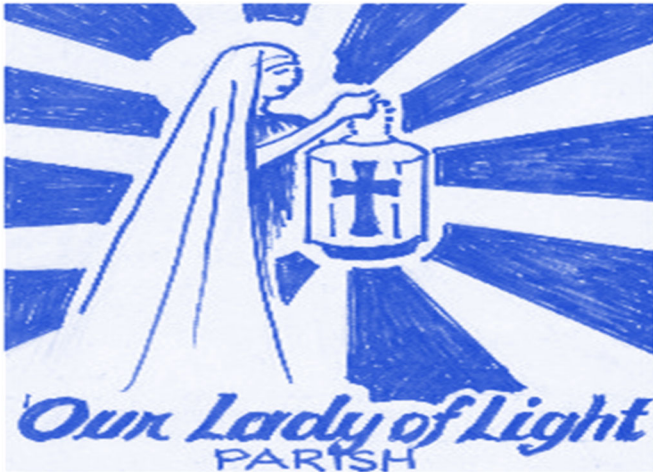


# Our Lady of Light Parish



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## Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 19, 2021

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### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Light Parish is a  
spirit filled Faith  
community nourished by the  
Eucharist.

Committed to be disciples of  
Christ, we reach out in good  
stewardship to the entire Parish  
and the community at large. We  
serve God and one another by the  
values we proclaim.



### St. Pascal Baylon

113th Ave and 199th St.

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Eve 5pm

Sunday 10am

Monday to Friday: 9am



### St. Catherine of Sienna

Riverton St. and Baisley Blvd.

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8am

Sunday 12noon

Monday to Saturday: 8am



Fourth Sunday of  
**Advent**  
December 19, 2021

Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit,  
cried out in a loud voice and said,  
"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."  
Luke 1:41-42

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**AUDACITY**

There is a spirit of audacity in our readings today. During a time of injustice and threat of invasion, the prophet Micah boldly announces that the God of insignificant Israel will raise up a leader from backwater Bethlehem, and this leader will bring justice and peace to the whole world. In the Gospel, Elizabeth and Mary, marginalized women, brazenly celebrate that their sons will be world-changing instruments of God. We further learn that this audacity is rooted in trust in God. The author of Hebrews describes the faithful obedience of Jesus. Mary is shown as the exemplar of faithful trust in God. This is the way God often seems to work, in the ordinary and marginalized in our world. Those who seem weak have learned to trust in God's strength. These have the audacity to become instruments of God's peace and justice.  
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**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — From Bethlehem-Ephrathah shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel (Micah 5:1-4a).

**Psalm** — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

**Second Reading** — We have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Christ once for all (Hebrews 10:5-10).

**Gospel** — Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken by the Lord would be fulfilled (Luke 1:39-45).

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**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Saturday, December 18th**

5:00 PM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

**Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 19th**

8:00 AM In Loving Memory of  
**Urban Calliste**  
**Elizabeth Calliste**

10:00AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

12:00 PM Parishioner of Our Lady of Light

**Reconciliation Monday, December 20th**

8:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

9:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

**Tuesday, December 21st**

8:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

9:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

**Wednesday, December 22nd**

8:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

9:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

**Thursday, December 23rd**

8:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

9:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

**Christmas Eve Friday, December 24th**

8:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

9:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

7:00 PM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Barbara Ricketts, Thaina Auguste, Viola Madden  
Beverly Stanton, Deana Roberts, Victor Enemuo  
Marjorie Smalls, Mabel Williams, Charmayne Roberts  
Vera Russell, Shirley Roller, Phyllis Fullerton  
Emelda Cathcart, Yvonne Hendricks, John Johnson. Sr.,  
Gabriel Maitland, Julia Hodges Dorethea Callender,  
Xavier Auguste, Hollis Ford, Brenda Gibbs,  
Gemma LaRode, Gloria Wynter, Milrod Jones,  
Leon Hickenbottom, Marion Henry, Alfred Ramirez,  
Albertha Brown, Leonora Best, Ann Cecilia Blake,  
William White



