St. Matthew Parish



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St. Gregory the Great

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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

St. Matthew

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Mass Schedule:

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

<u>Saturday</u> 8:00am & 8:00pm

<u>Saturday</u>: 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 - SaturdayClosed for lunch 1-2 P.M.

Our Lady Of Charity

1669 Dean St., Brooklyn, NY 11213 Tel 718- 774-5100 Fax 718- 778-3335 Email: Olc1669@aol.com

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



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Pray for Healing

Today's first reading from Job is exactly what we do not need as we try to navigate our contemporary difficulties. The first reading starts out with:

"Is not man's life on earth a drudgery?" and then it gets worse:

"I have been assigned months of misery, and troubled nights have been allotted to me. If in bed I say, "When shall I arise?" then the night drags on; I am filled with restlessness until the dawn. My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; they come to an end without hope. Remember that my life is like the wind; I shall not see happiness again."

What a way to start Mass particularly for people sick and tired of being sick and tired from the flu, Covid, and what have you, as well as being stretched out financially, and, well, we won't even mention people's hypersensitivity regarding anything even remotely political. Most of us feel like the characters in the comic, Pearls Before Swine, who find the best solution to the world is to stay in bed.

Thank you, Church, but we really do not need Job today.

Or do we? Perhaps, we need Job to remind us that there is so much more to existence than the physical here and now. The main section of the Book of Job concludes with Job recognizing that he will never have the answers to his problems. He has to place his trust in God.

Jesus lived in a world of problems. Emperors, kings and dictators routinely abused their subjects. The Jewish people particularly suffered. Some of this they brought on themselves. They didn't seem to understand that they had been conquered by Rome. They went out of their way to challenge the conquerors whenever they could. And then it would be routine for them to be tortured to death by crucifixion. After the Romans put down the First Jewish Revolt from 66-74 AD, it is said (probably an exaggeration) that they ran out of timber to use for crosses.

Debtor prison, something we do not have now, was a reality back in the time of the Lord. People would be thrown into the prison, perhaps even tortured while they were there. Their frantic family would have to find a way to come up with money to get them out. Slavery was not just a racial reality as it would be

in later centuries. Anyone could be enslaved, particularly as part of a conquest. And then there was sickness. There was so much sickness, so much misery. We read in the Gospels people suffering from leprosy, paralysis, epilepsy. We hear about the blind and the deaf. We even hear about a lady with a delicate personal problem. It is no wonder that large crowds of people continually pressed on Jesus pleading with Him to heal them. And Jesus did heal many people, lepers, a man with a withered arm, cripples, and many, many more.

Notice, though, what Jesus did before he healed people. He prayed. He prayed to His Father. His human nature stayed in touch with his divine nature as he went off to a deserted place to pray. And His prayers were answered with such power that he could heal.

We do not know the reasons why there are so many problems in the world. We do not know why good people suffer. We do not know why children die. We do not even know the extent of suffering around us.

What we do know is that if we keep a union with God, we can see all difficulties for what they are, temporary. "This too will pass," the wise say.

And so we meet challenges head on knowing that God will fight with us, helping us win the battle here so we can join him in the eternal celebration of His victory.

And so, we pray. We welcome the spiritual into our lives. We welcome the Presence of God into our lives and witness Him strengthening our faith life. And we witness the power of prayer. Over and over again I hear people tell me stories of how they or their loved ones survived and grew closer to God due to prayer. One of my doctors had to step aside from his practice because he became severely ill. His doctors told him that he probably would not survive. "But," he told me, "people prayed for me. And I have benefitted from a miracle." I have witnessed people being healed through the sacrament of the sick. And how many people have gone to healing services and been healed? It is not the person who leads the service who does the healing. The healing is due to the power of God answering prayers.

Scores of people pushed against Jesus. They wanted to be healed. Jesus knew that sickness was not part of the Father's plan. These people were suffering the result of man's choosing death over life, choosing to push God aside in favor of the material world. They were innocent as individuals, but they all suffered from mankind's guilt. Jesus' heart went out to them. He hurt for them. He healed them.

