



THE CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK BAY RIDGE, BROOKLYN



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

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Saturday 2:00 PM

PENANCE: Saturday 12:30 PM

WEDDINGS: Contact a priest 9 months in advance

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 4:30 PM

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday—Friday 8:15 AM and 12 NOON

Saturday 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



Today, we celebrate The Feast of the Holy Family. This Feast Day honors Jesus, the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph as the holiest of families and therefore a model for all Christian families. They were holy because they placed God at the center of their family life, they loved and sacrificed for one another, and they radiated that love to others in the redemptive mission of the Word Incarnate.

In studying the lessons of the Holy Family, we come to know the virtues that strengthen us as individuals, as family members, and as citizens of the world, including the virtues of loyalty, obedience, faithfulness and unconditional love.

Prayer to the Holy Family

Lord, You intended for the Holy Family to be an example for all, and for the Holy Spirit to enlighten our homes. May we, like them, be able to live according to the family virtues and stand united by the strength of Your love before meeting again for eternity in the joy of Your house. Amen.

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 30th, Saturday, Vigil,
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**
5:00 pm Paul Fitzpatrick (2nd Anniversary)
Gena Graff

For the intentions of...

The People of the Parish
Colleen Gilbride (Happy Birthday)
Providencia Castro
Martha, Gustavo, Maryann, Mark and
Dorian Guzman and family

**December 31st, Sunday
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

8:00 am Gena Graff
9:30 am Hilda Marrero Castro
11:00 am Maria & Antonio Reda
12:30 pm James Keenaghan

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

5:00 pm Adele Slattery

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

8:15 am Susan Hughes
12 Noon Carmine Fischetti

**January 2nd, Tuesday, Sts. Basil the Great and
Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors**

8:15 am Deceased members of the Pirozzi and
Yodice Families
12 Noon In Gratitude for 75 Years of Life

January 3rd, Wednesday, Christmas Weekday

8:15 am Ralph Tozzi (Birthday Memorial)
12 Noon Dorothy Fischetti

**January 4th, Thursday,
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious**

8:15 am Al Rodier
12 Noon Dotti Trzymkowski

January 5th, 1st Friday, St. John Neumann, Bishop

8:15 am John C. Sullivan (Birthday Memorial)
12 Noon Purgatorial Society

January 6th, First Saturday, Christmas Weekday

12 Noon John Larney (Birthday Memorial)

January 6th, Saturday, Vigil, Epiphany of the Lord

4:30 pm Theresa Russo (1st Anniversary)
Gena Graff
Evelyn Henry
Timothy Lynch
Patricia Savage McGilt
Patricia Conover (32nd Anniversary)
The Gilbride Family (Living and Deceased)
Eliseo & Rina Valmonte (Wedding Anniversary Memorial)

For the intentions of...

The People of the Parish
Socorro Martinez

January 7th, Sunday, The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am Peter Derrengacher
9:30 am For the Intentions of Socorro Martinez
11:00 am Louis Adesso
12:30 pm Mary Nolan
5:00 pm Nicole Kasbar (Birthday Memorial)



On January 1st we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Called in the Gospels "the Mother of Jesus," Mary is acclaimed by Elizabeth, at the prompting of the Spirit and even before the birth of her son, as "the Mother of my Lord." In fact, the One whom she conceived as man by the Holy Spirit, who truly became her Son according to the flesh, was none other than the Father's eternal Son, the second person of the Holy Trinity. Hence the Church confesses that Mary is truly "Mother of God".

**Masses for the Holy Day ...
Sunday, December 31st**

Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Monday, January 1st

8:15 am and 12 Noon

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



Opening of the Second Half of
the

2024 Mass Book

(July through December)
Wednesday, January 24th
9:00 am

Rectory Meeting Room
Entrance under the arch

When preparing your list of Masses please keep in mind our **NEW Mass Schedule** which will be in effect January 1st through June 30th.



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

Next weekend, we will celebrate the

Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord.

