

ANNOUNCED MASSES

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>March 11</u>
7:30	In Thanksgiving
9:00	Thanksgiving O.L.of Perpetual Help & Sacred Heart
10:30	Aidan & Gavin Santiago ~ living
12:00	Maria Ines Guillermo & Rafel Castillo
5:00	In Thanksgiving ~ Deborah Innocent
<u>Monday</u>	<u>March 12</u>
8:30	Anita Florencio Claveria & Narceso Bonzo
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>March 13</u>
8:30	Carmin Armand ~ 1st Anniversary
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>March 14</u>
8:30	Theresa Goff
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>March 15</u>
8:30	Marceau Orphee
<u>Friday</u>	<u>March 16</u>
8:30	Dolores Adames
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>March 17 St. Patrick, Bishop</u>
8:30	Margaret Maloney
5:00	Owen F. Brady ~ living
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>March 18</u>
7:30	Jose Santiago, Sr. ~ living
9:00	Honor of St. Joseph
10:30	Marie Sandra Joseph ~ Healing & Deliverance
12:00	Emilio & Ebba Guaba
5:00	The People of Incarnation



“We proclaim Christ crucified...the power and wisdom of God.” Could Jesus be calling you to proclaim His life, death and resurrection as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454.

The Journey, Cross and Crucifixion—Mar 16 at 8P.
Join us this Friday as Creative Ministries, a troupe of Christian actors, musicians and dancers returns to help us re-live the Lord’s Passion as we follow with Him. This moving event is for the entire family. Invite a friend to this unique and poignant opportunity.

LET US PRAY...

We ask God’s healing and strength for:

Mercia Desir, Gerard Jacques, Rose Toussaint, Gregg Ortiz, Marie Cesarano, Mauro Carido Jr., Felipe Galo, Kenji Yamashita, Dorothy Winters Hall, Rocco Moreo, Elizabeth Hiel, Allan Caicedo, Elizabeth Burke, Antonine Mignon, Joyce Kumar, Roberto Cano, Erlinda Valenti, Yvette Goin, Marie Lourdes Toussaint Leone & Vincent Adrien, Carl & Vida Moore, Jose Cherian, William O’Neil, Revica Villette, Barry V. George, Horacio Eclipse, Mary Lee Smith

*May eternal rest be granted to:
Our deceased relatives and friends*



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

FUEL COLLECTION. The annual “Fuel Collection” is now taking place. 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 in advance for your help.



“GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING”

Collection for The Week of

March 4/5

<i>My Weekly Tith</i>	<i>\$6,218</i>
<i>Fuel Offering</i>	<i>\$1,705</i>

Thank you for your generosity and support of your parish.

SECOND COLLECTION

- March 11: Catholic Relief**
- March 18: School Support**

**“TAKE THESE OUT OF HERE,
AND STOP MAKING MY FATHER’S HOUSE A MARKETPLACE.”**

FROM THE PASTOR’S PEN

Last Sunday afternoon over 120 parishioners came out for our Parish Assembly. That’s about ten percent of the people who worship here each week. It was a wonderful gathering as we prepare to formulate and submit to the Bishop our strategic plan for the coming years. While the food was good and laughter plentiful over the course of the afternoon, it was very much a working lunch.

In the midst of prayer and presentations everyone was asked to answer a series of questions about the Universal Church in general and our parish in particular. Every single answer was collected. This week members of the strategic planning committee have been copying each answer so we can look to common themes among them.

These common themes or goals will be presented to the entire parish after Easter. With limited resources, both financial and personnel, we will decide together how to proceed over the coming years. Before those goals and plans are chosen and realized, the strategic plan required by the *Christ Jesus Our Hope* reconfiguration effort will be submitted to the Bishop’s Office for approval this week.

