

# St. Matthew Parish



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

## Pastoral Staff

### **Pastor**

Fr. Frank Black

### **Priests**

Fr. Thaddeus J. Abraham

Msr. Pierre Andre

Pierre

Fr. Ralph Theodat

Fr. Paul Afetor

### **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

## St. Matthew

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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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Brooklyn, NY 11213

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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



## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Arrogance Has No Place in the Life of a Christian

In today's Gospel, Jesus hears the disciples arguing about which of them was the greatest. Jesus used a child to convey what the true work of a Christian is. What he was saying is that there is no room for arrogance in the Kingdom of God.

The wicked in the first reading, from the Book of Wisdom, were arrogant. They hated the Just One because he was not concerned with what they perceived as their exalted position. He reproached them for transgressing the Law of God and violating their training as ministers of God. They were upset that they were not getting the respect they felt others owed them. The argument against the Just One that they voice with such intense hatred is the same argument that later leaders would hurl against Jesus. They were so concerned about themselves and so vehement in their hatred of Jesus that they demanded that Jesus be put to death. All Jesus was doing was challenging them to return to a pure worship of God. But instead of listening to Him, they plotted to have him killed as quickly and as painfully as possible.

This was not shocking to Jesus. In the first part of today's gospel he told his disciples that this would happen. But the disciples were not concerned with hearing him. They were too busy considering who was the greatest among them. Each was looking for respect from the others. Each was demanding a position of greater respect than the other disciples. Finally, Jesus had enough of this talk. He turned the tables on them. He called over a child, and he said, "You want to be great? Well, take care of a child." Now, changing diapers and wiping running noses did not seem to them to be the work of a great person. But this is the work of the great in the Kingdom of God. For in the Kingdom of God anyone who wishes to be first, had to be last of all and a servant to all.

"Where jealousy and self ambition exist there is disorder and every foul practice," James warns in the second reading. He goes on to say that wars, conflicts, and every sort of evil flow from an attitude that makes continual demands on others. The apostle James had learned the lesson that he was taught in today's Gospel when he was just a follower of the Lord. True wisdom is pure, peaceful, compliant, full of mercy and good fruit, and without inconsistency or insincerity. The fruit of this type of selfless wisdom is peace.

Perhaps there are times that we all are too concerned with getting the respect we think we are due in society, be that society in general, or the society of our home, workplace or school. Perhaps, there are times that we all are more concerned with what others are saying or even thinking about us then we are concerned with who we are. We are followers of Jesus Christ. His way is the way of service.

Who are the best people at work? Who are the best students in a school? Who are the best people in our families? Who are the best people in our society? The best people are those who are kind, compassionate, just, full of mercy and all those good things that James wrote about in today's second reading.

Maybe we need to think about some of those grudges we still hold on to so tightly. So many of our grudges come from our conviction that we were not treated with the respect we felt we had a right to, be that from a boss, a neighbor, a distant relative or even a member of our immediate family.

This is wrong, very wrong. The way of the Christian is not the way of being concerned with what others think. We are Christians. The basic attitude of our relationship with others must be that of Jesus Christ. His way was the way of service. Christianity is not a popularity contest. It is a contest of service. The Christian is not concerned with getting respect. He is concerned with giving respect.

At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer the priest and deacon hold up the Blessed Sacrament and proclaim: "Through Him and with Him and in Him, O God Almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, forever and ever." All answer, "Amen." That is both an affirmation of the miracle of the Eucharist and a proclamation that the only glory and honor we need to be concerned with is that which we give to God. That is the way of Jesus Christ. That is the way of the Christian.

St. Teresa of Calcutta addressed this problem head on. She wrote or at least edited a prayer for her sisters, and really for us, to help us understand what really we need to be concerned with in life:

*People are often unreasonable, irrational, and self-centered.  
Forgive them anyway.*

*If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway.*

*If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. Succeed anyway.*

*If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you.  
Be honest and sincere anyway.*

*What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight.  
Create anyway.*

*If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous.  
Be happy anyway.*

*The good you do today, will often be forgotten.  
Do good anyway.*

*Give the best you have, and it will never be enough.  
Give your best anyway.*

*In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.*

This is the way of wisdom.

