

Our Lady of Light Parish



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Palm Sunday, March 29, 2026

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St. Pascal Baylon

113th Ave and 199th St.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 10am &

Spanish Mass 12:30 pm

Monday to Saturday: 9am

Adoration Thursday 11:30am &
7-8pm

Confession Thursday 6:30-7pm

After Every Mass or by appointment

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. Catherine of Sienna

Riverton St. and Baisley Blvd.

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Sunday 8am

Monday to Saturday: 8am

Adoration Thursday 3:30pm &
7-8pm

Confession Thursday 6:30-7pm

After Every Mass or by
Appointment

Palm Sunday
Sunday, March 29, 2026

Sunday: Matthew 21:1-11, Isaiah 50:4-7, Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24, Philippians 2:6-11, Matthew 26:14—27:66

Monday: Isaiah 42:1-7, Psalm 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14, John 12:1-11

Tuesday: Isaiah 49:1-6, Psalm 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17, John 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34, Matthew 26:14-25

Thursday: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14, Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18., 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, John 13:1-15

Friday: Isaiah 52:13—53:12, Psalm 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25, Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9, John 18:1—19:42

Saturday: Genesis 1:1—2:2, Psalm 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35, Genesis 22:1-18, Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11, Exodus 14:15—15:1, Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18, Isaiah 54:5-14, Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13, Isaiah 55:1-11, Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6, Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4, Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11, Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28, Psalm 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4, Romans 6:3-11, Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23, Matthew 28:1-10

Parish Pastoral Council Members

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Palm Sunday, March 29th

8:00 AM
10:00 AM

Monday, March 30th

8:00 AM
9:00 AM

Tuesday, March 31st

8:00 AM
9:00 AM

Wednesday, April 1st

8:00 AM
9:00 AM

Thanksgiving for
Reginald Previl's Birthday

Holy Thursday, April 2nd

8:00 AM
9:00 AM

7:30 PM SPB **Fr. Erick Vega**
 Fr. Henry Byamukama

Good Friday, April 3rd

8:00 AM
3:00 PM
9:00 AM
3:00 PM

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

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Holy Saturday, April 4th

8:00 AM
9:00 AM
8:00 PM SCS
8:00 PM SPB

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Barbara Ricketts, Beverly Stanton
Charmayne Roberts, Julia Hodge Hollis Ford
Gemma LaRode, Gloria Wynter, Marion Henry
Leonora Best, Lawrence Pitiler, Madeline Finney
Ruth Wade, Jacqueline Pestano, Dawn Hewitt
Connie Miller, Fran Hicks, Helen R. Coleman
Dee Johnson, Marva Corbett, Eartha Hendrick
(Please let us know if a name should be removed from the Sick List)

Weekly Collections

Masses 03/23//26	#of Adults	#of Children	Collections	
8:00 AM	83	12	\$1,148.00	
10:00 AM	126	13	\$1,581.00	
12:30 PM	31	6	\$120.00	
Online	N/A	N/A	\$1,178.00	
Totals	240	31	\$4,427.00	

PALM SUNDAY- THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

Readings: Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66.

“FROM HOSANNA TO THE CROSS- ENTERING THE MYSTERY OF THE KING WHO SAVES”

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Palm Sunday stands at the dramatic threshold of Holy Week, marking the climax of our Lenten journey. **The liturgy brings together two seemingly opposed movements: triumph and tragedy. We begin with palms, processions, and cries of “Hosanna!”: a plea meaning “Save us!”: and quickly move into the Passion narrative, where that same cry seems to dissolve into “Crucify him!”** The Church, in her wisdom, does not allow us to remain at an emotional level. Instead, she invites us into the Paschal Mystery: the suffering, death, and resurrection of Christ: the very heart of our faith. What we begin today will only be fully revealed at Easter: the Cross is not the end, but the path to Resurrection and new life. As St. Augustine reminds us, *“The Passion of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ is the hope of glory and a lesson in patience.”*