This Lenten Season is a reminder before us of how we need to give more of ourselves to both God and neighbor. The total gift of Himself by Jesus which is so often the focus of our prayer at the end of Lent, should also be a guide as to what God wants of us throughout Lent and beyond. This gift of self to God is precisely what it means to be a Christian. It is striving to attain that lofty goal that our parish will be a thriving community where God is recognized and adored.

I would like to thank to the Strategic Planning Committee Members for their many hours of hard work not just for last Sunday but for their help beginning last fall. As a parish we should be deeply grateful. Thanks as well to all who participated in the Parish Assembly, your concern for your parish and its future will hopefully allow Incarnation to continue as a beacon of the Gospel into the decades ahead.

Lastly, our Parish Feast and Gala Dinner Dance is approaching. I hope you will make some time on your calendar to join us on Monday, March 26 and the preceding Saturday, March 24. More details are in this bulletin.

God Bless and Blessed Lent!

Father O’Connor

PARISH GALA DANCE—SATURDAY, MARCH 24. As we prepare to celebrate our parish feast on March 26th, there will be a preparation meeting **Tuesday, March 20 at 7:30PM** in the Rectory Basement Meeting Room for those who would like to work on the celebration. Help us celebrate ourselves, our community, our parish where we find the presence of Jesus made flesh among us.

LENTEN VESPERS SERIES entitled “*So that from the Rising of the Sun to its Setting a Pure Sacrifice May be Offered to your Name*” continues this Wednesday at 7:30PM. Based on phrases from the Eucharistic Prayer of Mass, we are happy to welcome Sr. Julie Upton, RSM, Provost of St. John’s University, Jamaica. Her reflection will focus on *This Sacrifice of Praise*. We will have a reflection given by an invited guest speaker each week. Future themes and speakers are:

Mar 21 *We Celebrate the Memorial* – Msgr. Eugene Feldhaus
Mar 28 *These Holy & Unblemished Sacrifices* – Msgr. Sherman

The Lenten program will conclude on April 4 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 praising God from the rising of the sun to its setting.

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS UNVEILED—
Thursday, Mar 22 at 9:15AM.



Italian Pilgrimage. Start saving your Euros and dream of a journey of a lifetime as Incarnation makes an *Italian Pilgrimage* in October 2012. Venice, Padua, Florence, Pisa, Assisi and Rome will all be stops on the journey. Pray before the tombs of the saints from St. Mark to Blessed John Paul the Great. More information to follow. Fliers are on the bulletin boards. A detailed brochure may be found by the church doors. Spread the Word! Seats are quickly filling for this special opportunity.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY. All couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 40th and 50th Anniversary are invited to a special Mass at Our Lady of Angels Church, Brooklyn on Saturday, April 28th at 11:00 AM. Bishop DiMarzio will be the main celebrant. Please call the Parish Office and register to attend before Wednesday, March 28th.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY will take place today 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.

Events For The Week

Sunday	Girl Scouts' Sunday Hospitality Sunday	
9:00am	Religious Ed.	MGH
10:30am	Legion of Mary	OLPH
2:00pm	Filipino Mass	CH
Monday		
6:00pm	Girl Scouts	MNH
6:00pm	Steel Band	MGH
7:00pm	Caribbean Association	MGH
7:30pm	RCIA	OLPH
Tuesday		
12noon	Friendship Club	MNH
7:30pm	Talleres de Oracion	OLPH
Wednesday		
9:00am	Adoration	CH
7:00pm	Jornada	MNH
7:30pm	Lenten Vespers	CH
Thursday		
5:00pm	Angelic Voices	CH
6:00pm	Steel Band	MGH
7:30pm	Choir	CH
8:00pm	AA	OLPH
Friday		
	No School	
12:00pm	Food Pantry	MNH
8:00pm	The Journey: Cross & Crucifixion	CH
Saturday		
9:00am	Sacred Hearts Prayer Group	OLPH
11:00am	First Penance	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, MGH = Msgr. Griffin Hall (School Auditorium).

