

# St. Matthew Parish



St. Gregory, St. Matthew & Our Lady of Charity

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

## **Pastoral Staff**

### **Pastor**

Fr. Frank Black

### **In Residence**

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### **Priests**

Fr. Michael Joy Akposu

Fr. Jean-Augustin  
Francois

Fr. Juan Luxama

### **Deacons**

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Dennis DaCosta

Nickie Colon

### **Business Manager**

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### **Mass Schedule:**

Mon. -Sat. 8:30am; Sat. Vigil-5pm

Sunday 11:30am

Saturday: Reconciliation-4:00 pm

### **Office Staff**

**Secretary:** Rosanne Barber Ext.100

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

### **Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday: 8:00am-4:00pm

### **Saint Gregory the Great Catholic Academy**

### **Spiritual & Academic Excellence**

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### **Mass Schedule:**

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

Saturday 8:00am & 8:00pm

Saturday: Reconciliation-7:30 pm

### **Sunday:**

English-7:30am & 11:30am  
Spanish 9:30am; Kreyol 1:30pm

### **Office Staff**

**Secretary:** Sharon Andrews

**D.R.E.:** Steven Horka

### **Office Hours:**

Monday:9:30am-4:00pm

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:  
9:30am-7:00pm

Thursday: 9:30am-9:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am-7:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am-4:00pm

### **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

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### **Office Hours:**

Monday-Friday:10am-6pm

### **Catholic Cemeteries—**

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Middle Village, NY 11379

Tel:718 – 894-4888



### The Most Holy Trinity: Msgr. Pellegrino Reflections

Our world is full of many beautiful buildings. From the seventeenth century Taj Mahal in India to the New One World Trade Center in New York City, there is a wealth of architectural beauty all over the globe. There are many beautiful buildings dedicated to the glory of God. Some of these buildings contain a beauty that surpasses their architecture and interior design. These are Catholic Churches. Whether we are in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome or St. Ignatius of Antioch Church in Tarpon Springs, or in a tiny Catholic Church in a remote village in a mission land, when we walk into a Catholic Church we are overwhelmed by something infinitely greater than interior design, we are overwhelmed by something, Someone, present in the Church. We are moved by the Holy Presence. We come before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Our Churches are far more than fellowship halls. They are not just places of prayer. Our Churches are tabernacles of the Living God in the Eucharist. When I was preparing this, I had a flashback to something my Dad always did: every time my father passed a Catholic Church, he bowed his head. With this simple action, he reminded his family that Jesus is present there in the tabernacle.

During the Paschal Triduum, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil, the Eucharist is removed from the tabernacle as we recall the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. Perhaps you attended these liturgies, walked into the Church, saw the opened tabernacle and felt the emptiness of a world that rejected its Savior. Perhaps you felt a longing for the Eucharistic Presence. When at the conclusion of the Easter Vigil, the priests and deacons placed the consecrated hosts back in the tabernacle, genuflect and then close the tabernacle door, you may have felt a relief that the Lord is once more present in our Church in the unique way of Sacramental Presence.

Whether its during Eucharistic Adoration on a retreat, or simply recognizing the presence of the Lord in the tabernacle when we enter Church, the Holy Presence washes over us. "Overflow in me, O Lord," Matt Maher sings before the Blessed Sacrament. "Overflow in me," we pray when we enter Church, genuflect and then kneel before the Presence.

Perhaps our efforts to facilitate the distribution of communion as well as our efforts to be sure that those who cannot attend our liturgies are able to receive communion, have diminished some people's reverence for the Sacred Presence. The large number of Eucharistic Ministers we have at each Mass is necessary so we can provide the Eucharist under both species to all our people, and this is wonderful, but I fear that some people may see the distribution of communion as an act of fellowship, something they receive from a neighbor, rather than an encounter with the Living Presence. Similarly, it is now common place for Eucharistic Ministers to bring communion to the homebound or those in hospitals or assisted living facilities. Thank God for their generous ministry that allows the sick and infirm of our community to be united with us every week in the Mystery of the Body of Christ. However, we have to take care that the Eucharist is transported with the reverence. In times past, the Eucharist would be carried to the sick in a solemn procession, with the priest preceded by a server ringing a bell and flanked by acolytes holding candles. I am not suggesting that these practices be restored, or even could be restored, but the meaning they conveyed remains: the Holy Presence is there in that car, being brought from the Church to the sick.

