



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



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February 4, 2024

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Everyday Stewardship

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

The Audacity of Holiness

Do you know a holy person? I'm not talking about piety — that's important, too, in its own way. But right now, I'm speaking of holiness.

St. Therese of Lisieux called holiness “a disposition of the heart that makes us humble and little in the arms of God, aware of our weakness, and confident — in the most audacious way — in His Fatherly goodness.”

The holy person sees a storm on the horizon of life, and rather than give themselves over to fear and despair (natural and understandable reactions), regards the gathering winds as an opportunity to rely more fully on God. The holy person takes a bad situation and sanctifies it with charity and understanding that defies our fallen human nature.

Peter's mother-in-law was still in the throes of a fever when Jesus grasped her hand. It wasn't until she took his hand and allowed him to help her up that “the fever left her and she waited on them.” Before the fever could leave her, she had to commit to holiness — to put her trust in him in a most audacious way. She had to find it within herself to lift her weakened hand to grasp his — and as soon as she did, she was rewarded. Her bodily health restored, she gave thanks, and attended to his needs.

God's hand is always outstretched to us. Will we take it, even if the fever of sin and pride and worldly concerns rages in our souls? Will we muster the strength? Will we be audacious enough to have confidence in His Fatherly goodness?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



If you have arranged to have a Sunday Mass offered and would like to bring the gifts up at the Offertory, please inform the ushers on your arrival so they know where you are seated and they will not pick someone else.

February 3rd, Saturday, Vigil, Fifth Ordinary Sunday

4:30 pm Jack Harrington (5th Anniversary)

Gena Graff

Louis C. Ferrara

Salvatore Schiavone

Ana Francisca Arroyo

Andrew White

James D. Surdo, Jr. (Birthday Memorial)

For the intentions of...

The People of the Parish

Bill & Ana Tobias (23rd Wedding Anniversary)

Maryann Guzman and Family

February 4th, Fifth Ordinary Sunday

8:00 am The Mendez and Cordero Families

9:30 am Arthur Levine

11:00 am William J. Fifield

(Birthday Memorial/Anniversary)

12:30 pm James Bennett

5:00 pm John Gilleece

February 5th, Monday, St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr

8:15 am Robert Magee

12 Noon Gena Graff

February 6th, Tuesday, St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

8:15 am For the intentions of Mark Guzman and Family

12 Noon Nicholas Aldawaliby

February 7th, Wednesday, Weekday

8:15 am Domingo Armabulo

12 Noon James Green (Anniversary)

February 8th, Thursday, Weekday

8:15 am Danielle A. Tilyou

12 Noon Alice Costello and Family

February 9th, Friday, Weekday

8:15 am Lauren LoPresti

12 Noon Nick, Mary and Kalliope Casta

February 10th, Saturday, St. Scholastica, Virgin

12 Noon Eleanor Croce



The following Masses are available for your intentions February—June 2024

Mass Intentions are \$15.00 Arrangements can be made in the rectory.

March 2024

Sunday Masses:

4:30 pm (Vigil): March 2nd, 16th and 23rd

April 2024

Sunday Masses:

4:30 pm (Vigil): April 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th

9:30 am: April 28th

11:00 am: April 28th

Weekday Masses:

12 Noon: April 20th

May 2024

Sunday Masses:

4:30 pm (Vigil): May 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th

8:00 am: May 5th

9:30 am: May 19th & 26th

11:00 am: May 19th

12:30 pm: May 19th and 26th

5:00 pm: May 19th and 26th

Weekday Masses:

8:15 am: May 6th, 17th, 20th, 23rd, 24th, 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st

12 Noon: May 20th, 21st, 23rd, 25th, 27th, 28th, 29th and 31st

June 2024

Sunday Masses:

4:30 pm (Vigil): June 1st, 8th, 22nd & 29th

8:00 am: June 2nd and 9th

9:30 am: June 2nd, 9th and 30th

11:00 am: June 9th and 30th

5:00 pm: June 2nd, 9th and 30th

Weekday Masses:

8:15 am: June 5th, 6th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 24th and 27th

12 Noon: June 6th, 14th and 15th



The Second 1/2 of the 2024 Mass Book is now open.

New Mass Schedule, Beginning July 1, 2024

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12 Noon and 5pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday through Friday: 8:15am and 12 Noon

Saturday: 12 Noon

2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

To obtain a copy of your 2023 Contribution Statement, please contact the main office of the rectory.