This is the way of the Christian

WEEKLY READINGS	
Sun Sept 22	Wis 2:12,17-20; Jas 3:16—4:3; Mk 9:30-37
Mon Sept 23	Prv 3: 27-34; Lk 8:16-18
Tue Sept 24	Prv 21: 1-6,10-13; Lk 8:19-21
Wed Sept 25	Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
Thu Sept 26	Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9
Fri Sept 27	Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22
Sat Sept 218	Eccl 11: 9,12:—8; Lk 9:43-45

**OUR LADY OF CHARITY: MASS INTENTIONS**

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS :** Joylyn Frederick , Claudine Noel , Ernice Noel , Rick Dingle, Sada Piggott , Lyn Joseph , Danielle Shaday Holloway , Delma Donat , Ryan Duncan , Ebony Merius , Kristine Johnson , Giovanni Chad Knight , Dominise Duliepre , Judith Phillip , Margala Ann Lewis , Andre Cuffie Jr.,

**We pray to the Lord**

**TODAY’S MASS :** Birthday blessings and many more years good healthy years for Joylyn Frederick and Emelda Cox requested by Florence Haynes,

**We pray to the Lord.**

**ALTAR BREAD :** For the month of September is donated for the Haynes requested by Haynes family,

**We pray to the Lord.**

**SANCTUARY CANDLES :** For the month of September is donated for the Haynes requested by Haynes family,

**We pray to the Lord.**

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY :** Mr. & Mrs. Horace Mathis Sr. , Mr. & Mrs. Emmanuel Cadore , Mr. & Mrs. Rick Dingle , Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Inniss , Mr. & Mrs. Hezekiah D. Jackson ,

**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.**

**ST. GREGORY : MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup></b>	5 PM Vigil Mass for Cornelia Robergeau, R.I.P., Requested by The Family
<b>Sunday, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	11:30 AM Mass for Lawrence N. Clouden, R.I.P., Requested by his wife Maria Clouden and Family
<b>Saturday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup></b>	5 PM Vigil Mass for Cornelia Robergeau, R. I.P., Requested by The Family

**ST. MATTHEW: MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday <b>September 21</b>	<b>8:00pm</b> – R.I.P. & In loving memory of Iris Alexander & Fr. Andy L. Struzzieri by Cita Ferguson & family
Sunday <b>September 22</b>	<b>7:30am</b> – God’s blessings & guidance on our children around the world by Floe Patrick <b>9:30am</b> –R.I.P. Ramon Guerrero by children & grandchildren <b>11:30am</b> –R.I.P. Taryck Lynch by mom, Pauline Woolford <b>1:30pm</b> –Thanksgiving for Daniel Altidor by Marie Coeur Altidor
Monday <b>September 23</b>	<b>7:30am</b> – Birthday blessings for Lucreca Francis <b>9:00am</b> – Birthday blessings for Teofila Briones
Tuesday <b>September 24</b>	<b>7:30am</b> – Health, strength, prosperity & happiness for Letitia Pavy <b>9:00am</b> – B’day blessings for Louis Robert Alerte by Chantal Alerte
Wednesday <b>September 25</b>	<b>7:30am</b> – Repose of the soul of Joseph Olivia Kebreau by Stephane & Siblings <b>9:00am</b> – In honor of St. Matthew by Marie E. Colas
Thursday <b>September 26</b>	<b>7:30am</b> –Repose of the soul of Marietta Cherisier by Stephane & siblings <b>9:00am</b> – Birthday blessings for Fr. Ralph Theodat
Friday <b>September 27</b>	<b>7:30am</b> – In loving memory of Stravinsky Kebreau by Stephane & siblings <b>9:00am</b> – For all that Jesus has done for me by Marie E. Colas
Saturday <b>September 28</b>	<b>8:00am</b> – Birthday blessings for Leon Hernandez & Yvette Trim



**BREAD FOR SEPTEMBER**



Birthday blessings for Uphita Clarke

**CANDLE FOR SEPTEMBER 22– 28**

God’s blessing and thanksgiving for the St. Matthew pastoral, office and volunteers who make so much possible for those of us who are seeking solace, refuge, help and spiritual guidance.

## 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.

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Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Address 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Were you registered before \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, registration # \_\_\_\_\_

### 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.

C'est la préparation de Ceux qui ne sont pas catholiques mais qui veulent le devenir. RCIA prépare ces personnes à recevoir le sacrement de baptême.

Es el proceso para preparar los no católicos que están interesados en pasa a ser miembros de la iglesia católica. También prepara católicos para completar el sacramento de la iniciación.

## SACRAMENTS & REGISTRATION

### RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS/RECONCILIACION

- ◆ Saturday 7:30PM-8:00PM or anytime by appointment in the Rectory.
- ◆ Samedi 7:30PM-8:00PM ou du moins appelez du presbytere pour un rendez-vous.
- ◆ Sábados de 7:30PM-8:00PM o cualquier otra hora por cita.

