



THE CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK BAY RIDGE, BROOKLYN



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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: 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



Sunday, April 21st
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Everyday Stewardship

During the Easter season, we reflect on being followers of the stone that the builders rejected, the crucified and risen Jesus. Like a shepherd he leads us by his voice that echoes throughout the centuries and remains real and effective even in our modern world. To be his disciple means to risk rejection in a similar way as he experienced. The shepherd will not lead his lambs into danger, but there is danger all around us regardless.

Everyday Stewardship can be something we talk about in the abstract or a way of living we simply wish we could follow. It can be an imperfect reality that at times places us in direct conflict with the world. As we decrease and Jesus increases in us, many will be drawn to the love and compassion that flows through us. However, some will see us for fools and will suggest we are ridiculous. Cultivating our gifts for God's sake and the total surrender of all we possess and have become to God is not wise in some eyes. Either they think we are crazy, or, just maybe at times, the example of our lives causes them to question their own values.

If you give a little, you will be admired. If you give a lot, you will be celebrated. If you give it all, you can be rejected. Not everyone will have this negative reaction. Some will see your example and will seek to do the same. They will then join you in following the shepherd. They will become a true sign of Jesus Christ to the world. But their conversion of heart begins with you and your example.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**April 20th, Saturday,
Vigil, Fourth Sunday of Easter**

4:30 pm Gena Graff
Timothy Lynch
Kitty O'Flaherty
Leandro Rodriguez
Ann Kathryn Gales
Emily Connors
John J. D'Emic
Joel Diamante (*Anniversary*)

And for the intentions of . . .

People of the Parish
Providencia Castro Apolinaris (*Health*)
Patrick Boyce (*Healing*)

April 21st, Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am Margaret Hancherik
9:30 am Lauren LoPresti
11:00 am Ines Garcia "Kika" (*Birthday Memorial*)
12:30 pm Victoria Fifield (*Birthday Memorial*)
5:00 pm Harry Gillen (*Third Anniversary*)

April 22nd, Monday, Easter Weekday

8:15 am Edward Rodier
12 Noon Francesca DiSalvo

April 23rd, Tuesday, Easter Weekday

8:15 am For the intentions of . . .
Maryann Guzman and Family
12 Noon Jack Ulrich

April 24th, Wednesday, Easter Weekday

8:15 am For the intentions of . . .
Maryann Guzman and Family
12 Noon Maria Reda

April 25th, Thursday, St. Mark, Evangelist

8:15 am Luca and Steve Fequiere
12 Noon Michael Salerno

April 26th, Friday, Easter Weekday

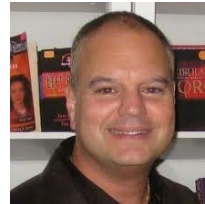
8:15 am Florence Tilyou
12 Noon Thomas Casta

April 27th, Saturday, Easter Weekday

12 Noon Angelina & Thomas D'Alessio

St. Patrick Parish Presents

Brooklyn's Own Singing Cop
Daniel Rodriguez



Recording Artist
Frank Rendo

Live In Concert

St. Patrick Catholic Academy

Aldo Bruschi Auditorium

Saturday, May 18th

7:30 PM

Doors Open at 6:30 PM

VIP (1st two Rows) \$55 pp

Includes Cheese & Cracker Buffet,
unlimited wine and dessert.

Standard Ticket \$35 pp

Includes Cheese & Cracker Buffet
and 1 glass of wine or beverage of choice.
*Additional wine, beer and soda will be
available for purchase.*

**For tickets or more information
call the rectory: 718-238-2600**



Please make note of our
New Mass Schedule
which goes into effect
July 1st

Weekday Masses

- Monday through Friday 8:15am and 12 Noon
- Saturday Weekday Mass - 12 Noon only.

Sunday Masses:

- Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30pm
- Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12 Noon and 5:00pm

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. All donations to the Appeal go to strengthen the Church at home and spread the Gospel across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org//home-missions. [#iGiveCatholicTogether](https://www.instagram.com/iGiveCatholicTogether) also accepts funds for the collection—see usccb.igivecatholictogether.org

Please pray for our neighbors in home mission dioceses who live without regular access to basic pastoral services like Mass, the sacraments and religious education.



St. Patrick's Memorial Funds

The next time you wish to memorialize, honor or give thanks for a special friend or loved one, please remember St. Patrick's Memorial Fund. Gifts of Bread & Wine \$25; Altar candles \$25; candle used in the Sanctuary Lamp \$25 or Altar Flowers \$50 may be made in honor/memory or thanksgiving of your loved one.

