



## 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  
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

### 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*

## *FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK*

Dear Parishioners,

As we enter into the month of August, we are continuously reminded of God's love for us through the beauty of creation. I think that we can agree that the weather these last few days have been nothing less than spectacular. I do hope that each of you have been enjoying the beauty of God's creation these last few days. St. Paul tells us in today's second reading from his letter to the Ephesians that we must be renewed in the spirit. We are called to put away our old selves and former way of life and be renewed in Christ Jesus. Summer has always been a time of renewal and rejuvenation doing so always in Christ our Savior. Today, we begin to hear from St. John's Gospel's Bread of Life discourse. Throughout these next weeks, we hear Jesus tell us, "I am the bread of life". Jesus tells us that whoever comes to him will never hunger and will never thirst again. We as Catholics know that the Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith. We gather as a community to celebrate the great gift of the Eucharist as Jesus gives of himself for us. May these remaining weeks of summer allow us to live in the image and likeness of Christ the great High Priest.

### **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 \$42,040. 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.

### **St. Martin de Porres Parish School of Faith Formation & RCIA**

We will begin in-person classes for our school of faith formation this Fall. All students who are preparing to receive the sacraments of initiation must be registered in our school of faith formation. Registration forms can be filled out on our parish website at [www.smdpp.org](http://www.smdpp.org). Adults who are looking to join the Catholic Church or who need sacraments of initiation may begin the RCIA process this Fall. For inquires or questions, please contact Ms. Michelle Joseph.

### **Catholic Charities Pop-Up Food Distribution Day**

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Brooklyn will host a pop-up food distribution this Thursday August 5 at Our Lady of Victory Church beginning at 10:00AM. Any family from the parish or neighborhood that is in need of food are welcomed to receive food. Please be sure to spread the word to friends, family and neighbors. We are also in need of volunteers to help with the food distribution. If you are able to help, please call the parish office this week.

### **First Friday Devotions**

This Friday August 6 is the first Friday of the month. We will have Eucharistic Adoration following the 8:00AM Mass at Our Lady of Victory followed by the recitation of the rosary and Benediction. There will **not** be a first Friday Mass at St. Peter Claver Church this Friday .

Wishing you a peaceful and blessed week,  
Father Alonzo Q. Cox

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**Saturday: July 31<sup>st</sup>, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver vigil Mass:**

C.E. Junior Hammond – in memoriam  
*Req. by Viola Hargrave*

**Sunday: Aug 1<sup>st</sup>, 11:30am -St. Peter Claver**  
Virginia Cox – grace and healing

**7:30am-Our Lady of Victory Church**  
In honor of the Sacred Heart for Mary Carasco

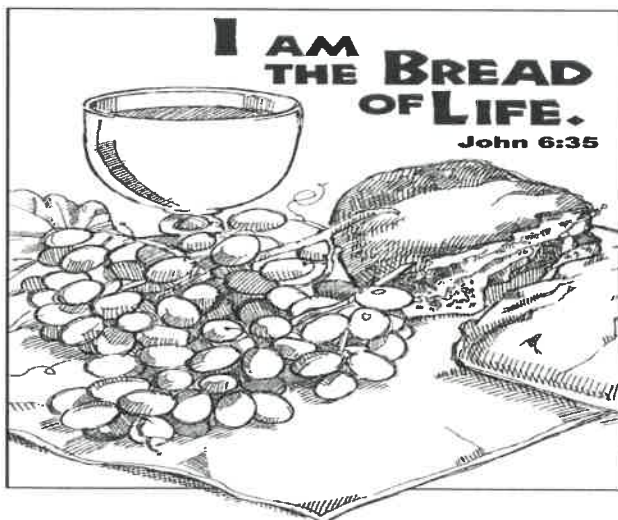
**10:15am-Our Lady of Victory Church**  
Winifred Stanislaus - in memoriam  
*Req. by Stanislaus family*

**10:15am - Donald Harris – in memoriam**  
*Req. by Harris family*

**9:00am – Holy Rosary Church**  
Linda Randall- birthday blessing  
*Req. by Randall family*

**Friday Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> -12noon- St. Peter Claver**  
Nadia Sadie Antione -grace and blessing on your journey to college  
*Req. by grandma*

**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
"I am the Bread of Life"



Church of Saint Leo the Great [www.stleothegreat.com/childrens-corner](http://www.stleothegreat.com/childrens-corner)

## ALTAR BREAD:

Cay Paras & Sid Garbanzos- birthday blessing

## ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

## ALTAR WINE:

## ALTAR CANDLE:

## ALTAR FLOWERS:

### *Pray for the Sick*

Dorothy Bailey, Burtel Batson, Terrance Baptiste, Sara Burnett, Felicia Casimiro, Eugenia Charles, Joyce Cochran, Virginia Cox, Olive DeRoach-Carter, Delva Ellis, Khalil Fletcher, Narcissus Frett-Moses, Charleen Ferguson, Patrick Gilbert, Veronica Gersi, Antonio Goodsell, Omar Mulgraze, 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, Juanita Vega-Perdomo, Vera Walker, Rosemarie Wilkie, Marie Williams.