### MARRIAGE/MARIAGE/MATRIMONIOS

\*Arrangements must be made AT LEAST six (6) months in advance

\*Contacter le presbytere au moins (6) l'avance.

\*Arreglos deben ser hechos por lo menos seis (6) meses por adelante.

### MINISTRY TO THE SICK/LES MALADES/LOS ENFERMOS

- \* Sick & Homebound can receive the sacrament of anointing from a priest and receive Holy Communion on a regular basis from our Ministers of Holy Communion. Please contact the Rectory
- \* Ceux qui sont très maladies et ne peuvent pas sortir de leur maison jeun vent recevoir le sacrement d'extrême onction d'un prêtre de la paroisse, la sainte communion d'un ministre de l'eucharistie appelle au presbytere pour un rendez-vous.
- \* Puede recibir el Sacramento de los enfermos por un sacerdote. En tiempos regulares puede recibir Sagrada Comunion de uno de nuestro ministros de la Comunion Favor notificar la rectoria.

### BAPTISM/BAPTEME/BAUTISMO

- ◆ Registration and preparation in our baptismal class is required. Please contact the Rectory for date and time of our next class.
- ◆ Tous ceux ou celles qui voudraient recevoir le baptême doivent se faire enregistrer au presbytere pour prendre part aux cours avant la réception de ce sacrement. Pour plus d'information, composez le 718-774-6747
- ◆ Registracion y participacion en nuestras clases bautismal es un requisito para el bautismo. Favor de encontrar el diacono Cruz para fijar la fecha y clases

## REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Judith Adams, Carmen Allen, Rita Antomez, Armelle Amilcar, Hillary Amarosa, Loraine Quash- Antoine, Marie Augustin, Al Barnett, Monica Belfon, Marque & Yael Barber-LaFon, Melona Barber, Jason Bascom, Silvestre Brathwaite, Ismay Brewster, Jahonah Brown, Recy Brown, Isabella Bugett, Patricia Burrowes, Yolande Cadet, Eslyn Canning, Diana Codogan, Cathleen Charles, Catilda Charles, Delcia Charles, Marcel Charles, Maria Clouden ,Cecilia Clovie, Mahalia Clunis, Nelia Collins, Marilyn Coates, Virginia Cox, Daphne Critchlow, Golda Critchlow, Theresa Cudjoe, Veronica Dale, Angela Daniels, Shirley Daniels, Marcella DeSandies, Joseph Drew, Stephen Duncan, Dorothy Edwards, Una Europe, Stella Emmanuel, Elardo Flemmings, Carrie Frasier, Sherwin Fung, John Gale, 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, Roberta Jennings, Alsie Johnson, Nicole Johnson, Magdalena Joseph, Ian Kellman, Lucy King, Albert Kirton, Tai Lambert, 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, Judith Matthew, Wilma Maynard, Tom McCafferty, Laura McDonald, Mavis McDonald, Leticia McDowell, Vernita McDowell, Gemma Mejias, Daniel David Mendez, Marcelina Morales, Grant Nelson Jr., Isai Munoz, Marta Munoz, Nelson Munoz, Suzanna Neil, Ronald Nethersole, Claudette Norde, Mother Dolores Oloff, Keena Ollivierre, Margaret Otumba, Ronaldo Nano Paul, Sharonie 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, Elizabeth Rivera, Carlos Rudas, Lidia Saunders, Fr. Robert Seay, Pamela Smith, Pema Smith, Robert Smith, Lisa Scott Spencer, Delores Sykes, Kevin Maynard, Basil Suarez, Antonio Sultan, Brenda & Javier Talango, Angela & Edris Thomas, Jean Thornhill, Allison Thorpe, Lyonette Tribie, Janet Throne, Malik Wellington, Karen Williams, Terrance Williams, Octavio Willis, Leandro Wilson, Reynold Williams, Christine Wright, Joan Wright, Natasha Wright, Vilma Zuniga

### **SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR :** Yvonne Lacy Dean Jackson,

Wendy Romain, Vaughn Haynes, Georgeann Campbell, Danielle Huie, Cotilda Charles, Anthony Hepburn Jr., Lawrence Latimer & family, La Mar Mc Nabb, Lisa Colone, Christine Hudson & family, Conrad Lord, Glenda Hunter, Livingston Holloway, Jaden Bell, Nathan Ford Sr. & family, Sabrinia Guess , Daphne & Golda Critchlow , Gwen & Helena Pugh, Almarie Mc Coy, Raymond Jorsling , Kato Pollydore, Judith Prosper , Lisa Scott/ Spencer, Carla Martin, Marge Holas, Hermelene Thomas, Althea Gordon, Maureen Walter, Khalilah Saleem, Quarless family, Lisa Scott/ Spencer, 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 09/22/2024 @ ST. GREGORY