**Christmas Eve Masses Friday, December 24th**

St. Catherine's Mass 8:00 AM

St. Pascal's Mass 9:00AM and 7:00PM

**Christmas Day Saturday, December 25th**

St. Pascal's Mass 10:00 AM

St. Catherine's Mass 12:00 PM

**New Year's Eve Masses Friday, December 31st**

St. Catherine's 8:00 AM

St. Pascal's 9:00 AM

St. Catherine's 10:00PM

**New Year's Day Saturday, January 1st**

St. Catherine's 8:00AM

St. Pascal's 5:00 PM

# ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEWS



*May this Christ-Mass be special for you and your family members. May the Child Jesus remind you that you are special in the eyes of God.*



*Rev. Bartholomew Mrosso  
& the Parish Staff*

## Annual Catholic Appeal

We thank all who have participated with a gift to the 2020 Appeal and ask that everyone prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2021 Catholic Appeal. As of 12/06/21 **\$72,380.00 has been pledged**. We have received **\$67,393.00** and **\$4,986.00** is still out-standing.

Thank you to everyone who made a pledge. If you have made a pledge for this year's Appeal please remember to fulfill your pledge by December 31st.

The work and services made possible through your donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal help people in Brooklyn and Queens in ways that no one parish can do alone. "WHOEVER SOWS SPARINGLY WILL ALSO REAP SPARINGLY AND WHOEVER SOWS BOUNTIFULLY WILL ALSO REAP BOUNTIFULLY"(2 Corinthians 9:16)

## Our Lady of Light Parish Advent Spiritual Preparations for Christmas

### Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup> - Reconciliation Monday

St.. Catherine's -11am-1pm & 6pm-8pm  
St. Pascal's -11am-1pm & 6pm-8pm

### Thursday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> -The True Meaning of Christmas- Zoom- at 7pm

Topic: The True Meaning of Christmas  
Time: Dec 23, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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### St. Pascal Baylon Rosary Society

St. Pascal Baylon's Rosary Society will host a Chinese Auction on

Date: Saturday, February 2,2022.

Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm

Price: \$30

The auction will be held at St. Pascal's parish hall.

# NEWS NOTES COMING SOON

## Children's Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation Registration

Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation classes are available for children and youth in grades K - 12. Please call Deacon Fernando Luces at the Faith Formation office at (718) 528-1220, ext 7. Office hours are as follows: 9:am-4 pm (Mon- Fri).

**Requirements:** Certificate of Baptism, (only if this is your child's 1st year of class and not baptized here at Our Lady of Light (St. Catherine of Sienna or St. Pascal Baylon Churches); a letter from previous parish, if transferring from another Catholic religious education program or Catholic Academy/School stating that your child attended and when.

**Please note: Tuition must accompany registration form.**

**RCIA Program for Adults (or Youth age 16+)** Anyone interested in classes for Baptism, Communion, Confirmation or becoming Catholic is invited to attend the Rites of Christian Initiation class. Please call the religious education office at (718) 528-1220, ext 7.

## **PRAYER OF THE WEEK**

### **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord,  
your grace into our hearts,  
that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son  
was made known by the message of an Angel,  
may by his Passion and Cross  
be brought to the glory of his Resurrection.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

### **Reflection question:**

How can I make known to others the Incarnation of Christ?

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## **LOVE NOW**

Let those love now  
who never lov'd before;  
let those who always lov'd  
now love the more.

## **PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD 2021-2023**

***(Adsumus Sancte Spiritus)***



***We stand before You, Holy Spirit,  
As we gather in your name.***

***With You alone to guide us,  
Make yourself at home in our hearts;  
Teach us the way we must go  
And how to pursue it***

***We are weak and sinful;  
Do not let us promote disorder.  
Do not let ignorance lead us down the  
wrong path  
Nor partiality influence our actions.***

***Let us find you in our unity  
So that we may journey together to  
eternal life  
And not stray from the way of truth  
And what is right.***

***All this we ask of you,  
Who are at work in every place and  
time,  
In the communion of the Father and  
the Son,  
Forever and ever.  
Amen***

## IMPORTANT PARISH REMINDERS

### The Sacrament of Baptism for Infants

Parents may contact the parish office to arrange for the baptism of their child at least one month in advance. Infant Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of the month at one of our weekend masses. Parents must be registered in Our Lady of Light or the parish they attend and participate in a Baptismal Preparation class.