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

#### **Social friendship**

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

**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



**Reminder ~ Virtual Rosary prayer line.** Msgr. Bernard Quinn's cause to sainthood. Every Friday – 6 pm: **Dial-in: - 1-720-650-3030** follow the instructions & put in the **ID code: 1151888.**



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.



**Sunday Mass Obligation**

While summer is a time for fun and relaxation, please remember that we still have an obligation to attend daily and weekly Mass. Please invite your family who has been away from the church to attend Mass with you.



**St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy**

**PRE-K FOR ALL**



Registration is now open for the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy 2021-2022 Academic Year. In addition to students from Pre-K to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, the Academy is also offering a 3-K program for children turning three this year. For more information, please contact the main office, (718) 778-3700 or visit us [www.sfabrooklyn.org](http://www.sfabrooklyn.org) 400 Lincoln Rd, Brooklyn, NY 11225.

*Let the church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved and forgiven.*

*Pope John Paul II*

**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.



**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.



Think it's too early to think about school supplies? Not for **Operation Back-to School Supplies**? We are accepting donations of School supplies to be distributed to the youths of the Parish on **August 22nd**. You may bring your donations to the rectory or leave them with an usher after the Masses at **HRC, SPC and OLV**. For more information, you may call the rectory at 718-574-5772.



**2021 Summer Appeal**

Fr. Romane St. Vil will be at our Parish for the annual missionary cooperative appeal and collection for the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. Fr. St. Vil will speak at all Masses. Maryknoll is the popular name for the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, which was founded in 1911 to follow Christ's command to preach the Gospel to all nations. They serve principally among the poor in places where Church is unknown or in great need.



If you have not pledged, please consider making your contribution to the **ACA**. There will be a renewed drive in the coming weeks to get more of our parishioners to pledge to the appeal. Your financial contribution will help us meet our goal to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. Pledge forms are available in the church.



**School of Faith Formation**

New registration and re-registration Faith Formation forms for the year 2021-2022 school year are available online. 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)



**MASS SCHEDULE UPDATE**

The 1st Friday Midday Mass at St. Peter Claver Church and 11:00am Tuesday Mass at Holy Rosary Church will be suspended during July and August.



During the months of July and August until Labor Day, the Rectory office **FRIDAY** hours will be from **8:30am to 12:00noon**.



**Weekday Readings**

**Sun.** Ex 16:2-4,12-15 Ps78:3-4,23-24,25,54 Eph 4:17, 20-24

**Mon.** Nm 11:4b-15 Ps.81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Mt 14:13-21

**Tue.** Nm 12: 1-13 Ps.51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13 Mt 14:22-36

**Wed.** Nm 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26a-29a, 34-35 Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23 Mt 15: 21-28

**Thur.** Nm 20:1-13 Ps.95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Mt 16:13-23

**Fri.** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps:97:1-2, 5-6, 9 2Pt 1:16-19 Mk 9:2-10

**Sat.** Dt 6:4-13 Ps18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47& 51 Mt 17:14-20



The Transfiguration of the Lord.



**129 Families Pledged: \$42,040**  
**Received: \$ 28,589.96**

**We have not yet made our goal**  
**And need your support!**  
**2021 Annual Catholic Appeal**

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

- *Or call the office for a pledge card today.*



***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***

**The Lord gave them bread, bread from heaven**

## We are Hungry for Jesus

The people in today's Gospel reading followed Jesus because He had given them bread. He told them that what they really needed was not just ordinary food, but the food that God would give them. And that was Jesus Himself, the Bread of Life!



Have you ever been hungry? You know you need food and you want to eat. But did you know that your soul can be hungry too? The food for our souls is Jesus. We receive Him in Holy Communion. Just like our bodies need food to stay alive, our souls need God.



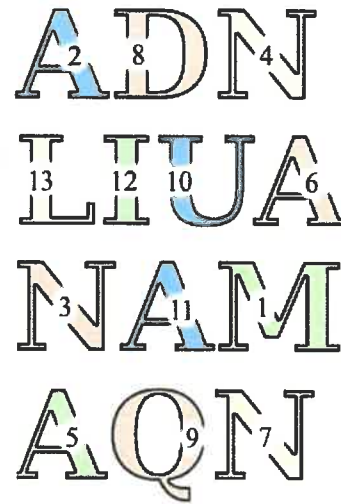
All your life there are things you want that you think will make you happy. Have you ever gotten something that you really wanted? It probably made you really happy for a while. But we can only be really satisfied if we have God living in us.

Answers to the front page: Manna and quail. Believe, sign, Jesus, Father, world, bread, life, we, God. Answers to word puzzle are: food, life, we, God.

[www.thekidsbulletin.com](http://www.thekidsbulletin.com)

## The Kids' Bulletin

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 1st, 2021



*Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15*

*In today's first reading the people of Israel were starving in the desert. When Moses prayed to God He sent them food. What was it? Sort out the letters by their numbers to find out!*

1 2 3 4 5    6 7 8    9 10 11 12 13

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