- + **9:30 AM Sunday school CLOSED -Will resume October13th**
- + **11:30 AM Mass – (Live Stream)**
- + **CREDIT UNION-OPEN**

### **MONDAY 09/23/24**

- + **7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal-Church**

### **FRIDAY 09/27/24**

- + **7:15 PM Bible Study-meets via zoom (Studying the Book of Ephesians)**

### **SATURDAY 09/28/24**

- + **4 PM Confession**
- + **4 PM Vigil Choir Rehearsals**
- + **4 PM Light Fest Prayer Group – via zoom**  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82362442148?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82362442148?pwd=MGVNMWFFQcVdrQktXeTh0YjRadC9Mdz09)  
[pwd=MGVNMWFFQcVdrQktXeTh0YjRadC9Mdz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82362442148?pwd=MGVNMWFFQcVdrQktXeTh0YjRadC9Mdz09)
- + **5 PM Vigil Mass-Church**



**COLLECTION 09/14– 09/15/2024**

**ST. MATTHEW**

Mass	Envelopes	Envelope Collection	Loose money	Totals
8:00 PM	31	1,078.00	151.00	1,229.00
7:30 AM	111	3,421.00	404.76	3,825.76
9:30 AM	57	694.00	368.70	1,062.70
11:30 AM	48	916.00	634.05	1,550.05
1:30 PM	47	699.00	140.75	839.75
L.I.R.	34	1,348.00	—	1,348.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>8,156.00</b>	<b>1,699.26</b>	<b>9,855.26</b>

**ST. GREGORY**

Mass	Envelopes	Envelope Collection	Loose money	Totals
<b>5 PM</b>	21	830.00	123.00	953.00
<b>11:30AM</b>	30	885.00	195.05	1,080.05
<b>Total</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>1,715.00</b>	<b>318.05</b>	<b>2,033.05</b>

**OUR LADY OF CHARITY**

Mass	Envelopes	Envelope Collection	Loose money	Totals
<b>10:00AM</b>	53	3,349.00	—	3,349.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>3,349.00</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3,349.00</b>

THANK YOU for your tithes! Jesus saw the grateful sharing of our gifts as the means of joy, inspiring Saint Paul to write, "So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7).

**ST. MATTHEW EXPENSES**

INCOME	Jan – June 2024	Jan-Jun 2023	CHANGE
COLLECTION	\$ 463,241	\$484,004	(20,763)
RENTAL INCOME	280,457	260,410	20,047
DONATIONS/ FUNDRAISING	58,690	30,214	28,476
OTHER	17,060	1,622	15,438
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>819,448</b>	<b>776,250</b>	<b>43,198</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
SALARIES	380,494	411,038	30,089
MAINTENANCE	82,778	97,198	14,419
OFFICE EXPENSE	68,823	69,626	803
PROGRAMS	2,408	6,396	3,988
ALTAR SUPPLIES	9,655	14,393	4,738
UTILITIES	127,757	93,675	(34,083)
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	192,841	181,601	(11,240)
<b>TOTAL 3 EXPENSE</b>	<b>865,212</b>	<b>873,296</b>	<b>8,714</b>
<b>NET INCOME LOSS</b>	<b>(45,764)</b>	<b>(97,675)</b>	<b>51,912</b>

**ST. GREGORY THE GREAT**

*ALL ARE INVITED to join St. Gregory the Great **BIBLE STUDY** meets on zoom every Friday from 7:30PM to 8:30PM with Catherine Abdullah Eastern Time (US and Canada)*

**Bible Study is beginning the Book of Exodus**  
*(A Book of the Bible is picked (By the Group) alternatively, from the Old Testament, followed by The New Testament.)*

**Link for Bible Study** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85498875775?pwd=Nk4zY3BVOUFmVzRUSDJodlIWSDArUT09>

*. Dial 929-205-6099 using meeting ID 782362442148 and pass code 424370. (Please contact any member for information on book currently being read.) (ALL ARE WELCOME!)*

**(SEE CHANGE) LIGHT FEST PRAYER GROUP** Meets In Person at St. Gregory R.C. Church every **"SECOND SATURDAY"** of the month in the Rectory'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.

