



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

SUNDAY NOV. 27th, 2022

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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.

Parish Staff

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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

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the 1st Sunday of Advent. The season of Advent marks the beginning of a new liturgical year. Advent is one of the most beautiful and fruitful liturgical seasons within the Catholic Church, although it is brief, only 4 weeks. I invite all of us to use these next four weeks of Advent to spiritually prepare our minds, hearts and souls for the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. I challenge us, myself included, not to fall into the trap of the commercialization of Christmas. We need this time to prepare our hearts for the birth of Christ, who comes to us as a child. During this beautiful season, our scripture passage focuses on the prophet Isaiah. The prophet proclaims "prepare the way of the Lord, make straight a highway for our God." May this season bring us the joy of welcoming Christ into the homes of our hearts.

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 29th. 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.

First Friday Devotions

This Friday, December 2nd 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. 26th, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver Vigil Mass:

Martha D. Jean Pierre- in memoriam

Req. by Nadyne Gerard

11:30am – St. Peter Claver Church

Kristoffer Carter – in memoriam

req. by Carter family

7:30am – Our Lady of Victory Church

The People of the Parish

10:15am - Our Lady of Victory Church

Vilma Mitchell – in memoriam

req. by Mitchell family

10:15am Andre Wilson – in thanksgiving

Req. by Vignon Wilson

9:00am – Holy Rosary Church

Family of Annonciade Percin – in memoriam

Req. by Emmanuella Confident

Mon Nov. 28th. 12Noon St. Peter Claver

Rita & Florence Afanoukoe -in memoriam

Req. by Gisele Sedjro

Thurs. Dec. 1st. 8am Our Lady of Victory

Gerry Paras - birthday blessing

Req. by Garbanzos family

Fri. Dec. 2nd. 8am Our Lady of Victory

Dulcie Merrifield – birthday remembrance



ALTAR BREAD:

ALTAR WINE:

ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

SANTUARY CANDLE:

Pray for the Sick

Marie Alfred, Ricardo Agcauli Dorothy Bailey, Melona Barber, Burtel Batson, Zena Benoit, Patricia Browne, Felicia Casimiro, Eugene Charles, Joyce Cochran, Angelina Cooper, Virginia Cox, Cecilia Dear, Olive DeRoach-Carter, James Faison, Khalil Fletcher, Helen Frazier, Patrick Gilbert, Veronica Gersi, Antonio Goodsell, Christabel Gomes, Gleno Holder, Denise Hughes, Ian Kellman, Gwendolyn Knight, Henry Latham, Paul Martin, Carol Murray, Ida Lashley, Jacques Maurice, Leslie McFarlane, Edward Newsum, Iretha Phillips, Noreen Simonette, Marilyn Sylvester, Patricia Sylvester, Beverley Thompson, Vera Walker, Rosemarie Wilkie, Marie Williams.



Holy Father's Prayer Intention

(Nov. 2022)

For children who suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.



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 Dcn. Rachid Murad at rmurad@smdpp.org 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 2023 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.



Faith Formation

New registration and re-registration Faith Formation forms for the year 2022-2023 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 2023 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.



The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.



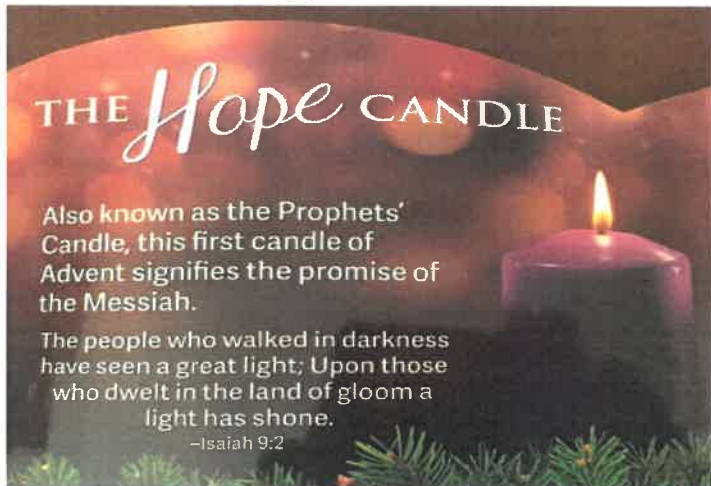
We would like to thank all those who have participated in the fund raiser for Radio City Music Hall. We are pleased to announce that there are no more available seats. As a reminder, all those who have a remaining balance, final payments are due Nov. 30th, 2022. Thank you. Dr. Marina Brown.

