



# Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6<sup>TH</sup>, 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

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,

Today we as a parish community commemorate Black History Month. Throughout the month of February, we as a nation celebrate Black History Month. It is an opportunity to reflect upon the tremendous impact that Black Americans have made and continue to make on our society. We look to a bright future filled with hope, love and perseverance in continuing the mission of living in peace and harmony. It is also an opportunity to look to the past, never forgetting that many of our Black brothers and sisters died, to the point of shedding their blood, fighting for peace and equality. Here at St. Martin de Porres parish we will celebrate with a special Mass that will take place today, Sunday February 6 at Holy Rosary Church at 11:00AM. Please note that there will not be a 10:15AM Mass at Our Lady of Victory Church or a 11:30AM Mass at St. Peter Claver Church. There will be a 7:30AM Mass at Our Lady of Victory. Please take note of the Mass time changes for this weekend only. We are happy to welcome Father Mario Powell S.J. as the Main Celebrant and Homilist. Father Powell is the President of Brooklyn Jesuit Prep Academy in Brooklyn. Immediately after Mass, all are welcomed for a reception in the lower hall of Holy Rosary Church.

### **Diocese of Brooklyn Black History Month Mass of Thanksgiving**

As you all know, I serve as the Vicar for the Vicariate for Black Catholic Concerns for the Diocese of Brooklyn. Each year, the Diocese of Brooklyn sponsors a special Mass in Thanksgiving for Black History Month. This year's Mass will take place on Sunday, February 20 at Immaculate Conception Parish in Jamaica, Queens beginning at 4:00PM. His Eminence, Wilton Cardinal Gregory, Archbishop of Washington DC will be the Main Celebrant and Homilist. Cardinal Gregory is the first African American Cardinal of the Roman Catholic Church. All of you are welcomed to join us for this most historic Mass and celebration.

### **Synod Listening Session Report**

I want to thank all of you for participating in our parish synod listening sessions that were held two weeks ago. I understand that a great deal of discussion went into making those sessions fruitful. The second part of these sessions will be bringing a summary to Bishop Brennan. To prepare for that, Bishop Brennan will celebrate a Deanery Mass this Thursday, February 10 at St. Francis of Assisi- St. Blaise Church in Crown Heights beginning at 7:00PM. All parishioners are welcomed to attend this Mass with Bishop Brennan as he discusses the importance of this synod. The address to St. Francis of Assisi parish is posted in this week's bulletin. We hope that many of you will be able to join us.

### **Bishop Robert Brennan Official Parish Visit**

It is with great joy that we will welcome Bishop Robert Brennan, the new Bishop of Brooklyn to our parish community. Bishop Brennan will celebrate the 11:30AM Mass at St. Peter Claver Church on Sunday, February 27. At that Mass, Bishop Brennan will bless the new organ console, the newly renovated shrine to St. Therese of Lisieux and the newly refurbished choir pews. There will be a reception to follow in Msgr. Rodgers Hall.

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

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**Saturday: Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver vigil Mass:**

For the souls in Purgatory

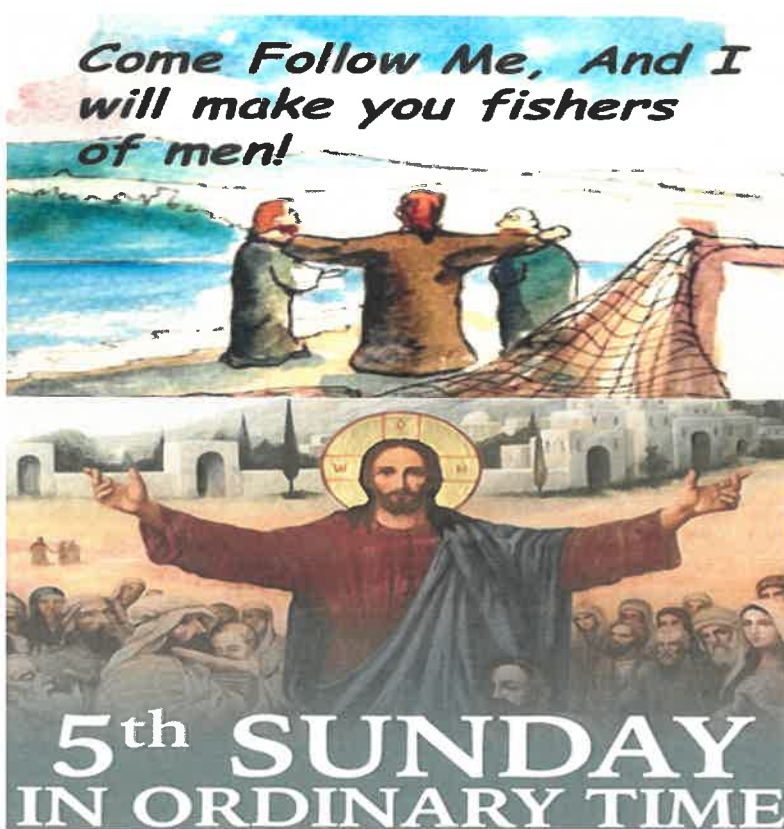
**7:30am-Our Lady of Victory Church**  
Winifred West – in memoriam

