



## Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

**SUNDAY Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

**Rev. Alonzo Q. Cox, Pastor**  
**Rev. Franklin Ezeorah, Parochial Vicar**

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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 Ezeroah 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  
Ms. Paulitiana St. Hilaire, Secretary  
Mrs. Maria Matos, Bookkeeper  
Ms. Michelle Joseph, Dir. of Religious Edu.  
Mr. Joseph Murray, Co-Dir. of Music  
Ms. Joan Marie Delahunt, Co-Dir. of Music  
Ms. Tamika Daniel, Youth Minister  
Mr. Humberto DaCosta, Buildings /Grounds

### OFFICE HOURS:

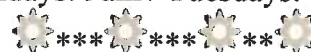
Monday: 10:00am. - 5:00pm.  
Tuesday to Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm  
Evenings & Weekends: By appointment.

### 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

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,

I take this opportunity to wish all of you a very happy and blessed New Year 2023. I know that it has been the custom to have "New Year's resolutions", which might include spending more time with family, less indulging and maybe more time at the gym. As great as all those things are, the Lord asks us, not just on January 1 but every day of the year to continue to take care of ourselves, both spiritually and physically, but in addition, to spend more time with him. Our relationship with the Lord must be a regular part of our lives, knowing that we must go to him in good times and in bad. Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God. How appropriate it is to begin this new year 2023 giving thanks and praise to God through the intercession of Mary, the Immaculate Virgin God-bearer. It is my prayer that this year 2023 will be a year filled with God's love and joy, bringing the message of the Good News of Jesus Christ here in Bedford Stuyvesant.

### **Parish Office Closed**

Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> the parish office will be closed. In addition, only one Mass will be celebrated which will be 8:00AM at Our Lady of Victory Church. There will not be a 12:00Noon Mass at St. Peter Claver Church.

### **First Friday Devotions**

This Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup> is the first Friday of the month. First Friday devotions will take place at Our Lady of Victory Church following the 8:00AM Mass with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the recitation of the rosary and benediction. There will also be a first Friday Mass at St. Peter Claver Church beginning at 12:00Noon.

Allow me to end with this New Year's prayer:

Dear Lord, we pray that this New Year will bring us closer to You.

May we take the time to get to know You. Help us to truly celebrate the gifts You have graciously given us and use them to serve you and spread Your word, may we also see and love you in all the people we meet, so that in turn, they can see You in us. We know that all human relations take time if they are to grow and deepen. This is also true of our relations with You, the Father and the Holy Spirit, which must grow over the course of our lives. In this new year, let us realize that every action of ours no matter how great or small enables us to be in touch with You. Let us accept You in our lives, in the way it pleases You, as Truth, to be spoken, as Life, to be lived, as Light, to be lighted, as Love, to be followed, as Joy, to be given, as Peace, to be spread about, as Sacrifice, to be offered among our relatives, friends, neighbors and all people. Amen.

Wishing you a happy and blessed New Year in the Lord,  
Father Alonzo Q. Cox

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**Saturday: Dec. 31<sup>s</sup>, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver Vigil Mass:**  
Virginia Cox -grace and healing

**Sun: Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 11:30am-St. Peter Claver**  
Maureen Simonette – birthday blessing  
*req. by Simonette family*

**7:30am – Our Lady of Victory Church**  
Kervin Dorville – birthday blessing  
*req. Mon&Dad*

**10:15am - Our Lady of Victory Church**  
For the people of St. Martin de Porres Parish

**9:00am – Holy Rosary Church**  
For the people of St. Martin de Porres Parish

**Mon. Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 12noon St. Peter Claver Church**  
Dr. A. Brignol – in memoriam  
*req. by Y.Brignol*

**Wed. Jan 4<sup>th</sup>. 8am Our Lady of Victory**  
Teddy Altifios – birthday blessing  
*req. by Agatha Altifios*



## ALTAR BREAD:

Rev. Alonzo Cox grace and blessing

## ALTAR WINE:

## ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

## SANTUARY CANDLE:

Rev. Martin Carter – in memoriam

## *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 (Jan. 2023) For educators

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

**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).



**The Vicariate of Black Catholic Concerns**  
Prayer Service celebration. Commemorating  
the Birthday of  
**Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**  
Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**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.



Thank You for all your donations all memorialized poinsettias are displayed throughout the church and listed in this week's bulletin. Poinsettia's will all be available to take home Mass on Sunday, January 8th,

**Christmas Mass Schedule**

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

**11:00PM**- Service of Compline & Benediction  
**12:00AM**-Midnight Mass~

**Sunday- January 1<sup>st</sup> 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



**Annual Appeal Goal: \$63,586**

We thank you for your continued support and participation in the Diocese of Brooklyn 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal.

No pledge is too small.

**Donors: 145**

**Amount Pledged: \$50,680**

**Amount Received: \$43,209**



**Weekday Readings**

**Sun.** Nm 6:22-27, Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8, Gal 4:4-7, Lk 2:16-21

**Mon.** 1Jn 2:22-28 Ps.98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Jn 1:19-28

**Tue.** 1 JN 2:29-3:6 PS 98:1, 3CD-4, 5-6 Jn 1:29-34

**Wed.** 1 Jn 3:7-10 Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 Jn 1:35-42

**Thurs.** 1 Jn 3:11-21, PS 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 Jn 1:43-51

**Fri.** 1 Jn 5:5-13 PS147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 M 1:7-11

**Sat.** 1 Jn 5:14-21Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b Jn 2:1-11

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.



