



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,

Today is the first Sunday of Advent. Advent is my favorite liturgical season, although it is the shortest, lasting only 4 weeks. The scripture passages that we hear at Mass during this season is filled with beauty. Today we hear from the prophet Jeremiah that the Lord will fulfill the promises made to the house of Israel. The prophet foretells the coming of Jesus, as we prepare to celebrate his birth in just 4 weeks. These next few weeks are meant to be moments of deep spiritual preparation for the coming of the Christ child. It can be very easy to jump right in to the hustle and bustle of Christmas, but we are asked to take these 4 weeks of Advent in preparing ourselves to welcome Christ the Lord. Advent is also filled with beautiful hymns and poetry that comes from the prophet Isaiah. May these weeks of Advent be a time of spiritual rejuvenation as we prepare to celebrate the birth of the Savior, Jesus Christ the Lord.

Advent Vespers and Eucharistic Adoration

As is the custom here at St. Martin de Porres, we will have Eucharistic Adoration with Vespers each Tuesday during Advent beginning this Tuesday, November 30. Vespers will take place at Our Lady of Victory Church starting at 7:30PM. The service will be livestreamed, but all are welcomed to join us for prayer.

Most Reverend Robert J. Brennan, Eighth Bishop of Brooklyn

This Tuesday, November 30, Bishop Robert Brennan will be installed as the eighth Bishop of the Diocese of Brooklyn. In your kindness, I ask you to pray for Bishop Brennan this week as he begins his new ministry as Bishop here in Brooklyn and Queens. As you know, at every Mass, we pray for by name, Francis our Pope and now as of Tuesday, Robert our Bishop.

First Friday Devotions

This Friday, December 3rd is the first Friday of the month. First Friday devotions will be held at Our Lady of Victory Church, following the 8:00AM Mass with Eucharistic Adoration and the recitation of the rosary for life followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be a First Friday Mass celebrated at 12:00Noon at St. Peter Claver Church. All are welcomed to join us for prayer.

Allow me to end with one of my favorite Advent hymns, which depicts the great beauty of this most sacred season:

O come divine Messiah, the world in silence waits the day when hope shall sing its triumph and sadness flee away. Dear Savior haste, come, come to earth. Dispel the night and show your face and bid us hail the dawn of grace. O come divine Messiah, the world in silence waits the day, when hope shall sing its triumph and sadness flee away.

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

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday: Nov. 27^h, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver vigil Mass:

Kristoffer Carter – in memoriam
Req. by Carter family

Sunday: Nov. 28th, 11:30am -St. Peter Claver Marie Koulefionou & Jeannot Ayao Afanoukoe - in memoriam

Req. by G. Sedjro

7:30am-Our Lady of Victory Church

Denille, Phillip & Soudine– in thanksgiving
Req. by Mary Carasco

10:15am-Our Lady of Victory Church

Steve Glodom – health and healing

10:15am Olivia Jones – Spirit growth

9:00-am – Holy Rosary Church

Leone Henderson – in memoriam

Tuesday: Nov. 30th, 8am Our Lady of Victory

Petula Bernard – birthday blessing
Req. by Patricia Wylie

Wednesday: Dec. 1st 8am Our Lady of Victory

Gerry Paras – in memoriam
Req. by Garbanzos family

Thursday: Dec. 2nd, 8am Our Lady of Victory

Maura Danzie – in thanksgiving to God

Friday: Dec. 3rd, 8am Our Lady of Victory

Archie Brown and Charles Shaw – in memoriam
Marina Brown & family



ALTAR BREAD:

Edith Williams – in memoriam
Req. by Janice Boyce

ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

ALTAR CANDLE:

Virginia Cox – grace and healing

ALTAR CANDLE:

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Pray for the Sick

Dorothy Bailey, Burtel Batson, Terrance Baptiste, Sara Burnett, Felicia Casimiro, Eugenia Charles, Joyce Cochran, Angelina Cooper, Virginia Cox, Olive DeRoach-Carter, Cameron Dixon, Delva Ellis, Khalil Fletcher, Narcissus Frett-Moses, Charleen Ferguson, Patrick Gilbert, Veronica Gersi, Antonio Goodsell, Omar Mulgraze, Christabel Gomes, Maria Hernandez, Denise Hughes, Judy Joseph-Jenkins, Ian Kellman, 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 (NOVEMBER 2021)

People who suffer from depression
We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.



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 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 2022 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.



Parish Ministry

There are many ministries and groups for children & adults at St. Martin de Porres: **Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Choir, Religious Education, Health, and much more.** We urge active parishioners, **Find one! Join one! Start One!**



Consider Leaving a Legacy of Faith

Remember Our Parish in Your Will When you next update your estate plans, please consider continuing your lifelong stewardship by leaving a bequest to St. Martin de Porres Parish. For more information, please see Fr. Alonzo Cox.

Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.



School of Faith Formation

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.



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy



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.



SMDPP Women's Day Committee Raffle

The Women's Day Committee is holding a raffle fundraiser for their Annual Women's Day Luncheon Celebration. Raffle tickets are available for purchase at **\$5 per ticket**. Prizes are, **Ninja Foodie, Ring Door Bell** and a **Bottle of White Hennessy**. Drawing will take place on Sunday, March 13th 2022 at the Women's Day Luncheon. To purchase tickets, please see committee members: Maureen Simonette, Wilhelmina Whyte-Randall, Jennifer Parkinson-Gilbert, Michelle Joseph & Doreen Allman. Please support this fundraiser.

