

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>January 2 The Epiphany</u></b>
7:30	Mesguet Jean-Baptiste
9:00	Chemene Denis
10:30	Natalie Lamarque ~ living
12:00	Divino Nino
5:00	John Levy
<b><u>Monday</u></b>	<b><u>January 3 Most Holy Name of Jesus</u></b>
8:30	Vincent Harkins
<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	<b><u>January 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton</u></b>
8:30	McDonagh & Dunleavy Family
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	<b><u>January 5 St. John Neumann</u></b>
8:30	Bianca Despeignes ~ living
<b><u>Thursday</u></b>	<b><u>January 6 St. Andre Bessette</u></b>
8:30	Helen O'Brien
<b><u>Friday</u></b>	<b><u>January 7 St. Raymond of Penafort</u></b>
8:30	Michel Jean-Louis
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	<b><u>January 8</u></b>
8:30	Marie Lourdes Gue
5:00	Valarie LaForest ~ living
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>January 9 Baptism of the Lord</u></b>
7:30	Ubaldo Enriquez & Noemi Mariano
9:00	Eileen O'Connor (39th Ann)
10:30	William & Mary McMahan
12:00	The People of Incarnation
5:00	Robert R. Kuhn ~ Class of '58

**Vision Statement**

Incarnation Parish is a Roman Catholic community centered around the Lord Jesus, a living sign of hope to all that the Word made flesh dwells among us. His presence and love is encountered in all areas of our life together, especially in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, in Sacred Scripture and in the Sacraments. We seek to make the Lord's presence and love known through service and education, through evangelization and through continual conversion and renewal in Him. We entrust our life together and our sharing in the mission of Christ to the protection and intercession of Mary, Mother of the Lord and our Mother.

**Members of the Armed Forces on Active Duty from Incarnation**



If you have family members from Incarnation who are presently serving on Active Duty, please let us know so that we can include their names below. Please give name, rank and branch of service for each person.

**Please pray for:**

- Maj. Michael Boyle, U.S. Army
- Pfc. Spec.2 David R. Collins, U.S. Army
- Pfc. Juan Carlos Escudero, U.S. Army
- BM2 Otelo Rodriguez, U.S. Navy
- 1st Class Joseph Romulo, U.S. Air Force
- LTJg Michel Santana, U.S. Navy
- Maj. Brian Sterling Smith, U. S. Army
- LCpl. Erick Ricardo Toledo, U.S. Marines



"God chose us before the world began to be holy." God has chosen each person in Christ for a particular vocation. If He may be calling you to be holy through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, call the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454, or write: vocations@diobrook.org.



The Sacrament of **Penance** is celebrated every week at Incarnation. **Confessions** are heard every Saturday from 4PM-4:45PM and by calling the rectory for an appointment. Don't neglect God's Gift of **Reconciliation**. Begin the new year renewed—His mercy endures forever.

**"GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING"**

**Collection for The Week of**

*December 26*  
*\$3,994*

*Thank you for your generosity and support of your parish.*

**ONE COLLECTION.** Please remember that as part of our increased giving opportunity there is only one (1) collection at the offertory of each weekend Mass. **Please place all your offerings in the one offertory collection.** There will no longer be a collection after Communion. You can now use that time for prayerful reflection.

**LET US PRAY...**



**We ask God's healing and strength for:**

- Mercia Desir, Gerard Jacques, Anna Barron
- Nicole LaForest, Rose Marie Jauregui, Felipe Galo,
- Luis R. Lopez, Sr., Dorothy Winters Hall, Rocco Moreo,
- Allan Caicedo, Ms. Wilson Despeignes, Gregg Ortiz,
- Antonine Mignon, Joyce Kumar, Sr. Carol Anton,
- Gerardo Guerrero, Sr. Edna Cook, Bernard Marcellus,
- Jared Velez, Leone Adrien, Vincent Adrien

*May eternal rest be granted to:*

*Antonio Reyes, Sr. and Amelia Comia*

**“WHERE IS THE NEW BORN KING OF THE JEWS?  
WE SAW HIS STAR AT ITS RISING AND HAVE COME TO DO HIM HOMAGE.”**

**FROM THE PASTOR’S PEN**

Baby Jesu, ba, rum, pa, pa, pum  
I am a poor boy too, ba, rum, pa, pa, pum  
I have no gift to bring, ba, rum, pa, pa, pum  
That’s fit to give a king, ba, rum, pa, pa, pum  
Rum, pa, pa pum, rum, pa, pa, pum  
Shall I play for Thee, ba, rum, pa, pa, pum –  
On my drum

