

# St. Matthew Parish



Website: [www.stmatthewrc.org](http://www.stmatthewrc.org)

## Pastoral Staff

### **Pastor**

Fr. Frank Black

### **Priests**

Fr. Thaddeus J. Abraham

Msgr. Pierre Andre

Pierre

Fr. Ralph Theodat

### **Deacon**

Nickie Colon



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### **Mass Schedule:**

**First Friday** 10:00am

**Saturday**-5pm

**Sunday 11:30am**

**Saturday:** Reconciliation-4:30 pm

### **Office Staff**

**Secretary:** Rosanne Barber Ext.100

**D.R.E.:** Monica Flemmings

### **Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm

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### **Mass Schedule:**

Monday-Friday 7:30am & 9:00am

**Saturday** 8:00am & 8:00pm

**Saturday:** Reconciliation-7:30 pm  
or by appointment

### **Sunday:**

English-7:30am & 11:30am

Spanish 9:30am; Kreyol 1:30pm

### **Office Staff**

**Secretary:** Sharon Andrews

**D.R.E.:** Charmaine Noel

### **Office Hours:**

Monday:10:00am-4:00pm

Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday Friday & Saturday:

10:00am-6:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am-4:00pm

**Monday - Saturday-**

**Closed for lunch 1-2 P.M.**

## Our Lady Of Charity

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### **Mass Schedule:**

**Sunday:** Rosary 9:00am

9:30am-Praise & Worship

10am-Mass

### **Office Staff:**

**Secretary:** Patricia Romain

### **Office Hours:**

Monday-Friday:10am-6pm

### **Catholic Cemeteries-**

80-01 Metropolitan Ave.

Middle Village, NY 11379

Tel:718 – 894-4888



## 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: The Call to Be Church

Today's Gospel reading presents the calling of the apostles, Andrew and his brother Simon, whom Jesus later names Peter. We find in scripture two different descriptions of the calling of the first apostles. In the Gospel of John, Andrew is a disciple of John the Baptist. He is present when the Baptist points to Jesus and says, "There is the Lamb of God." Andrew stays with Jesus for the rest of the day, then he goes to inform his brother, Simon, who goes with Andrew to meet this Jesus. In the Synoptic Gospels, Mark, Matthew and Luke, Jesus sees Simon and Andrew fishing. He calls them, and they drop everything to follow Him. He then calls James and John who are in their boat mending their nets. They also follow Him.

So which account is correct? How did the call to the first apostles really take place? We do not know. Actually, how the story of the call of the first apostles is framed is not as important as this: Jesus decided to call people, common everyday people, to follow Him and then to continue his mission to the end of the earth. The call to the disciples was the first step in the formation of the Church. The Church would not be fully formed until it received the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, but the initial call was the beginning.

It is a great miracle of faith that twelve ordinary people should be able to spread the New Way of Jesus Christ throughout the world. Fishermen, a tax collector, a political zealot and just plain everyday people who seldom traveled, literally went to the end of the earth. They spoke about Jesus and people listened, and pressed them to hear more about the Christ. The deaths of the apostles, all martyred with the possible exception of John, did not slow down the movement. If anything, the blood of the martyrs strengthened the New Way. Andrew and Peter, James and John, and all the rest listened to the call and gave witness to Jesus with their lives.

Jesus chose ordinary, everyday people to continue His work. He still does. He chooses you and me to testify with our lives that the Kingdom of God is at hand. To do this we have to be the very best version of ourselves. It would be wonderful if we were always the same, but we are not, at least those of us who have not attained saintliness are not always the same. We behave one way with one group of people, but another way with another group of people. We have the church persona, the work persona, the school persona, the hanging out with friends persona, and many other versions of ourselves, including those we think no one knows about, except the millions of people who can easily find evidence of the websites we visit.

Because we often attempt to allow various versions of ourselves to exist together, we often feel disjointed and unhinged. We are. But when we are our best selves, and we allow our best selves to dominate our lives, then we feel at peace, no matter what challenge we may face.

