

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>February 15</u></b>
7:30	Andres Arrindell ~ 10th Anniversary
9:00	Danilo Atienza
10:30	Felipe Galo
12:00	Charles Valero
5:00	In Thanksgiving ~ Edith Carido
<b><u>Monday</u></b>	<b><u>February 16</u></b>
8:30	Marjorie S. Munroe
<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	<b><u>February 17</u></b>
8:30	Margaret Connolly
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	<b><u>February 18 Ash Wednesday</u></b>
7:00	Raymond Daquin
8:30	Keon Punnette
7:30	Nina Mombeleur
<b><u>Thursday</u></b>	<b><u>February 19</u></b>
8:30	Antonio Sietereales
<b><u>Friday</u></b>	<b><u>February 20</u></b>
8:30	Bonnie Gayle Bufford
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	<b><u>February 21 St. Peter Damian</u></b>
8:30	Santiago Chavez Gutierrez
5:00	The People of Incarnation
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>February 22</u></b>
7:30	Varghese Joseph
9:00	John & Frances Ganci
10:30	John Thomann
12:00	Ana Maria Cano
5:00	Benita & Radegundo Gonzales



“Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him.” If the Lord is touching your heart with an invitation towards service in the consecrated life or priesthood, call the Vocation

Office at 718-827-2454, or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

**Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!** to the 278 donors from Incarnation who gave to the 2014 Annual Catholic Appeal! Their generosity gave \$50,290 to help diocesan pastoral programs and an additional \$16,420 returned to our parish to assist various ministries here.

**LET US PRAY...**

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

- Mercia Desir, Gerard Jacques, Rose Toussaint, Gregg Ortiz, Zoraida Vasquez, Kenine Dieuveuil, Alberte Jean-Baptiste, Tony & Barbara Gelia, Theresa Thomann, Marian Smith, Sarika Clona, Allan Caicedo, Owen Hogan, Ben & Lynn Eclipse, Lynette Jerome, Leone Adrien, Lucette Julien, Yvette Goin, Gabriella Krill, Arnulfo Cabahug, Sr, Carlos de Jesus Fritz Etheart, Henry Alvarez, Lunice Guiteau, William O'Neil, Levonne Jetter, Revica Villette, Maria Cabrera, Amanda Perez, Marie Charles– Elie, Jean Claude Boursiquot,

*May eternal rest be granted to:  
All our deceased parishioners*



**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:**

- Pfc. Spec.2 David R. Collins, U.S. Army*
- Tech Sgt Lovewyn DeOcampo, U.S. Air Force*
- 1st Class Manuel Stanley Joseph, U.S. Air Force*
- BM2 Otelo Rodriguez, U.S. Navy*
- 1st Class Joseph Romulo, U.S. Air Force*
- Lt. Michel Santana, U.S. Navy*
- Maj. Brian Sterling Smith, U. S. Army*
- LCpl. Erick Ricardo Toledo, U.S. Marine Corps*
- Pvt. Byron Umali, U.S. Marine Corps*

**Ash Wednesday begins Lent this Wednesday, February 18.**

Mass will be celebrated at 7AM, 8:30AM and 7:30PM. There will also be a Scripture Service at 12noon. Ashes will be distributed after the homily of each Liturgy. There will be an opportunity for Sacramental Confession after each of the three Masses. Ash Wednesday is a day of Penance. Like Good Friday, it is a day of Fasting and Abstinence from meat.



**“GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING”**

*Collection for The Week of  
February 7/8*

<i>My Weekly Tithe</i>	<i>\$4,313</i>
<i>Maintenance</i>	<i>\$1,628</i>

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

**SECOND COLLECTION**

- Feb 15: Maintenance*
- Feb 22: School Support*
- Mar 1: Fuel Offering*

# “BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH!”

## FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

This week, on Sunday for most of us and on Tuesday for those who go to daily Mass, the Church bids farewell to the “Alleluia” until the Great Easter Vigil. In some places charming ceremonies have been practiced in which an “Alleluia” is put in a little coffin and buried, only to be resurrected again on Easter Sunday. One of the leading features of the Lenten Liturgy, then, is the total omission of the “Alleluia,” which is not to be heard again in church, until the arrival of that happy day, when, having suffered death with our Lord Jesus, and having been buried together with him, we shall rise again with him to a new life: Easter Sunday.

