

ANNOUNCED MASSES

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>March 9</u>
7:30	Gabriel Sr. & Juliana Haresco
9:00	Yolande Mayo
10:30	Anita Florencio Calveria & Benjamin Florencio
12:00	Juana Diaz Ortiz DeRoman
5:00	Laura Brito
<u>Monday</u>	<u>March 10</u>
8:30	Blessings & Peace for Michel H. Gratia
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>March 11</u>
8:30	Mary Watson
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>March 12</u>
8:30	In Thanksgiving ~ Bernard Innocent
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>March 13</u>
8:30	Elizabeth DeJesus
<u>Friday</u>	<u>March 14</u>
8:30	Intentions of Maria Melinda Hernandez
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>March 15</u>
8:30	Marceau Orphee
5:00	The People of Incarnation
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>March 16</u>
7:30	Alberto & Socorro Kilayko
9:00	In Thanksgiving ~ Querino&Ann D'Abreu
10:30	Felipe Galo
12:00	Dolores & Virgillo Adames
5:00	Francis Yun

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

FUEL COLLECTION. The annual "Fuel Collection" is being received at this time. 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.



Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the state in life God has prepared for you? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY. All couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 40th and 50th Anniversary are invited to a special Mass at St. James' Cathedral on Saturday, April 26th 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.

LET US PRAY...

We ask God's healing and strength for:

Mercia Desir, Gerard Jacques, Rose Toussaint, Gregg Ortiz, Kenine Dieuveuil, 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:
 All our deceased parishioners



"GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING"

Collection for The Week of

March 1/2

My Weekly Tithes	\$6,234
Fuel Offering	\$2,202

Thank you for your generosity and support of your parish.

SECOND COLLECTION

- Mar 9: Black & Indian Missions
- Mar 16: School Support
- Mar 23: Maintenance

**“AT THAT TIME JESUS WAS LED BY THE SPIRIT INTO THE DESERT
TO BE TEMPTED BY THE DEVIL.”**

FROM THE PASTOR’S PEN

Somebody called the rectory at 12:45AM Ash Wednesday morning trying to find out the Mass Schedule. Indeed, it was very much a wake-up call. While I would have preferred they call when I am not sleeping it demonstrates the level of excitement Ash Wednesday brings. But not just Ash Wednesday, I think all of Lent has a special place in the hearts of Catholics. Winter is passing to Spring; the sun is rising earlier and setting later; children understand that the end of another school year is approaching. For Catholics, I think Lent is the opportunity to strive and be the Christians we want to be: kinder, more thoughtful, giving and prayerful. That’s why its such a big deal. We want to be transformed but we get tired, lose focus and return to bad habits after a time.

At Incarnation, the parish has loads of opportunities to help you on your Lenten Journey. Daily Mass, Wednesday Vespers, Friday Stations in addition to weekly or monthly adoration of the Blessed Sacrament demonstrate that we take prayer together seriously. Clothing Drives or Operation Rice Bowl all heighten our awareness of what the St. Vincent DePaul does each Friday as our Food Pantry doors open. Prayerfully supporting those—young and old - who will be receiving the Easter Sacraments hopefully make us more aware and appreciative of the reality that we can receive the Sacraments daily. But those tools are only helpful if you use them and get excited about what Lent means for you and your families.

The excitement is that we want to be different; we want to be changed. The ashes on our foreheads tells all that I am one of His followers. But eventually I’m going to wash my face. Will people know Who I follow when the ashes are gone? They will if I can use this time to change. They will know Who I follow if my face reflects God’s Glory or my actions imitate Jesus’ actions. But that will only be assured if I use this Lent wisely to become more a person of prayer, a Christian of charity; a creature of the Creator who formed me from the very dust to which I will return.

There is an excitement about all the things that are happening here at Incarnation. That excitement is heightened during Lent but it is not limited to Lent. I guess we all want to be better people, better Christians. Lent is our time to do that. I guess we all just need a wake-up call. In a very real way mine came this Lent when Ash Wednesday was only 45 minutes old.

Blessed Lent to all!

Father O'Connor

LENTEN VESPERS SERIES entitled “*The Corporal Works of Mercy: Works of Christ—Works of Christians*” begins this Wednesday at 7:30PM. Chosen to complement the focus of the Gospel Message proclaimed by our Holy Father, we are happy to welcome this week **Father Joseph Kelly**, Spiritual Director from Cathedral Seminary Residence who will reflect on: ***Nourishing the Hungry***

& Thirsty. Future guests and themes are:

- 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

2014 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.

WATER WIND, FIRE AND EARTH: The elements re-deemed at the Great Vigil of the story of our faith, this Tuesday, April 8 ~ 9:15AM in the church. Reflect on the cosmic nature of the Christ Event & our vigil celebration.

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.

LENTEN STONES. Available in a basket in the Sanctuary are stones to remind us of our shared penitential journey this Lent. Please take one for a pocket or purse and remember to pray for others on the way.

The **Liturgy Committee** will meet on Saturday, March 15 at 10:30AM in Our Lady’s Conference Room to plan for Lent and Holy Week. All are invited to participate in this important planning.



