



# Saint Martin de Porres Parish

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

SUNDAY Nov 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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**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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Mr. Joseph Murray, Co-Dir. of Music  
Ms. Tamika Daniel, Youth Minister  
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## OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 10:00am. - 5:00pm.  
Tuesday to Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm  
Evenings & Weekends: By appointment.

## Mass Times

### Holy Rosary Church

139 Chauncey Street / Brooklyn, NY 11233  
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

*(In St. Anthony's Chapel)*



### 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,

Today we celebrate the great solemnity of Christ the King. It is one of my favorite solemnities. The scripture readings for Mass focus on the kingly presence of the Lord. We hear in today's gospel that the Lord will come in glory on his throne with his scepter of power and justice. Jesus is the King that we want to follow! He is the King who will lead us to the kingdom of everlasting life. Jesus is our sovereign King, who is our savior and redeemer. Today also marks the last Sunday of this liturgical year. Next Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent! It's hard to believe that we have already approached a new liturgical season. We pray that the Lord will continue to bless the amazing and good work being done here at St. Martin de Porres parish. Long live Christ the King!

### **50/50 Raffle**

A 50/50 envelope has been included in your monthly tithe's envelope packet. Extra envelopes are located at the doors of the churches. Contribution is \$20 and the proceeds will be used for the ongoing renovation and rebuilding of parish facilities. The winner takes home half of the amount collected for the given month.

### **Lector Workbooks**

Today, the Solemnity of Christ the King, is the last Sunday of the liturgical year. All parish lectors must pick up their new lector workbooks in the sacristy of each of the churches.

### **Parish Christmas Fundraisers**

Our parish Christmas fundraiser will be "A taste of Christmas box and poinsettia sale". A taste of Christmas is a delightful sweet and savory holiday themed box. We will also be selling beautiful poinsettia plants. This will take place on Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup> after all the Masses.

### **Parish Christmas Party**

Our parish Christmas party will take place on Sunday, December 10 at Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall beginning at 1:00PM. Tickets are \$20 each and includes food, dancing and a lot of fun. We also have some great prizes to be raffled off throughout the day. Tickets for the party along with raffle tickets can be purchased after all the Masses this weekend and at the parish office.

### **Advent Tuesday Evening Vespers and Adoration**

We will continue the custom of having Eucharistic Adoration and Vespers each of the Tuesdays of Advent. They will be held at Our Lady of Victory Church beginning at 7:30PM. Our first Tuesday evening will be December 5. All are welcomed to pray with us.

### **Youth Ministry**

Youth ministry will begin meeting on Sunday, December 3 at Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall at 12:30PM.

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





# Mass Intentions for the week



**Saturday: Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm – St. Peter Claver  
Vigil Mass:**

For the Souls in Purgatory

**Sunday: Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am – St. Peter Claver**  
For the repose of the Soul of Sarah Keys-Evans –

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

**10:15am - Our Lady of Victory Church**  
Angela Morris – in memoriam  
*Req. by her family*

**9:00am – Holy Rosary Church**  
Wilmoth Randall – in memoriam  
*Req. by Randall family*

**Mon. Nov 27<sup>th</sup> 12noon – SPC Church**  
Kristoffer Carter - in memoriam  
*Req. by Carter family*



## ALTAR BREAD & Wine:

## ALTAR CANDLES:

Canonización of Msgr. Bernard Quinn

## SANTUARY CANDLE:

## ALTAR FLOWERS

Msgr. Paul Jervis – in memoriam  
*Req. by Brignol family*

### *Pray for the*

Ricardo Agcauli 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, Marian Jones, Ian Kellman, Gwendolyn Knight, Ida Lashley, Paul Martin, Yvonne Merrimon, Jacques Maurice, Leslie McFarlane, Aretha Phillips Christina Randall, Noreen Simonette, Marilyn Marie St. Ange, Sylvester, Beverley Thompson, Rosemarie Wilkie, Marie Williams.



## Holy Father's Prayer Intention (November 2023)

### For The Pope

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

**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.**

**Religious Education**

We are currently accepting registration for new and continuing religious education students. To register, visit us at <https://stmartindeporresparish.org/faith-formation/>. Classes began Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, and continues every **Sundays from 8:45am-10am** in Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall. For more information, contact Ms. Michelle Joseph at [DRE101260@diobrook.org](mailto:DRE101260@diobrook.org). We look forward to another year of helping our children grow in faith.



**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 2024 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.



**Couples Group**

St. Martin de Porres Parish couples' ongoing fellowship and spiritual formation among the married and non-married couples in our parish continues every second Thursday, at 7pm in OLV McGuinness.

**The Lord in my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

**2024 Mass Book**



The 2024 Parish Mass Book is open for Mass intentions. You can memorialize or honor someone in a special way. Please note that only one intention per Mass, except for the Sunday 10:15 Mass, which is a multiple intention Mass. The stipend for an intention is \$15.00. Also available are Altar Bread, Altar Wine, Altar Candles and Altar Flowers. Please come to the Parish Office to make special Mass offerings for your loved ones.



*Taste of Christmas*



Please support our multi-faceted fundraiser on Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, **A Taste of Christmas and Poinsettias sale**. A Taste of Christmas is a sweet and savory delightfully holiday themed food and beverages box. It will include, chicken or vegetarian pastelles, slices of fruit cake, pound cake, a rock bun, a choice of sorrel or ginger beer and coconut ice cream. Boxes are \$20.00 each. Please call the Rectory to place orders. Proceeds goes toward to the Annual Catholic Appeal.



