

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>September 9</b>
7:30	Dr. Milagros Sim
9:00	William Ritter
10:30	Anna Paniccia
12:00	Benjamin Alvarez
5:00	In honor of St. Lucy~Intentions of Azucena
<b>Monday</b>	<b>September 10</b>
8:30	Charles Dunleavy
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>September 11</b>
8:30	In Thanksgiving ~ Lynn Eclipse
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>September 12 Most Holy Name of Mary</b>
8:30	John Thomann
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>September 13 St. John Chrysostom</b>
8:30	Enol Lorenzo
<b>Friday</b>	<b>September 14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross</b>
8:30	Margaret Maloney
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 15 Our Lady of Sorrows</b>
8:30	Living members of the Kenny Family
5:00	Owen F. Brady
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>September 16</b>
7:30	Aurea Ortiz
9:00	The People of Incarnation
10:30	Angel Lopez
12:00	Indiana Sosa
5:00	Nilo Apostol

**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



"Be strong, do not fear!" With every true vocation comes the strength and courage of the One who calls. If the Holy Spirit is prompting you to follow Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.



**ATTENTION ALL 7th, 8th & 9th Graders! YOUTH GROUP BEGINS FRIDAY, SEPT 14 at 7:15PM.** Parish young people are invited to join in Incarnation's youth group that will meet on Friday nights. Our young people will have the opportunity to form and guide this new youth experience. Don't miss out. Be there on the 14th.

**LET US PRAY...**

We ask God's healing and strength for:



- Mercia Desir, Gerard Jacques, Rose Toussaint, Gregg Ortiz, Dinorah Wilcox, Mauro Carido Jr, Felipe Galo,
- Kenji Yamashita, Dorothy Winters Hall, Rocco Moreo,
- Allan Caicedo, Elizabeth Burke, Ben & Horacio Eclipse,
- Joseph Gormley, Joyce Kumar, Roberto Cano, Marian Smith,
- Erlinda Valenti, Yvette Goin, Marie Lourdes Toussaint,
- Leone & Vincent Adrien, Vida Moore, Nicole LaForest,
- William O'Neil, Revica Villete, Maria Cabrera, Rosa Cruz,
- Arnulfo Cabahug, Sr, Caroline Amurao, Regine Ross

May eternal rest be granted to:

Our Deceased Parishioners

**THE FAMILY LIFE COMMITTEE – THIS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11.** Wanted fun and dedicated people who want to help build up the Incarnation parish community. The Committee seeks to promote family living in the faith community. Through various parish activities the Family Life Committee reaches out to youngsters, adults and senior citizens. Each family member is important to the committee. So join us in Our Lady's Meeting Room this Tuesday evening at 7:30PM.

**"GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING"**

*Collection for The Week of*

*September 1/2*

<i>My Weekly Tithe</i>	<i>\$5,863</i>
<i>Welcome Back</i>	<i>\$1,336</i>

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

**SECOND COLLECTION**

- Sept 9: Catholic University**
- Sept 16: School Support**

# “BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH!”

## FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Recently I had the chance to visit San Francisco for the first time. A classmate who showed me around told me how lucky I was because of the magnificent weather I had while visiting. Well, the magnificent weather was also equaled by the tremendous hills of the city. Whew! I'm from Flatbush. So I'm not that used to hills and my hotel was on one such slope.

I noticed that if I walked up the hill alone all I thought about was the hill and how difficult and inconvenient it was. One time I walked up the hill with the priest who was showing me around. This trip though noticeable was manageable because I was distracted by his company and the laughing about our time together in Rome. Lastly, one time an older woman, who was a tourist like me, asked me if I could carry her bag for her up to the intersection so she could get a bus or cab. This time even though I was carrying this lady's suitcase it did not seem that bad because I was helping someone else.

I wish I could say that as we begin a new pastoral year here at Incarnation there won't be any hills to climb. I know there will be. New opportunities, people and programs can all come with challenges, not to mention the surprises that pop up at home or on the school or employment front. But remember my experience on the slopes of San Francisco. If we try to go it alone, the challenge might seem worse than it is for it can preoccupy us. If we share the burden with others, it gives us a perspective that allows us to move forward even with joy, perhaps. And if we share the burden, either the burden of others or our own, there seems to be a supernatural assistance that arises-which for the Christian I believe is rooted in Jesus.

