



Our Lady of Grace Church

"A Family Tradition"

430 AVENUE W BROOKLYN, NY 11223

Our Mission Statement

The Parish of Our Lady of Grace, Gravesend, formed in "A Family Tradition" is a family of faith motivated by love for God welcomes all to join us as we worship in the Roman Catholic tradition. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we strive to form ourselves and our children in the love and truths taught by our Savior Jesus Christ, and to instill a deep respect for all that God, our Father, has created. We willingly share our time, talents, and treasure through diverse ministries in the service of others.



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Fr. Guy Sbordone

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Fr. Nodius Tancial

RETIRED IN RESIDENCE

Fr. Dominick F. Cutrone

PASTOR EMERITUS

- RECTORY OFFICE HOURS -

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

9AM TO 12NOON AND 1PM TO 4PM

SATURDAY

9AM TO 1PM

- THE OFFICE IS CLOSED ON SUNDAYS -

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MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY: 8:30 AM

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: *4:00 PM

SUNDAYS: 9:00 AM, *11:00 AM AND *12:30 PM (SPANISH)

*LIVESTREAMED

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 12:00 PM. Registration is done at the Rectory. Instruction class **required** of Parents & Godparents which will be on the Thursday two weeks before Baptism at 7:00 PM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions Saturdays at 3:30 PM. Confessions are also available at other reasonable times by making an appointment at the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Contact the Rectory to make arrangements for the Sacrament of Anointing. Please contact the Pastoral Ministry Office to arrange home visitation and Communion.

CHAPEL OF ADORATION: Open 6:00 AM - 9:00 PM daily. Enter on E. 4th St.

DEVOTIONS: After the 8:30 AM Mass Tuesdays *Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal* & *St. Anthony Novena* and the *Holy Rosary (Daily)* and 1:00 PM 1st Saturday of the Month. with *Divine Mercy Chaplet* & *Padre Pio Prayers*

NOVEMBER 26, 2023 WEEK 34 ORDINARY TIME

MASSES & READINGS FOR THE WEEK

11/26 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26,28; Matthew 25:31-46

Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM Rosa, Vincenzo, Joseph & Anthony Balbi

9:00 AM Rosary Society

11:00 AM Nicholas Iommarini, Giovanna Minetti, Orlanda & Giovanni Minetti, Cecilia & Israel Cordero, Rosaria Grassadonia

12:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

11/27 Monday *Daniel 1:1-6,8-20; Luke 21:1-4*

8:30 AM Robert Wojcicki

7:30 PM Spanish Mass

11/28 Tuesday *Daniel 2:31-45; Luke 21:5-11*

8:30 AM Anna Colonna

11/29 Wednesday *Daniel 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28; Luke 21:12-19*

8:30 AM Salvatore Schiano

11/30 Thursday ANDREW, APOSTLE

Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22

8:30 AM Nicholas Iommarini

12/1 Friday *Daniel 7:2-14; Luke 21:29-33*

8:30 AM Venancio Rosado

12/2 Saturday *Daniel 7:15-27; Luke 21:34-36*

8:30 AM Carmela, Santo, Marianna Scimè

THE END OF THE YEAR OF GRACE 2023



The Bread & Wine

In Memory of

LAURA ABRAMI

Requested by

SORRENTINO FAMILY



The Chapel Candles

In Memory of

GIOVANNA LOPOPOLO

Requested by

SANTINA & JOANN INTOGNA



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Flown In Honor of Our

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FIRST RESPONDERS

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Maria Palmieri, Patricia Holmes, Oliver Hughes, Grace Dolitrone, Isabelle Grenier, Danny Zappulla, Stephen Liell, Ericka Alivez, Gloria Isabella, Paula Borrero, Bonnie Schlegel, Anthony Barbaro, Margie Thomas, Simone Oliva, Ronnie Centaro, Marco Griffio, Jose Guevara, RoseMary Leporati, Valentina Lucia, Janet Sobolow, Luigi & Gloria Mancino, Rosemarie Zappulla, Anthony D. Brasco, Joseph Salino, Patti Lanni, Mary DiDio, Lucy Anemone, Frankie Davis, Bernadette Mamakas, Madelon Vittuci, Bi Ying Chen, RoRo Esposito, Debbie Lawson, Darren Gilbert, Amamda Oliva, Graziella Panora, Timothy Mulvey, Joyce & Barry Mione, Timothy Mulvey, Ed Caso, Gianna Bader, Michael Guadagnoli, Maryann Casalena, Jamie DiVenere, Craig Concepcion, Stephanie Martin, Frankie Melendez, Daniel Stracquadaine, Rosanne Paolillo, Annemarie Makowski, Gladys Cangelosi, Mary Ghiraldi, Lou Ann Giannotta, John Bonito, Sally Vitacco, James Connelly, Bridget Buono-Cipparullo, Edwin Davilla, Sophie Decapua, Betty Mezzo, Maggie Avanzino, Rose Panarella, Nicole Pileggi, Vincent Simone, Michael Fiore