Mary nodded, ba, rum, pa, pa, pum  
The ox and ass kept time, ba, rum, pa, pa, pum  
I played my drum for Him, ba, rum, pa, pa, pum  
I played my best for Him, ba, rum, pa, pa, pum  
Rum, pa, pa, pum, Rum, pa, pa, pum  
Then He smiled at me, ba, rum, pa, pa, pum  
– Me and my drum

These last verses of “The Little Drummer Boy” beautifully sum up the feast of the Epiphany. Even if at first we don’t recognize it, we all have something to give the Christ-Child. Better yet we all have something to assist in God’s Plan of Salvation. The challenge is to realize what we have to offer and then to freely give it over to the Lord. The treasures of gold, frankincense and myrrh that the Magi brought were worldly gifts from worldly leaders. But not all of us are worldly leaders. More like the “Drummer Boy” we are all called to give our time and talents to be placed at the service of Christ and his Church.

Sadly, though, not all Christians give of themselves. I’m not sure why. Perhaps they fear that their gifts are not good enough or they don’t see the connection between God’s Son and God’s People. Maybe more simply they feel they don’t have the time to give. The manner of giving is infinite as each of us is a unique creation.

The extraordinary events of the Incarnation are received with extraordinary faith through the centuries. Now is our time to act heroic. The reality of God’s Gift to us must be matched by our gift to us. If God gave Himself to us then we must do the same: give ourselves. As the new year begins take a moment to reflect on what you will give the newborn King of the Jews?

Do your best and give of your time, talent and treasure.  
May God Bless you in this new year!

*Father O'Connor*

**CHRISTMAS GIFT TO MY CHURCH.** A special Christmas collection for the parish is being taken up now before Christmas Day. The Christmas letter from the pastor asks that every parishioner prayerfully make a fair share offering during this holy season. Extra Christmas collection envelopes are in the church today for those who did not receive the mailing. The whole Pastoral Staff thanks you in advance for your “Christmas Gift to My Church” this year.

**PARISH WEBSITE** contains a special link to Advent suggestions, prayers and activities for the whole family to enjoy. Click onto [www.incrcc.org](http://www.incrcc.org) and enjoy all the news and information about our parish including the weekly bulletin, current schedules, parish history and much more.

**WHITE WELCOME ENVELOPES** are located in the church for those who are new in the parish, for those who would like to receive weekly envelopes and for those who may have forgotten their envelope today. Place the envelope and offering in the collection and thank you for your support.

**First Friday** is January 7th. There will be a Holy Hour of Prayer after the morning Mass and an additional Mass at 7:30PM. Take advantage of these extra opportunities.

**The Best Cities of China! October of 2011.**

Start saving and dreaming about a once in a lifetime trip to the East. “The Best Cities of China” trip is scheduled for October 10-21, 2011. Come and explore the Far East and the ancient dynasties of China, the Great Wall, tombs of emperors and much more. All breakfast meals, ten lunches, nine dinners and superior hotels included. Brochures are located by the church doors and at the rectory. Call the rectory today 718-465-8534– Don’t be left on the waiting list.

**First Communion** Parents and children are reminded that the second parent-child preparation session will take place this Saturday, January 8 beginning at 4:15PM in the church. We invite you to make plans to remain and attend 5PM Mass together.

**Thank You from December Crafts Sale**

HandCrafting Justice and the Sisters of the Good Shepherd offer their great thanks to you for your interest in our mission and for your purchases. The receipts of the sale, which amounted to almost \$1,800, will enable us to continue our support for the women and their families in Asia, Africa and Latin America. We thank you on their behalf. You can learn more about our mission at [www.handcraftingjustice.org](http://www.handcraftingjustice.org).



