

Our Lady of Light Parish



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Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024

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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

Easter Sunday Readings for the Week of March 31, 2024

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Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/ Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/ Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/ Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/ Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/ Jn 21:1-14



May this Easter Season bring you and your family great hope and joy. Fr. Erick , Fr. Henry and Staff

Easter Prayer

Loving and eternal God, for three days your Son laid in the tomb. We now celebrate the glory of his resurrection and rejoice in the new life he promises to all who are faithful in him. Fill all believers with the joy of Easter. May we come to share completely in the new life of Christ who now lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen

Thank You

We wish to extend a very special thank you to all who volunteered their time and talents to the many Parish Lenten & Easter activities. Through your dedication, hard work and love for Jesus Christ, many parishioners and visitors were given an opportunity to experience an encounter with our Risen Lord during this holiest of seasons. Thank you all so much! You are much appreciated.

Thank you to our parish Staff and Clergy for their dedication, hard work, prayers and guidance throughout the Lenten season.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, March 30th

8:00 PM SCS

8:00PM SPB

Sunday, March 31st

8:00 AM

10:00 AM

12:00 PM

Monday, April 1st

8:00 AM

9:00 AM

Tuesday, April 2nd

8:00 AM

9:00 AM

Wednesday, April 3rd

8:00 AM

9:00 AM

Thursday, April 4th

8:00 AM

9:00 AM

Friday, April 5th

8:00 AM

9:00 AM

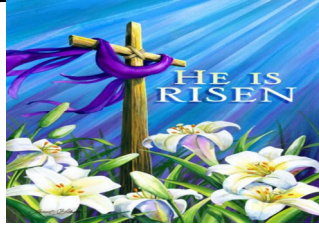
PRAY FOR THE SICK

Barbara Ricketts, Thaina Auguste, Beverly Stanton
Deana Roberts, Victor Enemuo, Marjorie Smalls
Charmayne Roberts, Shirley Roller
Emelda Cathcart, Yvonne Hendricks, Julia Hodge
Xavier Auguste, Hollis Ford, Gemma LaRode
Gloria Wynter, Milrod Jones, Leon Hickenbottom
Marion Henry, Alfred Ramirez, Albertha Brown
Leonora Best , Crystal Ernst, Sean Wallace
Ionia Casanova, Dominique Bethea, Joseph A. Lambardo
Barbara Lewis, Sharon Simmons Colleen Cornwall
Anthony Alvary, Eristine Trapp, Indira, Ruth Clark
Valerie Clark, Dorothy McDaniel, Janice Watkins
Dee Johnson, Danielle Fabien

Weekly Collections

Masses 03/25 /24	#of Adults	#of Children	Collections	
5:00 PM	30	2	\$603.00	
8:00 AM	87	8	\$1,002.00	
10:00 AM	114	8	\$1,405.00	
12:00 PM	73	8	\$853.00	
Online	N/A	N/A	\$659.00	
Totals	304	26	\$4,522.00	

ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEWS



**You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene,
who was crucified.**

He is Risen! He is not here! [Mark 16: 1-8]

Mark speaks of the three women who cannot forget Jesus. They are Mary Magdalene, Mary Mother of James, and Salome. An absurd scheme has come to their minds born of their passionate attachment to Jesus: to buy some perfumes and go to the sepulchre to anoint the body of Jesus. On reaching the sepulchre, they are surprised to see it open. When they come closer, they see a young man dressed in white who, on seeing them shocked, reassures them, and he declares that something has happened they could never have suspected.

*‘You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified?’ You are wrong to seek him in the world of the dead. He is not here. He is not more one dead human being. It is not the time to weep and pay him homage. **He has risen. He lives forever.** He will never be found in the world of the Sepulchre, where can we see him? Where can we meet him? Jesus had already told them, ‘He is going to Galilee, ahead of you, there you will see him’. To see the risen Jesus, we must return to Galilee, for what? Why should we?*

We cannot see the Risen Jesus without ourselves retracting his life journey. To experience him full of life in our midst, we must begin at the starting point and experience what he did in leading a life that led to the cross and resurrection. If we do not have this experience, the resurrection will be for us a *sublime doctrine, a sacred dogma*, but we will not experience Jesus alive in us.