By phone: 718-238-2600

Via email: parish@stpatrickbayridge.org



Saint Patrick's is celebrating our 175th anniversary!

Our 175th Anniversary Year provides us time to reflect on our spiritual journey, acknowledge the contributions of our parish family and rejoice in the unity and growth we have experienced over the years.

St. Patrick's is proud to be a pillar of the Catholic faith in Bay Ridge for 175 years and we want to celebrate this amazing achievement with our parishioners and community. Please check in regularly for important updates on liturgies, programming, and events.



The Bread and Wine

This week the Bread and Wine are donated in loving memory of . . .

Harry Gillen
Birthday Memorial

Gift of: The Gillen Family



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

WEEK ONE: Agnes Elaine Grosso, Joan Venezia, Gregory Corrado, Jeffrey Corrado, Louise Arias, Gary Checkalski, Mitchell Kuddar, Joseph Perri, James R. Mauro, Annie Olsen

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

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



Sanctuary Lamp

This week the candle in the Sanctuary Lamp is donated in loving memory of . . .

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We pray for those who have recently died . . .

Joseph Mastanduno

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.



Altar Candles

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

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Eucharistic

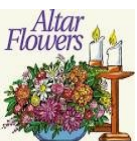
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament



Exposition will begin following the 12:30 pm Sunday Mass ending with Benediction and Reposition at 4:30 pm.

Adoration

Exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is not only a very old devotion in our Church, but one that highlights the fundamental mystery of the Holy Eucharist that our Lord is truly present, body and blood, soul and divinity, in the Blessed Sacrament.



Altar Flowers

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Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14th,

At the start of Lent, we should ask ourselves – what pulls me away from loving God, loving others, and loving myself well? How can I incorporate acts of sacrifice, acts of giving, and acts of prayer that will help me love as God loves?

Giving thought to observing Lent is important. Whether you wait until the last minute to decide or you've known your Lenten sacrifice since *last* Lent, it's worth spending time to thoughtfully consider how to make the most of your experience this year. Because observing Lent is so much bigger than what you "give up."

Prayer: Next Sunday, February 11th, **The Little Black Book: Six-minute Meditations on the Passion According to Luke**, a companion for your Lenten journey, will be given out at all the Masses. To help you prepare for Lent; the six-minute program starts on Sunday, February 11th.

Fasting: Pray about what you will give up this Lent? Fasting, or giving something up, is a means to an end and we miss out if we focus only on what we give up. For instance, if you choose to forego eating a meal, watching television, or being on social media, the idea is you then use that time to commune with God through prayer, Bible meditation, or solitude. We give up something in order to take up something.

Almsgiving: Pray about what alms you can give and to who. Discuss it with Jesus. "Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7). Give it some thought, and write down your commitment.



The St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry

During Lent we are called up to do a number of actions, among them Almsgiving. Helping the Parish Food Pantry is a way of fulfilling this. Each week during Lent we will be asking you to bring

a can or package of food to Mass on Sunday. We will be asking for different items each week.

Week 1 – February 18th – Canned Chicken

Week 2 – February 25th – Rice

Week 3 – March 3rd – Canned Fruit

Week 4 – March 10th – Canned Corn

Week 5 – March 17th – Canned Stew

Week 6 – March 24th – Canned Tomato Sauce

Reminder: All donations to the Poor Boxes go to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry.

I Want To Believe

Rising from the Ashes



Eight Week Study on Ash Wednesday
Dates & Topics:

February

5 - The First Place of the Heart.

26 - Dust: Crushed in order to Rise.

March

4 - My Public Confession: God is who we need.

11 - Put on His Sackcloth... Be Reformed by Him

18 - Film: Joseph (PT 1)

25 - Film: Joseph (PT 1 Cont.)

April

8 - Film: Joseph (PT 2)

15 - Film: Joseph (PT 2 Cont.)

Materials Needed

Bible, Catechism and Notebook.

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Remember...
#WeAreStPatrick



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2024 Diocesan Lenten Pilgrimage

February 14th to March 27th

Visit 39 Churches throughout Brooklyn and Queens for a celebration of the gift of the Holy Eucharist.



Take a pilgrimage to parishes throughout the Diocese of Brooklyn this Lenten season. The pilgrimage invites people to visit a different parish each day, except Sundays, during Lent. This year, thirty-nine parishes are designated for specific days on the itinerary where people can visit different parishes to experience the church's beauty and the community's beauty. St. Patrick's pilgrimage date is Wednesday, March 13th.

