



THE CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK BAY RIDGE, BROOKLYN



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Mrs. Marilee Fitzgerald.....Parish Secretary

Ms. Tara Petruzzellis.....Bookkeeper

Mr. Juan Rodriguez.....Director of Faith Formation

Mr. Ron Coles.....Director of Music

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC ACADEMY

401 97th Street.....(T) 718-833-0124

Mr. Romeo Petric Board Chairman

Ms. Kathleen Curatolo.....Principal/Chief Academic Officer

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Saturday 2:00 PM

PENANCE: Saturday 12:30 PM

WEDDINGS: Contact a priest 9 months in advance

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:15 AM and 12 NOON

Federal Holidays: 12 Noon only

HOLY DAY MASSES

4:00 PM Vigil

8:15 AM, 12 NOON and 7:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sundays, following the 12:30 PM Mass followed by Benediction at 4:30 pm

ROSARY

The Rosary is prayed in Church

Monday thru Saturday following the 8:15 and 12 Noon Masses

The Rosary in Spanish—Msgr. Parks Center

Fridays: 7:00 PM

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

1st Wednesday of the month at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM

3rd Wednesday of the month at 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM

LEGION OF MARY

Each Friday at 10:15 AM in the Rectory Meeting Room

DIVINE MERCY CENACLES (Msgr. Parks Center)

2nd and 4th Thursday at 1:00 PM (September to June)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (Msgr. Parks Center)

1st Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 PM



3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie."
- Jn 1:26-27

John the Baptist stands for the entirety of the old covenant, everything entrusted to the Jewish people. And yet he prophetically opens the door to something entirely new in Jesus, to the revival and fulfillment of God's promises. In every generation, and in every human life, God continues to do this. He has done it through people named Augustine, Francis, Catherine, Theresa, and countless others. In my life, the Baptist's spirit has come through persons named Eric, Paul, Mary, and Ron. I challenge you to name at least three people through whom God has announced the coming of Jesus in your life. Consciously thank God for their testimony. And let's commit ourselves to listening to the spirit of John the Baptist testify again this week so that we might more strongly believe in the light. — Father John Muir ©Lpi

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the spirit-filled community of St. Patrick Parish, with profound love and compassion, witness our deep faith in Jesus Christ by worshipping God, serving the needs of God's people and bringing the Good News of Jesus to all. We seek to become ever more the welcoming face of Christ in our community.

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK



**December 16th, Saturday, Vigil
Third Sunday of Advent**

5:00 pm Anthony Borg (*Anniversary*)
Timothy Lynch
Sr. Eileen O'Flaherty, MMM
Christy Foley
Madeline Viggiano (*1st Anniversary*)
Gena Graff
Joseph Monahan
Salvatore Gambino
Nicolas Elias Aldawaliby
The Green and Riso Families

For the intentions of...The People of the Parish
Providencia Castro Apolinaris Gilbride
Martha, Gustavo, Maryann, Mark and
Dorian Guzman and family

December 17th, Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 am George Giapoutzis
9:30 am Stanley Dobronski and
Blanche Dobronski (*Birthday Memorial*)
11:00 am Ernesto Fedukovitch and Vita Coppola
12:30 pm Charles Bisang (*2nd Anniversary*)
5:00 pm Peter Leonard Amato

December 18th, Monday, Late Advent Weekday

8:15 am Doumar and Raphael Families
12 Noon Jack Ulrich

December 19th, Tuesday, Late Advent Weekday

8:15 am For the special intentions of...
Mary Ann Guzman and Family
12 Noon William O'Connell (*Birthday Memorial*)

December 20, Wednesday, Late Advent Weekday

8:15 am Gaetano Gullo (*Birthday Memorial*)
12 Noon For the intentions of Joan Meinert

December 21st Thursday, Late Advent Weekday

8:15 am Gena Graff
12 Noon Edna & Edward Farrell and Doreen Salama

December 22nd, Friday, Late Advent Weekday

8:15 am Danielle Tilyou
12 Noon Mario & Katherine

December 23rd, Saturday, Late Advent Weekday

8:15 am Mary Nolan
12 Noon Josephine Lombardo

**December 23rd, Saturday, Vigil
Fourth Sunday of Advent**

5:00 pm Gena Graff
Stephen Rosado (*3rd Anniversary*)
Nicolas Elias Aldawaliby

For the intentions of...