Events For The Week

Sunday	Girl Scouts' Sunday	
	Hospitality Sunday	
9:00am	Religious Education	MGH
10:30am	Legion of Mary	OLPH
10:30am	RCIA—Rite of Sending	CH
2:00pm	RCIA—Rite of Election at Christ the King HS	
2:00pm	Filipino Mass	CH
Monday		
3:30pm	LLF	OLPH
6:00pm	Girl Scouts	MNH
7:30pm	Caribbean Association	MGH
7:30pm	RCIA	OLPH
Tuesday		
12:00noon	Friendship Club	MNH
7:30pm	Talleres de Oracion	MGH
Wednesday		
9:00am	Adoration	CH
5:30pm	Angelic Voices	CH
7:00pm	Jornada	MNH
7:30pm	Lenten Vespers	CH
8:30pm	Choir	CH
Thursday		
8:00pm	AA Meeting	OLPH
Friday		
12:00noon	Food Pantry	MNH
1:50pm	School Stations	CH
7:30pm	Way of the Cross	CH
8:30pm	English Prayer Group	OLPH
Saturday		
9:00am	Sacred Hearts Prayer Group	OLPH
9:00am	Filipino Pastoral Tm Prayer Breakfast	MNH
9:30am	Sunday Scripture Sharing	OLPH
10:30am	Liturgy Committee	SG
6:00pm	Haitian Prayer Group	MNH
7:30pm	Line Dancing	MNH
8:00pm	AA	OLPH

Readings For The Week



Sunday	Gn 2:7-9,3:1-7 Rom 5:12-19 Mt 4:1-11
Monday	Lv 19:1-2,11-18 Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday	Is 55:10-11 Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday	Jon 3:1-10 Lk 11:29-32
Thursday	Est C 12,14-16,23-25 Mt 7:7-12
Friday	Ez 18:21-28 Mt 5:20-26
Saturday	Dt 26:16-19 Mt 5:43-48

Religious Education Happenings

Congratulations!

Last Sunday our Confirmation Candidates made their public commitment to serious preparation for the Sacrament.

Yesterday many of our little ones received the Sacrament of Penance for the first time.

Today those adults making Easter Sacraments will join with the Bishop beginning this final period of preparation.

One and All!



The Parish Feast of the Annunciation will celebrated with a Solemn Mass celebrated by Bishop Raymond Chappetto on Tuesday, March 25 at 7:30PM and with a Gala Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 22 at 7PM.

The Parish Gala Dinner Dance, joyfully celebrating our parish feast, is fast approaching! Have you gotten your tickets? They're only \$35.00 per person (if purchased by March 17) and offer you entry into the Incarnation Ballroom on Saturday, March 26th from 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM. Featuring DJ Music, fine food and drink—beer, wine, soda—door prizes and some parish surprise gifts. It is guaranteed to be a night to remember. Tickets are available at the Parish Office and will be on sale following the Masses on March 15 and 16. Don't forget to invite fellow parishioners, neighbors and friends of Incarnation to an evening of fun and celebration! Please mark your calendars and spread the word to friends, family and former parishioners.

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.



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.

Never made your Confirmation? Now is the time! Parishioners who have never completed their initiation into the Church are invited to sign up for classes to be held on the Monday nights of Easter starting April 28. Adult Confirmation takes place at the Pentecost Vigil: June 7. Call Sr. Joan for information: 718-465-8534.

INCARNATION SCHOOL CORNER

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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 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 this 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 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
E-mail: 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.

Good Friday Outdoor Procession and Stations of the Cross: There will be a planning session for this celebration – next Tuesday, Mar 18 at 7:30PM in the rectory conference rm. Everyone is invited to come and help plan so we can prayerfully witness our Faith on Good Friday.



OPERATION RICE BOWL. Incarnation is participating in Catholic Relief Services' *Operation Rice Bowl* this year as our Lenten Almsgiving. Take home a packet with your ready to make rice bowl and some prayers and information. Each week you can add a little to your rice bowl as you prayerfully deny yourself so that other can have needed food & supplies. Rice bowls are to be returned Palm Sunday, April 13.

The Word Among Us. This Lent a special and attractive periodical entitled "Father Forgive" is on sale in the back of the church. What a unique means to participate in Lent and prepare for Easter by reading a daily reflection alone or with the family. **A donation of \$2.00 per copy is requested.** Use the white envelopes provided.



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



LENTEN REGULATIONS—Abstinence: The Church requires all the faithful who have reached their 14th year of age to abstain totally from meat on 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 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 St. Vincent DePaul Clothing Drive will take place at Incarnation on Sunday, Mar 23 drop your clothes by the 207th Street entrance to the lower church when you come for Mass. Plan now to do some early Spring Cleaning and help those in need. Please also share word with friends and neighbors!



HOSPITALITY SUNDAY will take place 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.

EASTER PLANTS that will decorate the church during the Easter Season may be donated. You may wish to donate IN MEMORY OF or IN HONOR OF a loved one. Easter flower donation envelopes are in the church today and the donation is \$15.00. Please return your donation in the Sunday collection or at the Parish Office.

