

# St. Matthew Parish



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

## **Pastoral Staff**

### **Pastor**

Fr. A. Peter Gopaul

### **Priests**

Fr. Thaddeus J. Abraham

Msgr. Pierre Andre

Pierre

Fr. Ralph Theodat

Fr. Paul Afetor

### **Deacon**

Nickie Colon



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### **Mass Schedule:**

**First Friday** 10:00am

**Sunday** 11:30 A.M.

**Reconciliation before Mass  
@ 11 A.M.**

### **Office Staff**

**Secretary:** Rosanne Barber  
Ext.100

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

### **Office Hours:**

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

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

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### **Mass Schedule:**

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

**Saturday** 8:00am & 6:00pm

**Saturday:** Reconciliation-5:30  
pm or by appointment

**Exposition on Wednesdays &  
Fridays after the 9 A.M. Mass  
until noon**

### **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- Friday:

10:00am-6:00pm

**Saturday: 10am.—2 P.M.**

Sunday: 9:00am-4:00pm

**Monday - Friday-**

**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



## 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time: The Fear of the Lord

It was the beginning of the sixth century before Christ, about the year 590. The Kingdom of Judah and its capital Jerusalem were terrified. The Babylonians were on the march. They had conquered the Assyrians. Tarsus and Damascus to the North had fallen. All of Mesopotamia, the nations between the Tigris and Euphrates had fallen. Now Jerusalem was threatened. How could the tiny Kingdom of Judah withstand such a huge enemy? What should the King do? He looked to his counselors. They told him to consider treaties with their pagan neighbors. This would mean trusting in the pagans rather than trusting in God. The King looked to God. There was a prophet in Jerusalem whom he respected, the prophet Jeremiah. The king saw him as someone who knew the truth and was not afraid to proclaim the truth. Jeremiah told the King that the Babylonians were agents of God about to punish the Jewish people for adopting pagan ways. The King needed to lead the people in trusting in God rather than in the pagans.

That is why Jeremiah was hated by the King's counselors. Today's first reading, from one of the sections of the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah referred to as the Confession of Jeremiah, relates how the King's counselors were looking for ways by which they could denounce him to the King, condemn him, even have him killed. Jeremiah is tested. Should he go along with the counselors and preserve his life? Should he get out of Jerusalem with its deadly politics? Or should he give witness to God and chance persecution from those gathered around the King. He decided to fear God rather than be afraid of men.

Fear God. That is a biblical concept that is often misunderstood. It does not mean that we should be afraid of God. It means that we should respect God, reverence God, and be more concerned with fulfilling the Law of God than with the way others might respond to us.

In the Gospel reading for this Sunday Jesus says, "Do not let others intimidate you." He tells us to keep our priorities straight. He tells us that we should not even be afraid of people who could kill us. "Do not fear those who deprive the body of life but cannot destroy the soul." In one of the most beautiful passages in the New Testament, Jesus says, "Are not two sparrows sold for next to nothing? Yet not a single sparrow falls to the ground without your Father's consent. As for you, every hair of your head has been counted; so do not be afraid of anything. You are worth more than an entire flock of sparrows."

The Lord also says in that passage, "Fear Him who can throw body and soul into Gehenna." This is not a popular concept in our society. We emphasize God's compassion and mercy, and this is good, but we tend to refuse to acknowledge His justice. In our own minds we transform God into an imaginary figure that will not respond to our rejection of His life and laws. So a man commits adultery, leaves his wife and children, and then says, "God understands."

Well maybe the god of his imagination might understand, but the real God was present when marriage vows were made to Him and to his wife. God sees the turmoil the selfish man thrust upon a good wife and their beautiful children. God's mercy is always available, but if the man, or if any of us refuse to acknowledge our sins and seek forgiveness, we are committing the deadly sin of presumption, and, in effect, denigrating God to a creature of our imagination.

But if we live with a reverence and respect for the Lord, the biblical Fear of the Lord, if we do all we can to be God-fearing, then we do not have to be afraid of anything. When we live with a reverence and respect for the Lord, then all those concerns that the media delights in frightening us with will diminish. Will the corona virus destroy half the population of the world like the Black Plague destroyed half the population of Europe. We certainly pray that it will not, but we also know that live or die what matters is that we belong to the Lord. Will the world end this year? Everything else seems to be going wrong in 2026, so maybe, but probably not. The end of the world does not matter as long as we are united to God. Will World War III erupt when we least expect? Maybe, probably not. But it does not matter as long as we are united to God. Maybe, probably not. But it does not matter as long as we are united to God. Will people attack us for being Christian? Absolutely. In fact there are many people in sections of Africa and India that are being attacked for being Christian every day. Will we be disparaged because we are against abortion, against capital punishment, against euthanasia, against taking children from their parents? We certainly will be attacked for promoting the totality of respect life, but disparagement does not matter as long as we are united to God.