We will bless chalk at all the Masses for the Epiphany, the chalk will then be used as part of blessing your homes.

Special blessing prayers will be included in next weekend's bulletin.





Bread & Wine

This week the bread and wine are donated for . . .

***Enjoyment of all living things
in the whole entire world***



Sanctuary Lamp Candle

This week the Sanctuary Lamp Candle is donated in loving honor of . . .

St. John of Patmos

Gift of: Michael & Providencia Gilbride

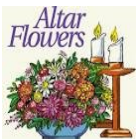


Altar Candles

This week the Altar Candles are donated in loving memory of . . .

Francisco & Aida Del Pozo

Gift of: Doris Del Pozo



Altar Flowers

The flowers adorning the Altar and Church are donated through the generous donations to the

2023 Christmas Flower Fund

Gift of: Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish

***We pray for those who are sick,
especially. . .***



WEEK ONE: Patrick Anthony Smyth, Baby Savannah, Baby Charlotte, Doris Freyland, Elizabeth Fifield, Anthony C. Strano, Jane Metzger, Kathy Tyoka, Ted Mootos, John Eulenid, Viola-Cleo Bradshaw, Alan Bruce Bradshaw, Cordelia Vogel, Arthur Samuel,

WEEK TWO: Agnes Elaine Grosso, Joseph Perri, Joan Venezia, Gregory Corrado, Jeffrey Corrado, Isabel Tayar, Gary Checkalski, Louise Arias, Mitchell Kuddar

WEEK THREE: Margaret Buckley, Rafael Vallejo, James Gorayeb, Helen Gorayeb, Jim McCormack, Matthew James, Felipe Sarubbi, Dennis Cristello, Roger Santos, Jean Mitchell, Jim Vaccario, Lois Murray, Caroline Beisswanger, Cathy Ryan, Louise Cartwright

Welcome to the Family of God

***We extend a warm
welcome to recently
baptized sons and
daughters in Christ:***



***Giovanni Fileccia
Kairo Leon Sime
Thalia Elia Ntwari***



We wish a lifetime of happiness to the following couple recently married at St. Patrick's...

Erin (O'Connor) to Connor Patrick O'Mara

Purgatorial Society, Newly Enrolled



**Anthony Benevento
Rita Costella
Marlene De Los Angeles Sebourne
Sonia Del Pilar
Lourdesita Flores
Josephine A. Gardner
Richard Hyland
Jay Jinls
James M. Keenaghan
Michael Lundy
Robert Maistrello
Gabiella Mazza
David Olsen
Cruz Maria Pellulera
Louis G. Ricciardi, Jr.
Mr. Ronko
John Ward**

The Purgatorial Mass is offered on the First Friday of each month at 12 noon. Enrollment in the Purgatorial Society is for the period of one year.



***We pray for those who
have recently died . . .***

***Paul Soffing,
Stephen J. Cunningham***

*Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light shine
upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



The Beautiful Trees, Wreaths and Flowers
Adorning our Church have been donated . . .



MAIN TREE

In Loving Memory of . . .
Kevin Francis Colvin

SANCTUARY WREATHS

In Loving Memory of . . .
Frank E. Desiderio
Virginia M. Desiderio

CHOIR WREATH

In Loving Memory of . . .
Deceased Members of the Brady and
Colvin Families

INDOOR CRECHE TREES

In Loving Memory of . . .
Carrie Leigh Burrow
Frank J. Dito
The Gallagher Family
The Gillen Family
The Grogan Family
Michael F. Scally
In Honor of . . .
The Corrado Family
Gift of . . .
Knights of Columbus Christopher
Council