We have been chosen to continue the work of Jesus Christ. First, though, we must know the Lord. Andrew first spent the afternoon with Jesus before he called his brother, Simon. Simon and the other disciples who would become apostles, spent three years with the Lord. They experienced His healing and other miracles. They heard his preaching to all the people and his particular teaching for them. They knew Him. Remember the dialogue between Philip and Jesus in John 14: 8-9. Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and it will be enough for us." Jesus responded, "Have I been with you for so long a time, and yet you have not come to know Me, Philip? The one who has seen Me has seen the Father; how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? One of the saddest elements in the tragic story of the betrayal by Judas Iscariot is that he had been with the Lord for so long; He knew Him; yet he still sold him out for money.

We need to respond to the call of the Lord by first dedicating ourselves to knowing Him. We do this by having a strong prayer life and a consistent prayer life. We need to be serious about our morning and evening prayers. We need to search out new ways of growing closer to the Lord; perhaps in some of the spiritual reading available. We have two thousand years of the prayers of saints that we can reflect on. More than this, we have the Sacred Scriptures, the Bible, which are always new to each of us. The presence of the Holy Spirit in the Word of God, reaches out to each of us in unique ways.

We need to be consistent in our prayer life. We need to make a prayer schedule and keep it. If we need flexibility, for example if the time for us to leave for work varies, then we need to be sure our schedule is based on when we will leave the house, not on a particular time. For example, let's say we need 30 minutes for our morning prayers and rosary. We need to base the time we get up on creating time for our prayers and not say, "I say my prayers at 7:00 am and I leave for work at 8:15. If I have to leave for work at 7:45, then I don't have time for my prayers." No, we need to say, "Tomorrow I have to get up a half hour earlier so I can have time for my prayers."

There is a wonderful upward spiral in the spiritual life. The more we pray, the more spiritual we become. The more spiritual we become, then the more we pray.

Armed with the knowledge of the Lord fortified by our prayer life, we are then ready to proclaim the Lord. Our very union with God will be evident in the way we reach out to others, care for others, and in the way we live our lives. Others will come to the Lord because they can sense the presence of His Spirit within us.

We have been called like the first disciples to know Jesus and proclaim the Good News that God is ultimately in control. We have been called to be Church.

*Msgr. Joseph Pellegrino*

WEEKLY READINGS	
Sun Jan 14	1 Sm 3:3-10,19; 1 Cor 6:13-15,17-20; Jn 1:35-42
Mon Jan 15	1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22
Tue Jan 16	1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28
Wed Jan 17	1 Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51; Mk 3:1-6
Thu Jan 18	1 Sm 18:6-, 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12
Fri Jan. 19	1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19
Sat Jan. 20	2 Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27; Mk 3:20-21

### OUR LADY OF CHARITY: MASS INTENTIONS

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS:** Eric Williams , Anthony Brouet , Timothy & Joshua Lennon,Tyrel & Treval Lennon , June Leysath , Anthony Yorrick , Justin Matthews , Serry Grant , Robert Daniel , Kailey Howard , Jamie Phillip , Xavier Latimer, Kora Ella Barber , Anthony Inniss , K. DeShawn Jackson , Jean Griffith Sandiford , Leah Daniel , Anthonny James , Zari Evans/ Forrester , Christine Spellman , Lisa Romain , Cashmere Blackwell ,Quinton Herrera , Haley Huie , Alfonso Heslop  
**We pray to the Lord**

**PARISH PRAYER:** For our parish, that the three communities of St. Matthew, St. Gregory the Great and Our Lady of Charity, learn how to merge and grow together spiritually and become financially sound as three and yet one,  
**We pray to the Lord.**

**TODAY'S MASS :We pray to the Lord.**

**ALTAR BREAD : We pray to the Lord.**

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY : We pray to the Lord.**

### ST. GREGORY : MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Jan. 13 <sup>th</sup>	5 PM Vigil Mass for Elizabeth Casey, R.I.P., Requested by Margaret Mary Casey
Sunday, Jan. 14 <sup>th</sup>	11:30 AM Mass for Romona Jack, In Thanksgiving, Requested by The Family
Saturday, Jan. 20 <sup>th</sup>	5 PM Vigil Mass for Fabian Milburn, Birthday Blessings, R.I.P., Requested by Theresa Milburn