Welcome to our Church

Advent Vespers

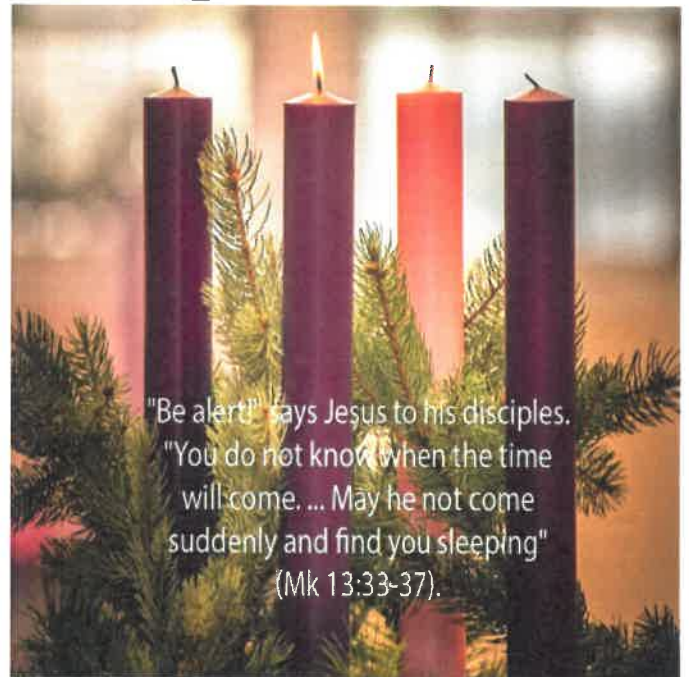
Our custom of Advent vespers will continue this year. All are invited to pray vespers with the community on the Tuesdays of Advent. The presider at this Vespers will be Msgr. Guy Masse. The second Tuesday vespers will take place on Dec. 7th, at 7:30PM at Our Lady of Victory Church. It will also be livestreamed.



The **Poinsettias** that will decorate our church throughout the Christmas Season may be donated. You may wish to donate **IN MEMORY OF** or **IN HONOR OF** a loved one. Christmas flower donation envelopes are available in the church. Please return your offering in the collection or at the Parish Office.



Advent



The first candle, **symbolizes hope**. It is sometimes called the "Prophecy Candle" in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Messiah.

Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Weekday Readings

Sun. Jer 33:14-16 Jer 33:14-16 1 Thes 3:12—
4:2 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Mon Is 2:1-5 Ps: 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9 Mt
8:5-11

Tues. Rom 10:9-18 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Mt 4:18-22

Wed. Is 25:6-10a Ps. 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Mt 15:29-
37

Thurs. Is 26:1-6 Ps. 118:1 & 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Fri. Is 29:17-24 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Mt 9:27-31

Sat. Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Ps. 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8



Zeta Phi Beta, Sorority, Inc. and the March of Dimes are partnering to spread the word about Prematurity Awareness. More than 450,000 babies are born too soon in our country each year. These tiny babies often face serious problems. Together we can help more babies be born healthy and strong, by spreading awareness or contributing to the March of Dimes



*Save
The Date*

Advent Lessons and Carols

St. Martin de Porres Parish **Annual Service of Lessons and Carols** on Friday, December 17th, 7pm, at St. Peter Claver Church. Our choir, under the direction of Mr. Joseph Murray and Ms. Joan Delahunt, will lead us in the time-honored hymnody of Christmas.



**LESSONS
and
CAROLS**

*Light a candle Jesus
is coming*

**St. Martin de Porres Parish
Black Cake Raffle & Poinsettia.**



Our annual Christmas Black Cake raffle and Poinsettia plant sale will take place on Sunday December 12th, immediately after the 10:15am Mass at OLV Church. Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each or call

the rectory office at 718-574-5772.



**Annual Catholic
Appeal 2021**
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Parish Goal: \$63,586

149 Families Pledged - \$47,760

Received - \$40,465.59

Annual Catholic Appeal. Thank you for helping us come ever so close in reaching our parish goal. We are not quite there yet. There is still an opportunity to make a pledge and payment. **Remember**, anything that we make over the goal comes directly back to the parish. Thank you.



**SUPPORT OUR PARISH
CAKE SALE**



Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

**THE ADVENT WREATH - MAKE READY THE
WAY OF THE LORD**



The **first candle** symbolizes **hope** and is called the "Prophet's Candle." The prophets of the Old Testament, especially Isaiah, waited in hope for the Messiah's arrival. The purple color symbolizes royalty, repentance, and fasting.

- The **second candle** represents **faith** and is called "Bethlehem's Candle." Micah had foretold that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem, which is also the birthplace of King David. The second candle is also purple to symbolism preparation for the coming king.
- The **third candle** symbolizes **joy** and is called the "Shepherd's Candle." To the shepherd's great joy, the angels announced that Jesus came for humble, unimportant people like them, too. In liturgy, the color rose signifies joy. This candle is colored pink to represent joyfulness and rejoicing.
- The **fourth candle** represents **peace** and is called the "Angel's Candle." The angels announced that Jesus came to bring peace--He came to bring people close to God and to each other again. This color is also purple to represent the culmination of love through the Messiah.

The (optional) **fifth candle** represents **light and purity** and is called "Christ's candle." It is placed in the middle and is lit on Christmas Day. This candle is white to represent pure light and victory.

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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Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall



St. Peter Claver Lower Church Hall