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

JACQUELINE MURPHY, ANGELINA MANCUSI



WEEKLY FAITH SHARING FOR SEASON OF ADVENT (VELTRI HALL KITCHEN)

THIS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH 10:30 AM

THIS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH 7:30 PM

We will be praying and discussing the Scripture Readings for the 1ST Sunday of Advent

Preview of Readings:

“Watch!” The final word of the Gospel binds together our readings on this First Sunday of Advent. Isaiah watched for the Lord, anticipating that one day God will come down from the heavens and rescue the Chosen People. Paul exhorted the Corinthians to be watchful for the day when the Lord would return. Jesus compares the Second Coming to the head of the house returning at a time you least expect. May our beginning of Advent and the whole of this Season remind us to wait watchfully for the Lord.



ALL ARE WELCOME!

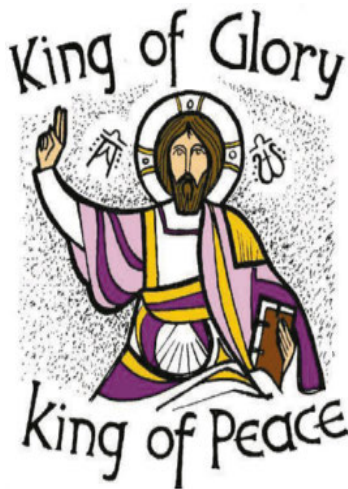
WEEKLY COLLECTION

NOVEMBER 12TH

1ST COLLECTION	\$1,715.00
2ND COLLECTION	\$871.00
ON-LINE GIVING	\$385.00



Today, the final Sunday of the Liturgical Year, the parable in the Gospel proclamation presents a scene from the Last Judgment. It is a preview of what we face at the end of time, straight from the lips of the One who will come in glory on that day. This is Christ the King, who rules over God's creation. We hear Jesus telling his disciples how he will pass judgment on us all. The Son of Man separates those before him based upon the good they have done during their lives. Notably absent among the qualifications for attaining the Kingdom are wealth and power. As we celebrate our Eucharist let us pray to our Heavenly Father for the grace to serve God's people and work to meet their needs. The Scriptures present us with the image of the shepherd which is comforting and challenging. The shepherd gently tends the sheep but must also judge between one sheep and another. We pray we will hear the words of the Good Shepherd: *Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.*"



On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King.

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* ("In the first") to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever.

During the early twentieth century, in Mexico, Russia, and some parts of Europe, militantly secularistic regimes threatened not just the Catholic Church and its faithful but civilization itself. Pope Pius XI's encyclical gave Catholics hope and—while governments around them crumbled—the assurance that Christ the King shall reign forever. **Jesus Christ "is very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all mankind"** (*Quas primas*, 7).

Christ's kingship is rooted in the Church's teaching on the Incarnation. Jesus is fully God and fully man. He is both the divine Lord and the man who suffered and died on the Cross. One person of the Trinity unites himself to human nature and reigns over all creation as the Incarnate Son of God. "From this it follows not only that Christ is to be adored by angels and men, but that to him as man angels and men are subject, and must recognize his empire; by reason of the hypostatic union Christ has power over all creatures" (*Quas primas*, 13).

The Church calls us to acknowledge Christ's kingship with our whole lives:

He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, 'as instruments of justice unto God.' -*Quas primas*, 33

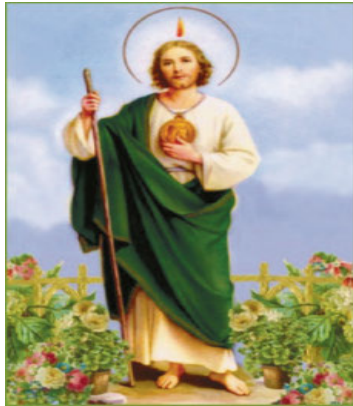
THANKSGIVING



- TO OUR PARISHIONERS, ACADEMY & FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM FOR THE DONATION OF FOOD & TURKEYS
- THE VOLUNTEERS IN OUR FOOD PANTRY
- THOSE WHO PREPARED THE THANKSGIVING MEAL
- A PRESS RELEASE WAS ISSUED EXPRESSING OUR THANKS:

"With food insecurity and inflation on the rise, a donation of this size makes a huge difference for the families and communities we serve during this holiday season. I want to thank our volunteers who work in the Food Pantry, who will distribute this food and those who will use it to prepare the Thanksgiving meal on Thanksgiving Day for the Homeless and those who are alone for the holiday. These are the ones who will benefit from this generous donation. We thank The Coney, Gargiulo's, Gristedes, and Brooklyn USA Sports for all their support," said Father Guy Sbordone, Pastor of Our Lady of Grace Parish.

