

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 10</b>
7:30	Hermann Mazard
9:00	Aquiles Ciron, Sr. ~ 1st Anniversary
10:30	Marie Mathilde David
12:00	Norma Allongo
5:00	Zoila De La Nuez
<b>Monday</b>	<b>March 11</b>
8:30	Mary Watson
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>March 12</b>
8:30	Anita Florencio Claveria & Benjamin Florencio
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>March 13</b>
8:30	Guillermo Rafael Mojica Castillo
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>March 14</b>
8:30	Bernard Innocent
<b>Friday</b>	<b>March 15</b>
8:30	Gloria M. Cabrera
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>March 16</b>
8:30	John Ganci
5:00	Dolores Adames
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 17</b>
7:30	The People of Incarnation
9:00	Intentions of Anthony Iurilli
10:30	Owen F. Brady
12:00	Aurora Pincay
5:00	Yolanda Goodwin

“God is making His appeal through us.” Does a life dedicated to furthering the grace of reconciliation in Christ for others appeal to you? Consider a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life. Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email : [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).

**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. Anyone who would like to help organize the Table is asked to contact the rectory.



**LET US PRAY...**

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



- Mercia Desir, Gerard Jacques, Rose Toussaint, Gregg Ortiz,
- Elisabeth Norency, Alberte Jean-Baptiste, Felipe Galo,
- Ethel Domingo, Kenji Yamashita, Rocco Moreo,
- Allan Caicedo, Elizabeth Burke, Ben & Horacio Eclipse,
- Irene Mayas, Yvette Goin, Marie Lourdes Toussaint,
- Arnulfo Cabahug, Sr, Caroline Amurao, Henry Alvarez,
- Joyce Kumar, Nicole LaForest,
- William O’Neil, Revica Villete, Maria Cabrera, Fritz Etheart,
- Amanda Aquilar, Levonne Jetter, 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
- Pfc. Juan Carlos Escudero, 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

**A Parish Food Drive.** Today you are invited to take home a brown paper bag and each week you will be asked to purchase certain items and place them in the grocery bag at home. **This week please add to your shopping bag: Canned Fruit and Vegetables.** On Sunday, March 24 please return your filled grocery bag that will be given to assist the food pantries here at Incarnation and St. Gerard Majella.



**“GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING”**

*Collection for The Week of*

*March 2/3*

<i>My Weekly Tithe</i>	<i>\$6,804</i>
<i>Fuel Offering</i>	<i>\$1,767</i>

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

**SECOND COLLECTION**

- Mar 10: Easter Mass Remembrance**
- Mar 17: School Support**
- Mar 17: Easter Flowers**

**“BUT NOW WE MUST CELEBRATE AND REJOICE, BECAUSE YOUR BROTHER WAS DEAD AND HAS COME TO LIFE AGAIN; HE WAS LOST AND HAS BEEN FOUND.”**

**FROM THE PASTOR’S PEN**

This Fourth Sunday of Lent is also called “Laetare Sunday” for the inner joy that accompanies our Lenten penances. Approximately halfway through Lent it’s hard not to get excited with Easter Sunday morning on the horizon. The prospect of a new Pontiff to shepherd the Universal Church allows excitement to grow as the faithful will soon look to the smokestack on the roof of the Sistine Chapel to see when white smoke will billow out.

There are always reasons to celebrate locally here at Incarnation. And Lent is no different. The success of our Lenten Vespers Series; the enthusiasm around our food drive; the faith and devotion of this community of prayer are all signs of vibrancy and simple joy in the Spirit.

Spring is a cause for joy as well. There is an excitement when we accompany those who will receive Easter Sacraments and that excitement is multiplied when we focus on the children who will be receiving Penance and Holy Communion for the first time this spring.

Such exuberance is not relegated to spiritual things. On March 23 the Easter Bunny will be at Incarnation for Breakfast with our youngest parishioners and after Easter Week, on April 8, the Parish will celebrate our parish feast day of the Annunciation of the Lord (which was moved later into April because it fell on Monday of Holy Week this year). The Solemn Mass at 7:30PM on Monday, April 8 will be preceded on Saturday night the 6th with our Annual Gala Dinner-Dance; always a spectacular occasion.

I am both relieved and happy that the parish finally has a tenant for the old rectory. We welcome the Christian Brothers as they open one of their Martin DePorres Group Homes for troubled teens. The six residents will be getting a new lease on life through the program offered by the Christian Brothers and that is something to celebrate.