The devil has three terrible lies with which he assails us, sometimes directly, sometimes subtly. The first of the devil's lies is: You are not good enough. To that God answers, "I have made you good enough. I became one of you. I died for you; so I could raise you up with me to eternal life." The second lie of the devil is: You are alone. God answers, "I am with you always. I know you. I know every hair on your head. I know what you are going through, Together we can conquer all challenges, all fear." The third lie of the devil is one which all liars try to convince others of, that lie is simply: the other person is lying. In the case of the devil, his third great lie is that God has deceived us. He used this to great effect in the biblical sages' story about original sin. The devil told Adam and Eve that God was deceiving them to keep them from being like God. In our modern times, some people question that there might be other ways to live than that presented by the Church. To the accusation that God lies, God answers, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life."

"Fear the Lord and do not be afraid of anything." the Lord says. You are worth more than many sparrows.

WEEKLY READINGS	
Sun June 21	Jer 20:10-13; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33
Mon June 22	2 Kgs 17:5-8,13-15,18; Mt 7:1-5
Tue June 23	2 Kgs 19:9-11,14-21,31-35,36; Mt 7:6,12-14
Wed June 24	Is 49:1-6; Acts13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66,80
Thu June 25	2 Kgs 24:8-17; Mt 7:21-29
Fri June 26	2 Kgs 25:1-12; Mt 8:1-4
Sat June 27	Lam 2:2, 10-14,18-19; Mt 8:5-17

### OUR LADY OF CHARITY: MASS INTENTIONS

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS :** Destiny Judah ,Sandra Jackson Sr., Tahliah King, Christine Gittens , Angelina Theodule , M. Pegye Johnson , Sharonnie Perry , Giovanni Knight , Thaliyah Fraser , Khalilah Saleem , June James  
**We pray to the Lord**

**ALTAR BREAD :** For the month June is donate by Florence Haynes thanking God for his amazing grace and mercy,  
**We pray to the Lord**

**ALTAR WINE:** For the month of June is donate by Florence Haynes for God’s protection with grace and mercy on Ron & Ivan Haynes, **We pray to the Lord**

**SANCTUARY CANDLES :** For the month of June is donate by , **We pray to the Lord.**

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY :** Mr. & Mrs. Brian Lawrence , Mr. & Mrs. Mosley Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Auguste,  
**We pray to the Lord.**

### ST. GREGORY : MASS INTENTIONS


Sunday, June 21 <sup>st</sup>	11:30AM (Father’s Day) Mass for Margaret White, R.I.P., Requested by The Fontenelle family
	Sanctuary Lamp for Edwin Wilson, R.I.P. Requested by The Family
Sunday, June 28 <sup>th</sup>	11:30AM Mass, Birthday Blessings for Cynthia Charles
	Bread and Wine for Ashley Jack, Birthday Blessings, Requested by The Family
	Sanctuary Lamp for Catherine Nelson, In Thanksgiving for Life and Birthday Blessings
First Friday, July 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10AM Mass and Eucharistic Adoration for Melona Barber and Christopher, Jr. Birthday Blessings and Thanksgiving For Life, Requested by Rosanne Barber

### ST. MATTHEW: MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday June 20	<b>6:00pm</b> – Blessings for Amberrose Gordon on her graduation by Jacqueline Venus
Sunday June 21	<b>7:30am</b> – a. Birthday blessings for Denise Abraham b. Birthday blessings for Myrna Mendez by family <b>9:30am</b> – a. R.I.P. Florencio Cruz Sr.& Jr. by family b. For Emelia Escobar <b>11:30am</b> – In memory of Simeon & Glenroy King by the Seales family <b>1:30am</b> – I.L.M. of Immacula Michel by Marie Coeur Altidor
Monday June 22	<b>7:30am</b> –Blessings for Letitia that she will be successful against her landlord <b>9:00am</b> – Guidance & protection for Hackeem Scott & blessings for Rasheem Scott by Ellen Scott Hector
Tuesday June 23	<b>7:30am</b> – For the sick, dying, suffering, poor & oppressed <b>9:00am</b> – Healing for the Bartholomew family
Wednesday June 24 <i>The Nativity of St. John the Baptist</i>	<b>7:30am</b> – Birthday blessings for Eudes Pierre By Marguerite Jolivert <b>9:00am</b> – Birthday blessings for Juana Estrella
Thursday June 25	<b>7:30am</b> - Blessings for Sister Chris & Sister Mary <b>9:00am</b> – That the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity & welcome
Friday June 26	<b>7:30am</b> – Healing for our sick parishioners <b>9:00am</b> — Birthday blessings for John Williams by brother, Edmund Williams
Saturday June 27	<b>8:00am</b> – God’s Healing blood on Ben Jihan, Bertrand, Wendy & Berthelina