This celebration of Corpus Christi is given to us to remind us that the great gift of the Eucharist is a holy mystery. This is Jesus, present in a way beyond our understanding. We take Him into ourselves when we receive communion. We are united to Him sacrificing Himself on the Cross for each of us and all of us when we pray the Mass in its fullness and eat the Sacred Meal. We come before His Presence whenever we are in a sanctuary where the Eucharist is reposed in a tabernacle. He was present with the Father and the Spirit at the creation of the universe. He is present with the angels and saints in heaven. He is present here in the Blessed Sacrament.

And we take the Holy Presence into ourselves. Today, we thank God for the gift of the Eucharist, and we ask Him to help us grow in reverence for this great sacrament.

**BREAD & WINE, CANDLE, BLESSINGS**

<b>Sun June 11</b>	Ex 34:4b-6,8-9; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18
<b>Mon June 12</b>	2 Cor 1:1-7; Mt 5:1-12
<b>Tue June 13</b>	2 Cor 1:18-22; Mt 5:13-16
<b>Wed June 14</b>	2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 5:17-19
<b>Thu June 15</b>	2 Cor 3:15—4:1,3-6
<b>Fri June 16</b>	2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 5:27-32
<b>Sat June 17</b>	2 Cor 5:14-21; Mt 5:33-37

**OUR LADY OF CHARITY INTENTIONS**

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS**

Vanessa Clinton, Delanda Maitland, Cheryl Cornelia, Jennifer Johnson, Antonia Voliton, Madison Diggs, Robin Munro, Shellyann Wilson, Berylann Simon, Anasha Inniss, Que Eurique Johnson, Gwendolyn Kea, Belinda Herbert, Pauline Marcell, Kimora Lewis, Faith Williams, John Spellman III, Recy Brown, Alyssa St. Rose, We pray to the Lord.

**TODAY'S MASS** : For all the First Communion candidates, their parents, godparents, teachers, We pray to the Lord.

**Wedding anniversary** for Mr. & Mrs. Vaughn Haynes, We pray to the Lord.

**ALTAR BREAD and ALTAR WINE** For the month of June is donated in thanksgiving for the Haynes

**ST. GREGORY: MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup></b>	5 PM Vigil Mass for Jordon Wes-Brumfield, Birthday Blessings, Requested by Claire Jacques
<b>Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup></b>	11:30 AM Mass for David Daniel, R.I.P. Requested by Any Frances
<b>Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup></b>	8:30 AM Mass for Valri Corriette, R.I.P., Requested by The Fontenelle Family
<b>Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup></b>	8:30 AM Mass for Florence Hosten, R.I.P., Requested by Frank Alexander  5 PM Vigil Mass for Muriel Waterman, R.I.P., Requested by Annette Williams