The King Who Comes in Humility

Matthew presents Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem as the fulfilment of Scripture [Zech. 9:9]. **Unlike earthly rulers who ride on war horses, Jesus enters on a donkey, which signifies peace and humility. This echoes the Davidic tradition [1 Kings 1:32–40], where true kingship is marked not by domination but by obedience to God’s will. The people proclaim Him “Son of David,” yet their expectations are shaped by a desire for political liberation. Jesus reveals a deeper kingship: not one of power, but of self-gift; not conquest, but surrender; not force, but love.** Each of us carries our own “Hosanna”: our longing for healing, freedom, and salvation. Yet God often answers that prayer in surprising ways. As St. John Chrysostom writes, *“He did not come to conquer cities, but to conquer hearts.”*

The Tragedy of Misunderstood Salvation

The shift from “Hosanna” to “*Crucify him*” reveals a painful truth: we can welcome Christ while resisting the way He chooses to save us. **The people longed for deliverance from oppression; Jesus brings deliverance from sin, fear, and death. The Passion exposes the human condition: Judas betrays knowingly, leaders act out of fear and self-interest, Pilate recognises innocence yet yields to pressure, and the disciples flee. We must ask ourselves: Where do I cry “Hosanna,” yet turn away when Christ does not meet my expectations? Even in this brokenness, God’s plan unfolds.** The story of Jesus’ Passion is not outside salvation history; it is its fulfilment. As St. Leo the Great teaches, *“The Cross of Christ is the source of all blessings, the cause of all graces.”*

The Suffering Servant and the Silence of Love

Isaiah’s Suffering Servant [Isaiah 50:4–7] is fully revealed in Jesus. He does not resist violence with violence and does not defend himself. His silence is not a sign of weakness, but of authority—a complete entrusting of Himself to the Father. On the Cross, Jesus enters fully into our human condition: enduring physical suffering, emotional abandonment, and spiritual desolation: “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” Yet even here, love remains victorious: He forgives, He gives Himself, and He entrusts His spirit. Jesus does not suffer because the Father desires suffering, but because love in a wounded world inevitably meets rejection, and He remains faithful to love until the end. St. Gregory of Nazianzus reflects, “He who is without suffering suffers; He who is immortal dies... so that we might live.”

The Kenosis as the Path to True Victory

St. Paul tells us that Christ “emptied himself” [Phil. 2:6–11]. He clung to nothing, surrendered everything, and through this self-emptying, revealed the very essence of God’s life. Salvation is not merely about the suffering of Jesus; it is about His complete and unconditional love. His death is not a defeat but the ultimate act of love. As St. Athanasius teaches: “*He became what we are so that we might become what He is.*” Therefore, the Cross signifies the beginning of exaltation, a hidden victory that will be fully revealed in the Resurrection.

Mary and the Faithful Disciple

At the foot of the Cross stands Mary, our faithful disciple. While others flee, she remains. Despite not fully understanding the situation, she chooses to trust. **Mary embodies the Church, called to stay with Christ even in times of darkness and silence. Through her, we learn that true discipleship is about both action and faithful presence.**

Not Observers but Participants

Holy Week is not just a time for remembrance; it is a call to participation. **In the liturgy, the Church does not merely reenact events; she enters into them. In the Eucharist, the sacrifice of the Cross becomes present. We are not distant spectators; we are drawn into Christ’s self-offering.** As St. Cyril of Jerusalem taught: “*Do not think of these things as mere history... You are made a sharer in Christ’s sufferings and glory.*” As the Body of Christ, the Church continues this mystery in the world, bearing both the wounds of suffering and the hope of resurrection.

Living the Paschal Mystery: Concrete Steps for Holy Week

As we begin this sacred week, the Church invites us to respond:

1. **Enter the Liturgy Fully:** Make time for the Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil. These are the heart of our faith.
2. **Return to the Sacraments:** In Confession, we experience our own “Passover” from sin to grace. In the Eucharist, we receive the very life poured out on the Cross.
3. **Practice Silence and Prayer:** Stay with Christ in Gethsemane. Create space for quiet reflection and deeper trust.
4. **Choose Love and Forgiveness:** Imitate Christ by forgiving others, especially in difficult situations.
5. **Let Go [Kenosis]:** Release your attachments to pride, control, and resentment, allowing God to fill that space.
6. **Walk with Christ in Suffering:** Bring your own crosses to Him, trusting that they can become sources of transformation and grace.

