



Our Lady of Peace Church

522 CARROLL STREET BROOKLYN, NY 11215-1030
FRANCISCAN FRIARS & SISTERS
Established 1899

Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 6, 2016
Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma, 6 de Marzo de 2016

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Patrick Boyle, O.F.M. - Pastor
Rev. Orlando Ruiz, O.F.M. - Parochial Vicar
Rev. Brian Jordan, O.F.M. - In residence
Lilian M. Flores - Office & Parish Manager
Sister Irix Mejía, H.F.I.C. - Parish Secretary - Superior
Sister Luvia Martinez, H.F.I.C. - Parish Secretary
Sister Adali Ulloa, H.F.I.C. - Parish Secretary

TRUSTEES: Ann Ruggiero Alejandro Sinchi

OUR LADY OF PEACE CONVENT

Hermanas Franciscanas de la Inmaculada Concepción
209 First Street Brooklyn, N.Y. 11215
Sr. Margarita Barrera, H.F.I.C.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:30 p.m. &
7:15 p.m. - Neo-Catechumenal Way
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - English
9:30 a.m. - Latin Tridentine Mass
11:00 a.m. - Spanish
Weekday Masses: Monday through Friday - 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS:

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays: 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
and by appointment at the Rectory.

BAPTISMS - By appointment

MARRIAGES - Arrangements should be made first with the parish at least six months in advance. Couples must show readiness, attend Pre-Cana classes and receive special instruction at the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK - Anytime

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC ACADEMY

763 President St., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11215
Universal Pre-K thru 8th Grade
Principal: Dorothy Taylor (718) 857-2559

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (C.C.D.)

Lilian M. Flores - Director. Classes are held on Saturday mornings, October through May, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.

NEO-CATECHUMENAL COMMUNITY

Directors: Andres & Miladys Torres - (917) 562-2732



DEVOTIONS:

Holy Hour - 'First Friday' of each month, beginning with the 8:00 a.m. mass, and continuing with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction.

Rosary - 'First Friday' of each month, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

SAINT ANTHONY DEVOTIONS - every Tuesday following the 8:00 a.m. daily mass.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

The Senior's club meets every Thursday at 11:00 a.m., September through June in the gym.

MUSIC MINISTERS

Michael Ancona Brittany Stetson Maria Schwab

OFFICE HOURS: Mon, Tues, Wed and Friday:

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon & 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon ONLY .

PARISH CONTACTS

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From the Pastor's Desk...

We're over the 'half-way' mark!

For those you who are old enough to remember (*I'll use my age of 63 as the benchmark,*) this Sunday was referred to as **'Laetare Sunday'** on the old church calendar. It was the popular name for this **'Fourth Sunday of Lent,'** because it is just past the midpoint of our Lenten season.

For this reason, it has traditionally been viewed as a day of celebration, on which the austerity of Lent is briefly lessened. It is the reason for the celebrant of the mass to put aside the **'purple'** vestments of Lent, and instead, to don the more festive **'pink'** vestment! **'Laetare'** means **'Rejoice'** in Latin, and it's pronunciation this weekend, again, reminds us that our Lenten season is fast approaching a conclusion, and the end of our journey, and the glories of the Easter season, are coming into view. May these last few weeks of Lent, continue to be a grace-filled time of introspection, and an opportunity to reconcile and strengthen our relationships with our God and one another!

Sincerely, Fr. Pat

+ 2016 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL +
'Share the Joy of the Gospel!'

Several of our parishioners (*including myself*) have received a mailing from the Diocese, soliciting a contribution to the **'Annual Catholic Appeal'** If you have received an appeal letter, it is because, in the past you have contributed to this yearly appeal. It has caused some confusion, because of the **'Capital Campaign'** that we recently conducted, and which, many of you, are still paying off your pledge in monthly installments. So just to clarify the confusion.

The **'Annual Catholic Appeal,'** is conducted by the Diocese each year, and the funds from this **'Appeal'** are directed to the many agencies of the Diocese that address the very real spiritual, physical and social needs of so many people (**'Catholic Charities,'** *being one of the major recipients of support.*) The goal for this annual **'Appeal,'** is set by the Diocese, it is based on our annual weekly collection figures, and it was suspended last year, because of the **'Capital Campaign.'** If you have contributed in the past, and are able to contribute again this year, please deposit your donation envelopes in the weekly collection. If you mail your contribution directly to the Diocese, please inform us, so that we can keep an accurate record of the funds collected.