Jesus heals. He heals the pain not just of the people of the past, those people we hear about in the Gospels. Jesus heals the pain of the people of today. Some receive physical healing immediately. Others receive healing in stages. All who call out to the Lord are healed. Some are healed physically. Some are healed emotionally, able to accept their condition in life. All receive spiritual healing as they unite their pain to the Cross of Christ.

We who carry Christ within us, carry within us the one who heals. If we believe in Him, if we trust in Him, then we refuse to join Job's cry of despair. We recognize that Christ is present when we need Him the most, healing our internal and our external turmoil. We need to remember: we are not alone. Jesus is always with us. The last words of the Gospel of Matthew are so important: "Know that I am with you always until the end of time." He is here to protect us from the doubts and despair that plagued Job. He is here to give us the courage to walk with Him over the threshold to a new life.

Today all of us are told that when we are suffering, in any manner whatsoever, we must reach out to the presence of God. We believe that He is present for us; that He is with us. We believe that He cries out with us sharing our pain. We must use this special presence of the Lord as a way to come closer to the God who loves us, who was one of us, who died for us, and who gave his life, eternal life, to us.

So we ask our God, "When the difficulties of our human condition weigh heavily upon us, dear Lord and Divine Lover, teach us how to pray."

WEEKLY READINGS				
Sun Feb 4	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor 9:16-19;22-23; Mk 1:29–39			
Mon Feb 5	1Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 ; Mk 6:53-56			
Tue Feb 6	1Kgs 8:22-23,27-30 ; Mk 7:1-13			
Wed Feb 7	1Kgs 10:1-10 ; Mk 7:14-23			
Thu Feb 8	1Kgs 11:4 -13 ; Mk 7:24-30			
Fri Feb 9	1Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19 ; Mk 7:31-37			
Sat Feb 10	1 Kgs 12: 26-32,13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10			

OUR LADY OF CHARITY: MASS INTENTIONS

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS: Agatha Forrester, Milani Gabriel, Joseph Campbell, Jourvany Vazquez, Dawne Lewis, Kerdal Wilson, Sherriann Douglas, Natalie Chan, La Chaun Mc. Donald,, Andrew Huie, Belinda Tillsey, Iolani Catherine Bernard, Motunrayo Mims, Hilaria Slocombe, Brianna Bishop, Fr. Ted Parker, David Daniel 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.

SANCTUARY CANDLE: We pray to the Lord

First Saturday, Feb. 3rd 5 PM Vigil Mass for Eloise B. Dudley, R.I.P., Requested by Marjorie Lopez Sunday, 11;30 am Mass for Leda Michel, R.I.P., Requested by Irene Paris Saturday, 5 PM Vigil Mass of Birthday Blessings

& Thanksgiving for Life for Lorna Gilkes

Feb. 10^{th}

ST. GREGORY: MASS INTENTIONS

ST. MATTHEW: MASS INTENTIONS						
Saturday February 3	8:00pm- I.L.M. of Marshall Blackburn & Vincent Campo by Juliana Blackburn					
Sunday	7:30am–Altar Rosary Society					
February 4 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30am – a. I.L.M. of Luis Palacios by Teresa Palacios					
	b. I.L.M. of Laura Martinez Custodio by Alberto & Jose Manuel Martinez					
	c. In honor of Our Lady of Altagracia b Raquel George					
	11:30am–Birthday blessings Teneke Noel by mom, Charmaine Noel					
	1:30pm –Thanksgiving to the Lord by Marie Coeur Altidor					
Monday February 5	7:30am – Success of her surgery this morning for Janelle Lee Chee					
	9:00am – R.I.P. Jessie Daniel by daughter, Amy Francis					
Tuesday February 6	7:30am –For my family, friends & loved ones by Letitia Pavy					
	9:00am –For all who are sick, unemployed, homeless & depressed					
Wednesday	7:30am – R.I.P. Lyn Richards					
February 7	9:00am – Healing for those suffering from strokes, heart disease, cancer & undiagnosed illnesses.					
Thursday February 8	7:30am – God's healing blood, peace & blessings for Althea & her family					
	9:00am –That God's healing blood & Mary's blue mantle will continue to protect my children from all evil					
Friday February 9	7:30am – For the elderly & sick of our parish					
	9:00am – For our volunteers, workers & ministers					
Saturday February 10	8:00am – Thanksgiving to God by Barbara Celestine					
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CANDLE FOR February 4- February 10