The People of the Parish
Louise Speziale (*Healing*)
Michael & Providencia Gilbride
Martha, Gustavo, Maryann, Mark and
Dorian Guzman and family
In honor of St. Jude, Evangelist

December 24th, Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 am George Giapoutzis
9:30 am Stanley Dobronski and
Blanch Dobronski (*Birthday Memorial*)
11:00 am Ernesto Fedukovitch and Vita Coppola
12:30 pm Charles Bisang (*1st Anniversary*)



Christmas Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 24th, Christmas Eve

5:00 pm
Midnight

Monday, December 25th, Christmas Day

8:00 am
10:00 am
12 Noon

The Masses celebrated at 5:00 pm on Saturday, December 23rd and at 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am and 12:30 pm on Sunday, December 24th are the Masses for the Fourth Sunday of Advent, they do not satisfy the obligation to attend Mass on Christmas.

The 5:00 pm and Midnight Masses, celebrated, on December 24th will celebrate Christmas, the Birth of Christ, which is ALWAYS a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

**Sunday, December 31st, Vigil,
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

5:00 pm

**Monday, January 1st
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

8:15 am
12 Noon

The 5:00 pm Mass, celebrated on Sunday, December 31st, will be for The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, a holy day.

As it falls on a Monday, The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God is NOT a holy day of obligation this year.



**Reconciliation Monday
Come to be forgiven and to forgive!**

**December 18th
3:00 pm to 8:00 pm**

The Season of Advent is a perfect time to prepare your heart and soul for the coming of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Newborn King. This is a great gift to give yourself this Christmas!

**NEW MASS SCHEDULE
January through June 2024**

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30pm
Sunday: 8am, 9:30am, 11am, 12:30pm, 5pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday through Friday: 8:15am and 12 Noon
Saturday: 12 Noon



The Total Collected as of December 11th is

\$5,925.00

The **WINNING** Ticket Will be drawn today!

GOOD LUCK TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED!
The Lucky Winner will be notified by phone!



Your Christmas Offering

Romans 12:6 reminds us that God, through Christ, has given each of us gifts to use for his glory. The holidays can be a great time to use your gifts for that purpose — to shine the light on Jesus while bringing joy to other people.

Advent provides an opportunity for each parishioner to offer, in the name of Jesus, a Christmas gift to the Parish.

Many of St. Patrick's parishioners give very generously at Christmas time and for this we **Thank you.**



CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Brooklyn & Queens
ESTABLISHED 1899

“Blessed are the open hands that embrace the poor and help them: they are the hands that bring hope.”

Pope Francis

Extend a Helping Hand at Christmas

Please give generously to Catholic Charities Brooklyn and Queens through the special second collection on Christmas Day. Your generosity allows Catholic Charities to help the hungry, vulnerable and those in need.

GOT RMD? YEAR-END IRA CONSIDERATIONS

If you have an IRA account, did you know that you can donate from your IRA to fulfill your Required Minimum Distribution or RMD?

The RMD is the amount you must withdraw from your IRA account and declare as taxable income, even if you prefer not to make a withdrawal.

Rather than take the distribution yourself, which would increase your taxable income, contact your IRA administrator and ask to distribute all or part of your RMD to one or more charities of your choosing.

It is a great way to support our parish!

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY Christmas Cookie Bake-off



Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate with marshmallows and whipped cream, Cookies and Fellowship

Join us after **TODAY'S** 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am and sample some of the **Best Christmas Cookies in Bay Ridge!**

Then cast your vote for...

ST. PATRICK'S BEST CHRISTMAS COOKIES!