*Have a Holly Jolly CHRISTMAS*

**SMDPP Jolly Christmas Raffle Mania**, Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 1:30pm-6:00pm, in Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall. Lots to Raffle, Food, Music, and dancing. Donation: \$20.00. Raffle tickets are available for purchase at **\$5 per ticket**. Prizes are, **Apple iPad, 50" TV, and an 11piece Calphalon Cookware set Pots**.

*Save the Date*

*Lessons & Carols  
Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.  
Our Lady of Victory Church.*



**CHRISTMAS PLANTS** that will decorate our church throughout the Christmas Season may be donated. You may wish to donate **IN MEMORY OF** or **IN HONOR OF** a loved one. Christmas plant donation envelopes are available in the church today. Please return your offering in the collection or to the Parish Office.



**Movie Night**

**SMDPP Faith Formaton** will be hosting a movie night, Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 7pm to 9pm in OLV McGuinness Hall. Kids ages 13 and up invited to attend. Pizza and snacks will be served. For more information, please contact Ms. Michelle Joseph at 347-944-2220.



**Breast Cancer Fundraiser**

St. Martin de Porres Parish ask you to join in the fight against breast cancer **Our Parish Annual Breast Cancer Fundraiser**, will take place on Saturday December 2<sup>nd</sup> form 7pm - 11pm at St. Peter Claver Church, 29 Claver Place. Deacon Chris Barber will be the MC for that evening. All proceeds are donated to the American Cancer Society. For more info, please contact Michell Joseph 347-944-2220.



**Advent Vespers**

Our custom of Advent vespers will continue this year. All are invited to pray vespers with the community on the Tuesdays of Advent. The first Tuesday vespers will take place on Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30PM at Our Lady of Victory Church. It will also be livestreamed.



**The Lord in my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

**Weekday Readings**

**Sun.** Ez 34:11-12, 15-17 Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 Mt 25:31-46

**Mon. Dn 1:1-6, 8-20** Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 Lk 21:1-4

**Tue. Dn 2:31-45.** Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 Lk 21:5-11

**Wed.** Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67 Lk 21:12-19

**Thurs** Rom 10:9-18 PS 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Mt 4:18-22

**Fri.** Dn 7:2-14 Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81 Lk 21:29-33

**Sat.** Dn 7:15-27 Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87 Lk 21:34-36

**THE WORD AMONG US** December/Advent issue entitled, *“Living as a Holy Family.”* is now available for 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.



**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**



Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Mass will be celebrated in all three Churches. **Holy Rosary Church -9:00am, St. Peter Claver Church - 12:00Noon and Our Lady of Victory Church 7:30pm.**

**Parish Stewardship Renewal**

For those who recently joined our faith community, and attend Mass regularly, please register as a parishioner. This will allow the parish to assist you when you or a family member seek a sacrament, need a letter of good standing, or want to serve as a godparent. It will also help us communicate with you so that you can be up to date on what is going on and how you'd like to be involved at St. Martin de Porres Parish. Thank you.



**Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn**

Vehicle Donation Program Vincentian Charities will accept donations of used vehicles in any condition. They will tow the vehicle away. You will get a tax receipt and the parish will get a donation from Vincentian Charities. To donate, call Vincentian Charities at 718-491-2525 or avcb@gmail.com.



**50/50** Monthly 50/50 Raffle contribution is \$20.00. proceeds will be used for the ongoing renovation and rebuilding of the parish facilities. Winner takes home half the amount collected for the month. Remember, you have to be in it to win it. **THANK YOU AND GOOD LUCK!**



**SMDPP Mustard Seed Youth Minister** invites all young people of the parish particularly those from seventh to twelfth grades to their Youth Group meeting, Sunday December 3, 2023. from 1pm to 3pm in Our Lady of Victory McGuinness Hall. Parents are asked to register kids via this link. <https://forms.gle/9KTTCGj5DLsq6a7xL9>. For more info. please contact Tamika Daniel [mustardseedyouthgroupsmdpp@gmail.com](mailto:mustardseedyouthgroupsmdpp@gmail.com).

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

*As bad as I am- His right hand still upholds me.  
Almighty King enthroned -in glory of the highest peak  
So much comfort in His rod and staff.  
He crest my table with loads of fish and bread  
He Light my path so ever green I'll forever sing praises  
of my - Christ The King*

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*If you have already made your pledge to the Bishop's Annual Catholic Appeal  
Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!*

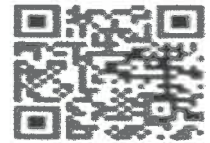


*You have helped us reach goal in pledges! Your generosity and kindness are greatly appreciated! We encourage all donors to fulfill your pledge! If you have not made your donation - Please support the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal -All Funds raised now, Come back to our Parish for our use.*

*There are envelopes at the back of the Church for your donation. You can either mail it or drop it in the collection basket. Thank you!*

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*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!**

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**CALLING THE YOUTH OF  
ST. MARTIN DE PORRES RC CHURCH**

*Mustard Seed Youth Group  
Returns*

**Starting Sunday December 3, 2023**

**1:00pm to 3:00pm**

**McGuinness Hall at**

**Our Lady of Victory RC Church**

**163 Macdougouh Street, Brooklyn, NY 11216**

**Contact Ms. Tamika:**

**[mustardseedyouthgroupsmdpp@gmail.com](mailto:mustardseedyouthgroupsmdpp@gmail.com)**

**Register in the Parish Office or Scan the QR Code**



*Faith the size of a  
mustard seed*

*Can move mountains  
Matthew 17:20*





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