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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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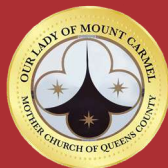
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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 (*Saint Scholastica*)

5:00pm Patricia Brennan, Carol Reilly (*For Healing*)
Manuel Sanchez (*Birthday Memorial*)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11 (*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

8:00am William Daddario
9:00am Vito D'Arrigo
9:30am Roberto Miguel Camacho de la Puente &
Ricardo Alejandro Camacho Chiri
11:00am Jake Babcock
12:30pm Christian Ponce, Abraham Deliz,
Luis Sanchez (*Vive*)
3:00pm For the People of the Parish

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8:00am John Thu Pham (*Birthday Remembrance*)
12:00pm Giuseppe Castellisi

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:00am Mose Min (*Death Anniversary*)
12:00pm Jack & Angela O'Connor

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 (*Ash Wednesday*)

8:00am Margarita B. Magistrado
12:00pm John May
7:30pm Maria Nguyen

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

8:00am Giuseppe & Bernarda DiLorenzo
12:00pm Helen Rossi

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8:00am Carmelina Comunale (*Living*)
12:00pm Mercedes Beck

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

(The Seven Founders of the Servite Order)

8:00am Ann Su Doan
5:00pm Angelina Brincat, Vitoantonio Chiechi,
Ana Vessia, Nicola Mossa (*Birthday Memorial*)
& Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18 (*First Sunday of Lent*)

8:00am Rose Tavano
9:00am In Memoria di Nick Messina
9:30am *Intencion Disponible*
11:00am Giulio Moretti & John Albani
12:30pm Feliciano Verdejo, Abraham Deliz,
Celeste Stewart (*Vive*)
3:00pm For the People of the Parish

MEMORIAL OF THE WEEK

*The Altar Candles are being offered for **Nicola & Serafina DiPompo and Family**, by Ida Barretta*

STRING TRIO

The Our Lady of Mount Carmel String Trio will be playing at the noon Mass on Ash Wednesday.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

February 11: There will be a second collection after communion for our Parish Maintenance. Your generosity enables us to maintain our parish spaces in good condition for your use.

February 18: There will be a second collection after communion for Black & Indian. Your generosity enables the church to reach those in the poorest communities.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 PM (Vigil Mass)
Sunday	Main Church: 8:00 AM (English) 9:30 AM (Bilingual) 11:00 AM (English) 12:30 PM (Spanish) 3:00 PM (Vietnamese) Chapel: 9:00 AM (Italian) 10:30 AM (Czech-Slovak)
Weekdays	8:00 AM and 12:00 Noon
Saturday	8:00 AM
First Fridays	7:30 PM (Spanish)
Holy Days	8:00 AM, 12 PM (English) and 7:30 PM (Bi-lingual)
Holidays	Only one Mass at 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS:
Saturday 3:30pm—4:30pm (Chapel)

CHURCH HOURS:
Weekday: 7:00am—7:00pm
Saturday: 7:00am—6:00pm
Sunday: 7:00am—4:00pm

OFFICE HOURS
Weekday:
9:00am—12:00 Noon
1:00pm—8:30pm
Saturday:
9:00am—12:00 Noon

PARISH REGISTRATION

We encourage all who worship with us to consider registering to our parish. This will enable our parish to serve your needs better. Please return this form in the collection or drop it off at the parish office. Your participation will strengthen your sense of belonging in God's family.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____ Apt _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

PLEASE CHECK:

New Registration Changed Address
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2024 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Annual Catholic Appeal 2024

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

We thank all who contributed to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal. A total of \$85,397 has been pledged by 204 parishioners and what remains to be collected is \$1,451. Once all monies are collected, \$17,582 will remain in the parish to be used to finance parochial projects which will benefit the people of our parish.

This week begins the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal. We encourage everyone to view the 2024 ACA video online at www.CFBQ.org/ACAVideo.

Your contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal make a significant impact, aiding individuals in Brooklyn & Queens in ways beyond the capacity of any single parish.

