



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

SUNDAY Feb. 12th, 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 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
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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

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



ALTAR BREAD:

ALTAR WINE:

ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

SANTUARY CANDLE:

Ricardo Agcauli – healing & financing

Saturday: Feb. 11th, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver Vigil Mass:

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Sunday: Feb. 12th, 11:30am – St. Peter Claver
Georgette Ablaba Afanoukoe – in memoriam

req. by Gisele Sedjro & family

7:30am – Our Lady of Victory Church

Maura Danzie – birthday blessing

req. by Dorville family

10:15am - Our Lady of Victory Church

Cherie Sherrier- grace & blessing

King Aaron Midyett – happy 3rd birthday blessing

req. by Dr. Brown & family

Francisco & Francisca- Dychioco – in memoriam

req. by Garbanzos family

9:00am – Holy Rosary Church

for all living members of St. Martine de Porres Parish

Pray for the Sick

Marie Alfred, Ricardo Agcauli Dorothy Baily, 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, Rebecca Keng-Abam, Gwendolyn Knight, Henry Latham, Paul Martin, Yvonne Merrimon, Carol Murray, Ida Lashley, Jacques Maurice, Leslie McFarlane, Noreen Simonette, Marilyn Sylvester, Beverley Thompson, Vera Walker, Rosemarie Wilkie, Marie Williams.



Holy Father's Prayer Intention
Feb. 2023)

For parishes

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

Dear Parishioners,

We had such a beautiful celebration last Sunday with our parish Black History Month Mass of Thanksgiving. As I did last week, I want to thank our Black History Month committee for their work in planning the Mass, decorating, reception and music for this celebration. I would also like to thank Deacon Rachid for his thought-provoking homily on the sin of racism. As we continue to celebrate Black History Month during this month of February, we pray through the intercession of St. Josephine Bakhita, whose feast day we celebrated this past Wednesday, that our world will be enlightened by Christ the Lord. We must continue to fight for peace, justice and equality in our society allowing Christ to dispel the darkness of racism and prejudice. In his letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul speaks to us of God's wisdom. All of us are enlightened by God to speak words of wisdom, ultimately allowing the Holy Spirit to strengthen and empower us. May Christ, the great High Priest bless us with his love as we go out and build the Kingdom of God here in Bedford Stuyvesant.

Parish Superbowl Sunday Party

For those of you who are football fans, the most important game of the year, the Superbowl, will take place today, Sunday, February 12. As has been the custom, the men of the Holy Name Society and the Knights of St. Peter Claver will sponsor a Superbowl party this year. It will take place in the Waldorf School auditorium which is located directly across the street from St. Peter Claver Church on Jefferson Avenue beginning at 5:00PM. A \$20 suggested donation is asked for in covering the cost for the evening. For more information, please see one of the Holy Name society members.

RCIA Classes and Bible Study

Those adults who need to receive the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation, classes will continue this Tuesday evening at Our Lady of Victory. Following RCIA, parish Bible study classes will follow. For more information about RCIA and Bible study, please call the parish office.

Old Palms

We will begin the season of Lent in one week with Ash Wednesday on February 22. It is the tradition that blessed palm from the previous Palm Sunday be burnt to make the ashes for distribution on Ash Wednesday. You are invited to bring your palm branches to church to have them burnt. You may leave them with any of the ushers at Mass.

Parish Fish Fry Fundraiser

Our annual parish fish fry fundraiser will take place on Friday, February 24. The meal includes fresh fried fish, potato salad, coleslaw and green salad. The cost per dinner is \$20. Pre orders should be placed no later than 11:00AM on February 22. Please call the parish office to place your orders.

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



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 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.



SMDPP Women's Day Celebration/Raffle

St. Martin de Porres Parish Annual Women's Day Celebration will take place on Sunday, March 12th, 2023.

Raffle tickets are available for purchase at **\$5 per ticket**. Drawing will take place immediately after Mass. To purchase tickets, please see committee members, Maureen Simonette, Wilhelmina Whyte-Randall, Jennifer Parkinson-Gilbert, Michelle Joseph & Doreen Allman.



