



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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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

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

What a beautiful celebration we had last weekend in honor of St. Peter Claver! It began with Mass at the co-cathedral of St. Joseph with Bishop DiMarzio and the unveiling of the new Brooklyn Chapter of the Knights and Ladies Auxiliary of St. Peter Claver. Last Sunday we gathered at St. Peter Claver Church for a liturgy filled with joy commemorating the centennial anniversary of the founding of St. Peter Claver Church. We continue to celebrate as a parish family this great milestone of proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ for over 100 years now. I take this opportunity to thank the anniversary committee, who has worked so hard in planning and organizing events to highlight this important moment in the life of St. Peter Claver Church. I want to thank our parish choir, under the direction of Ms. Joan Delahunt and Mr. Joseph Murray. They have worked tirelessly over these last few weeks to make our liturgies prayerful and beautiful.

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 \$44,860. 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. 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 me or Ms. Michelle Joseph our Director of Faith Formation.

COVID-19 Vaccination Letters of Exemption

Over the last few weeks, I have received several phone calls asking if any priest from our parish can write a letter of "religious exemption" from the COVID-19 vaccine. Many of these calls have come from Catholics within the neighborhood who do not necessarily attend our parish. The last phone call was a bit disparaging, as the person on the phone called me "unsympathetic" to his situation. The Catholic Church does not and will not offer a "religious exemption" to take the COVID-19 vaccine. The Church is encouraging everyone to take the vaccine, which has been deemed morally acceptable by the Holy See (the Vatican). In addition, the Holy Father himself has asked everyone to get vaccinated, out of love for our brothers and sisters. Of course, anyone can make a moral decision to get vaccinated or not. We continue to encourage social distancing and masks in church. I just want to be clear that no Catholic priest will or should be writing letters of "religious exemption".

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

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday: Sept. 18th, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver vigil Mass:

Christine & Travis Dorville - birthday blessings

Sunday: Sept. 19th. 11:30am -St. Peter Claver Milton Richard – in memoriam

Req. by Catherine Joseph

7:30am-Our Lady of Victory Church

Gabriel Roberts – birthday blessing

Req. by Julienne & Linley Roberts

10:15am-Our Lady of Victory Church

Missionaries of Charity – in thanksgiving

Req. by Rachele Sannino

10:15am: Maria Louiza Nino –

Req. by Kimathi

9:00am – Holy Rosary Church

Francis T. Posluzny, Jr. in memoriam

Req. by Gayle Liddle

Wednesday: Sept. 22nd, 12noon -SPC

Terrance, Christopher & Joshua -birthday blessing

Req. by Paul family

Thursday: Sept. 23rd, 8am -OLV

Marjorie Atkinson – in memoriam

Friday: Sept. 24th, 8am -OLV

James & Rachel Ryan & James Ryan Jr. -in memoriam

Req. by Mary Jane Ryan

ALTAR BREAD:

Virginia Cox – grace and healing

ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

ALTAR CANDLE:

Christine & Travis Dorville -grace & blessings on their birthday

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, Cameron Dixon, Khalil Fletcher, Narcissus Frett-Moses, Charleen Ferguson, Patrick Gilbert, Veronica Gersi, Antonio Goodsell, Omar Mulgraze, Christabel Gomes, Maria Hernandez, Ian Kellman, Judy Joseph-Jenkins, Gwendolyn Knight, Adolph Lauriano, Jacques Maurice, Leslie McFarlane, Shawn Paul, Brian Randall, Noreen Simonette, Patricia Solartes, Marilyn Sylvester, Beverley Thompson, Vera Walker, Rosemarie Wilkie, Marie Williams.



Holy Father's Prayer Intention (September 2021)

An environmentally sustainable lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

**Catechetical
Sunday**
"Stay with Us"

ESTABLISHED





Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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 Intentions

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, 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 8th 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 400 Lincoln Rd, Brooklyn, NY 11225.

Kind words are short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.

Mother Teresa

The Lord is Kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion



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.



New registration and re-registration Faith Formation forms for the year 2021-2022 school year are available online. New students beginning in the fall must also present a copy of their Baptismal Certificates. You may 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.



