



Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

SUNDAY July 23rd, 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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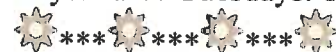
Monday: 10:00am. - 5:00pm.
Tuesday to Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Evenings & Weekends: By appointment.

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 Pastors Desk

Dear Parishioners,

It is hard to believe that we are entering the last week of the month of July! I know many of our young students don't want to hear this, but September is right around the corner! We do have another full month of summer left, so I do hope that each of you can enjoy the rest and relaxation of these summer months. We continue to give thanks to the Lord for all the many gifts and blessings that he has bestowed upon us. We hear in today's gospel our Lord speaking to us in parables. Jesus gives us this beautiful image of the mustard seed. The mustard seed is the smallest of plants, but once fully grown, can become the largest of trees. We must continue to sow seeds of faith here in our community. How blessed we are to be able to proclaim the goodness of the Lord here in Bedford Stuyvesant. The Kingdom of God grows tremendously when we, God's children, sow seeds of faith, hope and love. May these weeks of rest and rejuvenation be a time of spiritual growth, as we grow as faithful and holy witness of Christ, the great and eternal High Priest.

Thank you to our Rosarians

Last weekend, members of our parish Rosary Society sponsored a bus trip to Our Lady of the Island Shrine. I was told that it was a beautiful and spiritually fulfilling day. I want to thank the members of our Rosary Society for organizing this trip, which raised \$1,500 for the parish. The Rosarians are also working on getting another bus trip together for next year.

Thank you to our Annual Catholic Appeal Committee

Last Sunday, members of our Annual Catholic Appeal committee sponsored a bake sale after all of the Masses. We raised over \$1,000 that will go towards our parish goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal. I am very happy to announce that of our \$63,000 goal, we have pledged thus far \$40,000. I thank all of you for your generosity as we continue to build up the Body of Christ here at St. Martin de Porres parish.

Kujenga Retreat

The Kujenga youth leadership retreat will take place August 4 to August 6 at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, NY. Started by the late Father Martin Carter, the Kujenga retreat seeks to help educate the youth of our local community in the ways they can better serve their parishes, be a positive influence in their local neighborhoods and be proud of their history. Flyers for the Kujenga retreat can be found at the doors of each of the three churches.

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



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Mass Intentions for the week



**Saturday: July 22th, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver
Vigil Mass:**

For the Souls in Purgatory

Sunday: July 23rd, 11:30am – St. Peter Claver
Christina Wilson – birthday blessing

7:30am – Our Lady of Victory

Roberto Soudine – birthday blessing

req. by Mary Carasco

10:15am - Our Lady of Victory Church

Jashaan & Serezze Brown – birthday blessing

req. by Dr. Marina Brown

Carmen Lewis – birthday blessing

req. by Lynette Lewis-Rogers

Elaine Go-Oye – birthday remembrance

req. By Garbanzos family

9:00am – Holy Rosary Church

Marina Chini – in memoriam

req. by Agnes Proccoli

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*“Just as weeds are collected and
burned up with fire, so will it be
at the end of the age.”*

Matt 13:14

ALTAR BREAD:

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, Gleno
Holder, Denise Hughes, Msgr. Paul Jervis,
Ian Kellman, Gwendolyn Knight, Ida
Lashley, Paul Martin, Yvonne Merrimon,
Jacques Maurice, Leslie McFarlane, Aretha
Phillips Christina Randall, Noreen
Simonette, Marilyn Sylvester, Beverley
Thompson, Rosemarie Wilkie, Marie
Williams.



Holy Father's Prayer Intention (July. 2023)

For a Eucharistic Life

We pray that Catholics may place the
celebration of the Eucharist at the
heart of their lives, transforming
human relationships in a very deep
way and opening to the encounter
with God and all their brothers and



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Who have never been baptized? Who have not received the sacraments of Confirmation and/or First Communion? Who has been baptized in another faith tradition, and desires to become

Catholic? Who have 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 2023-2024 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 info., contact Ms. Michelle Joseph 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, Couples Ministries, and much more.** We urge active parishioners, **Find one! Join 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.



Feast of St. Peter Claver

The Feast of St. Peter Claver will be celebrated on Sunday, September 10th at the Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph. All parishioners are encouraged to join us for a combined Mass at 11:00am. Please note: On that day, there will not be a 10:15am Mass at OLV nor 11:30am Mass at St. Peter Claver Church. Following the Mass, a special luncheon will take place at Waldorf School Auditorium. Tickets are \$25.00. Members of Our Lady of Victory and Holy Rosary Churches are invited to join us at this special event.



St. Martin de Porres Parish Fund Raising Team will be sponsoring their first **Curry Q** on Saturday, September 16th, from 2pm to 6pm. Mark your calendar, more details to follow.



ST. MARTIN DE PORRES PARISH



6th Annual School Supplies Drive

We are accepting donations of school supplies (school bags, notebooks, memo pads, binders, pencils pens and more). to help the boys and girls of the parish. All are invited to donate different school supplies.



A 50/50 Raffle contribution envelope will be added to your monthly packet. The proceeds will be used for the ongoing renovation and rebuilding of the parish facilities. Winner takes home half the amount collected for the given month. and will be published in the bulletin of that week.

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference, Scranton, PA. August 4th thru 6th. Prices include: Registration, 6 meals, and housing for the entire weekend. Adults 18 years and over- \$190.- \$200-\$210.00, Preteens & Young Adults-12-17 years- \$145.00, children 5-11 years- \$114. Bus leaves Our Lady of Victory on Friday August 4th, at 11:00 AM sharp. For registration forms and further info please contact Bernice Brown, 347-240-6306, or call the Rectory office, 718-574-5772.