**Events For The Week**

<b>Sunday</b>		
9:00am	Religious Education	MGH
10:30am	Legion of Mary	OLPH
3:00pm	Lessons & Carols	CH
<b>Monday</b>		
<b>Incarnation School Classes Resume</b>		
6:00pm	Girl Scouts	MNH
6:00pm	Steel Band	MGH
7:30pm	RCIA	OLPH
<b>Tuesday</b>		
<b>Wednesday</b>		
9:00am	Adoration	CH
8:00pm	First Friday Choir	MNH
<b>Thursday</b>		
5:00pm	Angelic Choir	CH
6:00pm	Steel Band	MGH
7:30pm	Youth Group Leadership	OLPH
7:30pm	Choir	CH
8:00pm	AA	OLPH
<b>Friday</b>		
9:00am	Holy Hour	CH
12:00pm	Food Pantry	MNH
7:30pm	First Friday Mass	CH
<b>Saturday</b>		
4:15pm	1st Communion Parents Mtg.	CH
6:00pm	Haitian Prayer Group	MGH
7:30pm	Line Dancing	MNH
8:00pm	AA	OLPH

CH = Church; MNH = Msgr. Nolan Hall (Lower Church);  
 RB = Rectory Basement; OLPH=Our Lady's (Rectory) Meeting

**Readings For The Week**

<b>Sunday</b>	Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a,5-6 Mt 2:1-12
<b>Monday</b>	1 Jn 3:22-4:6 Mt 4:12-17,23-25
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Jn 4:7-10 Mt 6:34-44
<b>Wednesday</b>	1 Jn 4:11-18 Mk 6:45-52
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Jn 4:19-5:4 Lk 4:14-22a
<b>Friday</b>	1 Jn 5:5-13 Lk 5:12-16
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Jn 5:14-21 Jn 3:22-30

**Religious Education Happenings**

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**Parish Registration** ~ We invite anyone who attends our Masses to register in our parish. This will give you the opportunity to be acquainted with the various events, ministers and activities of our parish and enable us to serve you better with your needs. Please come to the Rectory for a registration form.

**Recently Engaged?** If you or someone you know was engaged over the holidays don't forget to contact the rectory once a wedding date is decided. Allow plenty of time for the preparations for the Sacrament of Marriage.

New Year's Resolutions? How about spending some time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament each week? Adoration occurs every Wednesday after morning Mass till 3PM. First Fridays from 9AM-10AM and First Saturdays from 6PM-7PM. *O Come, Let Us Adore Him!*

**ATTENTION ALL TEENS! YOUTH GROUP'S NEXT MEETS SUNDAY, JAN 9: 5PM MASS & 6PM MEETING.** Parish young people aged 13-17 are invited to join in Incarnation's youth group that will be centered around Mass and a gathering on Sunday nights. Our young people will have the opportunity to form and guide this new youth experience. Don't miss out. Be there on the 9th.

**Church Etiquette:** As we move further into the winter months, the men of the parish reminded that it has been centuries long tradition that they remove their hats upon entering church. Also kindly help the ushers to keep the church doors shut so the church will be warm for those worshipping at the next celebration. Thank You.

**The Holy Rosary** is prayed Monday through Saturday at 8:10am in the church. All are welcomed.

**2011 MASS BOOK.** The opportunity to pray in a special way for the repose of the soul of a loved one or other prayerful intention is made available each day with announced Mass offerings. You may choose to commemorate a death anniversary, wedding anniversary, birthday remembrance or simply pray in thanksgiving. Each offering is \$15.00. Please come to the Parish Office to make special Mass offerings for your loved ones. You may also inquire about dedicating the bread and wine or the sanctuary lamp.

**INCARNATION SCHOOL CORNER**

**Classes resume**  
 Monday, January 3

Box Tops for Education  
 May be left in the church's main vestibule.

For more info log onto [www.incrcc.org](http://www.incrcc.org)  
 or call **718-465-5066**



**Feast of Faith Series: *The Church & the Sacraments . . . Perfect Together*** ~ We invite everyone who would like to explore our Catholic Faith more deeply to come and reflect on the Sacraments though out this coming year. The third of the four session—"The Sacraments: I have touched you and you have grown" takes place next Wednesday, Jan 12 at 7:30PM. The discussion will focus on the Sacraments of Healing: Anointing of the Sick and Penance. Save the last date for May 11 as well- all Wednesdays at 7:30PM.

**CHRISTMAS PLANTS** that decorate our church throughout the Christmas Season may be donated. You may wish to donate IN MEMORY OF or IN HONOR OF a loved one. The donation is \$15.00. Christmas donation envelopes are available in the church today. Please return your offering in the collection.