Arrangements can be made through the Rectory.



The Bread and Wine

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

Harry Gillen

Gift of: The Gillen Family



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

WEEK ONE: Elizabeth Fifield, Patrick Anthony Smyth, Ted Mootos, Doris Freyland, Janice Friedman,

Linda Gassoso, Kathy Tyoka, Anthony C. Strano, Viola-Cleo Bradshaw, Alan Bruce Bradshaw, Doris Freyland, Janice Friedman, Linda Gassoso, Kathy Tyoka, John Eulenid, Cordelia Vogel, Jane Metzger, May McNally, Veronica Diaz, Shirley Perezic, Arthur Samuel, Baby Charlotte, Baby Savannah

WEEK TWO: Agnes Elaine Grosso, Gary Checkalski, Jeffrey Corrado, Mitchell Kuddar, Gregory Corrado, Karen Windram, Erin Waring, James R. Mauro, Joseph Perri, Annie Olsen, Jean Mitchell, Louise Arias, Danny Pokoluk

WEEK THREE: James Gorayeb, Helen Gorayeb, Caroline Beisswanger, Margaret Buckley, Matthew James, Louise Cartwright, Cathy Ryan, Felipo Sarubbi, Jim McCormack, Roger Santos, Joyce Saraceni, Rafael Vallejo, Lois Murray, Margaret McLaughlin



The Sanctuary Lamp

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

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Altar Candles

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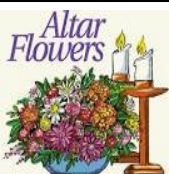
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We pray for those who have recently died . . .

Bernadette Botta, Cathy Kunz, Richard Connolly, Lynne Marie Savage

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.



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Easter Duty

All Catholics are under a grave obligation to worthily receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist at least once a year, during the Easter Season. The Easter Season begins on Easter Sunday and continues until Pentecost Sunday. **Homebound and hospitalized parishioners** are welcome to contact the Rectory to arrange Communion calls.



May 12th is Mother's Day

Is there a special mother in your life, living or deceased, that you would like to recognize on Mother's Day? You are invited to make a Spiritual Gift honoring your loved ones, living or deceased, so they may share in the Spiritual Benefits offered in our Church in observance of Mother's Day.

Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquets

are a wonderful way to show your loving devotion to your beloved mother, grandmother, or any special woman who has touched your life. The names of all those enrolled will be placed on the altar for all Masses during the Month of May. Spiritual Bouquet Cards are available for sale in the gathering space and rectory for \$10.00 each.

The Mother's Day Novena of Masses

is another great way to honor the special Mother, Grandmother, Godmother, Aunt, Wife, Friend, Mother-in-law, Sister, or Daughter (living or deceased) in your life. Envelopes are available at all entrances to the Church and in the rectory.

The following nine Masses will be offered in observance of Mother's Day, remembering especially those mothers included in the Mother's Day Novena.

Saturday Vigil Mass, May 11th: 4:30 pm

Sunday, May 12: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm and 5:00 pm

Monday, May 13th: 8:15 am

Tuesday, May 14th: 12:00 pm noon

Wednesday, May 15th: 8:15 am

Saint Egeria the Pilgrim



St. Egeria the Pilgrim

The Liturgy of the Word – Part Two: Homily

The homily is an important part of the Liturgy of the Word, and it's required on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. While the words of Jesus resound through the ages and the teachings of the Church continue to comfort and challenge the community, the homily inspires the congregation's faith and fosters Christian life by explaining the readings, texts, theme, saint-celebration, or liturgical season. When preaching, the homilist considers both the mystery being celebrated and the needs of the listeners gathered, which can differ depending on circumstance (such as a parish Sunday Mass, a wedding Mass, a school liturgy, and so on). Drawing on universal experiences, examples from Christian history, and current circumstances, the homily allows the Word of God to nurture the assembled congregation. Sacred Scripture, after all, is a lifeline to the loving God who continues to interact with all his beloved.

A short period of silence after the homily can be helpful, allowing all to meditate briefly on what they have heard. In addition to this opportunity for reflection, silence also allows us to listen to the Divine, pointing us to the otherworldliness inherent in the sacred liturgy.

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Trusting in the Good Shepherd



Greetings!

All of us are familiar with the text "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want," from Psalm 23. These words convey the kindness, goodness, and care of our loving Father in heaven. They remind us to trust that God will fill our every need.

In the Gospel according to John, Jesus calls himself the Good Shepherd. On the Fourth Sunday of Easter, known as Good Shepherd Sunday, we hear Jesus say that the sheep know his voice and they follow him. He, in turn, knows his own and gives them eternal life.

