



# Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

**SUNDAY August 13, 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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Ms. Paulitiana St. Hilaire, Secretary  
Mrs. Maria Matos, Bookkeeper  
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Mr. Joseph Murray, Co-Dir. of Music  
Ms. Joan Marie Delahunt, Co-Dir. of Music  
Ms. Tamika Daniel, Youth Minister  
Mr. Humberto DaCosta, Buildings /Grounds

## 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

1<sup>st</sup> Fridays: Rosary for Life



## St. Peter Claver Church

29 Claver Place  
Brooklyn, NY 11238

### Mass Times

Sat.: 5pm / Sun.: 11:30am

Monday. & Wednesday: 12noon

1<sup>st</sup> Fridays: 12noon

*Holiday schedule will be announced*

## *From The Pastors Desk*

Dear Parishioners,

We are quickly approaching these last few weeks of summer. I don't know about you, but these weeks just seem to fly right by. We have already approached the middle of August. Soon our students will be making their way back to school, which I'm sure brings excitement and joy to the parents of our students. How appropriate it is then that we hear in today's gospel Jesus speaking to us from the water. Today's gospel depicts Jesus walking on the water and his disciples seeing him. Our Lord says to them, "take courage, it is I, do not be afraid". The Lord encourages us to be courageous in our faith, to be able to proclaim the truths of our faith, not worrying about what others will say or do. We must be courageous in bringing the light of Christ to all our brothers and sisters. Jesus encourages us to never take our eyes off him, so that we may not sink into the waters of despair, hopelessness or doubt. May these last few weeks of summer be encounters with the Lord Jesus, as he takes us by the hand to follow him.

### **Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

This Tuesday, August 15 is the solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a holy day of obligation. Masses will be celebrated at each of our three churches: 9:00AM at Holy Rosary Church, 12:00Noon at St. Peter Claver Church and 7:30PM at Our Lady of Victory Church. Please note that there will not be an 8:00AM Mass at Our Lady of Victory on August 15.

***Almighty ever-living God, who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary,  
the Mother of your Son, body and soul into heavenly glory,  
grant we pray, that, always attentive to the things that are above,  
we may merit to be sharers of her glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns  
with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.***

### **School of Faith Formation Registration**

New registration and re-registration for our parish school of faith formation has begun. Children who need receiving the Sacraments of Initiation must register their children for faith formation classes. Registration fee is \$55 per child. You may register online via our parish website or pick up a registration form at the parish office.

### **Curry Q Fundraiser**

Our parish will be conducting a Curry Q fundraiser on Saturday, September 16 at Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall from 2:00PM to 6:00PM. You are invited to partake of some delicious curry flavored dishes. Tickets are \$25 each. You may purchase a ticket after Mass or at the parish office.

### **Back to School Kick-Off**

As is the custom here at St. Martin de Porres, we will be accepting donations of school supplies to help the students of our parish. There will be bins located at the doors of each of the three churches that you may place the supplies in, or you may bring them to the parish office during the week.

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



***Scan to support our Parish***





# Mass Intentions for the week



**Saturday: Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver  
Vigil Mass:**

Susana Gyamfi- Konadu – in memoriam

**Sunday: Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am – St. Peter Claver**  
The people of the Parish

**7:30am – Our Lady of Victory**

In honor and thanksgiving for the Sacred Heart for  
Mary Carasco

**10:15am - Our Lady of Victory Church**

Blessing & thanksgiving for living members of  
Shaw, Semper & Thibou family

*req. by Dr. Marina Brown*

**Robert Davis – in memoriam**

*req. by Michael Davis*

**9:00am – Holy Rosary Church**

Juan Lantigua – birthday remembrance

*req. by Matos family*

**Tues. Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> 9am -Holy Rosary Church**

Cynthia Ashe – in memoriam

*req. by Rosanne Barber*

**Tues. Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm – Our Lady of Victory**

Virginia Caesar – in memoriam

*req. by Diane Scott*

**I WAIT FOR THE LORD,  
MY WHOLE BEING  
WAITS, AND  
IN HIS WORD  
I PUT MY HOPE.**

**PSALM 130:5**

## 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 (Aug. 2023)**

#### **For World Youth Day**

We pray the World Youth Day in  
Lisbon will help young people to  
live and witness the Gospel in  
their own lives.



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](mailto: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](http://www.smdpp.org). The fee is \$55 per student. For more info., contact Ms. Michelle Joseph [DRE101260@diobrook.org](mailto: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 8<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.sfabrooklyn.org) 400 Lincoln Rd, Brooklyn, NY 11225.





**2023 Summer Mission Appeal**

The weekend of Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> we are having our 2023 Summer Mission Appeal. The homilist for all of the Masses that weekend will be Sister. M. Godeliva Subyeki, from Tanzania, East Africa, a member of the Daughters of Mary Tabora, CDMT. Sr. will speak about her congregation's missionary work. Please consider making a generous donation for their work among the poor.