JUMBO PLANTS

In loving memory of . . .
Sadie & Sal Cino
Edward A. Clark, and
Anna, John & Christine
Vincy LaBella
Fr. Georges Lemaitie and
James & Mary Wagner and Dad
Anthony & Marilyn Liguori
Timothy Lynch
William, Jane & James Maloney and
Joseph, Catherine & Daniel O'Rourke
Arthur & Kathleen McCarthy and
Thomas & Patricia Burke
Kathleen & Arthur McCarthy and
Patricia & Thomas Burke and
Robert Needle
The Napoli Family
The Russo, DeLorenzo, Luciano Families
Julia Ann Wagner
Gustave C. & Louise N. Wohlfahrt and
Benedicto Resuiteccion and
Floercpina Cornejo

Gift of . . .
Regina Coloritz (2 plants)

LARGE PLANTS:

In loving memory of . . .
Virginia & Alfonse Amandola
Jennie & John Baldino
Marie, Vincenzo, and Vincent Barbera
The Borg, Fackovec, Felici & Viborka
Families
Richard J. & Frances A. Cassidy
Dario and Stephen D'Amato
Salvatore & Marie Danese
Doyle, Smith, McDonough, Heuwetter,
Palamarik and Milmore Families
Pasquale Esposito
Eileen M. Fitzgerald
The Fitzgerald and McDonnell Families
Crisanto Fuentes, Sr.
The Gaspari and Bradley Families
Mildred Gentile
Mildred, Murray & Patrick Murray and
Salvatore Mendola
The Giovinco Family
Dennis J. Higgins
Martin & Marge Hiza
George Hughes
Helen Johnson and
Robert, Thelma & Pat Hughes and
Carmela & Harry Yackery
Juan Kabigting
The Larney and Tozzi Families
William & Marion Lebda and
Margaret, James & Kathryn Ann
Bergin
Helen Magee
Ellen & George Maggio
Barbara Mancini
Denis Mangan
Ann Marcella
Barbara & Thomas McCormick
John & Elizabeth McFadden
The McGlynn and Casey Family
Dolores Nicosia
The Piazza Family
Marie & Antonio Reda
John & Helen Samuel
Michael F. Scally
Elizabeth (Kenniff) Smith
Stephen Smith
William M. Sullivan
The Sullivan and O'Connor Families
The Whitty, Butler, Duffy and
Acosta Families

SMALL PLANTS:

In loving memory of . . .
Dr. Joyce Abdenour
Betzaida, Juan Carlos and
Juan Orlando Acevedo and
Robert Diaz
The Alfano Family
Antonia L., Senen, Eddie and Ernesto
Alvendia and Evelyn A. Tinio
The Bianco and Romano Families
The Boyland and Colvil Families
Alfred & Grace A. Bushholz
Vincent & Isabel Cangialosi
Ralph Capuccio
The D'Addezio Family
Gaspere J. Danese
Lillian & Andrew Danikow and
Mary, Kalliope & Nick Casta
The Dowd Family
The Driessche Family
Josephine & Vincent Joseph Gallipoli
The Giardina and Zaffiro Families
Mr. & Mrs. John Greco
Mathew Halfpenny
Manuel V. Herrera
John Hopkins
Marguerite Hopkins
The Hughes Family
Huott and Proscia Families
Peter & Nancy Ilardi and
Vincy LaBella
Kavanaugh Family
Finn Kerr
Marian & William Lebda
Elizabeth Magee
Robert Magee
Annabell & Carmelo Malpasso
Alice & Francis X. McDonald
The Mendez Family
Carmela & Joseph Mormile and
Joanne Mormile
Margaret & Harry Orent
The Picucci Family
Dorothy Poole
James V. Ranelli
Theresa Russo, Alice Smillie and
Anita, Donato & Phyllis Keenan
Mary & Charles Salvi
Ralph Tozzi and
The Maher Family
The Veitch Family
The Vellucci Family

Gift of . . .
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Peterson

For . . .
The Health, Happiness and Peace of
the Entire World and the Universe



*May you find truth in the year's
smallest grace and hope in the
year's heaviest cross;
May a pillar of light before your
face shine through the dark so
you're never lost.*

*May your journey be safe wherever you go,
And the angels keep you from all harm,
May you learn to take life easy and slow,
And celebrate your gift of charm.
And may the God of new beginnings grant you
A year of health, happiness and prosperity.*

Next Sunday we celebrate **The Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord**. The **Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**, on Monday, January 8th, brings the Christmas Season to a close and Ordinary Time begins January 9th!