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 our very own Rev. Alonzo Cox. The first Tuesday vespers will take place on **November 29th** at 7:30PM at Our Lady of Victory Church. It will also be **livestreamed**.



Advent



Dear Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on what's really important. We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas. Amen.

Light a candle Jesus is coming



CHRISTIAN INITIATION. Do you know a family member or friend who is interested in becoming a Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation of **Adults** (RCIA) is a wonderful process in our parish available to those who feel called to the Catholic Faith. The RCIA is also available for those Catholics who have not yet received First Communion or Confirmation. For more information, please call the Parish Office (718-574-5772).



CHRISTMAS PLANTS 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 plant donation Envelopes are in the mailing of church envelopes boxset and extra envelopes at the entrance of the church. Please return your offering in the collection or to the Parish Office.



St. Martin de Porres Parish **Annual Service of Lessons and Carols** on Friday, December 16th, 7:30pm, at Holy Rosary Church. The Parish choir, under the direction of Mr. Joseph Murray and Ms. Joan Delahunt, will lead us in the time-honored hymnody of Christmas.



SMDPP Faith Formation Christmas Party will take place on Sunday, Dec. 18th, from 1pm-3pm. at Our Lady of Victory Church Mc Guinness Hall.

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Weekday Readings

Sun. Is 2:1-5 Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Rom 13:11-14 Mt 24:37-44

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

Tue. IS 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 LK 10:21-24

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

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

The League of the Sacred Heart Raffle
The League of the Sacred Heart of Jesus from St Peter Claver Church is holding a Holiday Fundraiser Raffle. Tickets are available for purchase at **\$5 per ticket**. Prizes are, **1st prize \$100, 2nd prize \$75 Gift Card, 3rd prize a Basket of Cheers**. Drawing will take place on Sunday, December 18th 2022. To purchase tickets, please see members of the League of the Sacred Heart. Please support this fundraiser.



Winter Charity Drive for Men's Shelter

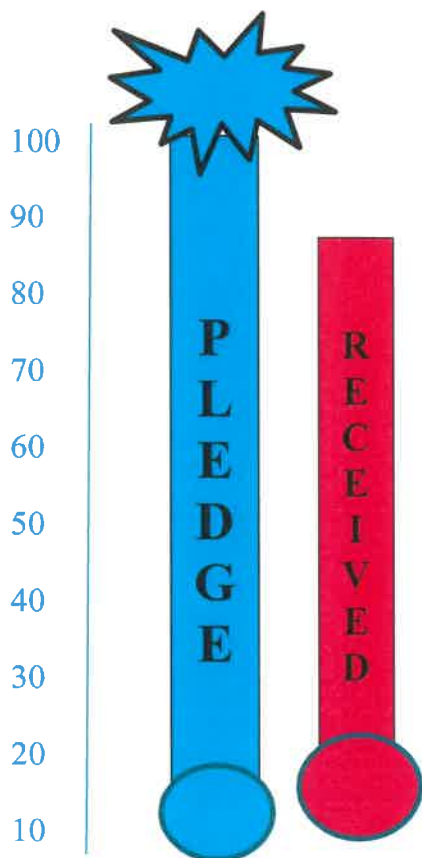
The Columbiettes of St. Columba Council #1119 is sponsoring a **Winter Gear Charity Drive on December 18, 2022** at Our Lady of Victory Parish, 583 Throop Avenue, Brooklyn, NY. We are asking for donations of new, warm articles of clothing such as: coats, sweat shirts, sweaters, insulated vests, Long Johns, hats, scarves, gloves, warm socks. Please find it in your hearts to help clothe the homeless men in our community during this winter and holiday season. You may drop off your donations in a bin at the back of the church. God bless you.



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



Our annual Christmas Black Cake raffle and Poinsettia plant sale will take place on Sunday December 11th, immediately after the 10:15am Mass at OLV Church. Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each or call the rectory office at 718-574-5772.