It was this image of the Good Shepherd that the Church drew on when she first began artistically depicting Jesus as the Good Shepherd during her early years. While members were being persecuted and needed to hide in catacombs, art of the Good Shepherd provided comfort and recalled God as a refuge. In frescoes and in statues, the young shepherd Jesus was shown lovingly carrying a lamb over his shoulders, protecting it from harm. After the persecution of the Church stopped, the images of the Good Shepherd became more explicit in depicting the shepherd as God by including a halo around his head.

The image of the Good Shepherd speaks in a special way to young children, who are not far from the experience of being lifted by, and sheltered, in the arms of a loving adult.

Take time as a family to talk about this loving image for God. Find images of the Good Shepherd in books and on the Internet and talk about them. What do they convey? Is Jesus serene? Happy? Serious? How old is he? What does the expression on the face of the Good Shepherd communicate about God? Talk about the love, care, safety, and protection that God provides to each of us. In what ways does God, through the gifts of creation and other people, care for our every need?

Place on your dinner table the figures of the baby Jesus and the shepherds from your crèche. Share with your children that, while Jesus lived, shepherds were social outcasts. At night they lay down with their flocks, using their bodies as the gate for the pen. They were dirty and smelly. Why would the news of Jesus' birth come to shepherds, people who were considered undesirable? Why would Jesus use this image for himself? Talk about God as being unafraid of our "smelliness"! Even if we sin or fall short, he is waiting to seek us out and gather us up in his arms. He will find us when we are lost, and embrace us with forgiveness whenever we turn to him in need.

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Saint Patrick's 175th Anniversary!

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.

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.

This space will be used, bi-weekly, to delve into our parish's history.

St. Patrick's Parish School of Religion

Faith Formation

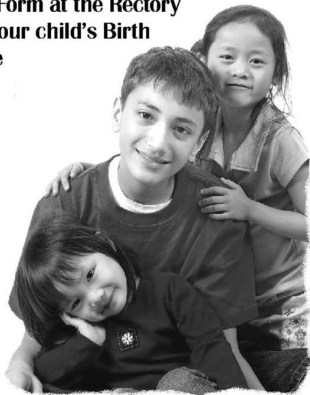
Register Your Child for First Communion, Continual Faith Formation, Confirmation Classes for 2024-2025. Fees:

\$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



The Book of Tobit

Healing, Mercy & Vocation

7 Week Scripture Study at the PSR Lounge
Begins Mon. Apr 22nd, at 1PM & 6:30PM

Believe

I Want To

www.StPatrickBayRidge.org
www.StPatsPSR.org



SPRING INTO SUMMER 50/50 RAFFLE

Over **\$5,500.00**
collected as of April 2nd

One Lucky Winner will take home
50% of all monies collected!

IT COULD BE YOU!

Flyers of tickets are available at all entrances to the Church, in the rectory office and on our parish website: www.stpatrickbayridge.org

YOU CAN'T WIN IT IF YOU'RE NOT IN IT!

Tickets:

\$5 ea/3 for \$10/5 for \$15/\$25 full page

Drawing: Sunday, June 16, 2024

TITHING REPORT

Tithing

March 3rd	\$ 8,916.00
March 10th	\$ 6,649.00
March 17th	\$ 7,334.00
March 24th	\$ 8,587.00
March 31st	\$ 11,587.00
Faith Direct (Month of March)	\$ 11,112.00
Fuel	\$ 3,068.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 4,623.00
Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 3,641.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 2,296.00
Holy Land	\$ 755.00
Easter Gift to Parish	\$ 25,677.00
Support of Senior Priests	\$ 8,654.00

Total Gifts:

\$94,312.00

Next tithing report: Mid-May

Maimonides Health Community Relations Department Invites you to . . .

An Evening of Health

Hosted by: Msgr. David Cassato
Monday, May 13th, 6:30 pm
Dyker Beach Golf Club

Free Multi-Course Dinner and Gift for all attendees

RSVP by leaving a message at 718-283-8355

Or email: community-relations@maimonide.org

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will sponsor a

PET FOOD BANK

To provide pet food to Senior Citizens of South Brooklyn who need assistance feeding their pets.

Tuesday, April 30th
3:30 pm to 7:00 pm
Good Shepherd Church
7420 4th Avenue

For more information call/text: 917-727-5584 or
Email: coyotemutthouse@gmail.com



St. Patrick Catholic Academy

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

Students in Nursery, Pre-K and Kindergarten participated in our annual Bunny Hop. The Bunny Hop included songs sung by our students, crafts, and a petting zoo!



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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