



# Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

**SUNDAY August 27, 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 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

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

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 Pastor's Desk*

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the last Sunday of August. June felt like it was just yesterday! As we prepare to enter the Fall season, the Lord calls us into a deeper relationship with him. Things tend to get much busier as September comes around. The workload seems to pile up and there may be times that we become overwhelmed or fall into despair. Through all the work, tasks or situations that have been given to us, we must never take our eyes off Jesus, the son of God. We hear in today's gospel Jesus asking his disciples, "who do people say that I am?" After the disciples respond to Jesus, the Lord asks Peter, "who do you say that I am?" It is from that question, that Peter gives a profound statement of faith, you are the Christ the son of the living God. Jesus is the anointed son of God, who comes to us body, blood, soul and divinity. The Lord reveals himself to us in so many ways, but most especially through the gift of faith, which allows us to proclaim him as the eternal son of God. May the Lord continue to bless us with his mercy, as we follow him to the eternal kingdom of heaven.

### **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 at the parish office.

### **Diocese of Brooklyn Eucharistic Revival**

The Catholic Church throughout the country has called for a renewal in the proclamation of the Most Holy Eucharist. As Catholics, we believe that Jesus is present body, blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist. He is truly the center of the Church. Here in the Diocese of Brooklyn, we will have a Diocesan Eucharistic Revival which will take place on Saturday, October 7 at Maimonides Park Stadium (Brooklyn Cyclones in Coney Island) beginning at 8:00AM. The day will include praise and worship, Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Family Catechesis and much more. There will be a bus leaving from Our Lady of Victory Church for a nominal fee. You are all invited to join with the Diocese of Brooklyn for a day of prayer and worship, a celebration of Catholic families and the proclamation of the joy of the gospel and Eucharist.

### **First Friday Devotions**

This Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup> is the first Friday of the month. First Friday devotions will take place at Our Lady of Victory Church following the 8:00AM Mass with Eucharistic adoration, the recitation of the rosary followed by Benediction. There will be a first Friday Mass at 12:00Noon at St. Peter Claver church.

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



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# Mass Intentions for the week



**Saturday: Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver Vigil Mass:**

Msgr. Paul Jervis – grace healing

**Sunday: Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am – St. Peter Claver Victoire Charles – in memoriam**

*req. by Catherine Joseph*

**7:30am – Our Lady of Victory**

Edward & Terese Taviere – in memoriam

*req. by Garbrielle, Edward & Francios Roberts*

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

Vinola Victoria Hinds – in memoriam

*req. by Jamid Adler*

**Deceased members of the Brown, Semper, Shaw & Thibou families**

*req. by Dr. Marina Brown*

**Alicia Castel - in memoriam**

*req. by Marie Castel*

**9:00am – Holy Rosary Church**

Allison Pascal - birthday blessing

**Wednesday, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> OLV Church 8am**

Souls in Purgatory

*req. by Linley & Julienne Roberts*

**Thursday, Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>, OLV Church 8am**

Jose R. Paras – in memoriam

*req. by Garbanzos family*

**Friday, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, OLV Church 8am**

**Souls in Purgatory**

*req. by Gabrielle, Edward & Francios Roberts*

## ALTAR BREAD:

Gabrielle, Edward & Francios  
grace & blessing

*req. by Linly & Julienne Roberts*

## 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.



**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.



**.Penny Drive**



Once again, we are asking for your support, put your loose pennies to good use. Drop your pennies into the penny jar located at the front of the church. Your donation will help support the social outreach of the parish.



**THE WORD AMONG US** September issue entitled, **“I Must Be in My Father’s House.”** is now available at the parish. The list price is \$5.95 but can be purchased for only \$3.00. Please call the Parish office to purchase your copy.



*Thank You!*



The parish staff wishes to thank all those who made a contribution towards the Back-to-School Supply Drive. There are supplies remaining, please call the rectory for pickup.