**UPCOMING MTGS. & EVENTS @ ST. GREGORY**

**St. Gregory the Great – Religious Education**

Sunday school Closed. Will resume October, 2024

Parents we encourage the children to attend Mass on Saturdays or Sundays during the break, unless they are traveling.

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**St. Gregory the Great – Religious Education**

Sunday school Closed. Will resume October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Parents we encourage the children to attend Mass on Saturdays or Sundays during the break, unless they are traveling.

**MARCUS GARVEY SERVICE IS NOW SCHEDULED ONCE A MONTH ON THE SECOND SUNDAY AT 2 PM**

**ST. GREGORY'S USHER BOARD ANNUAL BUS OUTING**

Atlantic City Resort's Casino on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Bus leaving at 7 AM from St. Gregory's Church. COST: \$60, play and earn \$10 in slot play.

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**Heritage Committee of St. Gregory the Great Luncheon** on October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at St. Teresa of Avila Church located at 555 Sterling Place (Franklin & Classon Aves.) Time: 12 Noon to 5 PM Tickets Adults: \$40 and Kids: \$20. **There will be music by DJ Page, our very own Ms. Nicole Davis and the Internationally Renowned Opera and Concert Singer, Mr. Everett Suttle**

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**FREE SHREDDING EVENT** sponsored by Crown Heights North Associated on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 from 9 AM to 12 Noon.

**Hospitality immediately after the 11:30 AM Mass on the church porch.**

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**EL CHRISTO NEGRO MASS** Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 11:30 AM.

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**CONGRATULATIONS RAFFLE WINNERS**

1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE: Ms. Nelia Collins (parishioner)

2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE: Mr. James Kennelly (parishioner)

3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE: Ms. Beth Liotta of Key West, Florida

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## GIFT SHOP

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

## VOCATIONS

“He willed to give us birth” Is your prayer attentive to the wisdom of Christ? Is he inviting you to follow him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother?

Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org)

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Adoration in the Church on **Wednesdays and Fridays after 9:00 am Mass until 12:00 noon and First Fridays from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M.**

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.” *(Pope John II)*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

The Anointing of the sick mass will be held on **October 12th at 10am**. You must fill out a form and register to receive this sacrament. Please contact the rectory for more information.

Jesus Nazareno Mass will be held on Monday, **October 21st at 7.30pm** as St. Matthew R.C.C.

Bethlehem Christian families will be here to sell religious artifacts on **October 26th and 27th during the weekend masses**. We will be asking you to please support them.

The 2025 mass book will be opened this weekend, but we will only be taking Mass intentions for **January-June 30th of 2025 only**.

You would've received your raffle books via mail. The tickets are \$5 each. If you sell a full book the 6th ticket is free. The prizes are:

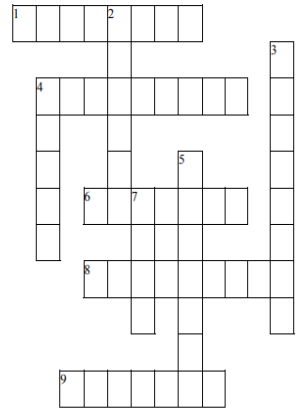
- 1st prize- 2K
- 2nd Prize-1K
- 3rd Prize-750
- 4th Prize-500

If you need additional raffle books, please stop by the rectory. The **drawing takes place during our Christmas concert on December 15th**.

## Reflections on Mark 9:30-37



Whoever receives one child receives me.



### Across

1. They were afraid to \_\_\_\_\_ him.
4. Town in Galilee.
6. first
8. He was teaching his \_\_\_\_\_
9. Unscramble the word: eyjornu

### Down

2. Jesus called the \_\_\_\_\_
3. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the \_\_\_\_\_
4. Whoever receives a \_\_\_\_\_ receives Jesus.
5. They left from there and began a journey through \_\_\_\_\_
7. three days after his death he will \_\_\_\_\_

## SERVANTHOOD

The way of discipleship is to serve others and give up power for their sake. Jesus taught this by washing his disciples' feet, healing the sick, and feeding the hungry.

## HUMILITY

True greatness comes from being humble and serving others. Jesus showed that humility is demonstrated by receiving someone who is considered unimportant, like a child.

## TRUST

Children are honest, open, and trusting, and we should strive to be the same. We should trust in God's plan for our lives.

## LETTING GO

We should be aware of the gratitude we should bring to each day, and leave the rest to God.

## PRIDE

Pride is the ultimate evil and the complete anti-god state of mind. It leads to every other vice.