Scammers will CONTACT you in different ways:

- ⇒ Call or Text
- ⇒ Email
- ⇒ In Person

It will be:

- ⇒ Unsolicited
- ⇒ About a problem or a prize
- ⇒ Urgent

You will be asked for MONEY through

- ⇒ Venmo/Zelle
- ⇒ Western Union and wire transfers
- ⇒ Gift Cards
- ⇒ Cryptocurrency

Be on alert for people claiming to represent:

- ⇒ Government agencies and utilities
- ⇒ Banks and retail companies
- ⇒ Dating app connections

Safety Tips:

- ⇒ Don't respond to unknown calls or texts
- ⇒ Use official website to submit information
- ⇒ Don't let others use your phone
- ⇒ Be aware of your surroundings
- ⇒ Check in with family about scams
- ⇒ Only use gift cards for shopping, not payments

For more information, call the NYPD (646) 610 SCAM



St. Patrick Catholic Academy

Thank you to everyone who came to support our Second Grade class as they performed "The Living Nativity"! We are so proud of all their hard work and getting everyone in the Christmas spirit.



For more information on St. Patrick Catholic Academy, visit us at www.stpatrickca.org or email us at admission@stpatrickca.org !

Our mission is to lead by example, as Christ did, when teaching, learning, and serving.

St. Patrick RC Church
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
Year Ending August 31, 2023, 2022, 2021 and 2020

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Revenue				
Sunday and Other Parish Collections	\$ 541,281	\$ 531,378	\$ 484,971	\$ 468,702
Rental Income (William O'Connor Building)	568,623	559,053	390,773	456,546
Religious Education and Youth Program	209,849	151,924	33,003	71,616
St Vincent DePaul & Poor Box	33,842	22,378	37,250	48,133
Votive Shrines	29,610	28,148	23,170	18,762
Fund Raising (less expenses)	10,324	4,705	3,108	5,504
Clergy Fund	62,250	37,125	89,628	12,648
Other Revenue	82,347	65,637	44,627	15,091
Total Revenue	<u>1,538,126</u>	<u>1,400,348</u>	<u>1,106,530</u>	<u>1,095,002</u>
Expenditures				
Salaries and Benefits	783,731	650,386	642,651	700,007
Rectory Expenses	62,683	37,299	28,218	40,862
Parish Office Expenses	49,096	48,289	58,161	55,862
Religious Education, Youth and Other Parish Program	177,490	128,973	17,962	55,448
Church Expenses (altar supplies, the tablet, choir, & etc.)	46,073	27,644	14,467	25,896
Utilities	58,834	81,464	58,864	80,580
Repairs and Maintenance	86,625	63,810	128,157	98,247
Insurance	104,984	92,501	84,193	75,075
Diocesan Assessments	76,900	77,129	71,900	77,900
St Vincent DePaul Expenses & Other Donations	61,615	59,862	17,804	44,838
Interest on Loans	110,649	130,147	110,122	48,499
Other Expenses	43,849	28,908	21,454	35,272
Total Expenditures	<u>1,662,529</u>	<u>1,426,412</u>	<u>1,253,953</u>	<u>1,338,486</u>
Net Operating Deficit	<u>(124,403)</u>	<u>(26,064)</u>	<u>(147,423)</u>	<u>(243,484)</u>
Extraordinary Income and Expenditures				
Donations and Bequests	425,554	459,435	654,938	340,339
Annual Catholic Appeal	-	18,464	6,020	31,121
Investment Income	77,536	(125,951)	230,238	92,165
Generation of Faith	-	9,815	15,931	89,608
Deeply Rooted Campaign (less expenses)	316,029	70,050	-	-
PPP Loan Forgiveness & Employee Retention Credit	40,695	181,769	140,787	-
Major Repairs Church, Rectory & Other Parish Buildings	(223,435)	(1,129,097)	(1,192,056)	(1,034,294)
Net Surplus(Deficit)	<u>\$ 511,976</u>	<u>\$ (541,579)</u>	<u>\$ (291,565)</u>	<u>\$ (724,545)</u>