Walking with the King

Today, we carry palms in our hands, but we are also invited to carry the Cross in our lives. We follow a King who reigns not from a throne, but from the Cross. This is a King whose power is love, whose victory comes through self-giving, and whose glory is revealed in the Resurrection. Let us not remain mere spectators; let us walk with Him. In following Christ through His Passion, we discover the path to our own resurrection and the fulfilment of every Hosanna we carry in our hearts.

Our Lady of Light family, may the Lord bless us with a deeply prayerful Passion Sunday and Holy Week, guiding our hearts toward reflection and renewal!

Fr. Erick Balderas Vega, M.Afr and Fr. Henry Byamukama, M.Afr

ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEWS



Holy Week Schedule

Reconciliation Monday, March 30th

Confessions at St. Catherine's and St. Pascal's from
2:00 pm-4:00 pm
6:00pm-8:00pm

Holy Thursday, April 2nd

Morning Prayer
8:00am at St. Catherine's & 9:00am at St. Pascal's
Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm at St. Pascal's

Good Friday, Friday, April 3rd

Prayer Service
8:00am at St. Catherine's & 9:00am at St. Pascal's
Stations of the Cross St. Catherine's 2:00pm
Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00pm
Stations of the Cross St. Pascal's 2:00pm
Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00pm

Holy Saturday, Saturday, April 4th

Morning Prayer
8:00am at St. Catherine's & 9:00am at St. Pascal's
Easter Vigil 8:00pm at St. Catherine's & St. Pascal's

St. Catherine's Men's Club

Become a BETTER DRIVER!!!

Receive a Discount on your Auto Insurance
Reduce up to 4 points from your license
DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

Saturday, April 18, 2026

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

St. Pascal's Parish Hall

112-43 198th Street St. Albans, NY 11412

\$35 per person, payment due by 4/11/26

Sponsored by the St. Catherine of Sienna Men's Club
SEATS ARE LIMITED, register NOW by contacting:

Dwayne Taylor (917) 903-9423, Casimir Agbi
(917) 545-5951

Congratulations

Congratulations to

Elena Cordero

achieved Honor Roll Status at St. Francis
Preparatory School for the second quarter of the
current school year.

2026 Annual Catholic Appeal

We thank all who have participated with a gift to the
2025 Appeal and ask that everyone prayerfully con-
sider making a gift to the 2026 Appeal. Our Lady of
Light parish goal is **\$44,922.00**. As of 03/23/26 we
have received \$16,820.00 pledged \$5,883.00 paid
and balance due is \$10,936.00.

If you have already pledge, thank you for your sup-
port. **We thank all who have participated with a
gift to the 2025 Appeal.**

Knights of Columbus

General Stephen Moylan Assembly #715

In Honor of Our Veterans

Veterans Banquet honoring Deacon Luis Taylor
Saturday, April 11th at 1:pm

Msgr. Burke/Rockaway Council Hall
333 Beach 90th St. Rockaway Beach

Open Bar, Dinner & Dancing

Ticket: \$80 per adults and \$40 per child (10 years
and under)

Contact; Tony S. Harilall 347.879.3714 or

Ken Faustin 646.872.4011

All are Welcome!

Our Lady of Light St. Pascal Rosary Society

Afternoon High Tea

Saturday, April 25, 2026

Time: 12noon-4pm

Place: St. Pascal's Parish Hall

Tickets: Adults \$40.00 / Children 12 and under
\$20.00

**TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN
ADVANCE !**

For tickets speak to any Rosary Society member.

Our Lady of Light

St. Pascal Baylon Rosary Society

Women's Retreat 2026

**In Mary's Footsteps: A Journey of Faith,
Strength, and Compassion!**

Retreat Facilitator. Rev. Henry Byamukama, M.Afr.