The loss of the “Alleluia” is just one way the Universal Church expresses this Penitential Season. The “Glory to God” is also omitted except on St. Joseph’s Day and for our Parish Feast of the Annunciation. While symbolic, the omission of these two parts of Mass reflect the somber tone that accompanies Lenten time. It isn’t and should not be business as usual.

So that is what the Liturgy does to observe Lent. What are you losing this Lent? If the Mass loses the “Alleluia” and the “Glory to God” during this Lenten Fast what will you go without? True, fasting is only one of the three “Spiritual Pillars of Lent,” the other two being Prayer and Charitable Works, but in a society that has so much maybe it’s a good place to start.

When you come to church next week there will be available cards with the Stations of the Cross. I hope you will take one and place it in a predominant place in your home where there is a lot of “traffic.” My hope is that by reflecting on the sufferings of Jesus at the end of His life will help us realize why the Church forgoes the “Alleluia” and “Gloria” during the Lenten Season. I would invite you to mark your calendars for Friday, February 27. At 8PM in the church that evening the talented troupe from Creative Ministries will present *The Cross: Journey and Crucifixion* about the last hours of Our Lord’s life. It is powerful fuel for everyone’s prayerful reflection. I encourage families to attend together.

For all practical purposes, Lent is here. Try to use these remaining days to ready your preparations and not be caught by surprise.

God Bless!

Father O’Connor

**HOLIDAY CLOSINGS.** The Parish Office will be closed tomorrow for the Presidents’ Day Observance. Emergency sick calls will be answered in a timely manner. Incarnation school will resume classes on Monday, Feb 23. Religious Education classes will resume the 22nd.



**ALASKA THIS SUMMER: JULY 23-AUGUST 4.** Prepare to enter “Nature’s Cathedral” as the parish trip will be to Alaska before boarding a “Glacier Discovery Cruise” to Vancouver, Canada. This 13 day trip will explore Fairbanks, Anchorage and the famous Denali National Park before a relaxing cruise through Glacier Bay and the renowned Inside Passage. Spread the word about this exciting opportunity. Information fliers are available at the rectory. There are only a fixed number of seats and births for this trip of a lifetime. Don’t miss out. For information & reservations call Peter’s Way Tours 800-225-7662.

**PARISH GALA DANCE—SATURDAY, MARCH 21.** As we prepare to celebrate our parish feast on March 25th, there will be a preparation meeting on **Tuesday, Feb 24 at 7:30PM** in the Rectory

Basement Meeting Room for those who would like to work on the Gala celebration. Help us celebrate ourselves, our community, our parish where we find the presence of Jesus. made flesh among us.



**LENTEEN REGULATIONS—Abstinence:** The Church requires all the faithful who have reached their 14th year of age to abstain totally from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. **Fasting:** All the faithful between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are also bound to observe the fasting regulation on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may be taken at 2 other occasions in the day.

**The Stations of the Cross.** The parish walks in the footsteps of Jesus each Friday evening of Lent at 7:30PM. The deacons will lead this multi-lingual celebration of one of the Churches most beloved devotions.

**The Journey, Cross and Crucifixion—Feb 27 at 8P.**

**The Journey, Cross & Crucifixion** Save the date as Creative Ministries, a troupe of Christian actors, musicians and dancers will visit Incarnation and help us re-live the Lord’s Passion as we follow the Stations of the Cross. This moving event is for the entire family. Spread the word about this unique and poignant opportunity and invite them on February 27.

**OLD PALM BRANCHES** may be left in the designated boxes in the vestibule of the church. These branches will be burned Tuesday to make ashes for Ash Wednesday.