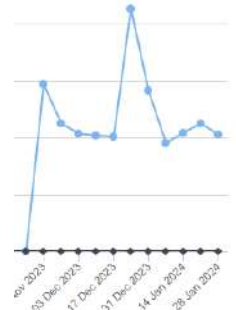
Let us pray for the success of the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal, envisioning a triumph that not only empowers us to extend love to those in need but also enables our hearts to respond to Jesus, who calls us to be in Communion, Participation & Mission.

We invite you to stand with your parish in supporting the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal. To donate, visit www.AnnualCatholicAppeal.org or text **DONATE** to **917.336.1255**.

MASS ATTENDANCE RECORD

Weekend of February 3/4 Number of Attendees

Saturday English Vigil 5:00pm	157
Sunday English 8:00am	104
9:00am Italian	46
9:30am Bilingual	153
10:00am Czech	22
English 11:00am	283
12:30pm Spanish	415
3:00pm Vietnamese	74



WEEKLY

REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS

Last Sunday: \$5,688 Same Week Last Year: \$5,286

FAITH DIRECT CONTRIBUTIONS

January 2023: \$5,901 January 2024: \$5,907



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The holy season of Lent will begin with this week's Ash Wednesday celebration. This season offers us, as Catholics, an opportunity to engage in the meaningful tradition of self-denial. It is a time when we consciously choose to abstain from certain pleasures and habits, not merely as an act of discipline but as a profound gesture of aligning ourselves with the sacrificial spirit of Christ. This act of "giving up" serves multiple purposes: it teaches us self-control, redirects our focus from material pursuits to spiritual enrichment, and most importantly, signifies our repentance for our sins and our longing to walk more closely with Christ.

I am reminded of a poignant story about a father who encouraged his children to go beyond the usual practice of giving up sweets for Lent. He urged them to renounce a sinful habit instead. Halfway through Lent, he inquired about how they were doing with their Lenten promises. One son, who had vowed to stop fighting with his siblings, replied, "I'm doing pretty good, Dad—but boy, I can't wait until Easter!". This response, while endearing, reveals a partial understanding of the true essence of Lent. Lent is not just a temporary pause from sin; it's about a profound and lasting conversion. It calls for a complete transformation of our lives to embody the ways of Christ, abandoning sin not just for a season but forever.

I'd like to think of Lent as a time to recognize and relinquish the control that certain behaviors or inclinations have over us. It's about allowing God to take the reins of our lives. The concept of "detachment" is often discussed during this period. It implies that by being less occupied with worldly matters, we make more room for God in our lives. Apart from the traditional abstinence from meat on Fridays, Lent provides a chance to give up various other things: excessive television watching, compulsive gossiping, unhealthy eating habits, or any vice that impedes our spiritual growth, like laziness, procrastination, lack of passion or zeal, or the tendency to exert control or influence over others, etc. It's about identifying our personal struggles and focusing our Lenten discipline on overcoming them.

Contrary to being solely about sacrifice, Lent is equally a time for positive transformation and growth. It can be about adopting better habits: responsible use of money and time, moderation in food and drink, maintaining a healthy sleep schedule, enhancing personal organization, reducing internet usage or dependency on social media, or engaging in daily prayer and Scripture meditation. These practices are not only beneficial for our physical well-being but also immensely nourishing for our souls.

The austerity of Lent, however, does not preclude us from experiencing joy and celebration. It's about pausing our relentless pursuit of pleasure and allowing ourselves to be surprised by joy in its purest form. When we experience these moments of happiness, we recognize them as gifts from God. Thus, Lent is not solely about renunciation; it's equally about incorporating acts of goodness into our lives and the lives of others, aligning with the teachings of Jesus.

A significant aspect of Lent is the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I encourage you to visit our parish or other churches to partake in Confession. Remember, God's transformative work in our lives begins when we open our hearts to His grace. As St. Paul reminds us, "*now is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation*" (2 Cor 6:2). Let us not delay in embracing this sacred opportunity.

