



ANNOUNCED MASSES

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>March 20</u>
7:30	In Thanksgiving Robert&Melissa Cardone
9:00	Frank R. Pecchie
10:30	Eugenie Fortunat
12:00	Josefina Ruiz
5:00	George & Eleanor Schaeffer
<u>Monday</u>	<u>March 21</u>
8:30	Raymond Newbold
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>March 22</u>
8:30	Katherine Bottari
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>March 23 St. Toribio de Mogrovejo</u>
8:30	Innocent Family
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>March 24</u>
8:30	In Thanksgiving—Gerty Fortune
<u>Friday</u>	<u>March 25 Annunciation of the Lord</u>
8:30	Ange Fouche Arden
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>March 26</u>
8:30	Francois Vulcain
5:00	The People of Incarnation
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>March 27</u>
7:30	Catalina Zuckerman
9:00	Edith Masone
10:30	Raymond Newbold
12:00	Maria Christian Lacayo
5:00	Nieves, Venancio, Jaime, Oscar Sahagun

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:

- Maj. Michael Boyle, U.S. Army
- Pfc. Spec.2 David R. Collins, U.S. Army
- Pfc. Juan Carlos Escudero, U.S. Army
- BM2 Otelo Rodriguez, U.S. Navy
- 1st Class Joseph Romulo, U.S. Air Force
- LTJg 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



“God has called us with a holy calling... according to His own purpose and grace.” If you think God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, call the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454, or write: vocations@diobrook.org.

The Journey, Cross and Crucifixion—April 15 at 8P.

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 April 15.

“GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING”

Collection for The Week of

	March 12/13
My Weekly Tithes	\$4,952
Fuel Collection	\$1,631
Black&Indian Missions	\$302

Thank you for your generosity and support of your parish.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

- March 20: **School Support**
- March 27: Catholic Relief

LET US PRAY...

We ask God's healing and strength for:



- Mercia Desir, Gerard Jacques, Anna Barron
- Mauro Cardio Jr., Rose Marie Jauregui, Felipe Galo,
- Kenji Yamashita, Dorothy Winters Hall, Rocco Moreo,
- Allan Caicedo, Ms. Wilson Despeignes, Gregg Ortiz,
- Antonine Mignon, Joyce Kumar, Sr. Carol Anton,
- Roberto Cano, Sr. Edna Cook, Bernard Marcellus,
- Leone Adrien, Vincent Adrien, Yvette Goin,
- Carmen Lidia Rivera

May eternal rest be granted to:

All our deceased relatives and friends

“RISE, AND DO NOT BE AFRAID.”

FROM THE PASTOR’S PEN

There was a wonderful celebration of God’s Love here on Saturday. Our children received First Penance. Surrounded by family, friends and teachers they made their first confessions. Some were a little frightened. Others were a little fidgety. All left after being reminded how much God loves them and hearing they have been absolved from their sins.

It would be a shame if they let that fear keep them from receiving the Sacrament of God’s Love. Fear can be paralyzing. Fear should not keep us adults from an encounter with Jesus and receiving God’s Sacramental Mercy either. In the Gospel this weekend, Jesus tells Peter, James and John not to be afraid after seeing Him Transfigured and hearing the Father’s voice bellow from the heavens. Those words are for us as well. We need to fight those fears that hold us back from greater closeness with God and greater involvement in His plans. When dealing with the God of Love what’s to be afraid of? And if we are “OK” with God, then what do we care about what other people think.

This Friday we celebrate our Parish Feast when the Word became Flesh. Gabriel consoles Mary: “Do not be afraid.” If Mary would have been frozen by fear and refused God’s invitation where would that have left us? There are many types of worries and fears in life. We have to assign them their proper place and realize that with Mary-like faith we have nothing to fear if we are in harmony with the Gospel.

I hope that you will join us for a Special Celebration of the Eucharist this Friday at 7:30PM. As we recall the beginning of Salvation through the “Yes” of the young Virgin, may it give us the courage over our fears to say our “yes” to God. May we bring forth with fearless actions the same Jesus Mary gave birth to from her womb.