*Thanks*

Thank you for your warm welcome and support for the Community of the Daughters of Mary. Your generous support of the Community will make a difference in the lives of our elderly and infirm sisters. Thank you to all for your kindness. Be assured of our prayers and may God bless you always.

**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.



**Auto Donation**

The Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn will take any car, truck or van, running or not, and donate \$75 to \$200 per vehicle to St. Martin de Porres. Any old or neglected vehicle sitting in your driveway or family member, friend or neighbor’s driveway can be disposed of by calling (718) 491-2525. Free towing, any condition. IRS tax deduction



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.



**Diocesan Eucharistic Revival**

Join with the Diocese of Brooklyn for Prayer and Worship on Saturday, October 7 at Maimonides Park Stadium (Brooklyn Cyclones in Coney Island). More information will follow.

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

### Weekday Readings

**Sun. Is 22:19-23** Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 Rom 11:33-36  
Mt 16:13-20

**Mon. 1Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10** Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a& 9b Mt 23:13-22

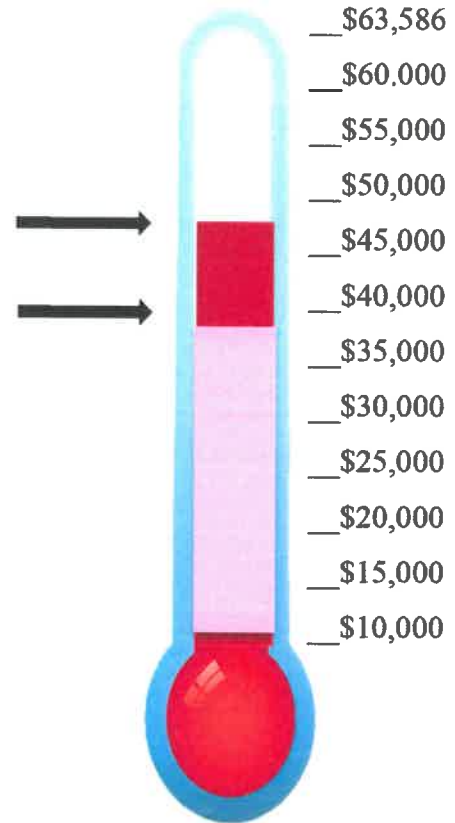
**Tue. 1Thes 2:1-8** Ps 139:1-3, 4-6 Mk 6:17-29

**Wed. 1Thes 2:9-13** Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab Mt 23:27-32

**Thurs. 1Thes 3:7-13** Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14& 17 Mt 24:42-51

**Fri. 1Thes 4:1-8** Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 Mt 25:1-13

**Sat. 1Thes 4:9-11** Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 Mt 25:14-30



**Diocesan Eucharistic Revival**

**EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL 2022-2025**

**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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**Annual Catholic  
Appeal 2023**  
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

## ACA Campaign Summary

**Parish Goal: \$63,586 - Pledged - \$48,619**

**Received - \$38,162**

**We still need your help.**

We ask every parish family to consider making a tax-deductible gift to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal.

*If 100 parishioners pledge \$110 each*  
to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal, we will exceed our goal.

**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!

### *How can I support our Parish?*

#### *Ways to Give*



1. To set up a onetime contribution or to set up recurring Giving Online click on the link <https://www.givecentral.org/location/655>
2. Text "SUNDAY" to (718) 550-5830
3. Mail your envelopes to the Parish Office at 583 Throop Avenue, Brooklyn, NY. 11216
4. Bring contribution to Mass to be deposited into the collection baskets during the Offertory

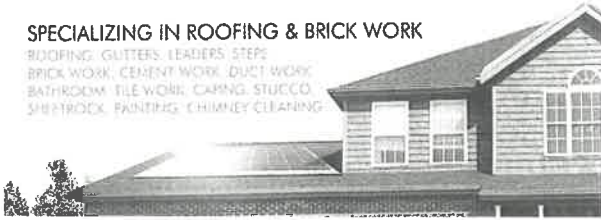
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