I'm glad I didn't just sit in my hotel for five days. Even with the hills I got out and about. Don't sit on the sidelines this pastoral year. Even with the challenges that are before us we can do wonderful things. This year you might want to join the Hospitality Ministry or go to Youth Group. Perhaps this is the time to join one of the prayer groups or attend Sunday Scripture Sharing on Saturday mornings. Maybe you finally have the chance to help with the Religious Ed Program or to join in our intense prayer for vocations. 2012-2013 might be the time you finally go down for coffee and cake on Hospitality Sunday or simply attend daily Mass now that your schedule allows.

Let's get going and do the hills together!

*Father O'Connor*

**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY** will take place next Sunday, September 16th 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 first Hospitality Sunday of the new Pastoral Year. Hospitality Sundays will take place each month letting the unity shared around the Altar flow into our solidarity as the Family of Incarnation.

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT** for this year's class will take place this Saturday beginning at 9:30AM in the school. Bring lunch; drinks and snacks provided.

**Liturgical Ministers Meeting.** There will be an important meeting for all Liturgical Ministers (Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors) on Tuesday, September 18 at 7:30PM in the church. Please attend.

**MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY.** Those men and women who are interested in the Ministry of Hospitality to welcome visitors and parishioners to our doors at Sunday Mass are asked to contact Father O'Connor for more information. The diocesan Training session is being offered at St. Francis Prep on Sept 29.



**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY** is celebrated at Incarnation next weekend. We will have a blessing and commissioning ceremony for our catechists at the 10:30AM Mass.

### PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD.



Over the next nine 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. Father O'Connor or a member of the Vocations Committee, will contact you soon afterwards about all the details.

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>		
9:30am	Religious Education Registration	MGH
10:30am	Legion of Mary	OLPH
10:30am	Blessing of School Children	CH
2:00pm	Filipino Mass	CH
<b>Monday</b>		
6:00pm	Girl Scouts	MNH
7:00pm	Caribbean Association	MGH
<b>Tuesday</b>		
12:00pm	Friendship Club	MNH
<b>Wednesday</b>		
9:00am	Adoration	CH
7:00pm	Jornada Meeting	MNH
<b>Thursday</b>		
5:30pm	Angelic Voices	CH
7:00pm	Religious Ed Teachers Meeting	OLPH
7:30pm	Choir	CH
8:00pm	AA	OLPH
<b>Friday</b>		
12:00noon	Food Pantry	MNH
7:15pm	Youth Group	MNH
7:30pm	Blessing & Cross Celebration	CH
<b>Saturday</b>		
9:30am	Sunday Scripture Sharing	OLPH
9:30am	Confirmation Retreat	MGH
10:30am	Liturgy Committee	OLPH
6:00pm	Haitian Prayer Group	MGH
7:30pm	Line Dancing	MNH
8:00pm	AA	OLPH

**Readings For The Week**

<b>Sunday</b>	Is 35:4-7a Jas 2:1-5 Mt 7:31-37
<b>Monday</b>	1Cor 5:1-8 Lk 6:6-11
<b>Tuesday</b>	1Cor 6:1-11 Lk 6:12-19
<b>Wednesday</b>	1Cor 7:25-31 Lk 6:20-26
<b>Thursday</b>	1Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13 Lk 6:27-38
<b>Friday</b>	Nm 21:4b-9 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17
<b>Saturday</b>	1Cor 10:14-22 Jn 19:25-27

**Religious Education Happenings**

Classes begin: September 23 at 9AM

Confirmation Parents Meeting: September 30 at 9:45AM  
 Registration for September's classes will be this and next Sunday from 9:30AM to 1:30PM in the school main lobby.

**SIGN UP NOW - OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM NEEDS MANY HELPING HANDS! PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING US IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS.**

If you can offer your assistance, please contact S. Joan Klimski at 718 465-8534 x23. We need help in the following ways:

- Teaching on Sunday
- Team teaching
- Substitutes
- Door Monitors
- Catechists for Sunday at the 10:30 Mass for Mustard Seed Ministry (the Liturgy of the Word for children.


**Holy Cross Celebration – this Friday, September 14 –**

**7:30PM.** Be there this Friday night, September 14 on the Feast of the Holy Cross to give thanks and praise for the Victory won by Jesus' Cross. Through scripture, prayer and song recall and celebrate that Tree that brought new life to all the world. Service will end with blessing of Crosses and Crucifixes – so bring them from your homes and join us on the 14<sup>th</sup>.



