



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH, 2022

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: 10:00am. - 5:00pm.
Tuesday to Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm
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



ST PETER CLAVER CHURCH
in
THE PARISH OF ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

WELCOME

BISHOP ROBERT BRENNAN

AS WE CELEBRATE THE JOY OF
THE 100th ANNIVERSARY OF
ST. PETER CLAVER

Celebrating 100 Years of Black Catholics in Christ

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to thank all of you who came out for the Diocesan celebration for Black History Month with His Eminence, Wilton Cardinal Gregory, Archbishop of Washington DC. It was a beautiful celebration filled with the Holy Spirit. We had almost 900 people in attendance! As you know, we work in collaboration with the Diocese of Rockville Centre each year. I thank my counterpart in the Diocese of Rockville Centre, Mrs. Darcel Whitten-Wilamowski for her close collaboration and most especially for her work as Director of the Sister Thea Bowman Gospel Choir. It was truly a momentous and historic moment for both Brooklyn and Rockville Centre to welcome the first African American Cardinal of the Roman Catholic Church for Black History Month.

This weekend we will have another momentous moment here at St. Martin de Porres Parish as we welcome the new Bishop of Brooklyn, Bishop Robert Brennan to St. Peter Claver Church. Almost two years ago, we began the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the establishment of St. Peter Claver Church. We had several events planned, but due to the pandemic, many of those plans had to be postponed. I am so happy that we can hold this special Mass, celebrating the tremendous history of St. Peter Claver Church and its bright future. Bishop Brennan will celebrate the 11:30AM Mass and will bless the newly renovated St. Therese of Lisieux shrine along with the new pipe organ console and choir pews. Immediately following Mass, there will be a reception in Monsignor Rodgers Hall. All are welcomed to join us and to formally meet our new Bishop as he is eager to meet all of you.

Ash Wednesday & Stations of the Cross

This Wednesday, March 2 is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the season of Lent. Mass will be celebrated at 8:00AM at Our Lady of Victory Church, 12:00Noon at St. Peter Claver Church and 7:30PM at Our Lady of Victory Church. There will be a prayer service with distribution of ashes at 11:00AM at Holy Rosary Church and 12:00Noon at Our Lady of Victory Church. We will also continue with the custom of praying the stations of the cross each Friday evening at 7:00PM at the three churches.

Parish Fish Fry Fundraiser

We will hold our annual fish fry fundraiser this Friday, March 5. Fish dinners include potato salad, coleslaw and a beverage. Pre-Orders are \$15, and orders placed on March 5 are \$20.

First Friday Devotions

This Friday, March 5 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 exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the recitation of the rosary for life and Benediction. There will also be a first Friday Mass held at St. Peter Claver Church. All are welcomed to join us for prayer.

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

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday: Feb. 26th, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver vigil Mass:
Souls in Purgatory

Sunday: Feb. 27th, 11:30am -St. Peter Claver
For the people of the Parish

7:30am-Our Lady of Victory Church
Virginia Cox – grace and healing

10:15am- Our Lady of Victory Church
Gorvin Mitchell – In memoriam, 2nd Anniv.
Req. by Mitchell family

10:15am- Our Lady of Victory Church
Charles Shaw & Vere Skepple- in memoriam
Req. by Marina Brown & Family.

9:00am- Holy Rosary Church
Horace Greene – in memoriam
Req. by Cora & Chris Greene

Tues: Mar. 1st, 8am Our Lady of Victory
Murray Lawrence – Grace and deliverance

Wed: Mar. 2nd, 12noon St. Peter Claver
Sheila Antoine & family– God’s grace & gratitude.

TODAY’S GOSPEL READING LUKE:6 39-45

“A GOOD TREE DOES NOT BEAR ROTTEN FRUIT, NOR DOES A ROTTEN TREE BEAR GOOD FRUIT. FOR EVERY TREE IS KNOWN BY ITS OWN FRUIT.”

ALTAR BREAD:

ALTAR WINE:

ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

ALTAR CANDLE:

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Pray for the Sick

Dorothy Bailey, Melona Barber, Burtel Batson, Terrance Baptiste, Felicia Casimiro, Eugene Charles, Joyce Cochran, Angelina Cooper, Virginia Cox, Olive DeRoach-Carter, Delva Ellis, Khalil Fletcher, Patrick Gilbert, Veronica Gersi, Antonio Goodsell, 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, Shirley Skeete, Marilyn Sylvester, Patricia Sylvester, Beverley Thompson, Vera Walker, Rosemarie Wilkie, Marie Williams.