+ Welcome & Congratulations +

We wish to extend a heartfelt **'Welcome'** to the newest members of our Community, who were welcomed into the church through the Sacrament of Baptism during the month of February. We also extend **'Congratulations'** to their parents and families.

- + **Salvatore Ralph Mammana** - son of Chelsea Sirabella and Salvatore Michael Mammana, was baptized on Sunday, February 21st.
- + **Eva Lucia Pena Rankin** - daughter of Alexandra Goncalves-Pena and David Bruce Rankin, was baptized on Sunday, February 28th.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

Fourth Sunday of Lent

On this **'Laetare Sunday,'** we rejoice as Luke's Jesus proclaims that God is boundlessly merciful. The parable's prodigal son returns home, not authentically repentant but desperate, having squandered on prostitutes (*or so his older brother claims*) the inheritance wrongly demanded while his father still lived. This selfish son is only spared ritual **"shaming"** when the father **"shames"** himself, running to embrace him, interrupting his prepared **"act of contrition."** By doing so he challenges confessors, and all of us, to be signs, says Pope Francis, **"of the primacy of mercy always, everywhere, and in every situation, no matter what."** Avoid the harshness of the elder son, Francis warns, **"who stands outside, incapable of rejoicing,"** his judgment **"severe, unjust, and meaningless in light of the father's boundless mercy"** (*Misericordiae Vultus, 17*). If John's Gospel is proclaimed, the **"religiously observant"** people there likewise serve to warn against harshly judging others, for the physical blindness of the man they expel from the synagogue is healed, while their own blindness of heart remains.



Año Jubilar de la Misericordia

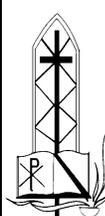
Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma



Este es el **'Domingo Laetare,'** nos alegramos así como Jesús que en el Evangelio de Lucas proclama que Dios es infinitamente misericordioso. La parábola del hijo prodigo que regresa a casa, no propiamente arrepentido sino desesperado, después de haber gastado en prostitutas (*como lo dice su hermano mayor*) su herencia que equivocadamente pidió a su padre aún vivo.

Este hijo egoísta solo piensa en un ritual seguro de **"vergüenza"** cuando su padre se **"demerita"** así mismo al correr a abrazarlo, interrumpiendo su **"acto de contrición"** ya preparado. Desafiando a confesores y a todos nosotros, para ser signos de, dice el Papa Francisco, **"ser siempre, en todas partes, en cada situación y a pesar de todo, el signo del primado de la misericordia"**. Al evitar la dureza del hijo mayor, el Papa Francisco nos advierte, **"que se quedó afuera, incapaz de alegrarse, para explicarle que su juicio severo es injusto y no tiene ningún sentido delante de la misericordia del Padre que no conoce confines"** (*Misericordiae Vultus, 17*). En caso que se proclame el Evangelio de Juan el pueblo **"religiosamente obediente"** en ese texto sirve como ejemplo para advertir de juzgar con dureza a los demás, el hombre ciego que recobró la vista es expulsado de la sinagoga mientras que en ellos su propia ceguera de corazón permanece.

+ Remembering Our Faithful Departed +



We entrust to your prayers, the repose of the soul of **Augustine Aversano**, who passed into eternal life on Saturday, February 27th. He was buried from our Church this past Wednesday, March 2nd. Augustine was 69 years of age.

"May his soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

Deanery Corner . . . The following events are being sponsored by our local 'Deanery,' which is comprised of nine parishes in our neighboring area. Please give them your support!

'SOLITARY CONFINEMENT: TORTURE IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD'

Friday, March 18th.

The panel discussion being sponsored by all our local parishes, and hosted at **Holy Family/St. Thomas Church**, 9th Street and Fourth Ave., beginning at **7:00 PM**. The evening will present an opportunity to take action, to support passage of the **HALT** bill to end this 'torture' in New York State prisons. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has spoken out against solitary confinement, calling it 'torture.'