**ST. MATTHEW-BREAD & WINE - JUNE**

**Bread**

**Blessings for Eugene & Sylvia  
St. Louis**

**Wine:**

**Birthday blessings for Fitzroy Frank**



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**ST. MATTHEW: MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8:00pm</b> – In loving memory of Gregory Taitt's, 10 year anniversary by mother Elsa Taitt
<b>Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:30am</b> – Holy Name Society <b>9:30am</b> –R.I.P. Agustin & Bienvenida Pena by Julian Pena  <i>The Most Holy Trinity</i> <b>11:30am</b> – 50th Anniversary blessings for Henry & Erma Pierre & Mr & Mrs. Collatin  <b>1:30pm</b> – <b>a.</b> Que son ame repose en paix Marie Vilfrange by Soeur Orliissia Fenelon  <b>b.</b> Thanksgiving for Fritz St. Juste by Elizabeth St. Juste
<b>Monday June 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:30am</b> – For the children I have aborted  <b>9:00am</b> – In loving memory of Colville Tobias by Bridgette Lessey & Hilma Bayne
<b>Tuesday June 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:30am</b> – God's healing blood on Lydia  <b>9:00am</b> –Healing for Floe Patrick and Cynthia Gairy
<b>Wednesday June 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:30am</b> – For priests and all those called to shepherd  <b>9:00am</b> – Healing & God's blessings for Norma & Ian
<b>Thursday June 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:30am</b> – Birthday blessings for Wilhems "the prince" Desdunes, by mom Yolette Desdunes  <b>9:00am</b> – The Johnson family
<b>Friday June 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:30am</b> – In memory of Modestine Allum by daughter Yvonne Edwards  <b>9:00am</b> – Birthday blessings for Marie Exume Guobadia
<b>Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8:00am</b> – Thanksgiving for the Douyon family by Mrylande Douyon

**ST. MATTHEW CANDLE JUNE 11<sup>th</sup> –17<sup>th</sup>**



Birthday blessings for Betty Peters by Cita Ferguson

## REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Carmen Allen, Armelle Amilcar, Monica Bain Lewis,  
Viva Baker, Melona Barber, Wisel Barber,  
Constant Barreau, Evelyn Barreau,  
Ejannah Barrett, Catherine Bernard,  
Elma Figaro Bernard,  
Mother Juanita Brathwaite,  
Marjorie Brathwaite-Pierre, Silvester Brathwaite,  
Ismay Brewster, Diandra Brown, Evelyn Brown,  
Cadore & Allen families, Virginia Caesar,  
Delcia Charles, Germaine Charles, Amy Clough,  
Martha Cortez, Louisa Cummins, Mother Veronica  
Dale, Mother Jessey Danzy Catherine DeLeon,  
Carmen Desilva, Berard Desrosiers, Eulalia Diaz,  
Deacon Roy Dudley, Lula Durio, John Edgehill,  
Stella Emmanuel, Gloria Farley, William Forrester,  
Mother Carrie Frasier, Lorna Fyffe, Angela Gabriel,  
Cynthia Gairy, Muriel Gomez, William Grayson,  
Violetta Hamilton, Estes Holder,  
Danielle Huie, Enid Huntley,  
Dorothy Irons-Reid, Serge Jabouin,  
Antoinette Jones, Kallel Joseph, Elaine King,  
Viola King, Rhoda Lewis, Percival Lewis,  
Sampson Lewis, Stephanie Logan,  
Carmen D. Lorenzo, Barbara Manuel,  
Darsen Marcellin, Virginia Marcellin, Theresa Marriott,  
Mother Pearl Matthews, Dorothy Mazzio,  
Vera McArthur, Dylan Stephens- McKee, Kerry Mills,  
Edson Mitchell, Isai Monroe, Patricia Moorehead,  
Alicia Mungo, Nelson Munoz, Mother Dolores Olf,  
Gabrielle Ortiz, Floe Patrick,  
Lettuce Rayson,  
Catherine Richards, Melona Richards,  
Pearl S. Roberts, Mother Viola Rutherford,  
Rita Salandy, David Sauls, Anissa Saunders,  
Mary Seldon, Carl Serrette,  
Frederick & Barbara Stoffer, Cynthia Thomas,  
Edris Thomas,  
Mother Margaret Thompson, Janet Throne,  
Carmen Valentin, Mary Washington, Audrey Williams

### **SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR :**

Lynda Evans, Jocelyn Lynch, Vida Boyea, Sharon  
Andrews, Kerry Mills, Lelitza & Nathan Ford, Lourdes  
Ayala, Kenneth & Gwen Woodroffe & family, Obama  
family, Griffith, Sandiford, Lewis and Crockwell  
families. All students, teachers and principals,  
President Donald Trump & family, our Government,  
prayers and petitions in our prayer basket, for all  
Priests especially those serving at Charity, for  
Religious Vocations, and an increase in Religious  
Vocations, all men and women serving our country,  
the elders, all who are incarcerated, and unexpressed  
prayers, **We pray to the Lord.**