### BREAD FOR JUNE

Birthday blessings for Fitzroy Frank requested by wife, Princess Frank



## 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 # \_\_\_\_\_

### OCIA

OCIA stands for ORDER 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. OCIA 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 5:30PM-6:00PM or anytime by appointment in the Rectory.
- ◆ Samedi 5:30PM-6:00PM ou du moins appelez du presbytere pour un rendez-vous.
- ◆ Sábados de 5:30PM-6:00PM 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 peuvent 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 Comunión de uno de nuestro ministros de la Comunión Favor notificar la rectoría.

### 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 participación en nuestras clases bautis-

### Prayers for Homebound, Hospitalized & Sick:

Judith Adams, Carmen Allen, Rita Antomez, Armelle Amilcar, Hillary Amarosa, Loraine Quash– Antoine, Monica Belfon, Marque & Yael Barber-LaFon, Joanne Barber-Rivera, Melona Barber, Jason Bascom, Joyce Belfon, Fr. Black, Lorna Blair, Elena & Silvestre Brathwaite, Ismay Brewster, Jahonah Brown, Jihan Brown, Recy Brown, Rose Brown, Isabella Bugett, Claudette Butler, Patricia Burrowes, Claudette Butler, Yolande Cadet, Estela & Lizette Caesar, Eslyn Canning, Cathleen Charles, Delcia Charles, Marcel Charles, Maria Clouden ,Cecilia Clovie, Nelia Collins, Marilyn Coates, Virginia Cox, Daphne Critchlow, Golda Critchlow, Theresa Cudjoe, Veronica Dale, Angela Daniels, Shirley Daniels, Kathleen Philbert DeJesus, Marcella De Sandies, Joseph Drew, Stephen Duncan, Dorothy Edwards, Una Europe, Stella Emmanuel, Elardo Flemmings, Sherwin Fung, Winston Gabriel, John Gale, Ryan Gee, Catherine & Deacon Roy George, Bernadette Gilbert, Trina Gonzalez, Rachel Green, Kellon Hagley, Kelly Hagley, Nicholas Halyard, Gwendolyn Harding, Pat Harris, Gary Heyliger, Beverly Hillyer, Jack Hinds, Maureen Hinds, Pierre & Elreta Hinds, Florence Holder, Danielle Huie, Agnes Hunter, Kerlyne Hyppolite, Anasha Inniss, Carlyn Jabouin, Donna James, Mary James, Roberta Jennings, Janet Cayenne-Jobity, Marva 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, Barbara Manuel, Judith Matthew, Tom McCafferty, Laura McDonald, Mavis McDonald, Vernita McDowell, Gemma Mejias, Yolanda Vergara– Mills, Marcelina Morales, William Morris 111, Isai Munoz, Marta Munoz, Nelson Munoz, Suzanna Neil, Claudette Norde, Helena O'Brien, Mother Dolores Olf, Keena Ollivierre, Neva Osse, Dereck & Sharlene Paul, Ronaldo Nano Paul, Andre Perry, Chung Peters, Mary James Peterson, Marie Pierre, Sonia Prescott, Ann Primo, Val Quash, Len Quash, Dorothy Irons Reid, Catherine Richards, Kathy Ann & Emris Richards, Elizabeth Rivera, Carlos Rudas, Fr. Saay, Elvin & Winston Saunders, Lidia Saunders, Winnette Saunders, Patricia Scantlebury, Donald & Francita Scott, Fr. Robert Seay, James Smith, Pamela Smith, Pema Smith, Robert Smith, Fr. Souvenir Jean-Paul, Grace Springer, Basil Suarez, Antonio Sultan, Brenda & Javier Talango, Jean Thornhill, Allison Thorpe, Lyonette Tribie, Margit Trumpet, Muriel Turner, Malik Wellington, Lyn White, Terrance Williams, Leandro Wilson, Reynold Williams, Christine Wright, Joan Wright, Natasha Wright, Vilma Zuniga.