St. Martin de Porres Parish annual **Fish Fry Fundraiser** on Friday, February 24th, 2023.

(Pre-Orders) **Fish dinners** (Fry Fish, *Potato Salad, Cole Slaw & a green Salad*) will be available for ****pick-up from 1:00pm to 5:45pm. Cost per dinner is \$20.00.** **Pre Orders should be placed no later than 11am on Feb. 22nd, 2023. Call the Parish office 718-574-5772 to place your orders.

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., please call the Parish Office (718-574-5772).

SMDPP

Faith Formation Registration

St. Martin de Porres School of Faith Formation catechesis classes resumes on Saturday, January 7th, at 9:30am. Classes will be held every Saturday at Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall. For more information on preparation for **First Communion, Continued Formation & Confirmation**. Contact Ms. Michelle Joseph DRE101260@diobrook.org.

The Following Ash Wednesday February 22nd Mass Schedule

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**

SMDPP Black History Month Celebration

St. Martin de Porres Parish celebrates Black History Month. Join us on Saturday, **February 25th, 2023** after the 5pm Mass at St. Peter Claver Church, Msgr. Rodgers Hall, (29 Claver Place, Bklyn 11238) for movie **Harriett**, highlighting African-American history

SMDPP Sports Night

The Holy Name Society's will host their annual Sports Night today Sunday, February 12th, at the Waldorf School Auditorium (11 Jefferson Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11238). Tickets are \$20. Food and Drinks will be provided. Doors open at 5pm, Come out and enjoy.



Scan to support our Parish



Weekday Readings

Sun Sir 15:15-20, Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34, 1 Cor 2:6-10, Mt 5:17-37

Mon. Gn. 4:1-15, 25 Ps 50:1& 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 Mk 8:11-13

Tue. Gn. 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10 Ps 29:1a & 2, 3ac-4, 3b & 9c-10

Wed. Gn 8:6-13, 20-22 Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 Mk 8:22-26

Thurs. Gn 9:1-13 Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29& 22-23 Mk 8:27-33

Fri. Gn 11:1-9 Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15 Mk 8:34 9:1

Sat. Heb 11:1-7 Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11 Mk 9:2-13

Kujenga Leadership Conference

The Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens Kujenga Leadership Conference Aug. 4th - 6th 2023, at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington, NY. There are flyers available at each of the three churches. For more information, you can contact the Vicariate Office vbccjujengaleadership@gmail.com

NEWLY CONSTRUCTED SENIOR APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Herkimer Gardens LLC are pleased to announce applications are now being accepted for 60 affordable senior housing **62 years of age** or older at **491 Herkimer Street**, in the **Bedford- Stuyvesant** Section of **Brooklyn**. This building is being constructed with financing provided through the New York State Homes and Community Renewal affordable housing program. The size, rent, and targeted income distribution for the 60 apartments. For more info. visit www.HerkimerGardensApts.com

Peace is not merely a distant goal that we seek, but a means by which we arrive at that goal.

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Request a Mass Intention

The 2023 Mass Book is open. You may choose to honor a death anniversary, wedding anniversary, birthday celebration, bread & wine, sanctuary candles & altar flowers. There is only one intention per Mass, except at the 10:15AM Mass on Sundays where multiple intentions can be offered. **Weekday Mass Schedule:**

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**The St. Lucia American Progressive League**

Independence Day Mass commemoration of St. Lucia's 44th independence anniversary will take place on Sunday, **February 19th**, at the 10:15am Mass in **Our Lady of Victory Church**. A reception will be held immediately after the Mass in the McGuinness Hall.

CHURCH ENVELOPES

Church envelopes are **mailed quarterly** to all registered parishioners who use the weekly envelopes. If you are not receive your mailing please contact the Parish Office. **If you are NOT receiving envelopes**, we encourage you to formally register in the parish as active parishioners and help support the parish throughout the year. Lastly, we kindly ask you to mark your offering amount on the front of the envelope each week. Thank you for your cooperation and generosity to St. Martin de Porres Parish.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY



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 /visit us at www.smdpp.org or simply fill out this form, and drop it in the collection basket.

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