

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>March 2</u></b>
7:30	Josephine Longobardi
9:00	Dennis Velasco
10:30	Felipe Galo
12:00	Aida Ramirez
5:00	Eileen V. Falvey
<b><u>Monday</u></b>	<b><u>March 3 St. Katherine Drexel</u></b>
8:30	Andres Pagay
<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	<b><u>March 4 St. Casimir</u></b>
8:30	Blessings & Peace for Michel H. Gratia
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	<b><u>March 5 Ash Wednesday</u></b>
7:00	Eileen V. Falvey
8:30	Alberto Provido
10:30	Anna Leonard
7:30	Felipe Galo
<b><u>Thursday</u></b>	<b><u>March 6</u></b>
8:30	Mathilde Prosper
<b><u>Friday</u></b>	<b><u>March 7 Ss Perpetua &amp; Felicity</u></b>
8:30	Elizabeth De Jesus
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	<b><u>March 8 St. John of God</u></b>
8:30	Petronila Fernandez
5:00	The People of Incarnation
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>March 9 First Sunday of Lent</u></b>
7:30	Gabriel Sr. & Juliana Haresco
9:00	Yolanda Mayo
10:30	Anita Florencio Claveria & Benjamin Florencio
12:00	Juana Diaz Ortiz DeRoman
5:00	Laura Brito

**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
- 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



“Thus should one regard us, as servants of Christ.” Are you being called to serve the Lord and others in the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).

**PENANCE.** Confessions are heard every Saturday in the church from 4-4:45PM; and any time in the rectory with an appointment.

**CLOCK’S SPRING FORWARD** one hour next Sunday as we resume Eastern Standard Time. Don’t Forget.

**FUEL COLLECTION.** Today the annual “Fuel Collection” takes 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.

**LET US PRAY...**

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

Mercia Desir, Gerard Jacques, Rose Toussaint, Gregg Ortiz, Kenine Dieuveil, Alberte Jean-Baptiste, Theresa Thomann, Kenji Yamashita, Marian Smith, Allan & Jaime Caicedo, Elizabeth Burke, Owen Hogan, Leone Adrien, Lucette Julien, Yvette Goin, Gabriella Krill, Arnulfo Cabahug, Sr, Kelly Marie Martinez, Marsha Klein, Henry Alvarez, Lunice Guiteau, William O’Neil, Levonne Jetter, Revica Villette, Maria Cabrera, Amanda Perez, Fritz Etheart, Sonia G. de Guerra, Jean Claude Boursiquot

*May eternal rest be granted to:*  
 Darius Gilles & Irene Heagney



**“GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING”**

*Collection for The Week of*

*February 22/23*

<i>My Weekly Tithe</i>	<i>\$5,143</i>
<i>School Support</i>	<i>\$1,278</i>

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

**SECOND COLLECTION**

- Mar 2: Fuel Offering*
- Mar 5: Ash Wednesday*
- Mar 9: Black & Indian Missions*

# BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH!

## FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Imagine if I said that you shouldn't give up anything this Lent. Would you report me to the Bishop? I have to share a secret: I'm not giving up anything this Lent. "Heresy" you say? I think not.

No. Rather than "give anything up" this Lent I will be working on adding to aspects in my life that might be lacking. And as I look in the mirror I realize that could keep me busy for a few Lents. Certainly I will keep the required fasts on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. I definitely will abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent. But I also want to do more; work on more.

Perhaps you might want to join me this Lent in doing more or working on more. Maybe you will attend daily Mass or come out in the evening for Lenten Vespers or the Stations of the Cross. Maybe reading some of the Scriptures on your way to and from work each day or using the reflections from the "Word Among Us" can enlighten you this Lent. Maybe you'll make the effort to come and pray over the Scriptures each Saturday morning. You might begin Lent by attending the **Deanery Prayer Morning this Saturday beginning at 9AM at St. Gerard's**. It might be as simple as just gathering the family to pray together after dinner each evening. Prayer does not have to be as complicated as we sometimes make it out to be.