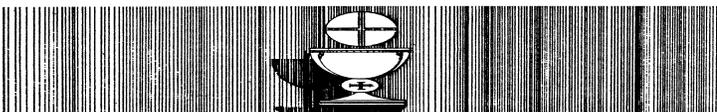
'SPRING EXTRAVAGANZA!'

Friday, April 29th

Sponsored by **Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish**, this event will be celebrated at the **'REX MANOR CATERING HALL'** beginning at 7:00 p.m. (*doors open at 6:00 p.m.*) Cost is **\$50.00** per person, and ticket includes a 4 course meal with unlimited beer, wine and soda. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

Call Sylvia at the church rectory for additional information: (718) 871-1310 ext. 10

+ Learning about the Traditional Latin Mass +
PLEASE NOTE EARLIER DATE THIS MONTH!
Saturday, March 12th



12:00 noon - Class about the Traditional Latin Mass
1:00 pm - Sunday Mass with Gregorian chant
www.LatinMassBrooklyn.org

+ Stewardship of Treasure +
Parish Support for the
Third Sunday of Lent - February 28, 2016
Totaled: \$ 1,131.29

The previous week's collection for the
Second Sunday of Lent - February 21, 2016
Totaled: \$ 927.34

As always, we remain grateful for your generosity.
"Thank You!"

+ Please Remember and Pray for the Sick +
"And the prayer offered in faith may make the sick person well"
+ James 5:15

Ellen Piperata, Robert Costanzo, Felix Vargaz, Matthew & Oliver Todd, Hector Ortiz, Guadalupe Bautista, Arlene Morganti, Nicholas Tomsic, Lucille Acocella, Friar Daniel Morey, ofm, Henry Seretta, William Casale, Maria Albanese, Melissa Torres, Molly Meltzer, Salvatore Russo, Carlos Emilio Flores, Friar Ron Bolfeta, ofm, Elaine Vona / Dr. Ray Mustafavi, Dolly Panza, Catherine Scorcia, Sebastian James Diaz, Dante Manzo, Flo Leopold, Vincent Manzo, Isabel Chavarria, Ciro Diaco, Catherine Dashiff, Matthew Anthony Keeffe, Gia Florio, Luis Rodriguez, Nicolas Escamilla & Ernestina Martinez Rojas, Maria Teresa Salazar Alava, Luis Cáceres.

Please inform the parish office when it's appropriate to remove someone's name from this prayer list. Thank you.



Masses for the Week

Saturday, March 5, 2016

4:30pm Victoria Denaro Romanelli (*Dec*)
7:15pm Neo-Catechumenal Community

Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 6, 2016

8:00am For the Living and Deceased members of Our Parish ("*Pro-Popolo*")

9:30 a.m. The Latin Tridentine Mass will NOT be celebrated today at Our Lady of Peace.

11:00am Faustino De Jesus Lugo, Anita Arrivillaga, Vidal Morales y José Angel Escribá (*Dec*)

Monday, March 7, 2016

8:00am Stanislaus Pais (*Dec*)

Tuesday, March 8, 2016

8:00am St. Anthony - Intention of the Donor

Wednesday, March 9, 2016

8:00am Laura & Anthony Spinelli (*Dec*)

Thursday, March 10, 2016

8:00am Intention of the Donor

Friday, March 11, 2016

8:00am Stanislaus Pais

Saturday, March 12, 2016

1:00pm Latin Tridentine Mass
4:30pm Joseph Garone (*Dec*)
7:15pm Neo-Catechumenal Community

Fifth Sunday of Lent, March 13 2016

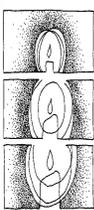
8:00am For the Living and Deceased members of our Parish ("*Pro-Popolo*")
9:30am Latin Tridentine Mass
11:00am Familia Barrera Paz (*Living & Deceased*)



It's time to 'Spring Forward!'

Next Saturday evening, before retiring to your bed, don't forget to **turn your clock 'ahead' one hour** as we enter into '**Daylight Saving Time!**'

Remember, we 'Spring' forward, and we 'Fall' back!



+ REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES +

+ Sanctuary Lamp + All Souls

+ Altar Bread & Wine+ All Souls

+ Chapel Lamp + All Souls