**Events For The Week**

<b>Sunday</b>	No Religious Education	
9:30am	DSP Book Fair	MNH
10:30am	Baptism Welcome	CH
10:30am	Legion of Mary	OLPH
2:00pm	Youth Group	MNH
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Presidents' Day</b>	
	<b>No Rectory Office Hours</b>	
8:30am	Mass	CH
<b>Tuesday</b>	Talleres de Oracion	
7:30pm		MGH
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	
	Confessions after each Mass	
	<b>7:00am, 8:30am &amp; 7:30pm Masses</b>	
12noon	Scripture Service	CH
5:30pm	Angelic Voices	CH
8:30pm	Choir	CH
<b>Thursday</b>	AA	
8:00pm		OLPH
<b>Friday</b>	Food Pantry	
12:00pm		MNH
7:30pm	Bible Study Group	OLPH
<b>Saturday</b>	SVdeP Clothing Pick-Up	
9:00am		Pk-Lot
9:30am	Sunday Scripture	OLPH
6:00pm	Haitian Prayer Group	MGH
7:30pm	Line Dancing	MNH
8:00pm	AA	OLPH

H = Church; MNH = Msgr. Nolan Hall (Lower Church); RB = Rectory Basement; OLPH=Our Lady's (Rectory) Meeting, MGH = Msgr. Griffin Hall (School Auditorium).

**FUEL COLLECTION.** On March 1st the annual "Fuel Collection" will take place. There is an additional envelope in the church packet that requests your generous contribution to defray the costs of the parish buildings. Needless to say, like your own homes, everyone is hit hard during the winter months. We ask every parishioner to be as generous as possible so that our parish buildings may remain warm and comfortable for everybody. Extra white "Fuel Collection" envelopes are in the church today for those who did not receive it in the mail. Thank you for your help.



**INCARNATION SCHOOL CORNER**

Accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools

Registration has begun for the 2015-2016 Academic Year

Walk-in registration will be held daily from 9-11AM.

Appointments may also be made for a School Tour. Parents who are interested in registering their child for Pre-K or K will be required to bring their child to spend a day in the current class.



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

**Readings For The Week**



<b>Sunday</b>	Lv13:1-2,44-6 1Cor 10:31-11:1 Mk 1:40-5
<b>Monday</b>	Gn 4:1-15,25 Mk 8:11-13
<b>Tuesday</b>	Gn 6:5-8,7:1-5,10 Mk 18:14-21
<b>Wednesday</b>	Jl 2:12-18 2Cor 5:20-6:2 Mt 6:1-6,16-8
<b>Thursday</b>	Dt 30:15-20 Lk 9:22-25
<b>Friday</b>	Is 58:1-9a Mt 9:14-15
<b>Saturday</b>	Is 58:9b-14 Lk 5:27-32

**Religious Education Happenings**

No Class Today \* \* \* Classes Resume Next Sunday —Feb 22

Any parent who missed last week's parent/guardian meeting for Confirmation Candidates is asked to contact Sister Joan.

Confirmation Pictures are Ready to be Picked up. Please call ahead to make proper arrangements to do so.

**Welcome to Our Family . . . Welcome to the Church!**

Incarnation would like to welcome the newly baptized of February: Judith Guzman, Emily Mota, Christian Priegue and Liam Smith.



**RITE OF ELECTION** takes place at the 10:30



Mass next Sunday. After Mass the candidates & elect will gather with others from Brooklyn & Queens joined by the Bishop. We congratulate Vincent Bacchiano & Jose Carroll who prepare for Baptism; Evannie Castel, & Lyle Castel Ronulfo Ortiz who seek full initiation in the Church. Keep them in prayer as they prepare for the Sacraments of Christian Initiation at Easter.

**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.

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES** for adults who have not received the sacrament will be offered after Easter. Parishioners needing to be confirmed please call Sr. Joan at the Religious Education Office (718) 465-8534. The sacrament of Confirmation will be administered to the adults of our parish at the Pentecost Vigil.



**SUNDAY SCRIPTURE SHARING ON SATURDAYS.** Join us on Saturday mornings from 9:30-10:30 in Our Lady's Meeting Room or the Auditorium as we spend time with the readings that will be proclaimed at Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday. Through prayer and fellowship we hope to have the Scriptures come more alive.