## WEEKLY MEETINGS

### **MOST HOLY TRINITY-SUNDAY, 06/11/17**

+ Sunday school – Closed for Summer Vacation  
+ 10 AM Choir Rehearsal -Church  
+ 10 AM Service at Marcus Garvey Manor  
+ GIFTSHOP  
+ CREDIT UNION

### **MONDAY 06/12/17**

+ 7:30 PM Choir rehearsal

### **TUESDAY 06/13/17**

+ 7:15 PM Bible Study in Rectory basement

### **WEDNESDAY 06/14/17**

+ 11 AM School Mass at Holy Cross

### **THURSDAY 06/15/17**

+ After Mass Senior Bible Study-Rectory basement

### **SATURDAY 06/17/17**

+ 11 AM to 6 PM 10<sup>th</sup> Health Fair & Barbeque  
+ 11 AM 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation at Holy Cross Church for  
St. Gregory the Great Catholic Academy  
+ 4 PM-Vigil Choir Rehearsal - Church  
+ Light Fest Prayer Group after Mass in Church  
+ 6 PM – AA Meeting –

### **WEEK OF SUNDAY 06/11/17 @ ST. MATTHEW**

+ 11:45am Legion nidi de la Presentation  
+ 1:30pm Youth Ministry

### **MONDAY 06/12/17**

+ 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous  
+ 7:00 PM Haitian Charismatic Prayer Group

### **WEDNESDAY 06/14/17**

+ 11am– Senior Group

### **FRIDAY 06/ 16/17**

+ 5 PM English Legion of Mary  
+ 7 PM Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group

### **SATURDAY 06/17/17**

+ 4 PM-Youth Choir Rehearsal  
+ 4:15 PM Haitian Legion of Mary

### **O. L C WEEKLY MEETING SCHEDULE**

+ 1st, 2nd & 3rd, **Mondays** A .A Group 6pm—9pm  
+ 3rd **Tuesdays** 7pm  
Liturgy Meeting 7pm  
AA Group 6pm-9pm

**Thursdays** A. A. Group 6pm—9pm

Praise & Worship Team 7pm

+ **Fridays** -Feather Men 5pm

2nd, 3rd & 4th **Saturdays**

Bible & Culture 10am—noon

+ **Every Saturday** Prayer Group 8 am-10

2nd & 4th **Saturdays** Liturgical Dancers

**Every Saturday** Feathers Meeting 5pm

**Every Sunday** after Mass- Choir Rehearsal

+ 3rd **Sunday**-Baptism

+ 1st & 3rd **Sunday** -Apologetics

**EAST BROOKLYN CONGREGATIONS**

East Brooklyn Congregation (EBC) will have a rededication of East Brooklyn congregations on Sunday, **June 11, 2017 at 3 PM**. The assembly is located at 1200 Dean Street off of Nostrand Avenue.

**CORPUS CHRISTI**

Corpus Christi is **Sunday, June 18th**, we will have our regular Saturday Mass at 8 pm and on Sunday we have 2 masses, **one at 7:30 AM and a trilingual Mass at 11 AM** followed by a procession to Brower Park @ **St. Matthew**

**JAZZ CONCERT**

The OLC Annual Drummer Jazz Concert on **Sunday, June 25**, Concert starts at 2:30pm. Lunch will be on sale. @ **Our Lady of Charity**

**ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY BAKE SALE**

Will take place on Sunday June 25th after all Masses. Please remember that everything is home baked and very delicious. @ **St. Matthew**

**ENGLISH CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP**

Annual Retreat to Mount Alvernia, Wappinger Falls, New York. **Come join us on 6/30-7/2**, for a spirit filled weekend with the Franciscan Friars. Cost - \$220.00, Includes: room, meals & transport Bus leaves in front of St. Matthew at 12:00 pm sharp, on Friday 30th.

