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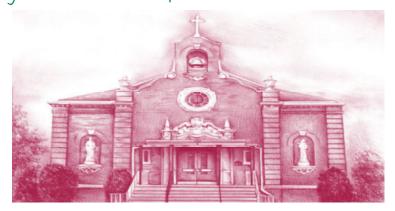
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# Our Lady of Grace Church "H Family Tradition"

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.



### **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 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at 12:00 PM. Registration is done at the Rectory. Please bring a copy of the baby's Birth Certificate, The Godparents names and a certificate of their full initiation into the Catholic Church

<u>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION</u>: 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 Parish Office to arrange home visitation and Communion

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

<u>DEVOTIONS</u>: 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* 

25TH WEEK O.T.

### MASSES & READINGS FOR THE WEEK

9/22 <u>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u> Wisdom 2:12,17-20; James 3:16--4:3; Mark 9:30-37

Saturday 4:00 PM Raffaele Persechino

9:00 AM People of the Parish11:00 AM Vittorio & Maria Cerami

12:30 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

9/23 Monday <u>Pio of Pietrelcina, Priest</u>

Proverbs 3:27-34; Luke 8:16-18

8:30 AM Nicola & Mariantonia

7:30 PM Spanish

9/24 Tuesday Proverbs 21:1-6,10-13; Luke 8:19-21

8:30 AM Raffaelina Gamen

9/25 *Wednesday* Proverbs 30:5-9; Luke 9:1-6

8:30 AM Carmela, Marianna & Santo Scimè

9/26 Thursday <u>Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs</u> Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Luke 9:7-9

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8:30 AM Giuseppe & Filomena Asaro & Children

9/27 Friday <u>Vincent de Paul, Priest</u>

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Luke 9:18-22

8:30 AM Ralph Addonizio

9/28 Saturday Wenceslaus, Martyr

Lawrence Ruiz & Companions, Martyrs

Ecclesiastes 11:9--12:8; Luke 9:43b-45

8:30 AM Loretta Rinaldi

2:00 PM Wedding: Christopher Monferrato & Angela Cerulli

### **SEPTEMBER 15TH**

1ST COLLECTION \$1,59200 2ND COLLECTION \$732.00 ON -LINE GIVING \$485.00

## THIS WEEKEND THE SPECIAL COLLECTION IS A DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR THE ELIZABETH ANN SETON FUND



St. Elizabeth is the first American born to be canonized a Saint. She is the founder of the first community of Religious women in the US, The Sisters of Charity, and is honored as the Patron of Catholic schools. Her feast day is January 4th.

She prayed: "Our least action, when done for God, is precious to Him."

The monies collected for this fund stay in the Parish and will go to our support of our Catholic Academy. Please be generous!



### The Bread & Wine IN HONOR OF THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH



The Chapel Candles
For Healing of
ROBINSON MARTE
Requested by
CARMEN GRULLER



The American Flag Flown In Memory of NUNZIO SORANNO Requested by ANGELA CAPRIOLA

**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 Schlegal, Anthony Barbaro, Margie Thomas, Šimone Oliva. Ronnie Centaro, Marco Griffo, Jose Guevara, RoseMary Leporati, Valentina Lucia, Janet Sobolow, Luigi Mancino, Rosemarie Zappulla, Anthony D. Brasco, Joseph Salino, Patti Lanni, Mary DiDio, Lucy Anemone, Frankie Davis, Bernadette Mamakas, Madelon Vittuci, Bi Yina Chen, RoRo Esposito, Debbie Lawson, Darren Gilbert, Amamda Oliva, Graziella Panora, Timothy Mulvey, Joyce & Barry Mione, Ed Caso, Gianna Bader, Michael Guadagnoli, Maryann Casalena, Jamie DiVenere, Craig Concepcion, Stephanie Martin, Frankie Melendez, Rosanne Paolillo, Annemarie Makowski, Gladys Cangelosi, Mary Ghiraldi, Lou Ann Giannotta, John Bonito, Sally Vitacco, James Connelly, Bridget Buono-Cipparullo, Edwin Davilla, Maggie Avanzino, Nicole Pileggi, Vincent Simone, Michael Fiore, Louis Cacciouttolo. Jo Ann Conenna, Sal Schiano, Shana Rivas, Louisa Manna, Thomas Foti, Daniel Stracquadaine, Ella Sclafani, Lauren Dugan, Maryann Monaco, Nikki Russo, Barbara Iomarini, Sofia Russo, Maria Malottzi, Danielle Minardo, Marie Infantolino, Serena Kindler, Gloria Silverman, Cracchiolo Family, Phyllis Burns, Florence Castagliola, Joan Weaver, Ernest Nickel