### Special Prayers For:

Arlene & Dean Jackson, Florence Haynes, Diana Ronalds, Georgeann Campbell, Daphne Critchlow , Helena Pugh, Almarie Mc Coy, Marge Holas, Nigel & Jacinta James, Kahlee Otumba, Traveri , Logon & Caleb Cadore , Dunstan Braville, Ronald Stewart, Selwyn Noel & family, Gladcia Drew, Michael Perry Harris, Kendall Wilson, Phyllis & Junior Lewis, Junior Vincent, Kathy Ann & Socia Romain, Lucy King, Pat Pascal, Eliza Thomas, Emillio Simon, Kenville Providence all families represented here today  
**We pray to the Lord.**

### Our Special World Prayer:

All students, teachers and principals, President Donald Trump & his family, Vice President JD Vance & his 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.

### WEEK OF SUNDAY 06/21/2026 @ ST. GREGORY

**+ SUNDAY SCHOOL CLOSED UNTIL SEPTEMBER, 2026**  
**+ 10:00AM Recitation of the Holy Rosary – Church**  
**+ 10AM Senior Choir Rehearsals-Church**  
**+ 11:00AM Confessions - Church**  
**+ 11:30AM Mass - Church (Live Stream)-**  
**+ CREDIT UNION – OPEN**

### MONDAY 06/22/26

**NO Choir Rehearsal – Church**

### FRIDAY 06/26/26

**+8PM Bible Study**

### SATURDAY 06/27/26

**+ 8PM Light Fest Prayer Group - via zoom**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85498875775?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85498875775?pwd=Nk4zY3BVOUFmVzRUSDJodlIWSDArUT09)

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**COLLECTION 6/13– 6/14/2026**

**ST. MATTHEW**

Mass	Envelopes	Envelope Collection	Loose money	Totals
6:00 PM	21	755.00	321.65	1,076.65
7:30 AM	102	4,789.50	299.00	5,088.50
9:30 AM	70	987.00	312.86	1,299.86
11:30 PM	62	1,234.00	512.73	1,746.73
1:30 PM	41	661.00	94.00	755.00
<b>L.I.R.</b>	45	1,680.00	—	1,680.00
<b>Total</b>	341	10,106.50	1,540.24	11,646.74

**ST. GREGORY**

Mass	Envelopes	Envelope Collection	Loose money	Totals
<b>11:30AM</b>	51	2,853.00	225.00	3,078.00
<b>Total</b>	51	2,853.00	225.00	3,078.00

**OUR LADY OF CHARITY**

Mass	Envelopes	Envelope Collection	Loose money	Totals
<b>10:00AM</b>	40	1,739.00	—	1,739.00
<b>Total</b>	40	1,739.00	—	1,739.00

**ST. MATTHEW EXPENSES**

INCOME	2024 Jan – June	2023 Jan-Jun	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>	819,448	776,250	43,198
<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>	865,212	873,296	8,714
<b>NET LOSS</b>	(45,764)	(97,675)	51,912

**ST. GREGORY THE GREAT**

**ALL ARE INVITED to join St. Gregory the Great BIBLE STUDY.** Please be advised that Bible Study is temporary moving to Whatsapp on Fridays at 8PM due to technical difficulties with Zoom. Any questions, please contact Ms. Catherine Abdullah

Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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

Studying Book of the Acts of the Apostles

**NOTICE CHANGE: Link for Bible Study-TEMPORARY CLOSED. WILL USE WHATSAPP UNTIL FUTHER NOTICE.** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85498875775?pwd=Nk4zY3BVOUfmVzRUSDJodlllWSDArUT09>

To Join Zoom Meeting please use

**Meeting ID: 813 5507 9639**

**Passcode: 907481**

On tap mobile Dial 929 205 6099 using Meeting ID and Passcode

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**(ALL ARE WELCOME!)**

**LIGHT FEST PRAYER GROUP Meets in Person at St. Gregory R. C. Church every "SECOND SATURDAY" of every month at 5 PM in the Chapel.** The remaining Saturdays of the month, Light Fest Prayer Group meets on zoom in the Light Fest Reading Room from 8PM to 9PM. Dial 929-205-6099 using meeting ID 823 6244 2148 and passcode 424370. (Please contact any member for information on book currently being read.)

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

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** will reopen in September, 2026

(Date to be determined)

Ms. Monica Flemmings, Director Religious Education

**MARCUS GARVEY** the 2nd Sunday of every month at 2 P.M.

**ALL ARE INVITED** - Recitation of the Holy Rosary every Sunday at 10AM before 11:30AM MASS during our regular schedule

Every First Friday Mass @ 10 AM with Eucharistic Adoration in Chapel (Rectory Basement)

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

**SAINT GREGORY NEIGHBORHOOD SUMMER LEISURE GROUP WALKS FROM 7PM UNTIL 8PM FOR EXERCISING & SOCIALIZING ON MONDAYS. THE GROUP MEETS AT ST. GREGORY'S CHURCH, CORNER OF BROOKLYN AVENUE.**

Please contact Ms. Margaret Mary Casey if you are interested in joining the walk by contacting her at 347-277-5002 or email at mcasey148@aol.com.