Remember! Charismatic Conference to Scranton, Pennsylvania on August 4th thru 6th. Shirley Crooks at 917 518-4626 for more information @ **St. Matthew**

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

will be having their annual pilgrimage to Blessed Katharine Drexel Shrine in Bensalem, Pennsylvania on **Saturday, August 5th**. Tickets available from members of the Holy Name Society or in the rectory. @ **St. Matthew**

**PILGRIMAGE: ANNIVERSARY OF FATIMA**

Come join Fr. Frank Black on a Fatima & Cultural Portugal Pilgrimage in October 2017.

Price: \$2,798.00 per person double occupancy.

Included: \*\*Roundtrip from NYC. 6 night accommodation: Breakfast and dinner daily Touring & entrance fees Services of a professional tour guide Transfers to and from international airports Entrance fees —Date: Departing October 8, 2017  
**Final payment is due by August 7, 2017**

**ST. GREGORY**

Confirmation at St. Matthew's Church at 7:30 PM with Bishop Sansaricq on **Thursday, June 15th, 2017**.

BBQ & Health Fair on **Saturday, June 17th** from **11 Am to 6 PM** on the grounds of St. Gregory's Church parking Lot.

Corpus Christi Mass followed by Procession to Brower Park on **Sunday, June 18th, 2017**. All Worship Sites

The Disciples In Mission of St. Gregory the Great Church, Crown Heights, Brooklyn is sponsoring a Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, Litchfield Connecticut on **Saturday, June 24th, 2017**.

Donation :\$55 per person. Monies due by June 3rd, 2017. Breakfast served at 7:30 AM \*\*BROWN BAG YOUR LUNCH\*\* Bus departs from St. Gregory's Church, corner of Brooklyn Ave. & St. Johns Place at 8 AM SHARP ST.

**ALCOHOL ANONYMOUS MEETINGS**

Please see flyer posted with other locations that are hosting meetings. Also you can feel free to contact Brooklyn Intergroup of AA @ 718.851.3039.

**National Night Out Against Crime - Tuesday**  
August 1st at Brower Park from 11 AM to 8 PM

Food Pantry is every other Wednesday from 12-1PM. Sandwiches served Monday through Friday from 12-1pm @ **St. Gregory**

**FOOD PANTRY**

Every Tuesday between 9am & Noon except on 5th Tuesday @ **St. Matthew**

**GIFT SHOP**

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

**COLLECTION 06/03—06/04**

**ST. MATTHEW**

<b>Mass</b>	<b>Enve- lopes Used</b>	<b>Envelope Collection</b>	<b>Loose money</b>	<b>Totals</b>
8 PM	82	2,240.00	308.54	2,548.54
7:30 AM	157	4,279.00	552.45	4,31.45
9:30 AM	81	1,128.00	343.98	1,471.98
11:30 AM	121	2,682.96	854.22	3,537.18
1:30 PM	60	946.00	133.76	1,079.76
L.I.R.	22	901.00	—	901.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>12,176.96</b>	<b>2,192.95</b>	<b>14,369.91</b>

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<b>5:00 pm</b>	19	452.00	682.05	1,134.05
<b>11:30AM</b>	54	1,657.00	364.64	2,021.64
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>2,109.00</b>	<b>1,046.69</b>	<b>3,155.69</b>

**OUR LADY OF CHARITY**

<b>Mass</b>	<b>Enve- lopes Used</b>	<b>Envelope Collection</b>	<b>Loose money</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>10am</b>	81	3,038.60	74.00	3,112.60
<b>Free Will</b>	10	452.00	—	452.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>3,490.60</b>	<b>74.00</b>	<b>3,564.60</b>

**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.**



Adoration in the Chapel: Monday – Friday  
After 9:00 am Mass Until 12:00 noon.  
The Divine Mercy is recited during the reposition. Benediction every First Friday at Noon