### PRAY FOR THE DECEASED:

MARYANN DIORIO, SALVATORE CANNATA

### Reflection on the Liturgy of the Word



First Reading Wisdom 2:12,17-20

The just one is put to the test.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 54:3-4,5,6 & 8

A prayer for God's protection.

Second Reading James 3:16—4:3

James teaches about the wisdom from above.

Gospel Reading *Mark 9:30-37* 

Jesus teaches his disciples that the greatest are those who serve all.

From the midst of life's journey with its countless demands, we come as God's holy people, to the Table of the Word and Sacrament. We come remembering that wherever else our daily lives may take us we are always following Christ "on the way" of discipleship. The readings

present the image of the "just one", from the Book of Wisdom, who faces the violence of human treachery with gentle, patient trust in divine deliverance. As St. James challenges us to replace jealously and selfish ambition with righteousness and peace. Jesus crowns these lessons by continuing to teach us that discipleship requires us to trust in God and to follow Jesus on the way of self-sacrificing love, setting aside all desire to be first or greatest and instead making ourselves last in childlike service to all. Having the attitude and quality of a child: powerlessness, vulnerability, openness, wonder and the capacity to be formed, taught and disciplined. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all. Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone



### This Monday Feast of St.Padre Pio

Born in 1887 as Francesco Forgione in the small southern Italian village of Pietrelcina. A Capuchin priest who had received the stigmata, he spent fifty years at the monastery of San Giovanni Rotondo, where he was much sought after as a spiritual advisor, confessor and intercessor. Despite such notoriety, he would often say, "I only want to be a poor friar who prays". His life was devoted to the Eucharist and to prayer. He died, September 23, 1968 at the age of eight-one.

Canonized on June 16, 2002 Feast Day: September 23rd



THE BLESSING OF ANIMALS: This custom is celebrated in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all God's creatures. Francis, whose feast day is October 4th, loved the larks flying about his hilltop town. Francis wrote a Canticle of the Creatures, an ode to God's living things. "All praise to you, O Lord, for all these brother and sister creatures." And there was testimony in the cause for St. Clare of Assisi's canonization that referred to her little cat! The bond between person and pet is like no other relationship, because the communication between fellow creatures is at its most basic. Eye-to-eye, a man and his dog, or a woman and her cat, are two creatures of love. No wonder people enjoy the opportunity to take their animal companions to church for a special blessing. Church is the place where the bond of creation is celebrated. THERE WILL BE A CELEBRATION OF THE BLESSING OF ANIMALS, TO HONOR ST. FRANCIS, THE PATRON SAINT OF ANIMALS, ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6TH AT THE 11:00 AM MASS

Last weekend we bid farewell to our weekend Sacristan of 6 years, Anthony Longo as we thanked him for his service to our Parish and we welcomed, Moses Toxqui, a member of our Spanish community to the job of weekend Sacristan. God Bless you this new endeavor!

### BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER SPONSORED BY THE COLUMBIETTES OF THE MSGR. CAFIERO COUNCIL OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TO BENEFIT THE LIFE CENTER OF NEW YORK

### Supporting women in crisis so that they will make the decision for life

Founded in 1984, The Life Center is dedicated to helping women who are in crisis pregnancy to make the choice for life through pro-life counseling that is informative, honest, and sensitive to the emotional needs of women.

