



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

SUNDAY DEC 25TH, 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

Rev. Mr. Rachid Murad, Permanent Deacon
Rev. Mr. Leroy Branch, Permanent Deacon
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Ms. Tamika Daniel, Youth Minister
Mr. Humberto DaCosta, Buildings /Grounds

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 is Christmas Day! I take this opportunity on behalf of the entire parish staff to wish all of you a very happy and blessed Christmas. It is my prayer that this Christmas Day will be filled with the joy of the birth of the savior of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord. As Catholics, we believe that Christmas doesn't end on December 25th but continues until the celebration of the Epiphany of our Lord. These days of Christmas are meant to be filled with tremendous joy, knowing that the Lord is here with us. We hear in our scripture readings for Mass that Jesus is the light that has been born into this world of darkness. We must always allow the light of Christ to shine for all the world to see. Our gospel passage from the St. John gives us this most important reality, that the Word was made flesh and that he made his dwelling among us. Jesus is that Word, that continues to make his dwelling among us, leading his people to the eternal kingdom of heaven.

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

Next week, December 31st is New Year's Eve. It is also the solemnity of Mary Mother of God. As is the custom here at St. Martin de Porres, we will have a Holy Hour at 11:00PM followed by Midnight Mass at Our Lady of Victory Church. The following day, January 1st, we will have a regular Sunday Mass schedule.

Parish Office Closed & No 12:00 Noon Mass

Please be aware that the parish office will be closed on Monday, December 26 and Monday January 2. Also, please note that there will not be a 12:00 Noon Mass at St. Peter Claver Church on Monday December 26 and Monday January 2. Only one Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of Victory Church at 8:00AM.

Wishing all of you a joyful and blessed Christmas
Father Alonzo Q. Cox

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**Saturday: Dec. 24^h, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver
Vigil Mass:**

11:00pm: Marie-anna Brignol – in memoriam
req by Brignol family

**Sunday: Dec. 25th, 11:30am - St. Peter Claver
Demonsthenes Brignol – in memoriam**
req by Brignol family

Andrea Wilson – in thanksgiving
req. by Vignon Wilson

7:30am – Our Lady of Victory Church
The people of St. Martin de Porres Parish

10:15am - Our Lady of Victory Church
Rev. Martin Carter – in memoriam
req/ by Carolyn Thomas

10:15am: Carolyn Thomas – birthday blessing

9:00am – Holy Rosary Church
Karen St. Hilaire – birthday blessing

Tue. Dec. 27th, 8am Our Lady of Victory
Jean Davis Butler – in memoriam
req. Maribelle Ellis

Wed. Dec. 28th. 12noon St. Peter Claver
Gisele Brignol – in memoriam



ALTAR BREAD:

Fr. Alonzo Cox -blessings

ALTAR WINE:

ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard
Quinn

SANTUARY CANDLE:

Fr Franklin Exeorah blessings

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 (Dec. 2022)

For volunteer not-for-profit organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit
organizations committed to human
development find people dedicated to
the common good and ceaselessly seek
out new paths to international
cooperation.



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.



Save + the Date

The Vicariate of Black Catholic Concerns
Prayer Service celebration. Commemorating the
Birthday of

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.”

Monday, January 16th, 2023, 12noon.

St. Kevin’s RC Church, Flushing Queens.

More information will follow.

SMDPP Black History Month Celebration

In preparation for Black History Month, any
Parishioner who attended an **HBCU** please
contact Mr. Victor Antoine at 917-449-8280.

CHRISTMAS PLANTS



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.



CHRISTMAS GIFT TO MY CHURCH.

A special Christmas collection for the parish is
being taken up before Christmas Day. You can
use the **Christmas Gift To My Church**
envelope in the recent mailing of church
envelopes to make your contribution. For those
who are not receiving envelopes, there are extra
collection envelopes in the Church. If you are
contributing via Gift Central, under my profile
click on Parish Collection then and My
Christmas Gift To My Church to make your
contribution. The entire Pastoral staff thank you
for your contribution.

SPC League of The Sacred Heart Holidays Fundraiser Raffle

The League of the Sacred Heart wishes to
thank our parish community and friends who
purchased raffle tickets. The winners are as
follows: Zuri Spence, Gabriel Ceasar and Irma
Ellis. Congratulations to all the winners.



*A Savior has been born for you
He is Christ the Lord.*



Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Weekday Readings

Sun. Is 62:1-5 Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 Acts 13:16-17, 22-25

Mon. ACTS 6:8-10; 7:54-59 PS 31:3CD-4, 6& 8AB, 16BC& 17 MT 10:17-22

Tue. 1 Jn 1:1-4 Ps97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 Jn 20:1a &2-8

Wed. 1Jn 1:5-2:2 Ps124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8 Mt 2:13-18

Thurs. 1 Jn 2:3-11 ps96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6Lk 2:22-35

Fri. Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Sat. 1 Jn 2:18-21 Ps96:1-2, 11-12, 13 Jn 1:1-18

SMDPP Youth Group

Mustard Seed Youth Group will have a meeting in OLV McGuinness Hall at 7pm on 1/6/23. Flyers with calendar dates will be located in the back of all three parishes.

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).



Please Scan to support our Parish



Thank you for your continued generous support of our parish. Your gift, no matter how small keeps our parish running. Your gift is a sign of sharing God's blessing.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Saturday - December 31st New Year's Eve
10:00PM -Confession~ Our Lady of Victory Church

11:00PM- Service of Compline & Benediction

12:00AM-Midnight Mass~ Our Lady of Victory Church

Sunday- January 1st New Year's Day

7:30AM -Our Lady of Victory Church

9:00AM -Holy Rosary Church

10:15AM - Our Lady of Victory Church

11:30AM – St. Peter Claver Church





On behalf of the entire parish staff, we wish all our parishioners, friends, and visitors a Merry Christmas.

**Fr. Alonzo Cox ,
Fr. Franklin Ezeorah,
Deacon's Leroy Branch & Rachid Murad.**



2022 Annual Catholic Appeal

Annual Appeal Goal: \$63,586 - Amount Pledged: \$50,552

Amount Received: \$42,929



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The Annual Catholic Appeal supports the daily work of our Church throughout Brooklyn and Queens in ways no one parish can accomplish alone by supporting the following ministries:
Catholic Charities; Hospital, College and Prison Chaplains; Diocesan Vocations Office;
Catholic Migration Services; Parish Assistance Program;
Office of Faith Formation; Bishop Mugavero Residence for infirmed clergy;
Futures in Education Scholarship Foundation

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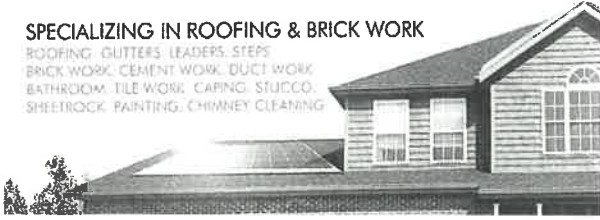
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