As the glorious Season of Christmas winds down, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who made Christmas 2023 so special here at St. Patrick's. The people involved are too numerous to mention but from the magnificent decorations of our Church and property, to the beautiful liturgies, concerts and events, to the great outpouring of generosity for the poor and needy of our parish, community and diocese; **the Spirit of Christmas** was very real and evident in Fort Hamilton.

At the publisher's request, this bulletin was sent to the printer on Monday, December 26th, prior to our receiving the figures for the Christmas Collections and the final counts for the Christmas Gifts to the Parish and your donations to the Diocesan Christmas Collection. Please look for these figures in the January 7th bulletin.

On behalf of the Fr. Falce, Fr. Peter and Fr. Albert, I would also like to thank all of the parishioners who generously sent greeting cards, gifts and goodies to the rectory.

Thank you and may God bless us all throughout the New Year!

In Christ,
Fr. Dowd



Bishop Brennan and the staff of Catholic Charities Brooklyn and Queens along with those served by Catholic Charities send their sincerest thanks to the parishioners of St. Patrick Parish for their generous donations to the Christmas Collection for Catholic Charities. Your gifts enable Catholic Charities to continue to work with the children and families of our diocese who are in need. If you missed the special collection last week, your donation is still urgently needed to help Catholic Charities continue our critical work.

Donations may be mailed to :
Catholic Charities Brooklyn and Queens
Attn: Development and Communications
191 Joralemon Street 12th Floor, Bklyn, NY 11201



Congratulations!
Mirek Brzezinski

**Winner of the
2023 Fall Into Cash
50/50 Raffle**

The total collected was \$7,000

Thank you to all who participated to make our **2023 Fall Into Cash 50/50 Raffle** a Huge Success!

**A big THANK YOU goes out to our
Raffle Sellers . . .**

**Charlie Brady, Annette DelPezzo,
Jean Frankowski, Karen Giardina,
Helen Hughes, Pat Scally,
June Vaccacio and Kathy Venezia**



**The Winners of the
2023**

**Christmas Cookie
Bake-off are...**

**Tyler Perreca—The Most Festive
Jane Hennigan— The Most Creative
Susan Chung—Best Tasting
Julie Diacom—Best Looking**

Best Overall Cookie
(festivity, creativity, taste and look)
Victoria Thomas

**Honorable Mention
Marcia Chung
Janine Faustner
Pat Scally
Geraldine Scialdone**

**Thank you to all who participated. Votes
were very close as ALL of the cookies
were delicious.**

**Special Thanks to our wonderful
Hospitality Team!**

**Josephine Belpulsi, Theresa Deady,
Nicole Fennimore, Jean Frankowski,
Karen Giardina, Helen Hughes,
Pat Kohler, Thomas Medurga,
Pat Scally, June Vaccacio
and Kathy Venezia**



**St. Patrick Catholic Academy Annual Fund
2023-2024**

Pledge Form

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Please use my gift to support the 2023-2024 Annual Fund for St. Patrick Catholic Academy

- St. Patrick's Society - \$50,000 and above
- Our Lady of Knock Society - \$10,000 - \$49,999
- Green & Gold Society - \$1,000 - \$9,999
- Shamrock Society - \$500 - \$999
- Patron - \$100 - \$499
- Donor - Below \$100

Payment Options

I pledge \$ _____ to be paid on _____

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____

Gifts can be charged under the *Make a Donation* tab on stpatrickca.org

My gift will be matched by my employer _____

I would like to know more about planned giving or volunteering at St. Patrick.

How would you like your name to appear in the Donors' List?: _____

Is the gift in honor/memory of a loved one?: _____

I wish to remain anonymous. Please do not list my name.

Thank you for your support!

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