Birthday blessings for Helena O'Brien

BREAD & WINE FOR FEBRUARY



Birthday blessings for Helena O'Brien

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

For the homebound, hospitalized and sick

Judith Adams, Rita Antomez, 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, 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, Janice & 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 Olff, Keena Ollivierre, Ronaldo Nano Paul, Sharon Perry, Andre Perry, Chung Peters, Mary James Peterson, Marie Pierre, Melody Pink, Sonia Prescot, Ann Primo, Val Quash, Len Quash, Dorothy Irons Reid, Catherine Richards, Melissa Richards, Elizabeth Rivera, Cornelia Robergeau, Randolph Romain, Carlos Rudas, Lidia 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, 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 & family, La Mar Mc Nabb, Conrad Lord, Christine Hudson & family, Glenda Hunter, Livingston Holloway, Jaden Bell, Nathan Ford Sr. & family, Isabella Bugett, Sabrinia Guess, Gwen & Helena Pugh, Golda & Daphne Crithlow, Hannah Penny, Kendall Wilson, Almarie Mc Coy, Raymond Jorsling ,Judith Prosper , 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 02/04/2024 @ ST. GREGORY

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

MONDAY 02/05/24

+ 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal-Church

FRIDAY 02/09/24

+ 7:30 PM Bible Study via zoom

SATURDAY 02/10/24

- + 4 PM Confession
- + 4 PM Vigil Choir Rehearsals
- + 4 PM Light Fest Prayer Group-via zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82362442148? pwd=MGVNMWFQcVdrQktXeTh0YjRadC9Mdz09

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

COLLECTION 01/27-01/28/2024								
	ST. MATTHEW							
Mass	Enve- lopes	Envelope Collection		oose noney	Totals			
8 PM	36	1,261.00	205.00		1,466.00			
7:30 AM	62	2,215.00	2	255.00	2,470.00			
9:30 AM	44	1,236.31	1	41.00	1,377.31			
11:30 PM	58	1,270.00	348.00		1,618.00			
1:30 PM	36	528.00	130.25		658.25			
L.I.R.	21	826.00	_		826.00			
Total	257	7,336.31	1,079.25		8,415.56			
ST. GREGORY								
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OUR LADY OF CHARITY Enve-**Envelope** Loose **Totals** Mass Collection lopes money 10:00AM 1,910.00 37 1,910.00 Total 37 1,910.00 1,910.00

FAITH DIRECT:

January 1st – 30th, 2024 ~\$1,499.00

ST. MATTHEW EXPENSES

	Apr - Jul 20	Apr - Jul 19	% Change
Income			
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%
Total Income	394,975.31	614,626.86	-35.74%
Expense			
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%
Total Expense	440,064.01	398,597.80	10.4%
Net Income	(45,088.70)	216,029.06	-120.87%

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

St. Gregory the Great <u>BIBLE STUDY</u> with Catherine Abdullah @ 7:30PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) every week on <u>FRIDAYS</u>

Bible Study is beginning The Gospel of John

<u>Link for Bible Study</u> 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 <u>Bible Study</u> (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.

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 *************

HERITAGE COMMITTEE CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY.

SOLOISTS FEATURED ALONG WITHH "TEACHABLE MOMENTS" STARTING FIRST SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD THRU SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH, 2024.

SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULE FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH AT ST. GREGORY'S CHURCH

Sunday, February 11th @ 11:30 AM – Children's Day Mass

St. Gregory the Great Heritage Committee Presents 28th Annual Cultural Extravaganza

Sunday, February 18th @ 4 PM SHARP!