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



INCARNATION SCHOOL CORNER

Accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools

Registration has begun at Incarnation School for the 2012-2013 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 or call 718-465-5066

Readings For The Week



Sunday	Ex 20:1-17 1 Cor 1:22-25 Jn 2:13-25
Monday	2 Kgs 5:1-15b Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday	Dn 3:25,34-43 Mt 18:21:35
Wednesday	Dt 4:1,5-9 Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	Jer 7:23-28 Lk 11:14-23
Friday	Hos 14:2-10 Mk 12:28-34
Saturday	Hos 6:1-6 Lk 18:9-14

Religious Education Happenings

First Penance will be celebrated Saturday, March 17 at 11AM. Please pray for the newest members of our parish Family who will be receiving God's forgiveness.

Never made your Confirmation? Now is the time! Sign up for Confirmation Classes to be held on the Monday nights of Easter. Adult Confirmation will take place on Pentecost. Call the Rectory for information.



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.

2012 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.

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.

BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY will take place on Saturday, Mar 31 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 26 and now are available at the Parish Office, School Office and Religious Education Office. Tickets will also be available after the Masses on Mar 24/25.





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 1.



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 twelve 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 brochure in next week's bulletin or contact the rectory for more info: 718-465-8534.

The Parish Feast of the Annunciation will celebrated with a Solemn Mass on Monday, March 26 at 7:30PM and with a Gala Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 24 at 7PM. The Parish Gala Dinner Dance, joyfully celebrating our parish feast, is fast approaching! Have you gotten your tickets? They're only \$40.00 per person with a \$5 discount if purchased by March 19 and offer you entry into the Incarnation Ballroom on Saturday, March 24th 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. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Don't forget to invite fellow parishioners, neighbors and friends of Incarnation to an evening of fun and celebration! Please spread the word to friends, family and former parishioners.



The St. Vincent DePaul Clothing Drive takes place at Incarnation **next Sunday**, 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!



WANT SOME EXTRA CASH???? We are happy to sponsor the "*March Madness Lottery Calendar*" in support of Incarnation School! We invite you to purchase tickets (\$10.00 each or three for \$25.00) and begin dreaming BIG about cash prizes ranging from \$50.00 to \$100.00 over the 31 days in March.

And, if you name is drawn and you win, your ticket(s) will be returned to the drum for more chances of winning. **Sheer madness in March!**

Join in all the fun and winnings by clipping the tickets at the bottom of the calendar and return the tickets with your payment in the collection or at the Parish or School Office for chances to win in March. Cash or checks are acceptable with checks payable to "Incarnation School." Feel free to photocopy the calendar and share it with family, friends, at the office, etc. Extra copies are in the church and at the Parish Office. The drawing is Friday for the entire week so don't miss out. There are still an unbelievable **22** chances to win!

Get in on all the action with a little help and whole lot of fun for Incarnation School this March!

Madness Winners for the Days of March:

1: Joycelyn Smith (\$50) 2. Danielle Cunel (\$75)

A PARISH SEDER SUPPER will take place on Wednesday, April 4th 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 April 2 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.



Mustard Seed Ministry has come to Incarnation.

In order to help kids better understand the Scriptures at Sunday Mass, at the 10:30 AM Mass, we are beginning "Mustard Seed Ministry" (MSM). At the end of the Opening Prayer children from ages four to seven will be invited to the lower church to hear the reading(s) in a special way by a trained catechist. This may include storytelling, creating a simple craft, singing a song, etc. At the end of the Prayer of the Faithful of the Mass the children will return and sit back with their parents and families. The hope is to have MSM take place every Sunday here at Incarnation. Each child will receive a special nametag to hold onto and wear each time MSM takes place. May this outreach to children to whom the kingdom of God belongs enhance our spiritual understanding and growth. For more information see Sr. Joan after Mass or call the Religious Ed Office Sunday—Thursday: 718-465-8534.