**11:00am- Holy Rosary Church**  
Solomon Liebowitz – in memoriam  
*Req. by Marguerita Fletcher*

**11:00am- Holy Rosary Church**  
For the repose of the soul of Narcissus Frett- Moses

**Monday: Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 8am Our Lady of Victory**  
Archie Brown – birthday blessing & healing

**Friday: Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 8am Our Lady of Victory**  
Jarrel Hutchings – birthday blessing  
*Req. by Janice Boyce*



## ALTAR BREAD:

Travis & Johmani – God's grace and blessings

*Req by Dorville family*

## ALTAR WINE:

Travis & Johmani – God's grace and blessings

*Req by Dorville family*

## 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, Eugenia Charles, Joyce Cochran, Angelina Cooper, Virginia Cox, Olive DeRoach-Carter, Delva Ellis, Khalil Fletcher, Charleen Ferguson, 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

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**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](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)



**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 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.



**In the sight of the Angels I will sign your praises Lord.**

**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 13<sup>th</sup> 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.



**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 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of St. Peter Claver Church on February 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:30AM. A light reception will be held immediately after the Mass in the Msgr. Rodgers Hall.



**Marriage Encounter 2022**

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**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

**St. Martin de Porres Parish  
Black History Month Mass/Celebration**

**Today Sunday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>**

at 11am at Holy Rosary Church.

**Celebrant/Homilist:** Fr. Mario Powell,  
Principal of the Brooklyn Jesuit School.

There will be fellowship in the lower church afterwards.

*\*Movie Night will occur after the 5:00PM Mass on February 5<sup>th</sup> and the 26<sup>th</sup>.*



**VICARIATE OF BLACK CATHOLIC CONCERNS: INVITES YOU TO**

**The Black History Month**

Mass of Thanksgiving,

The Immaculate Conception Church

86-45 Edgerton Blvd Jamaica, NY 11432

**Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022.**

**Time: 4:00pm.**

**Dress in your Cultural Attire.**

**Celebrant/Homilist:**

**His Eminence Wilton Gregory  
Archbishop of Washington D.C.**



St. Martin de Porres Parish Annual Lenten Fish Fry Fundraiser on Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022. (Pre-Orders Only) **Fish dinners** (Fry, Fish, *Potato Salad, Cole Slaw Soda*) will be available for **\*\*pick-up from 1:00pm to 5:45 pm. Cost per dinner is \$15.00.** **\*\*Pre Orders** should be placed no later than 11am on Mar. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

*When people tell me nothing has changed, I say come walk in my shoes and I will show you change..*

*Rep. John Lewis*

**In the sight of the Angels I will sign your praises Lord.**

**Weekday Readings**

**Sun.** Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5,7-8  
1 Cor 15:1-11 Lk 5:1-11

**Mon.** 1Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13.Ps.132:6-7, 8-10 Mk 6:53-56

**Tues.** 1Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 Ps.84:3, 4, 5& 10, 11 Mk 7:1-13

**Wed.** 1Kgs 10:1-10 Ps.37:5-6, 30-31, 39-4 Mk 7:14-23

**Thurs.** 1Kgs 11:4-13 Ps. 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 & 40 Mk 7:24-30

**Fri** 1Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19 Ps. 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15 Mk 7:31-37

**Sat.** 1Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34 Ps106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22 Mk 8:1-10

**Catholic Charities**

**Community Health Event**

Catholic Charities of Brooklyn & Queens will host a **Community Health Event** on Thursday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, at Holy Rosary Church, 139 Chauncey Street, beginning at 10:30AM until 1:00PM. Interactive Health & Wellness Stations featuring: COVID-19 safety, testing, vaccinations, at-home test kits, SNAP benefits, screenings and a bag of non-perishable food items, while supplies last. This event is opened to all parishioners and people in the community.



**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](http://SDVAUTO-Brooklynqueens.org)



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**Rest in Peace**

**Mrs. Narcissus Frett-Moses**

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let the perpetual light shine upon her!  
May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



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](mailto:info@smdpp.org) /visit us at [www.smdpp.org](http://www.smdpp.org) or simply fill out this form, and drop it in the collection basket.

