



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

SUNDAY Mar 12th, 2023

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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 is the third Sunday in Lent. Our Lenten journey seems to be going by very quickly. It is my hope and prayer that these weeks have been an opportunity to spend time with the Lord, most especially in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Last Monday we had many pilgrims from Brooklyn and Queens visit Our Lady of Victory Church for Mass, Eucharistic Adoration and Vespers. It was a beautiful experience for me to see so many people before our Lord in the Eucharist. During this season, we are invited to deepen our relationship with the Lord Jesus through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. May these remaining weeks of Lent be a time of grace and blessing, as we prepare to enter the most sacred of time of the liturgical year, that is the Lord's passion, death and resurrection.

Stations of the Cross & Lenten Vespers

Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Friday night during the season of Lent beginning at 7:00PM. Stations of the cross will be held at each of the three churches. As is the custom here at St. Martin de Porres, each Tuesday evening during the season of Lent we will have Eucharistic Adoration and pray Vespers. It will take place at Our Lady of Victory Church beginning at 7:30PM.

Women's Day Celebration

During the month of March, we as a community celebrate the rich history women have made within our culture and particularly, our church. March is popularly known as Women's History Month. We will have a special Mass and celebration in honor of Women's History month today, Sunday March 12 at the 11:30AM Mass at St. Peter Claver Church. Immediately following the Mass there will be a reception in Msgr. Rodgers Hall. I thank the Women's Day committee for all their work in planning this beautiful celebration.

Easter Flower Envelopes

In just a few short weeks, we will begin to decorate our three churches for the celebration of Easter with Easter flowers. Easter flower envelopes are located at the doors of each of our three churches. Each Easter flower is \$25. You may place the donation in the envelope and return it in the collection basket on Sunday or bring it to the parish office.

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

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Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



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

Dieuseul Valcin – birthday blessing
req. by Nadyne Valcin

Sunday: Mar. 12th, 11:30am – St. Peter Claver

In honor of all Women of the Parish
req. by Women Day Ministry

7:30am – Our Lady of Victory Church
belated birthday blessing for Virginia Cox

10:15am - Our Lady of Victory Church
Dania Salazar & Renee Sempter-Shaw – birthday blessing

req. by Dr. Marina Brown

In honor of all Women of the Parish
req. by Women Day Ministry

9:00am – Holy Rosary Church

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req. by Women Day Ministry

Monday, Mar. 13th Our Lady of Victory 8am

Ashnelle & Ephraim Alexander- God's blessing & in honor of Our lady of Victory
req. by Prisca Alexander

Wednesday, Mar. 15th Our Lady of Victory 8am

Veronica Noriega – 40 days memorial
req. by Mrs. Keller and family

Thursday, Mar. 16th Our Lady of Victory 8am

Awilda Delarosa – in memoriam
req. by Brignol family



ALTAR BREAD:

Aaron Thomas Garbanzos – birthday blessing
req. by Garbanzos family

ALTAR WINE:

ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

SANTUARY CANDLE:

Ray Walker – grace and blessings

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, Ida Lashley, Paul Martin, Yvonne Merrimon, Carol Murray, Jacques Maurice, Leslie McFarlane, Aretha Phillips, Noreen Simonette, Marilyn Sylvester, Beverley Thompson, Vera Walker, Rosemarie Wilkie, Marie Williams.



Holy Father's Prayer Intention Mar. 2023)

For victims of abuse

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.



+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.



Lord, let your mercy be upon us, as we place our trust in you.

The League of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

in the Parish of St. Martin de Porres invites you to attend **A Lenten Retreat Day** at St. Peter Claver Church, on Saturday March 18th, beginning at 10am. The Presider will be Br. Christopher Cato. Come and be sacredly nourished during this holy Lenten season. Breakfast and lunch will be served.

Easter Mass Remembrance

During the Easter season we will pray for your loved ones with Easter remembrance envelopes. Envelopes are located at the front of the church. Kindly drop off your envelope, in the collection basket or at the rectory, with the name of person(s) who is/are to be remembered in the Masses.

SMDPP**Faith Formation Registration**

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

Couples Group

St. Martin de Porres Parish is starting a new couples group to promote and encourage fellowship and spiritual formation among the married and non-married couples in our parish. First session begins on March 9th at 7pm in OLV MacGuinness Hall. For information, please contact the Parish Office, 718-574-5772.

Spring
Forward

***COIN CARDS FOR ST. JUDE'S CHILDREN HOSPITAL***

Lent is a time of reflection and renewal in faith. One way of renewal is a more serious devotion. Again, St. Martin de Porres Parish would like to support St. Jude's Hospital for Children. We will tithe 50% of the Lenten Quarters collections towards this cause. I hope you will prayerfully support this Lenten act of almsgiving.

Seven Parishioners are needed to participate in the Good Friday "Seven Last Words of Christ" service on April 7, 2023 at 10am in St. Peter Claver. A 6- to 10-minute reflection/talk is usually expected from each person. Please contact Stanley Davis 718-857-1442 or Estella McDuffey 718-622-1222 for details.



St. Peter Claver Church, will hold a Paint & Sip Event on **Saturday, April 15th**, from 1:00pm to 4:00pm in the Msgr. Rodgers Hall. Aleatha Sapp, a professional instructor will be on hand, along with canvas, paints, snacks and wine to facilitate the creative process. Cost for this event will \$45. To register, please contact Meredith Chandler, or call the rectory office at 718-574-5772.

EARTHQUAKE RELIEF. Thank you to everyone who contributed to last Sunday's offering assistance to those affected by the recent earthquake in Turkey and Syria. The collection will be sent to the diocese for proper distribution. Thank you for your generosity.



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Weekday Readings

Sun. Ex 17:3-7 Ps.95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42

Mon. 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab PS 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 Lk 4:24-30

Tue. Dn 3:25, 34-43 Ps 25:4-5ab, 6& 7bc, 8-9 Mt 18:21-35

Wed Dt 4:1, 5-9 Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Mt 5:17-19

Thurs. Jer 7:23-28 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Lk 11:14-23

Fri. Hos 14:2-10 Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14& 17 Mk 12:28-34

Sat. Hos 6:1-6 Ps.51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab Lk 18:9-14

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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Save the Date

Rosary Society Palm Sunday
Palm Sunday Social



- **PRAYER** –Lent is essentially an act of prayer spread out over 40 days. As we pray, we go on a journey, one that hopefully brings us closer to Christ and leaves us changed by the encounter with Him.

- **ALMSGIVING** - During Lent, we are asked to focus more intently on "almsgiving," which means donating money or goods to the poor and performing other acts of charity. As one of the three pillars of Lenten practice, almsgiving is "a witness to fraternal charity" and "a work of justice pleasing to God." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2462).

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent by Catholics 14 years of age and older. Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all those between the ages of 18 to 59. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal, with two smaller meals permitted. Eating between meals is not permitted.

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).

St. Martin de Porres Parish



WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION MASS

in Honor of all the women of the parish

SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023
11:30 AM.

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*Immediately following the mass in Monsignor Rodgers Hall
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some of the lesser known women saints in the catholic Church*

Refreshments Served & Raffle Drawing

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Holy Rosary Lower Church Hall



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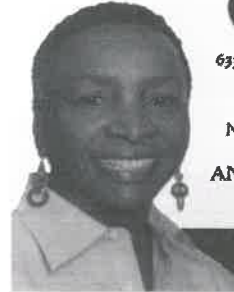
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