@ 563 Sterling Place, corner of Classon Avenue (St. Theresa of Avila Hall)

There will be Fashion, Dance, Musical Selections and Poetry Tickets are available for purchase at \$30 for adults and \$15 for children 12 years and under.

See any member of the Heritage Committee after Mass.

Saturday, February 24th @ 5PM Vigil and Sunday, February 25th @ 11:30AM Dedication Masses for the deceased members of The Heritage Committee.

LOOK ON BACK FOR CANTORS/SOLOISTS SCHEDULE

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 <u>one</u> God mother and <u>one</u> 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: stmatthew-brooklyn.org

<u>Después de recibir la Primera Comunión,</u> 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: stmatthew-brooklyn.org

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Pouplisenfòmasyonsoukondisyonenskripsyonoswalòtkeksyonou ta genyenkontaktenounan: Phone:215-576-4124; email:stmatthewreledu@stmatthew-brooklyn.org

ST. MATTHEW EVENTS



EUCHARISTIC 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.

VOCATIONS

"All this I do for the sake of the gospel." If you are seeking greater simplicity of life and a closer following of the Lord in prayer and action, consider that He may be calling you to the priesthood, deacon or consecrated life.

Contact the Vocation Office at

718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org

GROUP OF HOPE

St. Matthew Group of Hope is hosting an Oildown Fest in commemoration of Grenada's 50th Independence, in the Parish Center on Saturday, February 10, 2024, from 5 to 10 P.M. Food is \$15 a plate and drinks will be on sale

ASH WEDNESDAY

Please bring in your palm branches from last year's Palm Sunday. The palms will be burnt and the ashes used on Ash Wednesday. February 14th. On that day we will have Mass at 7:30 and 9 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.

FREE TAX PREPARATION

Free Tax Preparation is once again being offered. In order to qualify for this service, your yearly income cannot exceed \$73,000.To schedule an appointment call or stop by the rectory and leave your telephone number.

REHEARSAL DATES FOR THE DRAMATIZED STATIONS ON GOOD FRIDAY:

Friday February 16th at 8:00 P.M.

Tuesday February 20th at 7:30 P.M.

Sunday February 25th at 4:00 P.M.

Sunday March 3rd at 4:00 P.M.

Sunday March 10th at 4:00 P.M.

Tuesday March 26th at 7:30 P.M. (Dress Rehearsal)

YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group will be hosting a Black History Month celebration /talent show on Saturday, February 17th in the Parish Center after the 5 P.M. Mass. Everyone is invited.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION TO THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

Jesus, my Lord and my God, truly present - Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Most Holy Eucharist, I believe in Thy Real Presence.

I love Thee above all things with all my heart, soul, mind and strength.

I thank Thee for giving Thyself and remaining with us in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I worship and adore Thee profoundly.

I wholeheartedly consecrate myself entirely to Thee today. I surrender myself completely to Thy goodness and Divine Mercy.

I firmly resolve to prepare to receive Thee in Holy Communion

with reverence and love, especially through the practice of the Catholic faith

and frequent reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

I firmly resolve to fulfill my Sunday obligation.

Grant me the grace to also frequently receive Thee

at Holy Mass on weekdays;

and when this is not possible, to at least make a Spiritual Communion.

Come now into my heart in Spiritual Holy Communion.

I devote myself to Eucharistic and perpetual adoration.

Dear Lord, I pray for the establishment, expansion and maintenance of adoration in parishes and Christian communities.

I firmly resolve to visit and adore Thee often in tabernacles and exposed in monstrances, and to make daily, weekly, or frequent holy hours as my state in life permits.

Help me Lord to be a missionary of the Eucharist by living a Eucharistic life and by inviting others to Mass, adoration and to embrace the fullness of the true faith. Mary, Mother of the Eucharist and my mother, Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, intercede for me with thy Son for the graces to assist devoutly at Holy Mass, communicate worthily, and lovingly visit and adore

Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament; so that, day by day, my heart may become more like His Eucharistic Heart. Amen.