### Religious Education for Children and Youth:

**Location and Times:** Our Parish Faith Formation program takes place on Sunday mornings, online this year. For more information, please contact , Deacon Fernando Luces Director of Faith Formation, at 718 528-1220 or email at OLOLfaithed@outlook.com

**Ages and Requirements:** Our program welcomes children and youth who are three years old through High School. We accept and prepare children and youth who have not received the Sacraments.

**Parental Responsibilities:** Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, reminds us in his new General Directory for Catechesis that those being catechized can live their life in a simple and spontaneous way. We are called to accompany each other on a journey toward Christ, with parents/guardians taking the lead for their children. In addition to having an active participation in the faith formation of their children, Parents or Guardians are also expected to attend Mass with their children and to attend parental preparations for Sacraments.

**Reception of Sacraments for School Aged Children:** Parents who would like for their child to receive the Sacraments must register them in our parish Sacramental Preparation Program. Our Program requires that children attend and prepare for two complete and consecutive academic years prior to the reception of each Sacrament. The Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion is received beginning in grade 2 and up. The Sacrament of Confirmation requires attendance and preparation in our 2 year Confirmation Sacramental Preparation program. Confirmation preparation begins in grades 7 & 8. For each of the Sacraments, there is an extra fee, to cover the costs of the ceremonies. For more information, please contact, Lisa Sampson Director of Religious Education.

**Reception of Sacraments for Adults (RCIA):** Our Parish offers the RCIA program for those, ages 16 years and older, who are interested in becoming Catholic. It is also for those who have been baptized and in need of receiving the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation. The Rite of Christian Initiation program is offered year- round and is also available for children ages 8 and older through the Rite of Christian Initiation Adapted for Children program. Please contact Deacon Fernando Luces, Director of Faith Formation to register or for more information.

**Continuing Faith Formation for Adults:** Our parish provides opportunities for lifelong faith formation through small faith sharing groups and bible studies. Please check our website, bulletin or contact the Faith Formation Office for more information.

### The Sacrament of Marriage

Since Catholic marriage requires a time of preparation, arrangements should begin at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding to allow for the Marriage Preparation Program. Registered, participating and contributing parishioners, not a third party, may contact the parish office to begin the process.

### Pastoral Care of the Sick

If you are entering a hospital for surgery, experiencing a prolonged or serious illness, or are very weak due to advancement of age, call the parish office to arrange for the Sacraments of reconciliation, communion and anointing at home. We can also arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to continue to visit you with the Blessed Sacrament. We are here to serve you, please call.

### Funerals

The family member or friend handling the funeral arrangements are asked to contact the pastor to arrange a consolation visit from one of the Priests. He will help you with any questions you may have with planning the Wake and Funeral Mass. The Parish wishes to be with you at this moment of need, all other arrangements involving the church must be initiated by the funeral director. Strict adherence to the Roman Catholic Ritual for Funerals will be followed in all parish involved activities..

### Proof of Parish Participation

References and proof of parish residency for both civil and religious purposes can only be provided for registered parishioners. Catholic Schools offering a discount for children of parents who are active members of their parish usually require that the family be registered at least six months previously in their home parish. It is also assumed that the children are registered in the religious education program of the home parish.

**Welcome  
New  
Members**



**To all our Visitors:** We hope you felt at home at the Feast of our Lord with your brothers & sister in Christ. We pray you will join us again! Letters proving membership for reference, referrals, recommendations or for any other reason, will only be provided to registered parishioners. **If we don't know you , we can't vouch for you!**

### REGISTRATION

Registration is important in the event you may need testimonial letters, for baptism/confirmation sponsorships, wedding plans etc.! If we don't know you, we can't vouch for you! **Please register TODAY! Thank you!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Envelopes: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt.# \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

### REGISTRATION UPDATE REQUEST:

Envelope number \_\_\_\_\_

Change name to: \_\_\_\_\_ Change address to: \_\_\_\_\_

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