Feast of the Lady of the Rosary

We will observe the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, the patronal Feast of Holy Rosary Church, on Sunday, October 3rd, 2021. The Rosary will be prayed, that day, at 8:30AM, followed by 9 AM Mass at HRC. Light refreshments will be served in the lower church after Mass. All are invited for this special celebration of Marian devotion and fellowship.



FEAST OF ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

St. Martin de Porres Feast Day ONE Parish Mass at Our Lady of Church Sunday, November 14th at 10:30AM.

*Save
the
Date*

St. Regis High School

Regis High School Regis High School, an all-scholarship Jesuit school for talented and gifted Catholic boys, invites students and their parents, to its Brooklyn Admission Information Night., Monday, October 11th, from 1pm -4pm. For more information, please contact Eric DiMichele at edimichele@regis.org or call 212-288-1100 Ext. 2057.



Have you registered as a parishioner at Our Lady of Victory, St. Peter Claver or Holy Rosary Church? If you call St. Martin de Porres Parish your home and attend Mass regularly, please register as a parishioner. This will allow the parish to assist you when you or a family member seek a sacrament, need a letter of good standing, or want to serve as a godparent. It will also help us communicate with you so that you can be up to date on what is going on and how you'd like to be involved at St. Martin de Porres Parish. Thank you.



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.



Blessing of the Animals Service

The Annual Blessing of the Animals Service will take place on Saturday, October 3rd, 2021, 2:30PM at St. Peter Claver Church, in the Jefferson Avenue parking lot. Parishioners and neighbors are invited to bring their four-legged friends and other household pets to receive the blessing of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron of the poor and ecology. For more information, please contact the parish office.



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

Weekday Readings

Sun. Wis 2:12, 17-20 Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6& 8, Jas 3:16-4:3 Mk 9:30-37

Mon. Ezz 1:1-6 Ps. 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 Lk 8:16-18

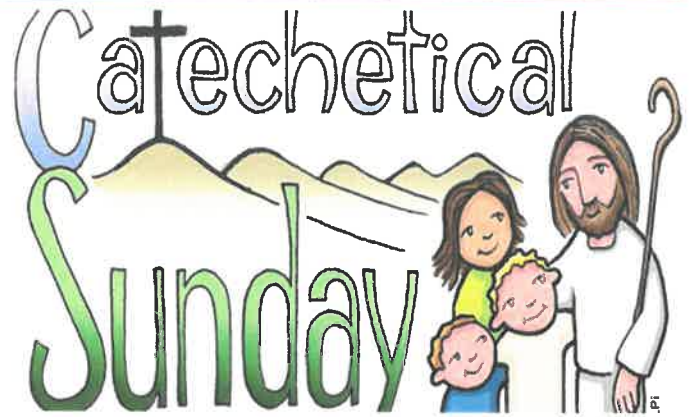
Tues. Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps.19:2-3, 4-5 Mt 9:9-13

Wed. Ezz 9:5-9 Tobit 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8

Thurs. Hg1:1-8 Ps.149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b Lk 9:7-9

Fri. Hg 2:1-9 Ps.43:1, 2, 3, 4 Lk 9:18-22

Sat. Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 Lk 9:43b-45



STAY WITH US



Annual Catholic Appeal 2021
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Parish Goal: \$63,586

138 Families Pledged - \$44,860

Received - \$.34,503.88

We thank you for your support and generosity. Remember, anything that we make over the goal comes directly back to the parish. Together, let us "Answer the Call" to assist the Diocese and our parish. There are pledge forms at each of the three churches.

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KIDS CORNER

Who is the Greatest?



In the Gospel reading today the disciples were arguing with each other about who was the greatest. Jesus knew what they were talking about, so He told them that whoever wanted to be great must serve others.

Can you think of anyone who serves you? What about your parents? Priests, teachers and doctors also serve us. How can you serve others?



What would you like to do when you grow up? How will you be able to serve people then?



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The Kids' Bulletin

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 19th, 2021

What did Jesus say to the apostles after He told them that anyone who wanted to be great must be the servant?

Look at this page in the mirror to find out!

Whoever receives one

such child in my

name receives

me; and who-

ever receives

me, receives

not me but

him who

sents me.



Mark 9:30-37

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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Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall



St. Peter Claver Lower Church Hall