Wishing you a Lenten season full of joy and renewal, I remain.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Msgr. Cuong M. Pham



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Con la celebración del Miércoles de Ceniza de esta semana, comenzaremos la santa temporada de Cuaresma. Esta temporada nos ofrece, como católicos, una oportunidad para participar en la valiosa tradición del auto-sacrificio. Es un tiempo en el que conscientemente elegimos abstenernos de ciertos placeres y hábitos, no solo como un acto de disciplina, sino como un profundo gesto de alineación con el espíritu sacrificial de Cristo. Este acto de “renunciar” cumple múltiples propósitos: nos enseña autocontrol, redirige nuestro enfoque de las persecuciones materiales al enriquecimiento espiritual y, lo más importante, significa nuestro arrepentimiento por nuestros pecados y nuestro anhelo de caminar más cerca de Cristo.

Me viene a la mente una historia conmovedora sobre un padre que animó a sus hijos a ir más allá de la práctica habitual de renunciar a los dulces por la Cuaresma. Los instó a renunciar a un hábito pecaminoso en su lugar. A mitad de la Cuaresma, preguntó cómo les iba con sus promesas cuaresmales. Un hijo, que había prometido dejar de pelear con sus hermanos, respondió: “Me va bastante bien, papá, ¡pero vaya que estoy esperando la Pascua!”. Esta respuesta, aunque entrañable, revela una comprensión parcial de la verdadera esencia de la Cuaresma. La Cuaresma no es solo una pausa temporal del pecado; se trata de una conversión profunda y duradera. Requiere una transformación completa de nuestras vidas para encarnar los caminos de Cristo, abandonando el pecado no solo por una temporada sino para siempre.

Me gusta pensar en la Cuaresma como un tiempo para reconocer y renunciar al control que ciertos comportamientos o inclinaciones tienen sobre nosotros. Se trata de permitir que Dios tome las riendas de nuestras vidas. El concepto de “desapego” se discute a menudo durante este período. Implica que, al estar menos ocupados con asuntos mundanos, hacemos más espacio para Dios en nuestras vidas. Además de la tradicional abstinencia de carne los viernes, la Cuaresma ofrece la oportunidad de renunciar a varias otras cosas: ver demasiada televisión, chismear compulsivamente, hábitos alimenticios poco saludables o cualquier vicio que impida nuestro crecimiento espiritual, como la pereza, la procrastinación, la falta de pasión o celo, o la tendencia a ejercer control o influencia sobre los demás, etc. Se trata de identificar nuestras luchas personales y centrar nuestra disciplina cuaresmal en superarlas.

Lejos de centrarse únicamente en el sacrificio, la Cuaresma es igualmente un tiempo para la transformación positiva y el crecimiento. Puede tratarse de adoptar mejores hábitos: uso responsable del dinero y del tiempo, moderación en la comida y la bebida, mantener un horario de sueño saludable, mejorar la organización personal, reducir el uso de internet o la dependencia de las redes sociales, o participar en la oración diaria y la meditación de las Escrituras. Estas prácticas no solo son beneficiosas para nuestro bienestar físico, sino también inmensamente nutritivas para nuestras almas.

Sin embargo, la austeridad de la Cuaresma no nos impide experimentar alegría y celebración. Se trata de pausar nuestra incesante búsqueda del placer y permitirnos ser sorprendidos por la alegría en su forma más pura. Cuando experimentamos estos momentos de felicidad, los reconocemos como regalos de Dios. Así, la Cuaresma no se trata únicamente de renuncia; también se trata de incorporar actos de bondad en nuestras vidas y en las vidas de los demás, alineándonos con las enseñanzas de Jesús.

Un aspecto significativo de la Cuaresma es el Sacramento de la Reconciliación. Les animo a visitar nuestra parroquia u otras iglesias para participar en la Confesión. Recuerden, la obra transformadora de Dios en nuestras vidas comienza cuando abrimos nuestros corazones a Su gracia. Como nos recuerda San Pablo, “ahora es el tiempo aceptable, ¡ahora es el día de la salvación!” (2 Cor 6:2). No demoremos en abrazar esta sagrada oportunidad.

Deseándoles una temporada de Cuaresma llena de alegría y renovación, me despido.

Fielmente suyo en Cristo,

Mons. Cuong M. Pham



THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

PRAYING FOR THE SICK

Prayer is one of the most powerful tools we have. It's a way for us to communicate with God and obtain His divine intervention. It can help sick people get well again and also gives us the strength in our own weakness and suffering. If you wish your loved ones who is sick to be prayed for at our daily Mass, kindly contact our parish office to place their names in our Prayer List.

REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED DECEASED

Remembering our deceased loved ones by having them prayed for at Mass on every first Friday of the month — the day traditionally dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, is a meaningful way to express our love. Enrollment is \$10 per name. Those enrolled the Purgatorial Society will be remembered for a whole year. We have currently enrolled **Minda Balhaman, Ralph Vitacco, Leonida Soresca, Eugenio Acevedo, Wasyl Bodnar & Lillie Bonanno, Jalil Illera, Dilara Ayse Osman, and our pastor's father, John Thu Pham**, on his third anniversary of entrance into eternal life.

JOIN FAITH DIRECT FOR E-GIVING

Your recurring gifts will help strengthen our parish and sustain our ministries throughout the year, even if you need to miss a Sunday service. It's easy to get started. Here are the ways to sign up:

- * Visit faith.direct/NY370
- * Call the parish office at 718.278.1834
- * Scan the QR code
- * Text "Enroll" to 929.254.3850



SATURDAY LESSONS IN FAITH

Video Presentation & Topic for February 24: World War 111? What Mary said Heaven wants and how it connects to Fatima. Please join us in the Lourdes Room of the Parish Institute at 10:00am.

DIOCESAN YOUTH HOLY HOURS

The Diocese of Brooklyn & Queens invites all youth and young adults and their families to their monthly Youth Holy Hours. Below are the upcoming dates and locations. For more information please call the parish office.

- March 1, 2024 Incarnation, 89-43 Francis Lewis Blvd. Queens
- April 12, 2024 Ss. Peter & Paul, 228 Berry Street. Brooklyn
- May 3, 2024 Mary's Nativity/St. Ann, 4602 Parsons Blvd. Queens
- June 7, 2024 Holy Family/St. Thomas Aquinas, 249 9th St. Brooklyn

Sunday, February 11

All Day	Lunar New Year	Gym
8:00am—11:30am	Italian Community	Lourdes A/B
10:00am—1:00pm	Czech Community	Guadalupe B
10:00am—12:00pm	Spanish OCIA	Fatima
10:30am—12:30pm	Cursillo	Guadalupe A

Tuesday, February 13

3:30pm—6:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima
5:30pm—7:00pm	Mariachi School	Balcony
6:00pm—9:00pm	Marriage Encounter	Guadalupe+ Fatima
7:00pm—9:00pm	Coro #1	Nazareth

Wednesday, February 14

4:00pm—7:30pm	Religious Education	All Rooms
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Thursday, February 15

10:00am—11:30am	Legion of Mary	Guadalupe A/B
6:00pm—7:30pm	Religious Education	All Rooms
7:30pm—8:30pm	Grupo de Amistad	Lourdes A/B

Friday, February 16

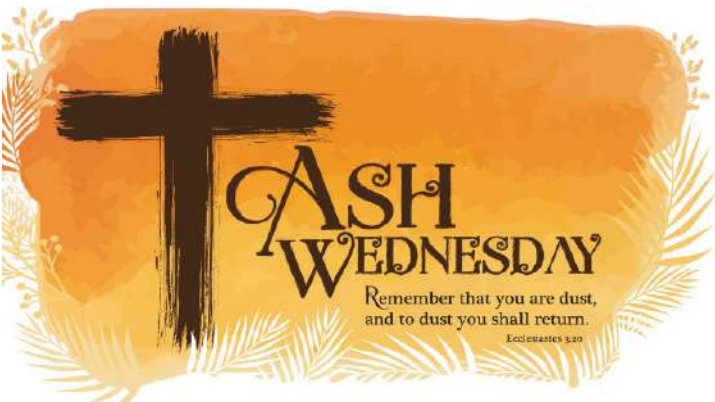
6:30pm—9:00pm	Practica de Instrumentos	Lourdes A/B
6:30pm—9:00pm	Youth Night	Gym
7:00pm—9:00pm	English OCIA	Fatima

Saturday, February 17

9:00am—1:00pm	AA Meeting	Guadalupe A/B
10:00am—12:00pm	Spanish Children's Choir	Fatima
4:00pm—9:00pm	Adult Sewing Group	Lourdes A/B
6:30pm—8:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima

ASH WEDNESDAY 2024

Wednesday, February 14 is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Ashes will be blessed and distributed DURING (NOT "at the end of") each mass and Prayer Service. There will be a two English Masses offered at 8:00am & 12:00pm, a 5:00pm Service and a 7:30pm Bilingual Mass.