When: Friday, May 15th to Sunday, May 17th

Where: Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
440 West Neck Road Huntington, NY 11743

Cost: \$370.00

Final payment of \$100.00 due April 19th

NEWS NOTES COMING SOON

Molloy University

Spring Open House

Sunday, April 19, 2026

1:00 PM - Campus Tours Begin at 12:00 PM

Register at: <https://www.molloy.edu/openhouse26>

Food Pantry Volunteers Needed

The Food Pantry is in need of men volunteers to help with deliveries and on Pantry day. Deliveries are every other Tuesday's from 9-12pm at St. Catherine's. Food Pantry is on Wednesday's 12pm-2pm at St. Catherine's. **We are looking for men because of heavy lifting is involved on both days.** If interested please contact Junie Hopkinson at 917.261.1808 or the rectory 718.468.3511.

Futures in Education

Financial Aid Application information for Brooklyn and Queens Catholic Elementary Schools and Academies, Grades K-8. Families requesting tuition assistance must complete a financial aid application with Futures in Education through our third-party vendor, FACTS and submit supporting documentation, which will be used to verify all application responses.

Deadline: **March 31st**—Priority will be given to returning families who received and award in the previous academic year and complete the new application by this date.

April 30th—Priority will be given to families who were not awarded in the previous year and have a completed application by this date.

For more information about Futures in Education, visit futuresineducation.org.

St. Johns University Speech and Hearing Center

The St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center will be offering "**Hearing Aid Help**" from **February 2, 2026 through April 30, 2026**. This is a free service and is available for anyone who has a hearing aid and may be experiencing some difficulty caring for it or using it.

The St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center will be offering **FREE** speech and hearing evaluations from **February 2, 2026 through April 30, 2026**.

Please call the center at 718.990.6480 to schedule an appointment. The Speech and Hearing Center is located at 152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing, NY.

Heart to Hands Ministry Donation

Our Lady of Light's crochet and knitting group, Heart to Hands, is bringing joy and comfort to women and children of Hour Children this holiday season. With over two large bags filled with handmade crochet, knit, and loom hats, gloves and scarves, their gifts will keep the children and adults warm.

Heart to Hands now meets at the Best Life Senior Center on Farmers Blvd., after relocating from St. Pascal's parish hall to ensure accessibility for all members.

A special thank you goes to the Loomers of Rochdale Village Library, whose generous donation of loom-crafted items added even more love to this collection.

Together, these groups embody the true meaning of community—hands and hearts working in harmony to uplift others. If you would like to donate yarn to Heart to Hands, please contact the rectory.

Catholic Charities Call Center

Catholic Charities Call Center will help you get assistance with

- Behavioral Health Services
- Care Coordination
- Early Childhood & Head Start Programs
- Emergency Food Pantry
- Family Stabilization Programs
- Housing Information
- Immigration Services
- Limited Financial Assistance
- Senior Services
- Information & Referrals to Other Services
- Access to the Community Outreach Services

Call the Call Center at 718.722.6001, Monday-Friday, 8am-6:30am or visit www.ccbq.org and ask our Chatbot Sonya for help. For more info on events and activities, visit www.ccbq.org/liveitup.

St. Clare Catholic Academy

St. Clare Catholic Academy 137-25 Brookville Blvd. Rosedale, NY 11422. Registration is now open for the 2026/27 Academic School Year Seats available from **FREE** 3k and 4K programs. Grades Kindergarten through Eight Grade. Call us now 718-528-7174. Visit us at www.stclarecatholicacademy.org.

“What Do You Have in Your Hands?”

CHRISTIAN GIVING IS EUCHARISTIC

When the Lord asked Moses, “*What is that in your hand?*” [Exodus 4:2], **He invited Moses to recognise the power of what he already possessed.** The staff he carried, ordinary and shaped by daily life, became extraordinary when he returned it to God in trust. This poignant question resonates throughout Scripture and finds its deepest meaning in the Eucharist, whose very essence is thanksgiving.