HOW YOU CAN HELP This weekend at Mass (September 21/22) you will receive a baby bottle. During the week fill the bottle with the coins and bills you have lying around the house, in drawers, cabinets, under the mattress, between the sofa cushions or in piggy banks. Return the bottle to Mass next weekend (September 28/29). The bottles will be picked up by the Life Center and all the money will be donated to assist women in their time of need as they offer pro-life alternatives to abortion. In

addition, they provide emotional, spiritual and material support such as cribs, clothing, diapers etc, through pregnancy and after the birth of the child and can refer for emergency housing. Please be generous!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH MARY-THON CELEBRATION OF THE 107TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIXTH APPARATION OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA AT THE NATIONAL BLUE ARMY SHRINE 10:30 AM—3:00 PM A BUS WILL LEAVE FROM THE CHURCH AT 8:30 AM AND RETURN AT 5:00 PM COST \$50.00 CALL THE PARISH OFFICE (718-627-2020) OR TERESA CASCIO (718-375-3864) TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT



A LITTLE BIT OF GRACE THRIFT SHOP Open Sundays 9:00 AM 1:30 PM

Full inventory on flyer in the back of Church

Any questions call Mary Ann 718-376-8294

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

### UPCOMING PARISH SEPTEMBER EVENTS

NEXT SUNDAY 29TH OUTDOOR FLEA MARKET & SCOUTS CAR WASH 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

FLEA MARKET: AVENUE W & E 4TH STREET & THRIFT SHOP VENDORS WELCOMED SELLING NEW & OLD ITEMS FOR A 6' TABLE (\$40.00) OR TO DONATE A RAFFLE CALL MARYANN 718-376-8294 BBQ FOOD BY OUR SCOUT TROOPS

<u>CAR WASH</u>: PARKING LOT DROP OFF YOUR CAR TO BE WASHED AND GO TO MASS OR TO THE FLEA MARKET

SEPTEMBER ALSO BEGINS THE WEDNESDAY MEETINGS OF THE MSGR.

CAFIERO COUNCIL OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. FOR THE MEN, KNIGHTS COUNCIL

#7236 AND FOR THE WOMEN, THE COLUMBIETTS COUNCIL #7236

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION

### OCTOBER EVENTS

SATURDAY 5TH AFTERNOON OF MARIAN PRAYER (ENGLISH & SPANISH)

SUNDAY 6TH BLESSING OF ANIMALS 11:00 MASS

BLOOD DRIVE 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM IN VELTRI HALL

FOR AN APPOINTED TIME TO GIVE BLOOD CALL/TEXT Lydia 646-208-6777 Remember to eat, drink and bring your donor ID card

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

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

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

THURSDAYS 10;30 AM — 12:00 PM ITALIAN LESSONS VELTRI HALL LEARN ABOUT ITALY:

CUSTOMS—CULTURE—LESSONS---DISCUSSIONS CALL JEANNE 718-336-3533

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

## Protecting God's

VIRTUS is a program created by the National Catholic Risk Retention Group in the United States with a "Protecting God's Children" component that combats sexual abuse of children in the Church. This program is required for all adults of our Parish who are in contact with children. If you have not been Virtus trained then the training session scheduled for our Parish is for you. It will be this Monday. September 23rd at 6:00 PM. YOU MUST REGISTER FOR THE CLASS AT Virtus,org

### SCOUTING AT OLG



Girls Scouts: Daisy, Brownie,
Cadette, Senior & Ambassador
Cub Scouts (Box & Cirl): Cub &

<u>Cub Scouts (Boy & Girl)</u>: Cub & Webelos Pack meet every Friday in Veltri Hall

Scouts (Boy & Girl: meets every Friday in the Academy Gym

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR THE CONTACT PERSON FOR REGISTRATION



### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

### **ACADEMY**

GRADES PRE K-3 — 8TH GRADE
CALL 718-375-2081 FOR ALL INFORMATION

### FAITH FORMATION

GRADES 1- CONFIRMATION

CLASSES BEGIN THIS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE 718-627-2020