Plan to join us for our Gala Dinner Dance on Saturday at 7PM in the auditorium as we celebrate the faith and vitality of our community. Tickets are only \$35 and are available at the rectory until Friday. Dancing, candlelight dining, goodies and prizes: there’s nothing to fear—you might have a good time and go home a winner!

Happy Feast, People of Incarnation! I hope to spend it with you this Friday and Saturday!

Father O'Connor

PARISH GALA DANCE—THIS SATURDAY, MARCH 26.

As we prepare to celebrate our parish feast on March 25th, the next preparation meeting will be **Tuesday at 7:30P** in the Rectory 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. Tickets are on sale at the rectory now.

CHURCH ETIQUETTE. A reminder to all parishioners to turn off cell phones before entering the church. Also, a reminder during the winter months that it’s long been part of the Christian tradition that men do not cover their heads in church. Please don’t forget your hats.

FUEL COLLECTION. The annual “Fuel Collection” is taking place. There is an additional envelope in the church packet that requests your generous contribution to defray the costs of our buildings. Like your own homes, everyone is hit hard during the winter months. Because of the severe cold weather this year fuel costs are \$9,000 or 30% higher than last year. We ask everyone to be as generous as possible so that our parish buildings may remain warm and comfortable for everybody. Extra white and blue “Fuel Collection” envelopes are in the church today for those who did not receive it in the mail. Thank you for your help.



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 Diocese of Brooklyn Student Aid Form (PSAS) for 2011 – 2012 is now available. If you would like to send your child to Incarnation School please pick up an application from the School, Parish or Religious Education offices. There is a \$21.00 application fee. If your child is coming from a public school, you must first complete the Student Aid Form (PSAS), after which you can apply for the Children’s Scholarship Fund. If your child is currently enrolled in a private or parochial school you can only apply for the PSAS. Scholarship ranges from \$700 to \$2000. If you have any questions or need any assistance in the application process please call the school office at 718-465-5066.





Events For The Week

Sunday		
9:00am	Religious Education	MGH
10:30pm	Legion of Mary	OLPH
11:30am	Gladys Garcia Farewell	MGH
Monday		
6:00pm	Steel Band Practice	MGH
6:00pm	Girl Scouts	MNH
7:30pm	RCIA	OLPH
Tuesday		
12:00noon	Friendship Club	MNH
7:30pm	Gala Planning	RB
7:30pm	Talleres de Oracion	OLPH
Wednesday		
9:00am	Adoration	CH
7:00pm	Jornada	MNH
7:30pm	Lenten Vespers	CH
Thursday		
6:00pm	Steel Band Practice	MGH
5:00pm	Angelic Voices	CH
7:30pm	Choir	CH
8:00pm	AA	OLPH
Friday		
12:00pm	Food Pantry	MNH
1:50pm	School Stations	CH
7:30pm	Feast Day Mass	CH
Saturday		
7:00pm	Parish Gala	MGH
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

Sunday	Gn 12:1-4a/ 2Tm 1-8b-10 Mt 17:1-9
Monday	Dn 9:4b-10 Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday	Is 1:10,16-20 Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday	Jer 18:18-20 Mt 20:17-28
Thursday	Jer 17:5-10 Lk 16:19-31
Friday	Is 7:10-14,8:10/Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38
Saturday	Mi 7:14-15,18-20 Lk 15:1-3,11-32

Religious Education Happenings

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, June 11. Call the Rectory for information.



Welcome to Our Family . . .

Welcome to the Church! Incarnation would like to welcome the newly baptized of March: Gabrielle Jeanty, Logan Louis, Daniel Menjivar, Bryana Robinson, Jonathan Salcedo, Naiim Sanon, Josiah Sanon-Harris.

The Word Among Us. This Lent a special and attractive periodical entitled "I Will Give You Rest" 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.

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.

The NET New Evangelization Television (Channel 97 Time Warner). Programming guides for the diocesan TV Station are by the doors of the church. Please take one.