### ST. MATTHEW: MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 13	<b>8:00pm</b> – Blessings & God’s guidance for our parishioners
Sunday January 14 <i>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>7:30am</b> –Holy Name Society <b>9:30am</b> – a. I.L.M. of Maria Elena Leobardo & Marino Luna by Inez Sanchez & family b. R.I.P. Deacon Florencio Cruz by wife & family <b>11:30am</b> –Birthday blessings Sherwin Delauney by wife, Monefa & family <b>1:30pm</b> –a.R.I.P. Marie Louis Juste by Preminie Cleophat b. I.L.M. of Immacula Michel by Marie Coeur Altidor c. R.I.P. Serge & Blondine Simon by Armelle Amilcar
Monday January 15	<b>7:30am</b> –The Johnson family <b>9:00am</b> – In memory of Herve Desdunes birthday by wife, Yolette & family
Tuesday January 16	<b>7:30am</b> –In loving memory of Sophie & Samia by Jacqueline Venus <b>9:00am</b> –B’day blessings Vladimir Coxall by mom, Annette Coxall
Wednesday January 17	<b>7:30am</b> – In honor of the Holy Infant, Jesus & private intentions by Annette Coxall <b>9:00am</b> – R.I.P. Alejandro Gonzalez by his wife
Thursday January 18	<b>7:30am</b> –Thanksgiving & blessings for our community by Althea Pierre <b>9:00am</b> – Birthday blessings for Monefa Hinds–Delauney
Friday January 19	<b>7:30am</b> –Birthday blessings Krissee Patrick by Floe & family <b>9:00am</b> – Repose of the souls of Julia Chapman Stanley & Jordyn Banks Stafford by Michele Stafford
Saturday January 20	<b>8:00am</b> –Healing for my aunt, Merle Richards by Letitia Pavy

### CANDLE FOR January 13– January 20



Thanksgiving to God requested by Lucrecia Francis

### BREAD & WINE FOR JANUARY



**BREAD** - Thanksgiving to God requested by Princess Frank

**WINE** - In memory of my mom, Lucile & dad, Constant requested by Evelyn Barreau

## REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

### **For the homebound, hospitalized and sick**

Judith Adams, Rita Antomez, Marie Augustine, Armelle Amilcar, Loraine Quash– Antoine, Marie Augustin, Al Barnett, Monica Belfon, Marque & Yael Barber-LaFon, Melona Barber, Jason Bascom, Ruby Bowman, Silvestre Brathwaite, Ismay Brewster, Recy Brown, Patricia Burrowes, Yolande Cadet, Diana Codogan, Cathleen Charles, Catilda Charles, Delcia Charles, Marcel Charles, Maria Clouden Cecilia Clovie, Nelia Collins, Marilyn Coates, Diana Codogan, Virginia Cox, Daphne Critchlow, Theresa Cudjoe, Veronica Dale, Angela Daniels, Shirley Daniels, Joseph Drew, Stephen Duncan, Dorothy Edwards, Una Europe, Stella Emmanuel, Elardo Flemmings, Carrie Frasier, Doriel Gabriel, John Gale, Doriel Gabriel, Ryan Gee, Sybil Geoffroy, Catherine & Deacon Roy George, Bernadette Gilbert, Muriel Gomez, Trina Gonzalez, Kellon Hagley, Kelly Hagley, Gwendolyn Harding, Pat Harris, Bruno Henry, Beverly Hillyer, Pierre & Elreta Hinds, Florence Holder, Danielle Huie, Orson Hutchings, Kerlyne Hyppolite, Anasha Inniss, Carlyn Jabouin, Donna James, Nellie James, Diane John, Alsie Johnson, Nicole Johnson, Magdalena Joseph, Ian Kellman, Lucy King, Albert Kirton, Kanelle Lang, Rhoda Lewis, Sampson Lewis, Marjorie Lopez, Luis Manuel Lorenzo, Madelin Lorenzo, Vivian Boykin Lott, Norberto Lovell, Jean Lubin, Gloria Lynch, Hubert Lynch, Mamita, Barbara Manuel, Virginia Marcellin, Judith Matthew, Tom McCafferty, Laura McDonald, Mavis McDonald, Leticia McDowell, Vernita McDowell, Gemma Mejias, Isai Munoz, Marta Munoz, Nelson Munoz, Suzanne Neil, Ronald Nethersole, Claudette Norde, Mother Dolores Olf, Keena Ollivierre, Ronaldo Nano Paul, Sharon Perry, Andre Perry, Chung Peters, Mary James Peterson, Marie Pierre, Melody Pink, Sonia Prescott, Ann Primo, Val Quash, Len Quash, Dorothy Irons Reid, Catherine Richards, Melissa Richards, Elizabeth Rivera, Cornelia Robergeau, Randolph Romain, Carlos Rudas, Lidia Saunders, Marlene Saunders, Pamela Smith, Pema Smith, John Spellman Sr., Lisa Scott Spencer, Delores Sykes, Kevin Maynard, Basil Suarez, Antonio Sultan, Violet Sylvester, Brenda & Javier Talango, Angela & Edris Thomas, Lyonette Tribie, Janet Throne, Amparo Torres, Malik Wellington, Hazel Williams, Karen Williams, Terrance Williams, Octavio Willis, Leandro Wilson, Hazel Williams, Reynold Williams, Christine Wright, Joan Wright, Natasha Wright, James P. Young

**SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR :** Yvonne Lacy, Dean Jackson, Wendy Romain, Vaughn Haynes, Georgeann Campbell, Maura Chisam, Danielle Huie, Cotilda Charles, Anthony Hepburn Jr., Lawrence Latimer, La Mar Mc Nabb, Lisa Colone, Krystal Chinalbert, Christine Hudson & family, Conrad Lord, Glenda Hunter, Livingston Holloway, Jaden Bell, Nathan Ford Sr. & family, Isabella Bugett, Sabrina Guess, Daphne & Golda Critchlow, Gwen & Helena Pugh, Hannah Penny, Kendall Wilson, Almarie Mc Coy, Raymond Jorsling, all families represented here today,

All students, teachers and principals, President Joseph Biden & his family, Vice President Kamala Harris & her family, our Government, prayers and petitions in our prayer basket, for the all Priest especially those who serve here at Charity, Religious Vocations, and an increase in Religious Vocations, all men and women serving our country, the elders, all who are incarcerated, and unexpressed prayers, for immigrants, a successful solution to the pandemic, the mentally sick, the unemployed and under employed, end to gun violence and for world peace,

**We pray to the Lord.**

## WEEKLY MEETINGS - St. Matthew

St. Matthew weekly meetings have commenced. Please contact your ministry to find out the time and date of the meetings.

### WEEK OF SUNDAY 01/14/2024 @ ST. GREGORY

+ 9 AM Sunday school- In Session  
+ 10:30 AM – Choir Rehearsal  
+ 11:30 AM Sunday Mass – (Live Stream)  
+ CREDIT UNION-OPEN

**MONDAY 01/15/24 – OFFICE CLOSED**  
**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY**  
+ NO Choir Rehearsal-Church

**FRIDAY 01/19/24**  
+ 7:30 PM Bible Study via zoom

**SATURDAY 01/20/24**  
+ 4 PM Confession  
+ 4 PM Vigil Choir Rehearsals  
+ 8 PM Light Fest Prayer Group – ZOOM <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82362442148?pwd=MGVNMWFFQcVdrQktXeTh0YjRadC9Mdz09>

+ 5 PM Vigil Mass - Church- (Live Stream)

COLLECTION 01/06– 01/07/2024

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**ST. MATTHEW**

Mass	Envelopes	Envelope Collection	Loose money	Totals
8 PM	19	831.00	37.00	868.00
7:30 AM	52	2,438.00	122.00	2,560.00
9:30 AM	40	1,015.00	214.25	1,229.25
11:30 PM	75	1,019.00	383.75	1,402.75
1:30 PM	37	673.00	134.00	807.00
L.I.R.	28	2,595.00	—	2,595.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>8,571.00</b>	<b>891.00</b>	<b>9,462.00</b>

**ST. GREGORY**

Mass	Envelopes	Envelope Collection	Loose money	Totals
5 PM	6	345.00	60.00	405.00
10:00AM	27	1,069.00	116.00	1,185.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>1,414.00</b>	<b>176.00</b>	<b>1,590.00</b>

**OUR LADY OF CHARITY**

Mass	Envelopes	Envelope Collection	Loose money	Totals
10:00AM	37	1,971.00	—	1,971.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>1,971.00</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,971.00</b>

