



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

SUNDAY Mar 5th, 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 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

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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,

As we continue our Lenten journey with the Lord on this second Sunday of Lent, our gospel passage for Mass today is the Transfiguration. We see how Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James and John. They are amazed at what they see happening before their very eyes. We hear Peter boldly proclaim to the Lord, "It is good that we are here". As we make our way to the homes of our churches, we can say with great joy those same words, it is good that we are here! It is good that we are here as a community to celebrate the Eucharist. It is good that we can gather to hear the word of God proclaimed to us. It is good that we can give praise to the Lord through worship. On this second Sunday of Lent, we continue to embrace the wood of the cross. Through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, may this Lenten season be one of peace in the Lord Jesus.

Diocese of Brooklyn Lenten Pilgrimage

As is the custom in the city of Rome, there are designated "station churches" where pilgrims from the city can go and pray during the season of Lent. Here in the Diocese of Brooklyn everyday (excluding Sunday's) a different parish will host Eucharistic Adoration for all the faithful to visit and pray. It is with great joy that our parish has been chosen as a station church. Our assigned day to host is this Monday, March 6, 2023, at Our Lady of Victory Church. The schedule of the day will be as follows: Mass at 8:00AM with Bishop Robert Brennan as the Main Celebrant and Homilist (in the Main Church), recitation of the rosary, silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Noon Angelus, silent adoration, 3:00PM recitation of the chaplet of Divine Mercy, silent adoration, 6:00PM Angelus, 7:30PM Vespers followed by Benediction. We need volunteers who would be able to serve as adorers, since the Blessed Sacrament exposed must never be left alone. There will be sign-up sheets with time slots for those who would be able to be with the Blessed Sacrament.

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.

Fridays of Lent Eucharistic Adoration

In the spirit of the National Eucharistic Revival and in the solemn season of Lent, I would like to have more of an opportunity for the community to spend time with Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. With that in mind, we will have all day Eucharistic Adoration on the Fridays of Lent beginning this Friday, which is the First Friday of the month. We will begin with Mass at 8:00AM at Our Lady of Victory Church followed by the recitation of the rosary with benediction at 6:00PM.

Wishing you a blessed and grace-filled Lent,
Father Alonzo Q. Cox

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Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday: Mar. 4th, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver Vigil Mass:

The Souls in Purgatory

Sunday: Mar. 5th, 11:30am – St. Peter Claver Thanksgiving for Giesle Sidjro, Larrisa & Stella Assogba.

7:30am – Our Lady of Victory Church
For the people of the Parish

10:15am - Our Lady of Victory Church
Dr. Marina Brown – in thanksgiving for favors received.

Ramieen Brown & Kate Cochran- birthday blessings
Req. by Marina Brown & family

Gorvin Mitchell – in memoriam
Req. by Mitchell family

9:00am – Holy Rosary Church
Tomas Garbanzos – birthday remembrance
req. by Garbanzos family

Monday, Mar. 6th Our Lady of Victory 8am
Virginia Cox – grace and healing

Friday, Mar. 10th Our Lady of Victory 8am
Elvira Kennedy – in memoriam
req. by Rojas family.

LENT



ALTAR BREAD:

ALTAR WINE:

ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

SANTUARY CANDLE:

Walter Billigy – in memoriam
req. by Billigy family

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
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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 9am. The Presider will be Br. Christopher Cato. Come and be sacredly nourished during this holy Lenten season. Breakfast and lunch will be served.

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).

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.

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.

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.

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.



Tuesdays throughout Lent. Join us for Holy Hours with Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays. Holy Hour will be celebrated on Tuesday February 28th, at 7:30pm, in Our Lady of Victory Church.

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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.

Fight for the things you care about, but do it in a way that will lead others to join you.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg



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Weekday Readings

Sun. Gn 12:1-4a Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22. 2 Tm 1:8b-10 Mt 17:1-9

Mon. Dn 9:4b-10 Ps 79:8, 9, 11 & 13 Lk 6:36-38

Tue. Is 1:10, 16-20 Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21& 23 Mt 23:1-12

Wed. Jer 18:18-20 Ps. 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 Mt 20:17-28

Thurs. Jer. 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6 Lk 16:19-31

Fri. Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Sat. Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

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 vbccjengaleadership@gmail.com



The Pastor and Staff wishes to thank everyone who generously supported our annual Fish Fry Fundraiser. The committee raised over \$2,500 plus. The proceeds will be used to support the Parish.



**Rosary Society Palm Sunday
Palm Sunday Social**



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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• **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).

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at all three Churches in our Parish on Fridays at 7:00PM.

Please note: Friday – March 31st, there will be one Parish celebration of Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of Victory Church at 7:00PM.

Jesus Shows His Glory



In today's Gospel reading Jesus took three of His apostles up a mountain and gave them a vision of His true glory. He shone as bright as the sun- so bright they could hardly look at Him. But did you know that what they saw was only a tiny bit of the true glory of God?

It was so beautiful that Peter wanted Him to stay that way. He offered to build tents for Jesus and Moses and Elijah, who appeared with Him. But the joy of this moment wasn't meant to last forever. It was just a little taste of Heaven.

Jesus gave this experience to the three apostles just a little while before He went to Jerusalem to suffer and die on the cross. He knew that they would be terrified and very sad when He died so He gave them a preview of the glory He would go back to after He rose from the dead. That way they knew they had a reason to hope even when He was killed.

Sometimes we have awful things to suffer through too. Maybe a friend will move away or one of our grandparents will die. But we never have to give up hope because we know that eventually everyone who loves Jesus will live in total happiness in Heaven.



Answer to Word Find: until He had risen.
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The Kids' Bulletin

Second Sunday of Lent
 March 5th, 2023

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What did Peter, James and John hear from the bright cloud when Jesus was transfigured on the mountain?

Look in the mirror to find out!

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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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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MAUREN SIMONETTE, CHAIRWOMAN

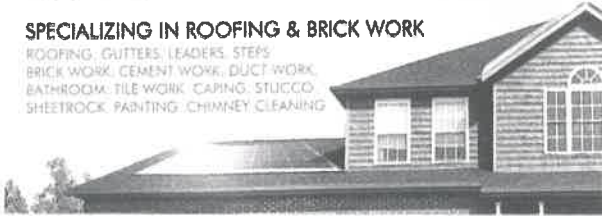
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