Works of Charity are central to the message of Jesus and should be at the heart of every Christian's Lent. As we observe Ministry Sunday at Incarnation the opportunities to serve God and neighbor are pretty numerous in our own backyard. Take a bit of time to clean out your closets this month and bring your unneeded clothes to the St. Vincent DePaul on March 29/30. Maybe as a family you will prayerfully remember the needy as you add coins and cash each week of Lent to support those aided by "Operation Rice Bowl." Maybe it's time to help out at our Friday Food Pantry or connect more with the social justice teachings of our Church. This could be the time when you add another five dollars to your weekly offering or simply choose to recognize one good thing about someone you meet each day.

Yes, everyone talks about "giving up" during Lent. And that has been a long part of our tradition. But not me, not this year. I'm not giving up anything but sin and I hope to do more and work on more this grace-filled season. Maybe you'll join me?

Blessed Lent!  
God Bless!

*Father O'Connor*

**LENTEN 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.

**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 Corporal Works of Mercy: Works of Christ—Works of Christians**" has been chosen to complement the focus of the Gospel Message proclaimed by our Holy Father. We will have a reflection given by an invited guest speaker each week. Make plans now to attend.

Mar 12 *Nourishing the Hungry & Thirsty* – Rev. Joseph Kelly  
Mar 19 *Clothing the Naked* – Mr. Barry Hudock  
Mar 26 *Sheltering the Homeless* – Mr. Joseph McKellar  
April 2 *Caring for the Sick* – Rev. Kevin McBrien  
April 9 *Visiting the Imprisoned* – Sr. Camille D'Arienzo, RSM

**Ash Wednesday** begins Lent on **March 5**. Mass will be celebrated at 7AM, 8:30AM, 10:30AM and 7:30PM. There will also be a Scripture Service at 12Noon and 3:30PM. Ashes will be distributed after the homily of each Liturgy. There will be the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Penance as Confessions will be heard after each of the Masses. Ash Wednesday, like Good Friday, is a day of fasting (1 normal meal & 2 smaller ones) and abstinence from meat.

### **PILGRIMAGE TO CATHOLIC FRANCE: Sept 28—Oct 9, 2014.**

Start saving your Euros as Incarnation and prepare for a journey of a lifetime as Incarnation makes a Pilgrimage to Catholic France this autumn. Lourdes, Avignon, Lisieux and Paris will be highlights of the journey as we join our ancestors in the Faith. Soar to the heights of Mt. St. Michel and stand head bowed before those who gave their lives on the beaches of Normandy for the Liberation of Europe. Fliers are on the bulletin boards. Detailed brochures are by the doors of the church. Call the rectory today 718-465-8534– Don't be left on the waiting list.

**MARTHA MINISTRY.** Join with others from the parish in a detailed cleaning of the church at 10:30AM on the Second Saturday of the month, March 8. For more information please contact: Donna Paul—347-495-0435.



**Events For The Week**

<b>Sunday</b>		
9:00am	Ministry Fair	MNH
9:00am	Religious Education	MGH
9:45am	Confirmation Parents' Meeting	MGH
10:30pm	Legion of Mary	OLPH
11:30pm	Rosary Meeting	MGH
2:00pm	Baptisms	CH
<b>Monday</b>		
6:00pm	Girl Scouts	MNH
7:30pm	RCIA	OLPH
<b>Tuesday</b>		
7:30pm	Talleres de Oracion	MGH
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	
<b>Masses</b>	7AM, 8:30AM, 10:30AM, 7:30PM	CH
<b>Prayer Services</b>	12noon & 3:30PM	CH
5:30pm	Angelic Voices	CH
7:30pm	Choir	CH
<b>Thursday</b>		
8:00pm	AA Meeting	OLPH
<b>Friday</b>		
9:00am	Holy Hour	CH
12:00noon	Food Pantry	MNH
1:50pm	School Stations	CH
7:30pm	Way of the Cross	CH
8:30pm	English Prayer Group	OLPH
<b>Saturday</b>		
9:30am	Sunday Scripture Sharing	OLPH
9:00am	Deanery Lenten Day @ St. Gerard's	
11:00am	First Penance	CH
6:00pm	Haitian Prayer Group	MNH
7:30pm	Line Dancing	MNH
8:00pm	AA	OLPH