**FAITH DIRECT:**  
December 10, 2023-  
January 9, 2024 - \$1,817.00

**ST. MATTHEW EXPENSES**

	Apr - Jul 20	Apr - Jul 19	% Change
<b>Income</b>			
Collections	168,288.50	344,182.28	-51.11%
Rent	199,829.29	217,167.84	-7.98%
Programs	0.00	10,369.20	-100.0%
Donations/Fundraising	1,366.00	18,115.47	-92.46%
Other	25,491.52	24,792.07	2.82%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>394,975.31</b>	<b>614,626.86</b>	<b>-35.74%</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
Employee Compensation	302,582.87	291,549.37	3.78%
Maintenance	69,276.57	33,706.71	105.53%
Office Expenses	28,460.39	19,601.93	45.19%
Programs	3,351.36	6,028.70	-44.41%
Altar Supplies	6,099.33	16,602.28	-63.26%
Utilities	28,261.46	27,878.02	1.38%
Miscellaneous Expense	2,032.03	3,230.79	-37.1%
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>440,064.01</b>	<b>398,597.80</b>	<b>10.4%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>(45,088.70)</b>	<b>216,029.06</b>	<b>-120.87%</b>

**ST. GREGORY THE GREAT**

*St. Gregory the Great* **BIBLE STUDY** with Catherine Abdullah @ 7PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) every week on **FRIDAYS**

Bible Study back in Session @ 7:15 PM  
**Link for Bible Study** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85498875775?pwd=Nk4zY3BVOUFmVzRUSDJodllWSDArUT09>

To Join Zoom Meeting please use Meeting ID: 854 9887 5775  
Passcode: 374738  
On tap mobile

Dial 929 205 6099 using Meeting ID and the passcode  
**Bible Study (All Are Invited) Meets on zoom every Friday from 7:30PM to 8:30PM A Book of the Bible is picked (By the Group) alternatively, from the Old Testament, followed by The New Testament.**

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**LIGHT FEST PRAYER GROUP (ALL ARE WELCOME!)**  
**Meet-In-Person at St. Gregory R.C. Church every FIRST SATURDAYS of the month in the Church's dining room. The remaining Saturdays of the month, Light Fest Prayer Group meets on zoom in the Light Fest Reading Room from 8PM to 9PM. The zoom link is mentioned above. Please contact any member for information for telephone number and pin number to access this prayer line. (This enables us to discuss confidentiality protocols to New Participants)**

**UPCOMING MTGS. & EVENTS @ ST. GREGORY MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

MARCUS GARVEY SERVICE ONCE A MONTH ON THE SECOND SUNDAY AT 2PM

**St. Gregory the Great – Religious Education**  
Sunday school is in session. Time: 9:30am.  
Registration fee: \$60 per candidate  
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**JESSIE TREE PROJECT** (Sponsored by Sunday school & Confirmation Class) (All are Welcomed to participate) occurs every December starting December 1<sup>st</sup> and extended until Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. Note that a different Charity is chosen yearly. This is decided by the availability, or need.  
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You are all cordially invited to Holy Mass commemorating the Life of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. Main Celebrant & Homilist Most Reverend Nelson Perez Archbishop/ Archdiocese of Philadelphia on Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 12 PM at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish located at 1550 Hendrickson Street, Brooklyn, NY

Accessible by MTA Bus  
Limited Parking available  
For More Information call 718-924-2549, [BlackCatholicConcernsBK@gmail.com](mailto:BlackCatholicConcernsBK@gmail.com) or [BrooklynBlackCatholics.org](http://BrooklynBlackCatholics.org)  
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East Brooklyn Congregation (EBC) Meeting on Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 from 2pm to 3pm at First Baptist Church of Crown Heights located 450 Eastern Parkway.  
Join your neighbors to call on New York State to develop Kingsboro with the urgency this crisis demands. Brooklyn families need housing NOW!  
Essential Housing for Essential Workers.  
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## SACRAMENTS & REGISTRATION

### PARISH REGISTRATION:

All are welcome! Any letter concerning sponsorship for the sacraments or testimonial letters will only be issued to registered parishioners of 6+ months. Please register in the rectory.

### BAPTISM:

To have your child baptized in the

Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens, you must show:

1. Proof that you live in the geographical boundaries of the Church you wish to have the baby baptized.(e.g. electric bill). If you live outside the boundaries of the Church you wish to have your baby baptized , you must get a permission letter from the Catholic church closest to where you live granting you permission to have your baby baptized outside of the geographical area .
2. Your baby is allowed **one** God mother and **one** God father, one must be Catholic, practicing their faith (letter from the Church stating this), and have their confirmation certificate. The baby can be baptized with one Catholic god parent.
3. One parent must be baptized Catholic and have their baptism certificate, First Communion or Confirmation as proof.
4. Once these requirements are fulfilled, we encourage you to call and set a date. Children 7 & under can be baptized w/o CCD classes.