FOR ALL INFORMATION

WE ARE IN NEED OF TEACHERS FOR DIFFERENT GRADES. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

CLASSES FOR ALL GRADES WILL START AT 9:30 AM AND CONCLUDE AT 10:45 AM. THE CHILDREN WILL THEN BE BROUGHT OVER TO THE CHURCH FOR THE 11:00 MASS WHICH WE ASK ALL OUR PARISH CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES TO ATTEND

## CATHOLIC?

### ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

IS A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY THAT INVITES NON-CATHOLICS AND BAPTIZED CATHOLICS, WHO NEVER COMPLETED THEIR INITIATION INTO THE CHURCH (SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION & EUCHARIST), TO MEET THE LORD. IF THIS IS WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR THERE WILL BE AN INFORMATION NIGHT

### ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24TH AT 7:00 PM IN THE RECTORY MEETING ROOM

IF YOU ARE ATTENDING OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO WILL ATTEND PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

Annual Catholic
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ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE PARISH GOAL: \$44,663.000

AS OF SEPTEMBER 20TH: DONORS: 104 PLEDGED: \$35,745.00 26.67%

\$8,918.00 TO GOAL PLEDGES ARE ONGOING AND ARE IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. PLEASE MAKE A PLEDGE SO WE CAN MAKE OUR GOAL

### Campaña Católica Anual de la Diócesis de Brooklyn

iDe nuevo, ya está aquí…esa época del año! ila Campaña Católica Anual ha comenzado! Meta de la parroquia: \$44,663. Hasta ahora 104 donantes han prometido \$35,745.Esto representa el 26.67% de la Parroquia. Solo quedan \$8,918



ANOTHER EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT TO BENEFIT OUR PARISH MATTHEW DIBLASI WILL RENOVATE THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE CONVENT WHICH NOW SERVES AS OUR PARISH FOOD PANTRY.

THE SPACE IS IN NEED OF A GOOD OVERHAUL. WITH THE INCREASE OF MANY FOOD ITEMS AND FROZEN MEAT & FISH, WE NEED A NEW ELECTRICAL GRID FOR THE ADDITION OF REFRIGERATORS AND FREEZERS, MORE SHELF SPACE, THE REMOVAL OF THE KITCHEN AND CABINETS, PLASTERING & PAINTING & CLEANING THE FLOORS. MATTHEW WILL LEAD THIS PROJECT. ANYONE WHO WISHES TO DONATE TO THIS EFFORT IS ASKED TO PLACE CASH OR CHECK (Made out to Our Lady of Grace) IN AN ENVELOPE AND SEND IT TO THE PARISH OFFICE WITH A NOTE FOR THE FOOD PANTRY. THE MONEY WILL BE GIVEN TO MATTHEW TO HELP WITH ALL THE EXPENSES IN ORDER FOR HIM TO COMPLETE THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION AND KIND ATTENTION IN THIS MATTER!



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PAVERS & PLAQUES IN THE GROTTO TO OUR LADY OF GRACE BRICKS & PLAQUES AROUND THE STATUE OF ST. ANTHONY PLAQUE BY THE STATUE OF ST. ROSALIA, IN THE CHURCH, FOR THE LITTLE FLOWERS OF GRACE IN THE SANCTUARY

PLAQUES ON THE PEWS OF THE NEWLY RENOVATED ADORATION CHAPEL

REMEMBER MEMORIALS ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL THE PLACES OF PRAYER IN THE CHURCH, INCLUDING THE CANDLES BY THE SAINTS, BANNERS, AND THE STATUES FACING AVENUE W

COMING SOON A NEW CANDLE STAND IN FRONT OF ST. JOSEPH

#### AND 3 NEW STATUES:

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL (PATRON SAINT OF PASTORAL MINISTRY)
DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF ANNETTE BONVINO AND MARIE DELUCA

ST. THOMAS (PATRON SAINT OF INDIA)
TO HONOR THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH INDIAN COMMUNITY

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS (PATRON SAINT OF THE INTERNET)
IN HONOR OF THE YOUTH OF OUR PARISH

ANY MEMORIAL CAN BE OFFERED FOR THE DECEASED "IN MEMORY OF" OR FOR THE LIVING "IN HONOR OF" INQUIRE AT THE PARISH OFFICE

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