"FOR I WAS HUNGRY AND YOU GAVE ME FOOD" (MT 25:35)



FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING VISIT OF THE RELIC OF ST. JUDE AT STS. SIMON & JUDE CHURCH SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH

3:00 PM MASS — BISHOP BRENNAN
TILL 9:00 PM — VENERATION OF THE RELIC
COME AND HONOR OUR LORD'S APOSTLE
AND
SEEK ST. JUDE'S INTERCESSION



ALSO FOR YOUR CHARITY IN THIS SEASON OF THANKSGIVING



ADVENT GIVING TREE PROGRAM

Gifts will go to our Parish Food Pantry Program, The Reaching-Out Community Services for their Christmas Give Away for the children of our community and Catholic Charities They are asking for toys & games & winter clothes & items, coats for children & gift cards.. We ask you to buy a NEW GIFT OR NEW CLOTHES AND BRING UNWRAPPED. The party is for families and the gifts for infants, toddlers, children & teens. Bring the gifts to Mass or the Parish Office during office hours. Please bring all gifts by FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8th.



JESSE TREE

Gifts for Woman's Safe Start: boys and girls (toddlers to age 15) underwear, gloves, scarves, toys

Homeless in Coney Island: lap blankets, men's socks, men's underwear, hats (no scarves), tooth brushes & paste

Please bring all gifts by FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15TH

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

SUNDAYS THRIFT SHOP OPEN 9:00 AM—1:30 PM NO DONATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED

TUESDAYS 12:00—3:00 PM GOLDEN AGE CLUB VELTRI HALL

BINGO, COFFEE/TEA, CAKE, MUSIC, DANCING, 50/50 NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

THURSDAYS 10:30 AM — 12:00 PM ITALIAN LESSONS RECTORY MEETING ROOM

THURSDAYS ROSARY SOCIETY 1:00 PM RECTORY MEETING ROOM PRAYER & ITALIAN BINGO



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Grades 5—CONFIRMATION 7:30 PM

Download the Faith Formation Registration Form on www.ourladyofgrace-brooklyn.org

All information on the website under For Parents.



A LITTLE BIT OF GRACE

Open Sundays

9:00 AM —1:30 PM

Full inventory on flyer in the back of Church

Any questions call Mary Ann at 718-376-8294

PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO LACK OF STORAGE SPACE WE ARE NOT ACCEPTING DONATIONS. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ITEMS BY THE THRIFT SHOP OR ON PARISH GROUNDS. THANK YOU!

REMINDER MASS BOOK FOR 2024 IS OPEN

FOR MASSES & MEMORIALS

AND

MEMORIALS ARE AVAILABLE IN AND

AROUND THE CHURCH

All Candle Stands— Candle Intention

Sanctuary Ceiling — Flowers of Grace

Blessed Mother Grotto— Plaques & Pavers

St. Anthony Garden— Plaques & Bricks

Plaques by All Saints

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9TH TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY AFTER 4:00 MASS

FLYER WITH ALL INFORMATION & FORM TO PURCHASE TREES & WREATHS ON PAGE 6 READ ABOUT THE ADDITION OF SMALL WREATHS FOR THE FENCE AROUND THE CHURCH

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9TH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "A MERRY BINGO" 7:30 PM

VELTRI HALL \$20.00 per person \$25.00 at the door INCLUDES: food, soda, water, coffee & tea BYOB and 2 Bingo Cards TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE RECTORY OR CALL ERNIE 973-896-4571 CHECKS PAYABLE TO: KOC #7236

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10TH PARISH BLOOD DRIVE VELTRI HALL 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

FOR AN APPOINTED TIME TO GIVE BLOOD CALL/TEXT LYDIA 646-208-6777

CATHOLIC ADULTS OF BROOKLYN ARE SINGING CHRISTMAS CAROLS FOR THE RESIDENTS OF STS. JOACHIM & ANN NURSING HOME GIVING CARDS AND GIFTS

FOR 2024

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH PARISH CARNAVALE DINNER/ DANCE IN ACADEMY GYM

FRIDAY, MARCH 22ND PARISH & ACADEMY CARD PARTY IN ACADEMY GYM





Our Lady of Grace Christmas Tree & Wreath Dedications



This year we will display Christmas Trees in front of our Church on Avenue W from East 3rd to East 4th Street. These trees can be purchased for \$150 (5ft), \$250 (6ft), or \$350 (7ft) in memory of your loved ones or in celebration of your family. Two large trees in front of the church and Three in the Sanctuary can be purchased for \$400 each. Wreaths for the inside of the Church are \$75.00. New this year, Wreaths for the Fence around the Church are \$30.00. Tree lighting ceremony on Saturday, December 9th after the 4:00 PM Mass. Please return this form by Monday, November 27th to the Parish Office, Academy or Faith Formation. Checks should be made payable to Our Lady of Grace Church. Space is Limited!

Family Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

In Memory of: _____

Other Message: _____

Tree Selection: _____ \$150 _____ \$250 _____ \$350 _____ \$400

Wreath (Church) _____ \$75.00 *Wreath (Fence)* _____ \$30.00

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