*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)*

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL & OFFERING**

Our generous parishioners, we are not nearly where we should be for our Annual Catholic appeal goals, please be sure that you are making your pledges and sending in your appeal envelopes. The determination of our diocese, our Church and the future of practicing our faith in the most meaningful way with the holy Eucharist depends on *all* of our generosity. Searching deep within to help those who are more needy than ourselves, helping to keep as many of our churches & schools open, helps ensures that our children can practice their faith in the same way that we do. Allowing Catholic Charities to continue to be a beacon for so many who are in need of food, clothing, & shelter are just some of the help that the appeal lends

2017 Annual Catholic Appeal: As we prepare for the 2017 Annual Catholic Appeal, ***Live in Faith— Give in Love***, we need to remember the purpose of the yearly appeal: to continue to address some of the financial needs that remain unmet— both at the diocesan and local levels. The bulk of these needs remain our support of the core component of Catholic Charities, Catholic Migration Services, Vocation Support, Catholic Education, Faith Formation, Chaplaincies, Care for Retired Priests-and Parish Assistance.

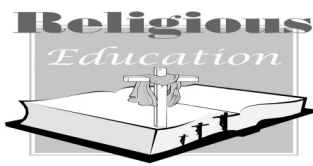
The diocesan goal for the 2017 Appeal has not been raised and remains at 8 million. The individual parish goal remains the same. Remember our goal is based on our assessment: based on your collections.

Our individual Parish goal for the 2017 Annual Catholic appeal is \$112,638.00. This is the goal for the entire Parish, this includes the 3 faith communities, St. Matthew R.C. Church, St. Gregory the Great R. C. Church and Our Lady of Charity R. C. Church. Knowing the goodness of our parishioners when we see the need, we respond! Again, this year, the Bishop has agreed to gift back all monies collected over the goal to the Parish. This will help us to meet some of the needs for our parish. We are counting on all of us to come together as a community and make the pledges to help sustain our parish and to help those who help shepherd us and those who help the poor.

We thank you in advance for your generosity and for making the sacrifice to help out those that are in most in need. May God continue to bless St. Matthew Parish with its three faith communities.

## SACRAMENTS & REGISTRATION

### SCHOOL OF RELIGION @ ST. MATTHEW



Registration forms are now available at the doors of the Church & in the Rectory.

**EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT-** \$60.00. Deadline- 6/30  
Payments for registration received after 6/30 will be \$70.00.

Please attach a Copy of Your Child's Baptism Certificate, If Not Baptized, Attach a Copy of their Birth Certificate. **DEADLINE FOR ALL REGISTRATION IS AUGUST 31ST, 2017.**

#### School of Religion @ Our Lady of Charity

Registration for school of religion is **ongoing**

#### School of Religion @ St. Gregory

Registration for Sacrament is **ONGOING**

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### RECONCILIATION:

Confessions @ 7:30pm Saturday's or by appointment

### MARRIAGE:

Marriage sacrament requires a time of spiritual preparation. Therefore, couples should make arrangements six months to a year before the planned date, by making an appointment with the parish priest

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

If you or a loved one is near death or very ill and need a priest to administer anointing of the sick, we encourage you to call the chaplain of the hospital or call our rectory

### PARISH REGISTRATION

We urge everyone to register in the parish. Any letter concerning sponsorship for the sacraments or testimonial letters will only be issued to registered parishioners of 6+ months.  
Please register @ the rectory.

## SACRAMENTS & REGISTRATION

### 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, each must be Catholic, practicing their faith (letter from the Church stating this), and have their confirmation certificate. The baby can be baptized with only one god parent.
3. One parent must be baptized Catholic and have their baptism certificate 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 Bible, the Sacred Liturgy as well as the Catechism of the Catholic Church, participants prepare themselves to receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation & Eucharist.

RCIA is the name we give to the process that guides people in their decision to enjoy full communion with the Catholic Church.

### **RCIA is offered in Spanish & English and are for people who:**

- ◆ Was baptized in the Catholic Church but is un-catechized and has not received the sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation
- ◆ Was baptized in another Christian denomination and wishes to be received into full communion in the Catholic Church
- ◆ Was never baptized & wishes to become Catholic.
- ◆ Want 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.**