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**Celebrating  
Black History  
Month**

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# OUR HISTORY

**RUBY DEE**  
Born in Chicago in 1924, actress Ruby Dee grew up in Harlem and joined the renowned Negro Theatre in 1941. She is well known for collaborations with her husband, actor Ossie Davis. Dee's film career peaked in the 1960s and includes 1969's *The Jackie Robinson Story*, 1971's *A Raisin in the Sun* and 1989's *The Signifying Thing*. In 2008, Dee received her first Oscar nomination for playing Mama Tanya in the hit film *American Gangster*, she died on June 11, 2014.

**BARACK OBAMA**  
Born on August 4, 1961, in Honolulu, Hawaii, Barack Obama is the 44th and current president of the United States. He was a civil rights lawyer and headed Obama's primary 2 political career. He was elected to the United States Senate in 1996, serving from 1997 to 2004. He was elected as the U.S. president in 2008, and was re-elected in 2012 against Republican challenger Mitt Romney. Obama continues to work on policy change in response to the issue of health care and environmental issues.

**GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER**  
He is best known for his work in botany, agriculture, and soil science. He was the first African American to receive a Ph.D. from Iowa State University in 1896. He is remembered for his work in promoting crop rotation and soil conservation, which helped to improve the productivity of the land in the South and Midwest.

**OPRAH WINFREY**  
She is one of the most powerful African American women in America. She is a media mogul, philanthropist, and actress. She is best known for her talk show, *Oprah Winfrey Show*, which has been the highest-rated daytime talk show in the United States since 1986. She is also a successful businesswoman and has founded several companies, including Harcourt Health Sciences, which she sold to Pearson Education in 2004.

**SHIRLEY CHISOLM**  
Born in Weymouth, New York, in 1924, Shirley Chisholm is best known for becoming the first Black woman to represent the United States in Congress. She served in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1969 to 1981. She was the first African American woman to run for the U.S. Presidency in 1972. She was also the first African American woman to be elected to the U.S. House of Representatives.

**MALCOLM X**  
Born on May 19, 1925, in Omaha, Nebraska, Malcolm X was a prominent Black Nationalist leader who served as a spokesman for the Nation of Islam during the 1950s and 60s. Due largely to his efforts, the Nation of Islam grew from a mere 400 members at the time he was released from prison in 1952 to 65,000 members by 1967. Intelligent, persuasive and a naturally gifted and imaginative orator, Malcolm X, subjected blacks to one of the most brutal and "by any means necessary" including violence, the Black Muslim leader joined with the young Martin Luther King Jr. on February 21, 1965, at the Audubon Ballroom in Manhattan, where he had been preparing to deliver a speech.

**MARCUS GARVEY**  
Born in Barboursville, West Virginia, Garvey was an orator, a leader of the Black Nationalist and Pan-Africanist movements. He was the first African American to be elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. He was also the first African American to be elected to the U.S. Senate. He was a prominent leader of the Black Nationalist movement and is remembered for his work in promoting the idea of a Black nation in Africa.

**MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE**  
Born on July 10, 1875, in Mendenhall, South Carolina, Mary McLeod Bethune was a civil rights leader and educator. She was the first African American woman to found a college, the Daytona Normal and Industrial Art School for Negro Girls in 1904. She was also the first African American woman to be elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. She was a prominent leader of the Black Nationalist movement and is remembered for her work in promoting the idea of a Black nation in Africa.

**JOHN HANSON**  
Famous for his sermon, "The Negroes' Burden," which was the first sermon to be broadcast on the radio. He was a prominent leader of the Black Nationalist movement and is remembered for his work in promoting the idea of a Black nation in Africa.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.**  
Born on January 15, 1929, in Atlanta, Georgia, King was a Baptist minister and civil rights activist. He was the most prominent leader of the American Civil Rights Movement. He was a prominent leader of the Black Nationalist movement and is remembered for his work in promoting the idea of a Black nation in Africa.

**MAYA ANGELOU**  
Born in St. Louis, Missouri, on April 4, 1929, she is one of the most prominent and influential African American women of our time. She is a poet, novelist, memoirist, and autobiographer. She is best known for her autobiography, *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, which was published in 1969. She is also a prominent leader of the Black Nationalist movement and is remembered for her work in promoting the idea of a Black nation in Africa.

We must never forget that  
 Black History is American History.  
 The achievements of African  
 Americans have contributed to  
 our nation's greatness.

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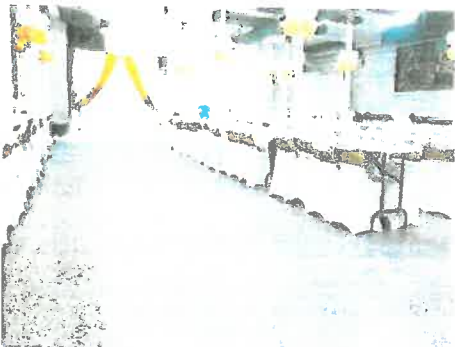
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