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL** continues in the Diocese and will conclude at the end of December. We can all be proud that so many in the parish have participated in this year's Appeal. However, we are behind in actual monies pledged to the Diocese. As of December 20<sup>th</sup>, we pledged \$72,018.20 as a parish and so far the Appeal Office has received \$62,555.20. *There is a difference of \$9,463. We kindly ask you to try and complete your pledge agreement as best you can even with the recent financial strains on all.* All additional monies go directly to Incarnation. Any other parishioners who have yet to participate in this year's Catholic Appeal, extra pledge envelopes are in the church today. Thank you for your support of the Diocese and the parish.

The **Family Life Committee** will meet Tuesday, January 11 at 7:30PM in OLPH Room. All members are asked to attend and any other parishioners who would like to promote family life events in the parish are invited. Plans will begin for Carnival and Family Movie Night.

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES** for adults who have not received the sacrament will be offered after Easter. If you or a family member needs to be confirmed please call Ms. Gladys Garcia at the Religious Education Office (718) 465-8534. The sacrament of Confirmation will be administered on Pentecost Sunday.

**CALENDARS for 2010** are available for parishioners. They can be found by the doors of the church and we ask you to take one for your household. We thank Bernard F. Dowd Funeral Home for the beautiful Catholic calendar this year.

**YOUTH MINISTRY.** Next leadership meeting for the adults and college students forming the teen club will take place this Thursday, January 6 at 7:30PM in the OLPH Meeting Room. All are welcomed to stop by.

**INCARNATION INFORMATION**

Organization	Contact	Phone
Adult Confirmation	Gladys Garcia	718-465-8534x24
Adult English Choir	Perry Townsend	718-465-8534x27
Adult Faith Formation	Gladys Garcia	718-465-8534x24
Alcoholics Anonymous	Rectory	718-465-8534
Altar Servers	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
Baptism Registration	Rectory	718-465-8534
Caribbean Association	Lynette Jerome	718-479-9260
Children's Choir	Perry Townsend	718-465-8534x27
Extraordinary Ministers	Sr. Ellen Patrice	718-465-8534
Evangelization	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
Family Life Committee	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
Filipino Choir	Ricky Matela	718-357-4894
Finance Committee	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
Food Pantry	Deacon Francois	718-465-8534x25
Fundraising	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
Friendship Club	Terry Forgione	718-464-8762
Girl Scouts	Nalda Gomes	646-320-9355
Haitian Prayer Gp	Occide Pierre	718-776-0523
Homebound Min	Sr. Ellen Patrice	718-465-8534
Hospitality Committee		
Incarnation School		
	Principal Satti Marchan	718-465-5066x28
	Alumni HSA	
Jornada	Lorraine Marrero	718-468-9029
Lectors	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
Legion of Mary	B. Innocent	718-464-2167
Liturgy Committee	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
Marriage Registration	Rectory	718-465-8534
Mustard Seed Ministry		
Nocturnal Adoration	Gabriella Krill	718-464-4658
Pag-Asa Filipino Com	Lucita Romulo	718-740-0417
Parish Pastoral Council	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
Publicity Coordinator	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
RCIA	Gladys Garcia	718-465-8534x24
Religious Education	Amalia Vais	718-465-8534x23
Rosary/Altar Society	Gabriella Krill	718-464-4658
Sacred Hearts Group	Dcn Clemenceau	718-341-2653
Spanish Prayer Group	Nereida Urena	347-612-2400
Spanish Choir	Norma Allongo	718-465-8534
St. Vincent dePaul	Deacon Francois	718-465-8534x25
Vine & Branches Prayer Gp	Ofelia Villar	718-465-0087
Vocations Com	G. Pierre-Antoine	718-341-2653

**ANGELIC VOICES YOUTH CHOIR** for students in grades 4 to 8 rehearses on Thursdays at 5PM in the church. Under the direction of Mr. Townsend, the choir sings at the 10:30AM Mass on the Second Sunday of the month. For further information contact Mr. Townsend at 718-465-8534 ext 27.

**CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS.** Any parishioners who need a total of their church contributions using the envelopes in 2010 please feel free to contact the Parish Office during regular office hours, Monday to Friday, 9 AM to 12 Noon, 1:30 PM to 4 PM.

**Choir** rehearses Thursdays at 7:30PM in the choir loft of the church. Stop by and see. Stop by and sing! No prior choral singing experience needed.