Next week our hospitality ministry will begin as selected Masses. You will particularly see these Ministers of Welcome by the main doors of the church. It’s always heart warming when we encounter others who wish to serve.

Lastly, on a personal note, I’m filled with joy as the preparations for my sabbatical are in full gear, indeed winding down, and some many people have been so helpful at Incarnation and beyond. I am extremely grateful. I will be blogging my experiences while away. If you care to follow, just log on to: [sabbaticalsayings.blogspot.com](http://sabbaticalsayings.blogspot.com).

Blessed Lent! And be joyful!

*Father O'Connor*

**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 Family Life Committee** meets this Tuesday, March 12 at 7:30PM in the Rectory Basement Meeting Room. New members are warmly welcomed to attend and help plan events for the entire parish family.

**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 Fabric of Our Faith**” is based on the ongoing Year of Faith proclaimed by our Holy Father. We are happy to welcome



**Mrs. Angela Lewis**, Director of Faith Formation at St. Bonaventure-St. Benedict the Moor Parish in Jamaica. Her reflection will focus on **Personal Faith in Christ Jesus**.

Final theme and speaker:

Mar 20 *Sharing our Faith* – Msgr. Eugene Feldhaus

The Lenten program will conclude on Mar 27 with a Parish Seder Supper in the school auditorium. Make plans to join us this Lent as we sing the Evening Prayer of the Church and reflect on **The Fabric of Our Faith**.

**Recollection Morning** for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors will take place Saturday, March 16 beginning at 10:30AM in the lower Church.

**PRAYERS FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS.**



Over the next four months you will be invited to pray at home for more priests. We invite individual parishioners & families to sign up to receive a beautiful Good Shepherd statue into their home for one or two weeks and to pray for priestly vocations. A prayer kit & activity sheets about vocations will be also given to help you through your prayer week. At the end of the week, on Saturdays, we ask you to return the Good Shepherd Statue to the Parish Office so that it may be handed over to another parishioner and/or family on Sunday. You may keep the activity sheets for further prayer and reflection. Please consider signing up for our Prayer Campaign for Priestly Vocations. Simply fill in the form below and return it to the Parish Office or in the collection as soon as possible. Fr. O’Connor will contact you soon afterwards.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact me/us to participate in Incarnation’s Prayer Campaign for Priestly Vocations. I/We wish to dedicate daily prayer before the Good Shepherd in our home asking for more priests to active ministry in the Church.

**Events For The Week**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Girl Scouts Sunday</b>	
	<b>Hospitality Sunday</b>	
9:00am	Religious Ed Classes	MGH
10:30am	Legion of Mary	OLPH
10:30am	RCIA – Second Scrutiny	CH
2:00pm	Filipino Mass	CH
<b>Monday</b>		
6:00pm	Steel Band	MGH
6:00pm	Girl Scouts	MNH
7:00pm	Caribbean Association	MGH
7:30pm	RCIA	OLPH
<b>Tuesday</b>		
9:00am	School Confessions	CH
7:30pm	Family Life Committee	RB
7:30pm	Talleres de Oracion	MGH
<b>Wednesday</b>		
9:00am	Adoration	CH
6:00pm	Steel Band	MGH
7:00pm	Jornada	MNH
7:30pm	Lenten Vespers	CH
<b>Thursday</b>		
11:15am	School Dismissal	
5:30pm	Angelic Voices	CH
7:30pm	Choir	CH
8:00pm	AA	OLPH
<b>Friday</b>	<b>No School</b>	
12:00noon	Food Pantry	MNH
7:30pm	Way of the Cross	CH
8:30pm	Bible Study Group	OLPH
<b>Saturday</b>		
9:00am	Sacred Hearts Prayer Group	OLPH
9:30am	Sunday Scripture	MGH
10:30am	Liturgical Ministers' Recollection	MNH
11:00am	First Penance	CH
5:00pm	Clothing Drive	MNH
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, MGH = Msgr. Griffin Hall (School Auditorium).