SMART WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Did you know that there are ways to support our beloved 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. To learn more please contact Neida Martinez at our parish office 718-278-1834 or call the Catholic Foundation at 718-965-7375.

FORMAS INTELIGENTES DE APOYAR NUESTRA QUERIDA PARROQUIA

¿Sabías que existen formas de apoyar a nuestra querida parroquia y la misión de la Iglesia que también pueden ofrecerte beneficios fiscales... y potencialmente incluso una fuente de ingresos? Si tienes un activo como acciones apreciadas, un plan de jubilación, arte, bienes raíces u otros activos, un regalo planificado podría ser una manera más inteligente de dar que solo efectivo. Con un regalo planificado, como los mencionados anteriormente, puedes sostener a nuestra querida parroquia al mismo tiempo que tomas decisiones financieras inteligentes para beneficiar a tu familia. Para obtener más información, por favor contacta a Neida Martínez en nuestra oficina parroquial al 718-278-1834 o llama a la Fundación Católica al 718-965-7375.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Dedicated offerings can be reserved every week in honor or in memory of a loved one. You can reserve by visiting the parish office.

Altar Candles: \$15.00 Sanctuary Lamp: \$25.00
Altar Bread & Wine \$35.00 Altar Flowers: \$100.00

REGISTRACION PARROQUIAL

Registrarse permite que nuestra parroquia les pueda servir sus necesidades espirituales. Por favor devuelva este formulario en la colecta o déjelo en la oficina parroquial. Su participación fortalecerá su fe y su sentido de pertenencia en la familia de Dios.

Nombre(s): _____
Dirección: _____ Apt _____
Ciudad _____ Estado _____ C. Postal _____
Teléfono: _____
E-mail: _____

POR FAVOR MARCAR:

Nueva Registración Cambio de dirección
 Prefiero Sobres Donaciones en línea

OFFICE CLOSING

In honor of Presidents Day, the parish office will be closed on Monday, February 19, 2024. There will only be one English Mass at 9:00am. The office reopens at 9:00am on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 and resume regular Mass schedule.



INFANT BAPTISM/ BAUTISMOS

Preparation Meeting	Baptism Ceremony
Tuesday—6:00pm—Institute	12:00pm— Upper Church
January 23, 2024	January 27, 2024
February 20, 2024	February 24, 2024
March 19, 2024	March 23, 2024
April 23, 2024	April 27, 2024
May 21, 2024	May 25, 2024
June— NO CLASS	No English Baptisms
July 23, 2024	July 27, 2024
August 20, 2024	August 24, 2024
September 24, 2024	September 28, 2024
October 22, 2024	October 26, 2024
November 19, 2024	November 23, 2024
December 17, 2024	December 21, 2024

Reunión de Preparación	Ceremonia de Bautismo
Martes—6:00pm—Instituto	12:00pm—Iglesia de Arriba
6 de Febrero	10 de Febrero
5 de Marzo	9 de Marzo
9 de Abril	13 de Abril
NO HABRA BAUTISMOS EL MES DE MAYO	
4 de Junio	8 de Junio
9 de Julio	13 de Julio
6 de Agosto	10 de Agosto
10 de Septiembre	14 de Septiembre
8 de Octubre	12 de Octubre
5 de Noviembre	9 de Noviembre
10 de Diciembre	14 de Diciembre



Lent

fast · give · pray

LENTEN REGULATIONS

The penitential and grace-filled Lenten Season begins with Ash Wednesday on this February 14, 2024. It is a time of hope-filled renewal as the Church journeys towards Easter. During Lent, the Church calls us to a deeper spirit of penance, fasting, almsgiving and prayer, “which express conversion in relation to oneself, to God, and to others” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church, nos. 1434 and 1969*). To foster this spirit, the Church reminds us of the following obligations:

Abstinence: Healthy Catholics age 14 and older are required to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, every Friday of Lent and Good Friday.