WE HAVE NOT YET REACHED OUR GOAL!

If you have not yet made a pledge, please prayerfully consider donating to this year's Annual Catholic Appeal.

We ask you to give whatever you have, only you know what that is. Remember, no gift is too small or too large To donate online, text ACA to 917-336-1255 or scan the QR code with your smartphone



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

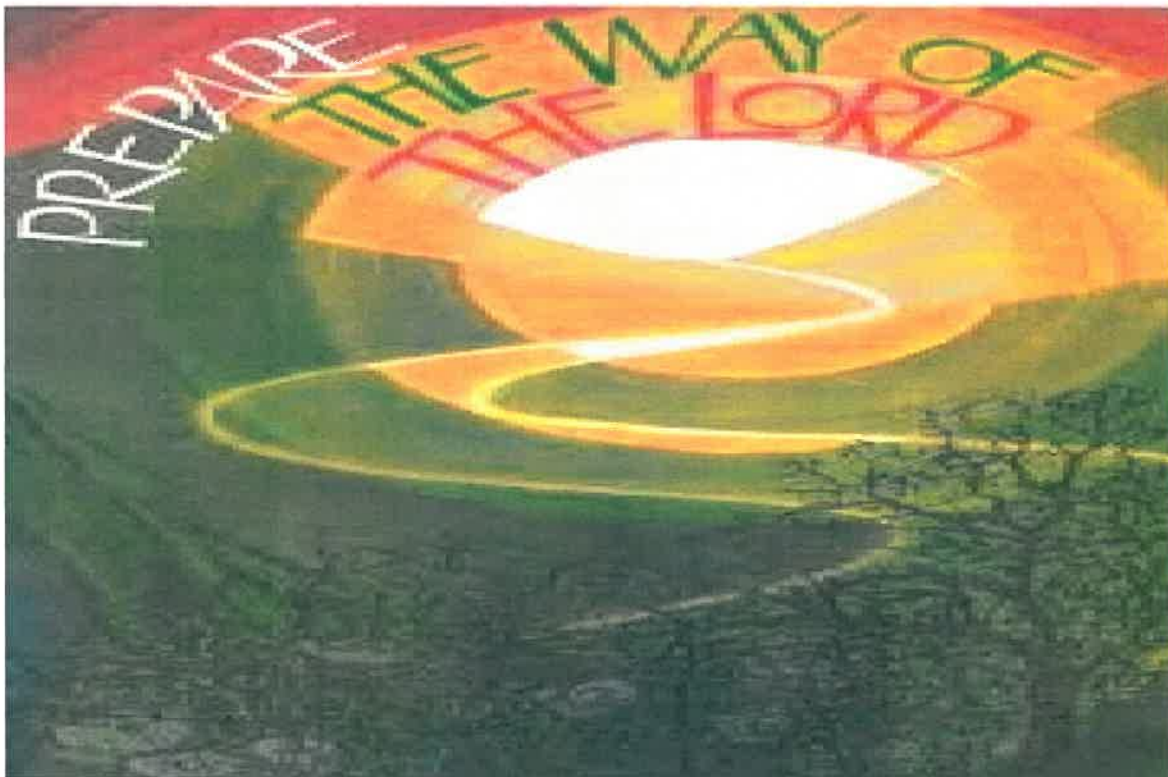
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ADVENT WREATH:

Advent candles shine brightly in the midst of darkness, reminding us that Jesus came as Light into our dark world. The candles are often set in a circular Advent wreath. In Scandinavia, Lutheran churches light a candle each day of December; by Christmas, they have twenty-four candles burning. Another Advent candle option is a single candle with twenty-four marks on the side--the candle is lit each day and allowed to melt down to the next day's mark.

The most common Advent candle tradition, however, involves four candles. A new candle is lit on each of the four Sundays before Christmas. Each candle represents something different, although traditions vary. Often, the first, second, and fourth candles are purple; the third candle is rose-colored. Sometimes all the candles are red; in other traditions, all four candles are blue or white. Occasionally, a fifth white candle is placed in the middle and is lit on Christmas Day to celebrate Jesus' birth.



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