**LIVING LIGHTS.** Securing an Annual *Living Light* Votive Candle to Honor a Loved One, Remember a Special Intention, or Mark a Milestone is a continual and wonderful way to celebrate sentiments and offer intercessions of remembrance, hope and gratitude. Two wall mounted electric candle stands now hang in our church on either side of the newly restored and expanded Saints' Shrine. These unique and inviting candles are made of real wax with electrified illumination to insure your *Living Light* burns brightly throughout the year. A plaque displaying the name of your loved one, your intention, or your milestone will be mounted before your *Living Light* Votive Candle. Plaques will remain for the year you have secured your *Living Light* and may be renewed or rededicated for additional 12 month periods. In addition to its rightful place before your *Living Light* in the Saints' Shrine, your Loved One, Special Intention, or Milestone will also be included in the *Living Light* Section of the Parish Website. See the blue brochure by the church doors or contact the rectory for more info: 718-465-8534.



**LENTEN VESPERS SERIES.** Please free up your calendars now to attend the Vesper Series at 7:30PM on the Wednesday evenings of Lent. The series entitled "*The Family—The Dwelling Place of*



*God*" has been chosen to complement the prayer and discussions requested by our Holy Father. We will have a reflection given by an invited guest speaker each week.  
 Feb 25 *The Family at Prayer*—Marc Hudock  
 Mar 4 *The Family: The Fruit of Marriage*—Ana Puente  
 Mar 11 *The Family as Vineyard of Vocations*—P Purpura  
 Mar 18 *The Family Proclaims the Kingdom*—Ted Musco  
 Mar 25 Parish Feast Day Mass with Bishop Sanchez  
 The Lenten program concludes on April 1 with a Parish Seder Supper in the school auditorium. Make plans to join us this Lent as we sing the Church's Evening Prayer & reflect on *The Family— The Dwelling Place of God*.

**FAMILY MOVIE NITE—SATURDAY, MAR 7—6:30PM.** The Family Life Committee invites you to join with others in the parish for a Special Family Movie to be enjoyed by all in the school auditorium. Food and drink, Raffles and loads of fun are all included in the Admission Fee of \$10. Tickets are only \$5 if purchased before Feb 27. Mark your calendars now for some good ol' fashioned fun. Tickets are available at the parish, school and religious education offices and will be sold after all the Masses on Feb 28 and March 1.

**St. Vincent DePaul Clothing Truck** will be in the parking lot for pick-ups this Saturday, February 21 from 9AM-12Noon. Please spread the word to those who are doing early spring cleaning.



**INCARNATION INFORMATION**

Organization	Contact	Phone
Adult Confirmation	Sr. Joan Klimski	718-465-8534x23
Adult English Choir	Perry Townsend	718-465-8534x27
Adult Faith Formation	Sr. Joan Klimski	718-465-8534x23
Alcoholics Anonymous	Rectory	718-465-8534
Altar Servers	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
Angelic Voices Children's Choir	Perry Townsend	718-465-8534x27
Baptism Registration	Rectory	718-465-8534
Contemporary Ensemble	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 Group	Occide Pierre	718-776-0523
Homebound Ministry	Sr. Ellen Patrice	718-465-8534
Hospitality Ministry	Lucita Romulo	718-740-0417
Incarnation School		
	Principal Satti Marchan	718-465-5066x28
	Alumni Denise Antz	516-354-1217
	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
Line Dancing	Lucita Romulo	718-740-0417
Marriage Registration	Rectory	718-465-8534
Martha Ministry	Donna Paul	347-495-0435
Mustard Seed Ministry	Sr. Joan Klimski	718-465-8534x23
Nocturnal Adoration	Anna Maria Lopez	718-217-4160
Pag-Asa Filipino Com	Jose Santiago	718-479-0496
Parish Pastoral Council	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
Publicity Coordinator	Fr. O'Connor	718-465-8534x15
RCIA	Sr. Joan Klimski	718-465-8534x23
Religious Education	Sr. Joan Klimski	718-465-8534x23
Rosary/Altar Society	Gabriella Krill	718-464-4658
Sacred Hearts Group	Den Clemenceau	718-341-2653
Spanish Prayer Group		
Spanish Choir	Jasmine Gomez	347-407-2248
St. Vincent dePaul	Deacon Francois	718-465-8534x25
Vine & Branches Prayer Gp	Karine Baron	646-299-2291
Vocations Committee	G. Pierre-Antoine	718-341-2653

**FIRST PENANCE.** Our parish children will receive first Penance on Saturday, February 28 at 11AM. Please keep our children and their families in your prayers as they mark this milestone of God's Mercy. Please feel free to join them in church for this celebration.

**2015 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.