At each stop, pilgrims can join local parishioners at Mass, or in Eucharistic Adoration, prayer, and reflection.

Plan your pilgrimage TODAY! For details and a list of designated station Churches...
Visit: dioceseofbrooklyn.org/lent

40 DAYS FOR LIFE SPRING CAMPAIGN

40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion



Prayer Vigil
February 14th to March 24th
Daily: 7:00 am to 7:00 pm
Outside Planned Parenthood
44 Court Street, Brooklyn

Visit: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/brooklynnorth> for more information.

St. Patrick's Parish School of Religion Faith Formation

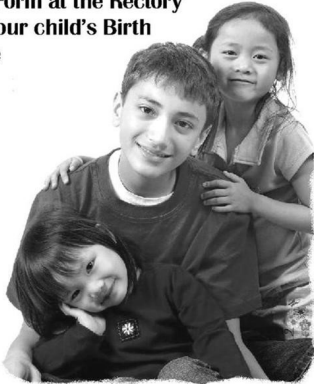
Register Your Child for First Communion, Continual Faith Formation, Confirmation Classes for 2024-2025. Fees:

\$100 - 1 Child / \$130 - 2 Children / \$150 - 3 Children

Register Online by using the QR Code, use this quick form, or pick up a Registration Form at the Rectory Office. Please bring a copy of your child's Birth Certificate & Baptism Certificate



www.StPatsPSR.org



Before
Sept 1st!

Saint
Egeria
the
Pilgrim



Egeria the Pilgrim

Liturgy

One of the names we use for what the Acts of the Apostles called bread" (Acts 2:42) is *liturgy*. The word comes from two Greek words: *litos* ("people") and *ergos* ("work"). It was used in public life before the time of Jesus to indicate "the work of the people," "the work for/on behalf of the people." More specifically, it referred to "the public works of the empire/emperor."

Early Christians saw the principal, common ritual that they carried out every Sunday, in fulfillment of the Lord's Command, as "their work." Soon the word *liturgy* no longer had a secular meaning, referring to something the empire did, but rather a sacred one, referring to what Christians united with their Christ undertook at their Sunday celebration.

Calling it *liturgy* highlights the active participation of the faithful of the Church in their prayer. Certainly, Christians are commanded to gather to commemorate the Lord's Death and Resurrection. The name *liturgy*, however, is our reminder that it's not just "showing up" on Sunday that is important. Once we get there, we are called to a lively, active participation in what happens within us and around us. That, in a nutshell, is "our work."

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The St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry Announces

Souper Bowl VI

The event we've been
waiting for all season!

Next Sunday, **February 11th** we will hold our **Sixth Annual Souper Bowl**. This year we're expanding the event to include not only soup but all sorts of canned food - veggies, fruit, canned meats and canned tuna.

It should be an exciting day, topped off by that football game.

Thanks in advance for your support.



Hospitality Sunday

February 11, 2024
8:30 am to 12 pm

Don't Run Off after Mass

Join us for a piping, hot cup of coffee, tea or **HOT CHOCOLATE**

(with whipped cream and marshmallows)
AND DELICIOUS BAKED GOODS.

New to the Parish?

Come to the Archway Room and get to know your fellow parishioners!

Visitors are also warmly welcomed!

No cost, no fuss, just hot beverages, donuts and good conversation.

We hope to see you there!



A Message from your Spiritually Adopted Child Month 4

Thank you for praying for my mom and me. I now weigh six ounces and my mom can feel my movements. I have fingernails, eyelashes, and my own unique fingerprints, which will remain the same for the rest of my life. My taste buds are working and my sense of hearing is developing. I have soft hair all over my body. I can touch my hand to my face and grasp my feet. Basically, there will be no major new developments from here on. I just need nourishment, protection, and love...and prayers. Please continue to pray for us.

**"Dear Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
I love you very much. I beg you to spare the
life of the unborn child
that I have spiritually adopted."**

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.



St. Patrick Catholic Academy

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

We opened Catholic Schools Week with a school Mass. Two special awards were given out. The first is the “Green Apple Award” which is given to a student whose kindness has changed lives. The second award is the “Pride of St. Pat’s” which is given to students with exemplary academics, service and who are involved in extracurricular activities. Colin C. from Eighth Grade received the “Green Apple Award”. Emma R. and Carmelina A. from Seventh Grade won the “Pride of St. Pat’s”! Congratulations to all our winners!



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

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