Fasting: Healthy adult Catholics age 18-59 inclusive are bound to fast, limiting food to one full meal with minimal food at the other two mealtimes and nothing in between.

Almsgiving: The act of giving to the poor, in the most ancient tradition of the Church, is an expression of penance, a witness of fraternal charity, and an expression of Lenten conversion. Catholics are encouraged to support generously the charitable works of the whole Church through regular stewardship to their parish, support of charities, and their generous response to the diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal.

Those not bound by these regulations, such as young and elderly persons or those who are sick, are encouraged to practice other forms of personal penance and sacrifice.



REGLAMENTOS DE CUARESMA

La temporada de Cuaresma penitencial y llena de gracia comienza con el Miércoles de Ceniza este 14 de febrero de 2024. Es un tiempo de renovación llena de esperanza a medida que la Iglesia camina hacia la Pascua. Durante la Cuaresma, la Iglesia nos llama a un espíritu más profundo de penitencia, ayuno, limosna y oración, “que expresan la conversión en relación con uno mismo, con Dios y con los demás” (*Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, nos. 1434 y 1969*). Para fomentar este espíritu, la Iglesia nos recuerda las siguientes obligaciones:

Abstinencia: Todos los fieles que han cumplido 14 años de edad deben abstenerse de comer carne el Miércoles de Ceniza y todos los viernes de Cuaresma.

Ayuno: Todos los fieles entre las edades de 18 y 59 inclusive están obligados a ayunar el Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo. El ayuno significa limitarse a una comida completa y evitar los alimentos entre comidas. El sustento ligero se puede tomar en otras dos ocasiones durante el día. El café, el té y el zumo están permitidos en cualquier momento.

La limosna: El acto de dar a los pobres, en la más antigua tradición de la Iglesia, es expresión de penitencia, testimonio de caridad fraterna y expresión de conversión cuaresmal. Los católicos animan a apoyar generosamente las obras caritativas de toda la Iglesia a través de la administración regular de su parroquia, el apoyo a las organizaciones benéficas y su generosa respuesta a la Campaña Católica Anual.

A los que no están sujetos a estas normas, como los jóvenes y las personas o los enfermos, se les anima a practicar otras formas de penitencia y sacrificio personal.

Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo
23-25 Newtown Avenue
Astoria, NY 11102

CORONILLA CANTADA

6:30pm en la
Iglesia de Arriba

Sabados en 2024:

27 de enero
10 de febrero
23 de marzo

Celebracion de la Divina
Misericordia sera el
Domingo 7 de Abril;
Misa a las 12:30pm seguido
con la fiesta en el gimnasio.

25 de mayo
29 de junio
20 de julio
31 de agosto
28 de september
26 de octubre
30 de noviembre

Comuniquese con la oficina parroquial si necesita alguna informacion adicional.



Jesus, en Ti confio!

SAINT OF THE WEEK



Blessed Imelda Lambertini was only 11 when she passed away. Despite this, her profound devotion to the Lord and the miraculous events surrounding her life have inspired generations to embrace the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist with childlike faith.

Prayer for Healing

Dear Jesus, If you wish it, you can heal these wounds from my past. If you wish it, you can make me well again. I believe that you do will it. Heal me, in your name. Amen.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A "SAINT" & A "BLESSED"?

The process of proclaiming someone as a saint in the Catholic Church has evolved over the course of many centuries. In the beginning, those honored as saints were almost exclusively biblical figures or martyrs.

However, after the legalization of Christianity in the fourth century, new holy women and men came to be honored as saints, and this was often done by popular acclaim or by the local bishop or abbot. It was Pope Gregory IX (who was pope from 1227 to 1241) who officially proclaimed that only the pope had the authority to add someone to the official list (the "canon") of saints. This is the meaning of the word "canonization." Today, the saint-making process includes several steps, including detailed studies of the person's life and a recognition that they died as a martyr or lived a life of "heroic virtue." Once someone is recognized as a martyr or if a miracle is attributed to their intercession, they will be beatified and honored as "Blessed." This means that they can be celebrated by Catholics in a particular country or region or by the members of certain religious community.