**Readings For The Week**



<b>Sunday</b>	Jos 5:9-12 2Cor 5:17-21 Lk 15:1-3,11-32
<b>Monday</b>	Is 65:17-21 Jn 4:43-54
<b>Tuesday</b>	Ez 47:1-9,12 Jn 5:1-16
<b>Wednesday</b>	Is 49:8-15 Jn 5:17-30
<b>Thursday</b>	Ex 32:7-14 Jn 5:31-47
<b>Friday</b>	Wis 2:1a,12-22 Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30
<b>Saturday</b>	Jer 11:18-20 Jn 7:40-53

**Religious Education Happenings**

**First Penance is Saturday March 16 at 11AM.**

**First Communion** Parents and children are reminded that the last parent-child preparation session will take place Sunday, Mar 17, beginning at 9:45M in the auditorium. We invite you to make plans to remain and attend 10:30AM Mass together.

**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.

**2013 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. Please come to the Parish Office to make special Mass offerings for your loved ones.

**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.

**BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY** will take place on Saturday, Mar 23 from 9:30 AM to 12 Noon in the lower church. There will be a delicious breakfast with bagels, donuts, muffins, juice, coffee & tea and much more. Also, there will be the **EASTER EGG HUNT** in our own Bunny Garden! Tickets are only \$10.00 per person (children and adults) with a \$5 discount on tickets purchased by Mar 18 and now are available at the Parish Office, School Office and Religious Education Office. Tickets will also be available after the Masses on Mar 16/17.

**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 Immaculate Conception, Jamaica Estates on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM. Bishop DiMarzio will be the main celebrant. Please call the Parish Office and register to attend before Wednesday, April 3rd.



**INCARNATION SCHOOL CORNER**

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

**Registration has begun at Incarnation School for the 2013-2014 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.

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.

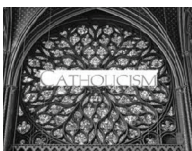


**Reconciliation Monday—March 25.** Join with Catholics from Brooklyn Heights to Montauk and up the Hudson Valley in receiving God's Mercy before Easter. Confessions here at Incarnation will be after the 8:30AM Mass and from 3PM to 9PM. Prepare for Easter with the Sacrament of Penance. Spread the word!

**EASTER GIFT TO MY CHURCH.** Your "Easter Gift to My Church" is being collected today. The Easter letter from Father O'Connor asks that everyone prayerfully make a fair share offering during this holy season of Joy and Hope. If you did not receive the mailing extra "Easter Gift to My Church" envelopes are in the church today. Thank you in advance for your support of this vital parish collection during Easter.

**A PARISH SEDER SUPPER** will take place on Wednesday, March 27th at 7:30 PM in the auditorium. Families and friends are invited to participate in a model supper reminiscent of the one that Jesus shared before he died. The eve will conclude with coffee and desert. Tickets are only \$10 with a \$5 discount if purchased by March 25 and may be purchased following the Vespers on Wednesdays, following the Stations of the Cross on Fridays. Tickets are also available in the Parish Office.

**CATHOLICISM.** Ten sessions beginning April 3 (through June 5) at 7:30PM in the OLP Meeting Room. With creator and host Fr. Robert Barron, you will learn what Catholics believe and why, while being immersed in the art, architecture, literature, beliefs and practices of the Catholic Tradition. Encounter the Risen Jesus alive in His Church this Easter!



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 Min	Sr. Ellen Patrice	718-465-8534
Hospitality Committee		
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
Mustard Seed Ministry	Sr. Joan Klimski	718-465-8534x23
Nocturnal Adoration	Gabriella Krill	718-464-4658
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	Dcn Clemenceau	718-341-2653
Spanish Prayer Group	Lucy Sanders	718-468-0899
Spanish Choir	Vacant	
St. Vincent de Paul	Deacon Francois	718-465-8534x25
Vine & Branches Prayer Gp	Marietta Chavez	917-945-2847
Vocations Committee	G. Pierre-Antoine	718-341-2653

**WATER WIND, FIRE AND EARTH:** The elements re-deemed at the Great Vigil of the story of our faith, Monday, March 18 ~ 9:15AM in the church. Come out to reflect on the cosmic nature of the Christ Event & our vigil celebration.

**2013 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL** has begun with mailings to every parishioner at Incarnation and throughout the diocese. Once again we look forward to a successful pledge drive at Incarnation hoping to surpass our generosity from last year: 346 donors and \$72,910—over \$22,600 of which returned to Incarnation.

With the participation of every parishioner we are guaranteed success as a people *Renewing Our Faith through Acts of Charity!*