**Readings For The Week**



<b>Sunday</b>	Is 49:14-15 1Cor 4:1-5 Mt 6:24-34
<b>Monday</b>	1Pt 1:3-9 Mk 10:17-27
<b>Tuesday</b>	1Pt 1:10-16 Mk 10:28-31
<b>Wednesday</b>	Jl 2:12-18 2Cor 5:20-6:2 Mk 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**

**First Penance—Saturday, March 8 at 11AM**

**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 Nalini Benn, Andre Garcia, Nicole Rochester, who prepare for Baptism; Conceptia Castel, Guerline Felix, Amalfi & Idania Torres who seek full initiation in the Church. Keep them in prayer as they prepare for the Sacraments of Christian Initiation at Easter.

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**OLD PALM BRANCHES** may be left in the designated boxes in the vestibule of the church. These branches will be burned to make ashes for Ash Wednesday, March 5th.

**St. Joseph's Day: March 19.** Honor the Husband of Mary, the Guardian of the Redeemer and Patron of the Universal Church with 8:30AM morning Mass followed by a Community Celebration of St. Joseph's Table in the lower church. Start preparing your favorite dishes now.

**Never made your Confirmation?** Now is the time! Sign up for Confirmation Classes to be held on the Monday nights of Easter. Call Sr. Joan for information.

**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.

**FIRST FRIDAY** is this Friday. Holy Hour after the 8:30 morning Mass.

**LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER—Saturday, March 8.**  
Our local Deanery is sponsoring a Day of Prayer focused on "Catholic Family Life" on March 8 beginning at 9AM at our neighboring parish of St. Gerard Majella (188-16 91st Ave), Hollis. Join with Catholics from the area as we focus and pray about "the Family, Our Families." Day will conclude at 1PM. Lunch provided.



**INCARNATION SCHOOL CORNER**

**Accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools**

**Registration has begun for the 2014-2015 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**

**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.



**Prayer Breakfast.** The Filipino Pastoral Team of the Diocese of Brooklyn is sponsoring a prayer breakfast in the lower church on Saturday, March 15 beginning at 9AM. All are invited to reflect on "Charisms."



**TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATION** for the 2014-15 school year is open! Financial Aid available to students in grades Pre-K to 8, attending Incarnation. **APPLY NOW:** [www.mytads.com/fa/futuresineducation](http://www.mytads.com/fa/futuresineducation) and click on 'Financial Aid Assessment' to begin.



Please note that there is a non-refundable \$25.00 application processing fee payable by credit card, check or money order. There is a \$10 Non-Sufficient Funds fee for bounced checks.

Help & Support Call: 800-477-8237  
Hours: Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM  
Live chat: [www.mytads.com](http://www.mytads.com)  
E-mail: [support@tads.com](mailto:support@tads.com)  
Deadline: April 22nd, 2014 - Completed applications received on or before this date will be considered for the maximum award amount. Online Tuition Assistance Applications are available in the following languages: English, Spanish, Creole, Korean, Mandarin, and Polish.

**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.

**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
Caribbean Association	Lynette Jerome	718-479-9260
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	Marietta Chavez	718-740-6878
Vocations Committee	G. Pierre-Antoine	718-341-2653

**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY** will take place next Sunday following all the morning Masses. Please join us in Msgr. Nolan Hall and share in some breakfast items, coffee, tea and juices as well as each other's company. We thank the Girl Scouts for sponsoring our March Hospitality. Hospitality Sundays take place each month letting the unity shared around the Altar flow into our solidarity as the Family of Incarnation.



**DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.** All couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary are invited to a special Mass at St. James' Cathedral on Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM. Bishop DiMarzio will be the main celebrant. Please call the Parish Office (718-465-8534) and register to attend before Wednesday, April 2nd.