



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

SUNDAY April 16th, 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

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

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

What a beautiful Easter celebration we had last week! Last Sunday, we welcomed hundreds of people as we celebrated the joy of the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We continue to welcome all visitors to our parish community, as we give witness to the love of Christ in our lives. Today is the second Sunday of Easter, which is popularly known as Divine Mercy Sunday. On the Second Sunday of Easter of the Jubilee Year 2000, at the Mass for the Canonization of St. Faustina Kowalska, Pope John Paul II declared the Sunday after Easter be called "Divine Mercy Sunday." St. Faustina was a Polish nun who received visions from Jesus, including one of Jesus wearing a white garment with beams of red and white coming from his heart, which came to be known as the image of Divine Mercy. She wrote in her diary, *"I want the Image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it. My daughter, tell the whole world about my inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy"*. Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified."

Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

We as a parish community will celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday with Eucharistic Adoration along with the sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy. It will take place at 3:00PM today, Sunday April 16 at St. Peter Claver Church. All are welcomed to join us for this beautiful service of prayer as we commemorate Divine Mercy Sunday.

Annual Catholic Appeal

I thank all of you for your generous contribution to this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. As you know, this appeal supports the works of the Diocese of Brooklyn such as Catholic Charities, Migration Services, Vocations, the aid of our Senior Priests and much more. Each parish is assigned a goal to raise within the year. Our goal here at St. Martin de Porres is \$63,586. The key to a successful campaign is full participation. If every parishioner participates in this year's appeal, we will most definitely make our goal and maybe go above it. Any monies raised beyond the goal comes directly back to the parish. If you have not made a pledge to this year's appeal, I ask that you consider making one. I thank all of you for the gift of your time, talent and treasure.

Sight and Sound Trip

Our parish will be sponsoring a trip to the Sight and Sound theater in Pennsylvania to see the show, Moses. It will take place Saturday May 27. To purchase a ticket please call the parish office.

For the sake of his sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world,
Father Alonzo Q. Cox



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OLPI **P MASS**
INTENTIONS

Saturday: Apr. 15st, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver Vigil Mass:

Ricardo Agcauli – healing and Financing

Sunday: Apr. 16th, 11:30am – St. Peter Claver Dan & Maureen Simonette - happy 10th wedding anniversary

7:30am – Our Lady of Victory

Oddette Tittle & Francis Matamoro – in memoriam
req. by Angela Matamoro

10:15am - Our Lady of Victory Church

Karrina Brown & Georgiana Brown - birthday blessing

Req. by Dr. Marina Brown

10:15 Euphita Miller – in memoriam

req. by Mitchell & family

10:15 Monica Sasis – grace and healing

req. by Garbanzos family

9:00am – Holy Rosary Church

Rachid Murad & Pauli St. Hilaire -birthday blessing

Monday, Apr. 17th, SPC Church 12noon

Jean Paul – birthday blessing

Friday, Apr. 21st, OLV Church 8am

Ricardo Agcauli – birthday blessing



ALTAR BREAD:

Ricardo Agcauli – healing and Financing

ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

SANTUARY CANDLE:

ALTAR FLOWERS

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, Jacques Maurice, Leslie McFarlane, Aretha Phillips, Noreen Simonette, Marilyn Sylvester, Beverley Thompson, Vera Walker, Rosemarie Wilkie, Marie Williams.



Holy Father's Prayer Intention (Apr. 2023)

For a culture of peace and non-violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

EASTER GIFT TO MY CHURCH.

The annual "Easter Gift to My Church" collection is being accepted during the Easter Season. The Easter letter from the Pastor asks that every parishioner make a fair share offering during this holy season of **Joy and Hope**. Extra "Easter Gift To My Church" envelopes are in the church today for those who did not receive the mailing. You may return your offering envelope in the mail or to the Parish Office. Thank you for your **EASTER GIFT TO MY CHURCH** this year.



SAVE THE DAY

Saint Martin De Porres Parish
Bus Trip To Sight And Sound



Date: Saturday May 27, 2023

Children 18 and under: \$190.00-Adults: \$215.00.
Final payment due on April 24th. For more information, please see Dr. Marina Brown or call the Rectory 718-574-5772.