Time and again, **God begins not with abundance, but with what is already held in grateful hands.** A widow may possess only a small jar of oil, yet when she offers it in faith, it never runs dry. A young boy provides five loaves and two fish, and in Jesus’ hands, they transform into nourishment for thousands. Another widow places two small coins into the temple treasury, and the Lord sees in her gift the fullness of a grateful heart. **In every instance, the gift may be small, yet the offering remains total. And in each case, thanksgiving unlocks God’s transformative power. This is the mystery we enter every time we approach the altar.**

The bread and wine we offer are described as the “**fruit of the earth and work of human hands.**” They gather the ordinary **substance of our lives; our labour, time, resources, joys, and struggles-** and present them before God in gratitude. As St. Irenaeus taught, in offering these gifts, the Church returns creation itself to the Creator with thanksgiving, and God responds by filling them with His divine life.

At the heart of the Eucharist stands Christ Himself, who takes, gives thanks, breaks, and distributes. Thanksgiving is not merely spoken; it is enacted. What is offered is not lost but transformed. What is broken is not destroyed but shared. St. Augustine reminds us that at the altar, we offer not just bread and wine, but ourselves. Our lives, like the staff of Moses, the oil of the widow, the loaves of the child, and the coins of the poor, are taken up into Christ’s perfect thanksgiving to the Father. This is why **Christian giving transcends mere practicality; it is Eucharistic. It flows from gratitude.** St. John Chrysostom teaches that true generosity is born when the heart recognises that all it possesses is a gift, and that nothing placed in God’s hands is ever wasted.

Each Eucharist gently asks us again: *What do you have in your hands today?* What we bring may appear small, but when offered in thanksgiving, it becomes united to Christ’s self-gift. In His hands, our humble offerings become blessings for many. May the Eucharist continually transform us into a people of thanksgiving; grateful in prayer, generous in providing, and confident that God can achieve more with our gifts than we can ever imagine.

GiveCentral

We understand that most transactions today are done electronically. We want to provide you with that same convenient option at church. We believe that it benefits everyone to offer this flexible online tool. Please visit www.givecentral.org and take a few minutes to set up your donations! **We’re pleased to offer mobile donations! Our text to give number is 712-217-3511. Text” SUNDAY” to easily make a donation.**

Give Central QR Code

To donate just scan.



Our Lady of Light's Twelve Wishes

PARISH PURPOSE FOR THE YEAR 2026

Inspired by twelve intentions for the year 2026, we present

The Twelve Wishes of Our Lady of Light

*twelve real needs of our parish that we hope to fulfill
throughout the year to beautify and dignify
our liturgical celebrations.*

This is a voluntary and open initiative,
a shared community purpose for the new year.

Our Lady of Light's 12 Wishes

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|---|---|
| 1. Paschal Candle
Saint Pascal Baylon
\$447 | 7. Paschal Candle
Saint Catherine of Siena
\$447 |
| 2. Two Candle Votive
Light Stands
Saint Pascal Baylon | 8. Indoor Area Rug (Office)
Saint Catherine of Siena
\$400 |
| 3. Indoor Area Rug
(Small Chapel) \$400 | 9. Processional Cross
Saint Catherine of Siena \$2,500 |
| 4. Gold Vestment (Priest)
Saint Pascal Baylon \$800 | 10. Processional Candles (Set)
Saint Catherine of Siena \$3000 |
| 5. Gold Vestment (Deacon)
Saint Pascal Baylon \$800 | 11. White Vestment (Priest)
Saint Catherine of Siena \$800 |
| 6. Sacred Linens \$1000 | 12. White Vestment (Deacon)
Saint Catherine of Siena \$800 |

How Can You Support This Initiative?

- ✓ By making a financial donation and indicating the wish you choose
- ✓ By offering a donation in memory of a loved one
- By making a partial contribution, according to your means.

Thank you for your generosity and love for our parish.

Liturgical Committee Our Lady of Light Parish

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 Marcial Cordon Director of Faith Formation, at 718 528-1220 or email at dre101269@diobrook.org

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 Marcial Cordon 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 Marcial Cordon , 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: _____

**SCAN
TO REGISTER**