Galilee had been the main scene of his life activity. His disciples have seen him heal, forgive, welcome, and waken a new hope in all. Now we, his followers, have to do the same. We are not alone. The Risen One goes ahead of us. What will decide whether we experience the Risen Jesus or not, is not the study of Theology or liturgical celebrations, but our faithful following of Jesus.

Moments of death and resurrection

As we go through life, we all experience little deaths. We get a foretaste of death when we live in bitterness, loneliness, sadness, and despair. In times like these, the world closes in on us, and we seem to have one foot in the grave.

But we also experience little resurrections. When we know love, acceptance, and forgiveness; when we open our hearts to others and life, the world opens up and we emerge from the tomb.

Lord may the splendour of your resurrection scatter the shadows of death and enable us to walk in radiant hope towards the kingdom where there are no more shattered hopes or broken dreams.

***A BLESSED TRIDUUM AND EASTER TO
EACH ONE OF YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES***

***FROM YOUR SERVANTS-
FRS. ERICK AND HENRY.***

References:

McCarthy, Flor: *New Sunday and Holy Day Liturgies, year B.*

Pagola, A. Jose: *Following in the Footsteps of Jesus-meditations in the Gospel for year B.*

NEWS NOTES COMING SOON

Altar Servers

All Youth who are presently in 5th grade or higher, at least 10 yrs. old & who have made their First Holy Communion are invited to become Altar servers. For more information please contact: Deborah Cleveland – 516-840-1250, Russell Johnson – 646-734-2251 or any one of our Deacons.

Join Bishop Brennan in Rome!

Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn
Youth Jubilee of the Holy Year 2025
Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope
9 Day Pilgrimage: July 27– August 4, 2025
If interested contact Peter's Way Tours
425 Broadhollow Road Suite 204
Melville, NY 11747
Email: Peter@petersway.com
800.225.7662

Retired Priest Collection Easter Sunday, March 31st

Collected funds are used for the support of our Retired Priests, provide health and other welfare benefits for our Senior and Disabled Priests, and other services for Retired Priests of the Diocese.

Our Lady of Light, St. Pascal Rosary Society "It's Tea Time"

Community Fundraiser

Saturday, April 27th from 11am-4pm.

Donation: \$40/ Children under 12 \$20

For tickets and information contact Marjorie White
-917.255.9948, Mercedes Asemota-917.355.0514
or any member of the Rosary Society.

St. Catherine of Sienna Men's Club

St. Catherine of Sienna Men's Club
presents a

CALYPSO PARTY

Saturday, May 11, 2024,

8:00 pm- 1:00 am Tickets: \$30.00

Food included Bring Your Own Bottle

St. Catherine of Sienna Parish Hall

118-22 Riverton Street St. Albans, NY 11412

Music by BJ

For tickets & info contact: Dwayne Taylor (917) 903-9423 BJ (917) 686-7212 Alister Guillaume (718) 840-8142 Casimir Agbi (917) 545-5951 Nick Iwu (516) 993-3322 Joe Raj (917) 418-5771

Annual Catholic Appeal

We thank all who have participated with a gift to the 2023 Appeal and ask that everyone prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2024 Catholic Appeal. Our goal is **\$39,124.00**

The work and services made possible through your donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal help people in Brooklyn and Queens.

As of 03/24/24 we have \$20,665.00 pledged, \$7,990.00, paid and a balance due of \$12,675.00. If you haven't made a pledge please consider making one every dollar counts. If you have already pledge, thank you for your support. 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)

St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center

Speech & Hearing Screening St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center will be offering FREE speech and hearing screenings from January 29, 2024 through April 25, 2024. Please call the center at 718-990-6480 to schedule an appointment. They are located at 152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing, NY.

let go
SURRENDER AND LET GOD WORK

ALL ARE WELCOME!
CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL DIOCESE OF SCRANTON
AUGUST 2, 3, 4, 2024



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SCRANTON, PA

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917-593-0051 OR
VANDA
HODGE 917-361-8164

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, in person 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, Deacon Fernando Luces 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: _____

CHURCH NAME AND NUMBER —

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