***New Years – I Pray for Your Year***

*As we celebrant the New Year*

*I pray that your year is filled with*

*Joy, growth, love, and exploration.*

*I pray that your year lets you see more of God's world and His love  
I pray that your year brings you closer to friends, family and the Lord.*

*I pray that your year is filled with the many blessings you deserve.*

**THE PARISH OFFICE**

will be closed on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. However, emergency calls will be answered promptly.

***Fr. Cox and Fr. Franklin***

*Wish you a **Happy New Year**  
and pray that God will bestow His bounteous blessings upon you in the New Year.*

We wish to thank the following parishioners for the beautiful Poinsettia

<b>Parishioner</b>	<b>In Honor/ Memory of...</b>
Patricia Rojas	Fitzroy Dorothy, Leslie & Lennox Harriott
Christine Dorville	Cornelius, Linus & Rebecca Altenor & Clara Francois
Julian Dorville	Oliver & Roy Dorville, Ann Mosie & Robinson Math
Jean Matamoro	Odette Tittle, Francis Matamoro & Leslie Moses
Michelle Whittle	Dennis Knight, Wilbur & Catherine Durham &
Gwendolyn Knight	Dennis Knight, Donald J, Reatha E, & John W. Thomas
Edward Faulkner	Faulkner family
Carolyn Thomas	Rev. Martin Carter
Melona Barber	Gordon & Ann Marie Barber
Kirton Henderson	Carol Kirton, Monica Pierre
Mr. & Mrs. Yozzo	Mother Mary (Ena) Sr. Anna Bittner, Sr. Antonia, Myra Antoine
Benedict Vitalis	Vitalis Family
Rodrick Randall	James & Wilmoth Randall
Wilhelmina Whyte-Randall	Anna & Winston Whyte
Eunice Pino	Joe & Rodney Pino
Sally Lott	Deceased members of the Lott family
Cora Greene	Horace E. Greene
Kyle Whittle	Michelle Whittle, Dennis Knight, Kiara Whittle & Gwen Knight
Diana Snell	Wmi & Gloria Snell, Andra Pryor
Diana Snell	Miriam Williams, Leonese Blackburn
Kirk Godoy	Bluu & Jazz Godoy
Rosyln Bernard	Delphine Bernard
Allison Pascall	Orlando & Beville Pascall
Sadie Garland-Hughes	John & Ruth Garland
Joseph Rojas	Hilton, Trevor & Elvira Kennedy & Martha Mc Intosh
Francia Alvarez	Ester Gutierrez
Ricardo Agcauili	Alberta Aurelio
Larry Shannon	Katherine Lugo Claris E. Shannon
Jocelyn Edmund	George & Agatha Edmund
Michelle Worrell	Elvia & Arnim Worrell, Enid & Austin Joseph
Dera Spence	Wilfred, Verna & David Payne
Joan Mayers	Wilfred & Verna Payne
Ricardo Agcauili	Nelita Aurelio & Victor Aguauili
Jean Paul	The MC Leod & Baptiste family
Angela Dufont	Mavis & Osmond Clarence & Millicent Blake
Emma Walcott	Kelvin & Agnes Walcott
Nina Garland	Virginia Thomas
Gaylle Liddell	Erma Liddell

We wish to thank the following parishioners for the beautiful Poinsettia

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Yolande Roberts	Yolanda Roberts, Therese Taviere, Adonis Pierre,
Yolande Roberts	Jisann & David Roberts
Christie Paul	Innocent Paul
Nina Lindo Mainer	Darryll E, Mainer, Hubert Brown 111, Michele Lindo-Morth
Nina Lindo Mainer	Hazel Lindo, Edgar Lindo
Ricardo Agcauli	Anthony Aadicci, Raymond Aurelio
Agatha Altifois	Georgie, Epiphane, & Martha Altifios & Helen Pupre
Dr. Marie Umeh	Mary E. Williams Hinds
Dorene Allman	Ethaline & Fred Allman
Roxanne Wheeler-Brock	Mary Helps & Chris Wheeler
Meredith Chandler	James & Violet Chandler
Denise Long Demunn	Arline Harris, Eugene Ellerbe, and all deceased people
Ionie Lino	Nelson Robinson, Fred Flower, Theodore Vialet, Harold Bennett
Maribel Ellis	Joan Davis-Butler
Nicolas Family	Edith Nicolas
Nicolas Family	Joseph Nicolas
Nicolas Family	Edith Nicolas
Nicolas Family	Joseph Nicolas
St. Hilaire family	Leone Henderson, Florestine Henderson,
St. Hilaire family	Dulcie Merrifield Fitzroy Rodney
Parish family	Ms. Ethel Carter
Parish family	Sabin Nord
Maria Matos	Juan Lantigua
Pamela Ashby	Rita Ashby
Doreen Parks	Stella, Roy and Leon Parks

**Parishioner - In Honor of....**

Lisa Abraham	
Joyce Cochran	
Fortuna Charles	
Catherine Irish	
Selwyn Smart	
Rudson & Bernadine Winston	
Agatha Alexander	
Virginia Cox	Healing
Phyllis Shung	
Dolores Channell	



*Thank You for your contribution*