2011 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. May intentions are available. 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.

INCARNATION SCHOOL CORNER

Registration has begun at Incarnation School for the 2011-2012 Academic Year

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

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**

Students for the Month of March

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| Pre-K: Alexander Luna | K-1: Julia Harricharran |
| K-2: Johnathan Loiseau | 1st: Julia Ramsaroop |
| 2nd: David Boone | 3rd: Miles Smallhorne |
| 4th: Katrina Soniprasad | 5th: Rika Mantaring |
| 6th: Andrew Johnson | |
| 7-1: Alfred Ikotun | |
| 7-2: Alfred Juntado | |
| 8th: Andrew Peck | |



LENTEN VESPERS SERIES: *What Did Jesus Do?* continues this Wednesday at 7:30PM. We are happy to welcome back to Incarnation Msgr. Gerald Arella, Pastor Emeritus of St. Mark's Parish in Brooklyn. Monsignor is familiar to many as he assists us with Sunday Mass. He will reflect on the reality that *Jesus, Prayed* Future themes and speakers are:

Mar 30 *Jesus Healed* – Rev. James Kuroly

Apr 6 *Jesus Wept* – Rev. Marc Swartvagher

Apr 13 *Jesus Suffered* – Very Rev. Joseph Fonti

The Lenten program will conclude on April 20 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 what Jesus did.

A Parish Food Drive. If you didn't last week, 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 Soup, Boxes of Rice and Tomato Sauce.** On Sunday, April 17 please return your filled grocery bag that will be given to assist the food pantries here at Incarnation and St. Gerard's.



WHITE WELCOME ENVELOPES are located in the church for those who are new in the parish, for those who would like to receive weekly envelopes and for those who may have forgotten their envelope today. Place the envelope and offering in the collection and thank you for your support.



The Parish Feast of the Annunciation will celebrated with a Solemn Mass on Friday, March 25 at 7:30PM and with a Gala Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 26 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 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. 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 mark your calendars and spread the word to friends, family and former parishioners.

The Stations of the Cross. 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.



March Madness Lottery is still taking place. The next drawing is Friday for the entire week so don't miss out. There are still an unbelievable **13** chances to win, including the \$125 prize on our Parish Feast this Friday!

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:

- 5: Barbara Pipa (\$75) 6. Anne Marie Thomas (\$100)
7: Rita Saller (\$50) 8. Lourdes Mantaring (\$50)
9. Henry Kenny (\$50) 10. Jamela Cunjie (\$50)
11. Elsa Paz (\$75)

INCARNATION SCHOOL PROGRAM 2011

As parents begin inquiring what to do for the children over the long days of summer we invite them to consider the Summer Program at Incarnation. For Children ages 4 - 13, the Monday through Thursday program begins Monday, June 27 and ends Thursday, August 4. If interested, please call the school office: 718-465-5066. Activities include:

- Remedial and Enrichment Math, ELA & Science
- Review of State Tests and Terra Nova Assessments
- Music, Dance, Art & Craft, Drama, Writing, Computer Science
- Organized Games
- Weekly barbecue and daily snacks

The two offerings are for:

7:50 AM to 2:45PM, \$125.00 per week

7:50 AM to 12:45PM, \$100.00 per week

REGISTRATION: \$50.00

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Monday May 02, 2011

Congratulations, Sister Mary Ellen Bollmann! The whole parish extends prayers and best wishes as Sister Mary Ellen celebrates her Fiftieth Anniversary as a Sister of St. Dominic. All of Incarnation is invited to join with her in a Mass of Jubilee Celebration on Saturday, April 2 at 12:30PM. If you can't make it don't forget a small prayer to Thank God for Sister Mary Ellen and all our Dominican Sisters.

2011 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: \$68,392—almost \$17,000 of which returned to Incarnation. With the participation of every parishioner we are guaranteed success!

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny: April 16.

Save the date now for breakfast with Spring's most welcomed guest.