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.



**Feast of St. Peter Claver**



The Feast of St. Peter Claver will be celebrated on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> 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.



**Mass Schedule**

**Feast of the Assumption**

**Tuesday August 15, 2023**

**9:00am Holy Rosary Church**

**12:00pm St. Peter Claver Church**

**7:30pm Our Lady of Victory Church.**



*Altar flowers for the Month of August in OLV Church donate by Carolyn Thomas and Patricia Brown.*



St. Martin de Porres Parish Fund Raising Team will be hosting a Curry Q (*bussup shut, curry chana & potatoes, pumpkin, spinach, chicken & more*) Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, from 2pm to 6pm. in OLV McGuinness Hall, 163 Mac Donough Street. Cost per dinner is \$25.00. (Vegan, Chicken or Goat) Pre Orders should be placed no later than Augusts 27<sup>h</sup>, 2023



**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. *Supplies will be distributed Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>* and beyond at all church sites. We thank you for your generosity.



**School of Faith Formation**

New registration and re-registration Faith Formation forms for the year 2023-2024 school year are available online. Registration for all grades, including sacramental preparation, has begun. Register via the sacramental parish website, [www.smdpp.org](http://www.smdpp.org). The fee is \$55 per student. For more information, contact Ms. Michelle Joseph at [DRE101260@diobrook.org](mailto:DRE101260@diobrook.org).



**A Celebration of Culture and Faith**

Join the Labor Day Committee on Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, with Mass and celebration with **Bishop Robert Brennan** at St. Matthew's Church. Mass will be said at 9:00am, with procession on Eastern Parkway immediately afterwards. For more information, please call St. Matthew's Church 718-774-6747.



Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

**Weekday Readings**

**Sun. 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33**

**Mon. Dt 10:12-22 Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Mt 17:22-27**

**Tue. 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2 Ps. 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 1 Cor 15:54b-57 Lk 11:27-28**

**Wed. Dt 34:1-12 Ps 66:1-3a, 5 &8, 16-17 Mt 18:15-20**

**Thurs. Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17 Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mt 18:21-19:1**

**Fri. Jos 24:1-13. Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 & 24 Mt 19:3-12**

**Sat. Jos 24:14-29 Ps 16:1-2 & 5, 7-8, 11 Mt 19:13-15**



**Annual Catholic Appeal 2023**  
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

**ACA Campaign Summary**

**Parish Goal: \$63,586 - Pledged - \$46,045**

**Received - \$35,368**

**We still need your help.**

Remember no gift is too small or too large! Once we exceed our goal, we will receive 100% of all funds raised for the general use at the parish.

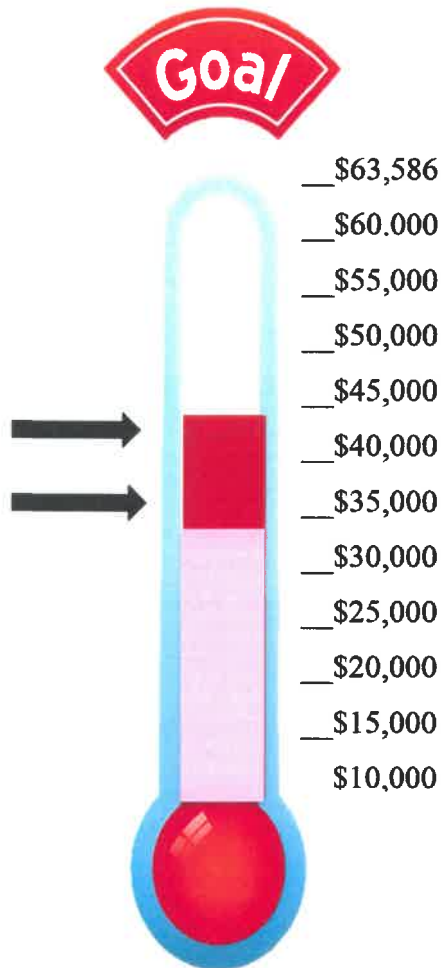
For questions regarding the Appeal please call the Parish Office at

**718-574-5772. or email us at [info@smdpp.org](mailto:info@smdpp.org)**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



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



**Pledged**

**Received**



Our Parish is blessed and enriched by the presence of all new parishioners. Our prayer is that they will find in this place, a home where they can bring their sorrows and joys, their pain and

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Diocesan  
Eucharistic  
Revival



Bring  
the entire  
family!

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Saturday, October 7, 2023  
Maimonides Park, Brooklyn**

For more details visit:  
**BOER.org**

"WHOEVER EATS THIS BREAD  
WILL LIVE FOREVER"

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