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, vbc cjujengaleadership@gmail.com.



Office of Court Administration

Open-Competitive Examination

Minimum qualifications to compete: To be eligible to compete in this examination, applicants must have a high school diploma or the equivalent and two (2) years of clerical experience*; or four (4) years of clerical experience*. Thirty (30) college level credits may be substituted for each year of work experience.

<https://iapps.courts.state.ny.us/OC/Application?0>

Filing period starts July 11th and ends on August 10th. All examination appointments must be self-scheduled at least 24 hours in advance of the scheduled examination time.



The SMDPP Rosary Society wishes to thank all who supported the Pilgrimage to **The Lady of the Island Shrine**. It is a great success.

Weekday Readings

Sun. Wis 12:13, 16-19 Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 Rom 8:26-27 Mt 13:24-43

Mon. Ex 14:5-18 Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mt 12:38-42

Tue. 2 Cor 4:7-15 Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 Mt 20:20-28

Wed. Ex 16:1-5, 9-15 Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28 Mt 13:1-9

Thurs. Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 Mt 13:10-17

Fri. Ex 20:1-17 Ps. 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Mt 13:18-23

Sat. Ex 24:3-8 Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 Jn 11:19-27

2023 Annual Catholic Appeal Prayer

God and Father of all gifts,
we praise you the source of all who we are.
Teach us to acknowledge always
with generous gratitude
the many good things
your infinite love has given us,
as we support the work of the Church
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,
forever and ever. Amen



Are you new to the neighborhood?
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.**

**Associated Vincentian Charities of
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Vincentian Charities at 718-491-2525 or
avcb@gmail.com.



Thank You

We thank all who contributed or made
donation towards the Parish cake sale last
weekend. We raised **\$1,000**. The proceeds
will go toward the Annual Catholic Appeal
goal.



**SUMMER
SCHEDULE**

The 1st Friday Midday Mass at **St. Peter Claver
Church** and 11:00am Tuesday Mass at **Holy Rosary
Church** will be suspended during July and August.
Schedule will resume on September 5th.

Live Stream Schedule

Join us every Saturday 5pm, St. Peter Claver
Church, Sunday at 9:00am Holy Rosary Church
and 10:15am Our Lady of Victory Church for live
streaming of Masses on our facebook page
socialmedia@smdpp. on our website
@stmartindeporthparish.org or directly from the
links below

[https://boxcast.tv/view/500pm-vigil-mass---st-
peter-claver-church-](https://boxcast.tv/view/500pm-vigil-mass---st-peter-claver-church-)

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of-victory-church](https://boxcast.tv/view/1015-am-mass--our-lady-of-victory-church)

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Annual Catholic Appeal 2023
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ACA Campaign Summary

Parish Goal: **\$63,586** - Pledged - **\$40,591**
Received - **\$26,762**

Did you know that there are ways to support our parish and the mission of the Church that can also provide you with tax benefits...and potentially even a source of income?

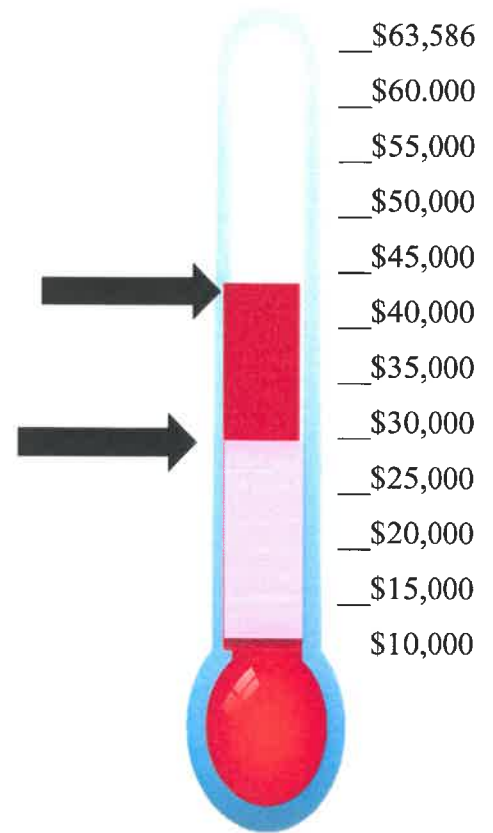
If you have an asset such as appreciated stocks, a retirement plan, art, real estate, or other assets, a planned gift could be a smarter way to give than cash alone.

With a planned gift like those mentioned above, you can sustain our beloved parish while also making smart financial decisions to benefit your family.

If you are interested in learning more, contact our parish office or call the Catholic Foundation at 718-965-7375.



TEXT ACA to 917-336-1255 or Scan this QR code and you will Be guided through the Donation Process!



Received

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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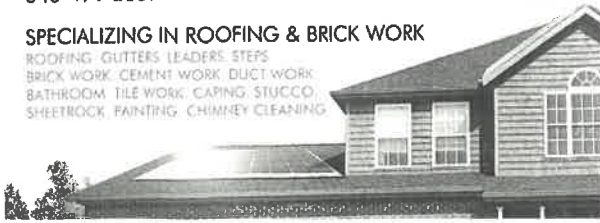
Lord, you are good and forgiving.

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St. Peter Claver Lower Church Hall