**SUMMER CHURCH OFFERINGS** Thank you to everyone who regularly used the church envelopes throughout July and August. However, we ask those who may have been away and unable to return their offerings to please help the parish recover some of the income we depend on. Again we invite any new parishioners to register in the parish by using one of the white WELCOME envelopes found at the doors of the church. Thank you to all for your parish support!

**Line Dancing** returns this Saturday at 7:30PM in the lower church. Everyone is welcomed to give it a whirl!

**Box Tops for Education.** Everyone is asked to gather  BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION from their favorite brand food labels. There are two boxes in the vestibule of the church to place your box tops and this will provide added revenue to our school. Thank you for supporting our parish school.

**SUNDAY SCRIPTURE SHARING BEGINS SATURDAY.** One of the requests from our Parish Assembly was a greater opportunity to explore and appreciate Sacred Scripture. Now is the time! So come and join us on Saturday mornings from 9:30-10:30 in Our Lady's Meeting Room or the School 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. Saturdays - beginning this Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. *WERE NOT OUR HEARTS ON FIRE WHILE HE SPOKE TO US ON THE WAY AND OPENED THE SCRIPTURES TO US?*



**INCARNATION SCHOOL CORNER**

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

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.

**PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE.** The parish is seeking creative people who would like to help gather ideas and put them together for the various times and seasons of the Church Liturgical Year as well as various Parish Celebrations. The Liturgy Committee will address themes, musical contributions, decorations and other aspects of our Liturgical Celebrations. The year's first meeting of the Committee will take place this Saturday, September 15 at 10:30AM in Our Lady's Meeting Room and will begin planning for Autumn, Thanksgiving, and Advent. Please contact Fr. O'Connor at the rectory (465-8534) to find out more.

**Mass for the Anointing of the sick, aged and infirmed** – Saturday, September 22 – 11AM. The annual Mass of Anointing is for any parishioner who is burdened by illness or the aging process, and those preparing for surgery. A light reception will follow in Msgr. Nolan Hall.

**CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME.** Our English choirs at Incarnation will resume rehearsals this Thursday, September 13th. The Adult English choir rehearses each Thursday from 7:30 to 9:00pm. The Angelic Voices children's choir has a new rehearsal time: 5:30 to 6:30pm each Thursday. Both choirs rehearse up in the choir loft; returning and new members alike are encouraged to join us. Christmas will be here before you know it! Please help us by your presence to prepare music for Christmas and throughout the year.

**Catechists' Meeting** will take place Wednesday at 7PM in the OLP Meeting Room.

**CHRISTIAN INITIATION.** Do you know a family member or friend who is interested in becoming a Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a wonderful process in our parish available to those who feel called to the Catholic Faith. New inquiry classes will begin in the Fall. The RCIA is also available for those Catholics who have not yet received First Eucharist or Confirmation. Please call Sr. Joan Klimski in the Religious Education Office (718-465-8534) for more information.

**Feast of Faith Series: *The Second Vatican Ecumenical Council-Fifty Years on* ~ We**



invite everyone who would like to explore our Catholic Faith more deeply to come and reflect on Vatican II in this *Year of Faith* throughout this coming year. The first of the four sessions – “The Dogmatic Constitution on the Church: Who We are in Christ Jesus” takes place Wednesday, Sept 19 at 7:30PM. Save the dates for future sessions on November 7, January 9 and February 6- all Wednesday Evenings at 7:30PM.

**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.

**2013 MASS BOOK OPENS TUESDAY.** 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.



**2012 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL** continues at Incarnation. Tallies show that there have been **282 pledges** made. So we are just at **57% to our goal of 500 pledges but we are 20 pledges behind last year.** Thanks to all who already have made a pledge to this year's Appeal. Everyone is encouraged to take part in this year's Appeal by making a generous donation so that we can reach our assigned goal of \$50,290. Pledges—large and small—can be made by all the working members of the household. Extra pledge envelopes are in the church today. You may mail in or return your pledge commitment in the collection and we will deliver it directly to the Appeal Office. No pledge is too small. Together let us “Build God's Kingdom in Brooklyn and Queens!”