### RCIA

RCIA stands for RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS and is composed of a series of sessions bringing people together to experience the prayer life of the church as well as learn about its doctrines and teachings. Using the readings from the Bible which we hear daily at Mass, the Sacred Liturgy as well as the Catechism of the Catholic Church, teens and adults who have not yet done so prepare themselves to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation & Holy Eucharist.

**RCIA is offered in Spanish, Kreyol & English and is for people who:**

- ◆ Were baptized in the Catholic Church but have not received the sacrament of Confirmation, First Holy Communion or First Confession
- ◆ Were baptized in another Christian denomination and wish to join the Catholic Church
- ◆ Were never baptized & wish to fully worship in the Catholic Church
- ◆ Wants to know more about what it means to be Catholic?

The sessions begin in October. If you are interested in knowing more, please contact the rectory.

## SACRAMENTS & REGISTRATION

### School of Religion @ St. Matthew

***After receiving First Holy Communion, It is essential for your child to continue each year in our program, until they complete their initiation with the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.***

For more information about registration requirements or other questions you might have, contact us: Phone: 215-576-4124; email: [stmatthewreledu@stmatthew-brooklyn.org](mailto:stmatthewreledu@stmatthew-brooklyn.org)

***Después de recibir la Primera Comunión, es esencial que su hijo continúe en nuestro programa cada año, hasta que complete la iniciación con la recepción del Sacramento de la Confirmación.***

Para más información acerca los requisitos para registración u otras preguntas que usted pueda tener, comuníquese al Tel: 215-576-4124; email: [stmatthewreledu@stmatthew-brooklyn.org](mailto:stmatthewreledu@stmatthew-brooklyn.org)

***ENSKRIPSYON YO AP FÈT KOUNYE A  
BATÈM, PREMYE SENT KOMINYON AK KONFI-  
MASYON.***

Pouplisenfòmasyon sou kondisyon enskripsyon ou swalòtkek-  
syon ou ta genyen kontaktenounan: Phone: 215-576-4124;  
email: [stmatthewreledu@stmatthew-brooklyn.org](mailto:stmatthewreledu@stmatthew-brooklyn.org)

## ST. MATTHEW EVENTS

### GIFT SHOP

Located @ the back of the Church, selling an array of religious articles including rosaries, open on weekends before & after Mass.



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration in the Church on **Wednesdays** and **Fridays** after **9:00 am Mass until 12:00 noon**. Fridays from **7 P.M. to 9 P.M.** The Divine Mercy is recited during the reposition.

Your hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament will repair for evils of the world and bring about peace on earth. "Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Jesus and ready to make reparation for the great evils of the world.

Let your adoration never cease."

-Pope John Paul II -

### VOCATIONS

"Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ?" Is the Holy Spirit leading to share your gifts 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)

### FAMILY MASS

Our monthly Family Mass will be held on Saturday, January 20th, at 5 P.M. All students in the School of Religion are asked to attend this Mass with their family.

### WOMEN'S BRUNCH RETREAT

Heart to Heart Ministry will have a retreat for women on Saturday, February 10th from 9:45 a.m. until noon.

The address is American Martyrs Parish, Sullivan Hall, 79-43 Bell Blvd, Bayside, New York.

For additional information you can contact Sister Ave Clark at 718-428-2471.

### RECTORY CLOSING

The rectory will be closed on Monday, January 15th in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

## 10 Inspiring Quotes by Martin Luther King Jr.

On January 15, 1929, Martin Luther King Jr. was born. In remembrance of one of the leading figures in the civil rights movement and the man behind the iconic "I have a dream" speech of 1963, Vogue has chosen 10 of his most famous quotes about humanity that remain resonant to this day.

1. "We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools."
2. "Nothing in all the world is more dangerous than sincere ignorance and conscientious stupidity."
3. "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."
4. "It is not the violence of the few that scares me; it is the silence of the many."
5. "One has a moral responsibility to disobey unjust laws."
6. "In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends."
7. "Everybody can be great, because everybody can serve."
8. "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."
9. "He who accepts evil without protesting against it is really cooperating with it."
10. "There is nothing more tragic than to find an individual bogged down in the length of life, devoid of breadth."