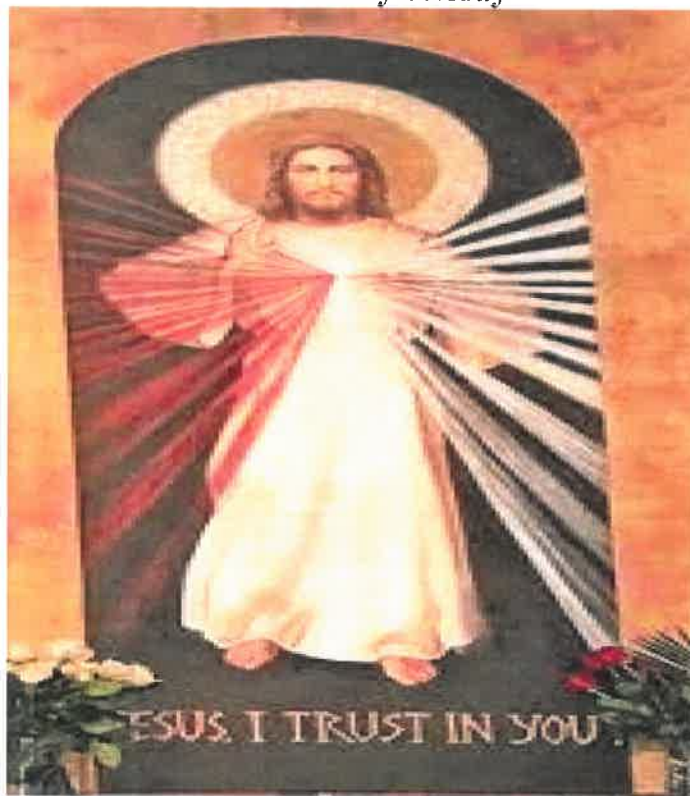
We give God thanks for all His blessings to our parish this Easter season. We also thank all who helped in one way or another with the Holy Week celebrations. The liturgies were very vibrant and inspiring. We were blessed with beautiful decorated churches and record-breaking attendance at the Easter Masses.



SMDPP Rosary Society wishes to thank all who participated in their **Palm Sunday Grab & Go Event**. There are not

enough ways to say "thank you" to those who volunteered and made donations towards the event. Please know how much it is appreciated!

Divine Mercy Sunday



Today in St. Peter Claver Church

Beginning with Confessions at 2:00PM followed by Eucharistic Adoration and the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00PM.





+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.



Weekday Readings

Sun. Acts 2:42-47 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24, 1 Pt 1:3-9 Jn 20:19-31

Mon. Acts 4:23-31 Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 Jn 3:1-8

Tue Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 Jn 3:7b-15

Wed. Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Jn 3:16-21

Thurs. Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 Jn 3:31-36

Fri. Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15

Sat. Acts 6:1-7 ps. 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21



God and Father of all gifts, we praise you the source of all we are.
Teach us to acknowledge always with generous gratitude the many good things your infinite love has given to us, as we support the work of our Diocese in Brooklyn and Queens.

Open our hearts that we may answer your call to follow the message of the Gospel as disciples in love and service, so that all may come to know you.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Welcome Have you been away from the church for a long time? Come in and join us. **You are welcome here! This is your home, and we are your family!**

Couples Group

St. Martin de Porres Parish couples' group promotes and encourages fellowship and spiritual formation among the married and non-married couples in our parish. It will resume Thursday, April 13th, at 7pm in OLV McGuinness Hall. For more information, please contact the Parish Office, 718-574-5772.



The League of The Sacred Heart Annual Tea

The League of The Sacred Heart of St. Peter Claver Church invites you to their Annual Tea/Brunch, **Sunday, April 30th**, from 1:30- 3:00pm in the lower Church entrance on Jefferson Avenue. **Cost: Adult \$35.00, Children 12 and under \$15.00.** For tickets see any Sacred Heart member, or call the rectory 718-574-5772.

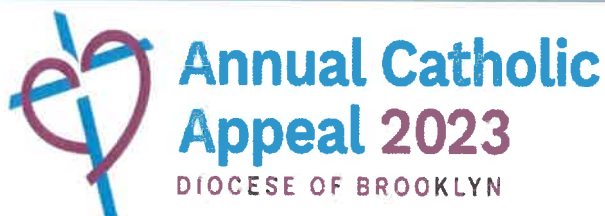


MOTHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE Mass will take place on Sunday, May 14^h at all Masses. This is a beautiful way of remembering our mothers, living or deceased, with a special Mass intention. Offering envelopes are available in the church today and you may return your offering in the collection or at the Parish Office. These intentions will remain in the sanctuary from Mother's Day until the end of the month.



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.



*On April 29th and April 30th
(Or May 6th and 7th)*

*we will ask everyone to consider making a gift to the
2023 Annual Catholic Appeal at all of our Masses.*

*You can also make a pledge today by texting **DONATE** to 917-336-1255*

to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal, we will exceed our goal.

*All donations made to the ACA above our parish goal are returned directly back to our
parish for operations and improvements.*



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or simply fill out this form, and drop it in the collection basket.

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This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad

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Holy Rosary Lower Church Hall



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