If another miracle occurs and is approved, then the "Blessed" is canonized and honored with the title "Saint," meaning that they are now officially recognized as a universal model of holiness and an intercessor.

El comite

Via Crucis

les invita a participar en la dramatizacion de la pasion del Señor.

Si desea participar, por favor visite el Instituto Parroquial despues de la Santa Misa los domingos adonde se realizan las practicas.

Para mas informacion comuniquese con la oficina parroquial 718.278.1834 y deje su nombre y telefono





Annual Catholic Appeal 2024

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Each year our parish and the Diocese of Brooklyn engage in the **Annual Catholic Appeal** which supports Catholic programs throughout Brooklyn and Queens and affects the lives of countless individuals and families living in our neighborhoods in addition to benefiting our parish. The Annual Catholic Appeal makes possible those programs that no one parish could do alone.

Why is your participation important?

As followers of Jesus here at our parish, we understand our responsibility to our parish implies a responsibility to the diocese which unites us together with the entire Catholic community as the one body of Christ.

When one part of the body does not participate, the entire body suffers and makes it harder to function. Likewise, your participation in this Appeal, over and above your regular Sunday offering, will determine the ability of our parish to faithfully support the mission of Christ while also providing the needed support we receive as one parish, which is part of the larger Catholic Church.

Please join us to respond as the Church of Christ called to Communion, Participation & Mission in Brooklyn and Queens through a pledge to the **Annual Catholic Appeal** today at AnnualCatholicAppeal.org or text **DONATE** to **917-336-1255**.

The **Annual Catholic Appeal** seeks to raise a minimum of \$8 million to provide programs and ministries throughout the Diocese and support the local efforts of parishes like ours.

The goal at our parish is \$67,815

Once we exceed our goal, we will then receive 100% of all funds raised above this figure directly back to our parish.

For questions regarding the **Annual Catholic Appeal**, or to schedule an appointment to make a gift to the parish, please contact the Parish Office at **718.278.1834**

Called to Communion, Participation & Mission

What does the Annual Catholic Appeal Support?





Campaña Católica Anual 2024

DIÓCESIS DE BROOKLYN

Cada año nuestra parroquia y la Diócesis de Brooklyn se dedican a conducir **La Campaña Católica Anual**, la cual sostiene programas católicos a través de Brooklyn y Queens, teniendo efecto en las vidas de un sin número de personas y familias, además de beneficiar a nuestra parroquia.

¿Por qué mi participación es importante?

Como seguidores de Jesús aquí en nuestra parroquia, entendemos que nuestra responsabilidad hacia nuestra parroquia implica una responsabilidad hacia la diócesis que nos une con toda la comunidad católica como el único cuerpo de Cristo.

Cuando una parte del cuerpo no participa, todo el cuerpo sufre y dificulta su funcionamiento. Asimismo, su participación en esta Campaña, además de su ofrenda dominical regular, determinarán la capacidad de **<<Nombre de la** para apoyar fielmente a la misión de Cristo, y al mismo tiempo ofrecer el apoyo necesario que recibimos como una parroquia, siendo parte de la Iglesia católica.

Únase hoy a nosotros para responder juntos como la Iglesia de Cristo, Llamados a la Comunión, Participación y Misión en Brooklyn y Queens a través de un compromiso a la Campaña Católica Anual en **AnnualCatholicAppeal.org** o envíe un mensaje de texto con la palabra **DONAR** al **917-336-1255**.

La Campaña Católica Anual busca recaudar un mínimo de 8 millones para proveer los programas y ministerios a lo largo de la Diócesis y apoyar los esfuerzos locales de las parroquias como la nuestra.

La meta de nuestra parroquia es de \$67,815

Después de sobrepasar nuestra meta, recibiremos 100% de los fondos recaudados por encima de esta cifra directamente para nuestra parroquia.

Para preguntas acerca de **la Campaña Católica Anual**, o para hacer una cita para hacer una donación a la Parroquia, por favor de contactar la Oficina Parroquial al 718.278.1834.

Llamados a la Comunión, Participación y Misión

¿Qué apoya la Campaña Católica Anual?