Starting the Summer months of **July and August, 2026 the Rectory office will be CLOSED on Fridays for business.** Rectory office will open Mondays thru Thursdays from 9AM until 6PM.

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Our Summer Mass Schedule will begin on Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup> and continue during the months of July and August. On Sundays there will be NO 11:30AM Mass. **Rosary recitation will begin at 9:30AM followed by Mass starting at 10AM.**

Our Regular Mass Schedule will resume on Sunday,

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### +++EUCHARISTIC ADORATION+++



Every Wednesday and Friday after 9:00 am  
Mass 12:00 noon. **Every First  
Friday we have Exposition after the 9 A.M.  
Mass until 9 P.M.**

### PETER'S PENCE

For centuries, Catholics have expressed our unity with the Pope by giving to the Peter's Pence Collection, which supports his mission to proclaim Christ's message of unity and peace with the world. Our gifts to the Holy Father are "concrete signs of hope" to Pope Leo XIV that fulfill the two aims of Peter's Pence: "1) To support the Holy Father's mission, which extends throughout the entire world, from the proclamation of the Gospel to the promotion of integral human development, education, peace, and brotherhood among peoples, and (2) To support the numerous charitable works in aid of people and families in difficulty, populations afflicted by natural disasters and wars, or who are in need of humanitarian assistance or support for development." Please use your Peter's Pence envelope on June 28th to aid our brothers and sisters.

### SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Registration forms for the School of Religion for new and returning students are now available at the doors of the Church, in the Parish Center & in the Rectory. For new students, please attach a copy of your child's baptism certificate, if not baptized attach a copy of the birth certificate.

### SIGHT AND SOUND

**SIGHT N SOUND trip to Lancaster Pennsylvania to see the play "JOSHUA"**

**DATE:** Saturday, November 28th, 2026

**PRICE:** \$200 for adults and \$146 for children ages 3 -12.

**DEADLINE for FINAL PAYMENT IS AUGUST 31ST. NO REFUND WILL BE ISSUED AFTER AUGUST 31ST.**

**P.S. When you are making a down payment. please bring exact cash, we will not have any change.**

**The first bus is filled. We can schedule a second bus but we will need to know how many people would like to attend. If you are interested please contact the rectory as soon as possible.**

## A Father's Day Prayer of Blessing

Dear Lord, Bless every father and every grandfather with the best of your spiritual blessings today. Let him know he is not alone in the tasks you have given him to provide for and support those under his care. Show him how much you delight in his work, and affirm the value of whatever You have given him to do—both as a father or grandfather and as a child of Yours. Confirm his worth daily so he has no reason to doubt whether he is loved in the eyes of his Heavenly Father.

Create in him a deep sense of trust in You, knowing that He can count on You to help him lead and protect those dependent on him. Let him know that every unselfish act of love and encouragement he has offered has been a gift that You receive gladly. Show him how effective the prayers of a godly man really are, and what a difference he has and can make to those around him, no matter how big or small the assignment.

When challenging times push him beyond his limits, assure him that You can take Him further into the realm of possible impossibility. Speak deep into his spirit the powerful words he longs to hear from You—that nothing can ever separate him from Your love. Help him to grasp firmly the promises of Your Word, standing with faith on the things You declare are true. Reward him for his faithfulness past, present, and future, assuring him that true success and satisfaction don't lie in his accomplishments or accolades, but in the steadfast, Christ-like character You are forming in him.

Demonstrate to him Your amazing grace and forgiveness as he seeks to love and to know you with all of his heart, soul, and mind. Release him from unwanted burdens of false guilt, and bless him for his willingness to keep short accounts with You, forgiving both himself and others. Help him to see his children or grandchildren through Your eyes, realizing that in Your hands is the safest place they can ever be. Strengthen his confidence in the Only One who can bring good out of any situation.

*Happy Fathers' Day  
Joyeuse fête des Pères  
Feliz Día del Padre*

### PROSTATE TEST

St. Therese of Lisieux, located on 4402 Avenue D, will have a free PSA test, a simple blood test for Prostate Cancer, in front of their Church on Sunday June 28th from 10:30 to 3:30 P.M. Catching prostate cancer early is the best way to keep healthy by starting screening at age 40. For information call: 718-451-0892, 718-451-0739