**Holy Father’s Prayer Intention
February 2022)**

For religious sisters and consecrated women

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.



**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.



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



Parish Ministry

There are many ministries and groups for children & adults at St. Martin de Porres: **Altar Servers, Lectors, Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, 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.



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy. Registration is now open for the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy 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 virtual presentation of women of the Church on Sunday, March 13th, 2022. This year's theme, "**The Way Forward-Stronger in Faith, Stronger in Love.**" Raffle tickets are available for purchase at **\$5 per ticket**. Prizes are, **Ninja Foodie**, Raffle drawing will take place on that day after the 11:30am Mass. To purchase tickets, please see committee members: Maureen Simonette, Wilhelmina Whyte-Randall, Jennifer Parkinson-Gilbert, Michelle Joseph & Doreen Allman. Please support this fundraiser.



2021 Tax Contribution Letter

Dear Parishioners: If you would like to receive your 2021 church contribution tax letter, you may call the Parish Office between the hours of 9:00am and 4:00pm Tues. thru Fri. **PLEASE NOTE:** Tax Statements will be processed upon your request only. Parishioners on Give Central can retrieve their year-end tax letter by logging into your Give Central account with your user name and password. On your profile page download your tax letter. Any questions please call the Parish Office 718-574-5772.



It is with great joy that we welcome Bishop Brennan to our Parish. He will celebrate the Mass for the 100th Anniversary Celebration of St. Peter Claver Church on February 27th at 11:30AM. A light reception will be held immediately after the Mass in the Msgr. Rodgers Hall.



The Word Among US. As we begin to observe this season of repentance and reflection, join your fellow parishioners in reading your daily Scripture and devotionals from.

**The Word Among Us.
"Remain in Me."**



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.



Ash Wednesday, March 2nd, marks the beginning of the Lenten season, when we recall Christ's saving Passion and Death. On that day, we receive ashes recalling not only our mortal frailty, but our dependence on God. Ashes will be distributed at all Masses. The schedule of Ash Wednesday services is as follows:

8am Mass, Our Lady of Victory

11am Service, Holy Rosary

12noon Service, Our Lady of Victory

12noon Mass, St. Peter Claver

7: 30pm Mass, Our Lady of Victory

"There is no cross to bear that Christ has not already born for us, and does not now bear with us."

St. John Paul II

The Lord is kind and merciful.

Weekday Readings

Sun. Sir 27:4-7 Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 1 Cor 15:54-58 Lk 6:39-45

Mon. 1Pt 1:3-9 Ps.111:1-2, 5-6, 9 &10c Mk 10:17-27

Tues. 1Pt 1:10-16 Ps.98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Mk 10:28-31

Wed. Jl 2:12-18 Ps. 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 &172 Cor 5:20—6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thurs. Dt 30:15-20 Ps. 1:1-2, 3, 4& 6 Lk 9:22-25

Fri. Is 58:1-9a Ps.51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 Mt 9:14-15

Sat Is 58:9b-14 Ps. 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Lk 5:27-32

The Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn Vehicle Donation Program will accept donations of used vehicles in any condition. For each car, truck or van running or not the Associated Vincentian Charities will give back to your Parish \$75/\$200 per vehicle. To donate, call Vincentian Charities at 718-491-2525 or SDVAUTO-Brooklynqueens.org



Do you need a Letter of Sponsorship?

Then, be an Active Parishioner. To receive a letter of Sponsorship for Baptism or Confirmation from the Pastor, one has to be an active parishioner of this parish for at least six months, received the Sacraments of Initiation, and (if married) be in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church.

Next Week's Second Collection

The **Black Indian Mission Collection** will be used to support the Church's concern for evangelizing the Black and Indian peoples of the United States. The funds are distributed as grants to dioceses throughout the United States, supporting and strengthening evangelization programs which otherwise would cease. Please be generous.



Catholic Charities Brooklyn and Queens

Day of Creativity!

Tuesday, March 15TH, 10:30AM

Holy Rosary Church

Join us at our Sip and Paint

- * Relaxation and stress management tips
- * Resources and information on COVID-19
 - * SNAP Benefits * Health Insurance
 - * Giveaways, Raffles and much more!

SPACE IS LIMITED!

Registration is required.

A face mask is required.

Event is co-sponsored by

Catholic Charities Brooklyn & Queens Community Outreach Services and Empire Blue Cross/Blue Shield.



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Let today be the day you give up who you've been for you who can become.

Blessed Ash Wednesday

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718-771-2305 or e-mail him at ggc4729@gmail.com



Holy Rosary Lower Church Hall



Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall



St. Peter Claver Lower Church Hall