May the memory of their love and care enrich and sustain us always. Gracious and loving Mary,*

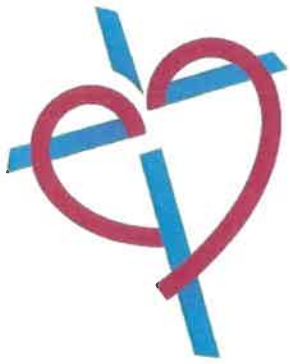
*Mother of Jesus,*

*Pray for all mothers the world over on this, their special day. Amen*

## *Welcome to our Church*

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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# Annual Catholic Appeal 2021

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

May 8, 2021

***I would like to thank all those generous individuals who made a pledge to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal during our In-Pew weekend at St. Martin de Porres Parish.***

If you were not able to make a pledge, we are asking each family to consider making a tax-deductible gift today.

It is important that our parish make its goal of \$63,586 in order to fulfill our mission and provide for all who depend on your generosity and good will.

Give your support today on behalf of St. Martin de Porres Parish online at [annualcatholicappeal.org](http://annualcatholicappeal.org) or text ACA to 917-336-1255 or call 718-965-7375 ext. 1602 and have a pledge card mailed to your home.

Suggested giving amounts:

- \$100 one-time gift
- \$200 pledge = \$25 a month
- \$350 pledge = \$10 a week
- \$1,200 pledge = \$5 a day

*Rev. Alonzo Q. Cox  
Pastor*