

RESURRECTION ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY OF Advent

A voice cries out:
In the desert prepare the way of the Lord!
Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!
Every valley shall be filled in,
every mountain and hill shall be made low.

Isaiah 40:3-4



DECEMBER 6, 2020

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Resurrection Parish Mission Statement

We, the Body of Christ of Resurrection Parish in Gerritsen Beach, Brooklyn, proclaim our service to God, our Church, and our Community.

We celebrate the sacramental life of the Church to serve the needs of our parishioners and neighbors always with faith, hope and charity to grow in love and service to God and one another.

As a community of believers we will build up our parish as Jesus proclaimed that He is "The Resurrection and the Life."

***I am the Resurrection
and the Life***

Rectory

2331 Gerritsen Ave. Brooklyn, New York 11229

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Masses

Weekday: 8:30 a.m.

Saturday (Vigil): 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Rectory Office Hours

**Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon,
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
(Closed on Saturday & Sunday)**

Confession

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Other times: By arrangement with Priest at Rectory.

Good Shepherd Catholic Academy

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Anointing of the Sick

Anyone scheduled to enter the hospital or is sick should be anointed. The anointing of the sick is held every Saturday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Just ask the Priest and he will pray with you and administer the Sacrament of the Sick.

Parish Membership

Every parishioner should be formally registered with the parish. Likewise, parishioners are encouraged to use the Sunday collection envelopes. We invite you to register at the Rectory Monday-Friday 9:00a.m.-4:00p.m. or complete a

registration form, found in Church, and drop off at the Rectory.

Vocations

Are you being called to the Priesthood or Religious Life? Speak with a Priest or Religious or contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or vocations@diobrook.org.

Baptisms

Usually, on the second Sunday of the month at 12:15 p.m. Parents wishing to have their child baptized must attend a class prior to the Baptism. Classes are usually held the first Saturday of the month at 10:30 a.m.. Please call the Rectory to register.

Marriages

Arrangements must be made with the Priest at least 6 months prior to the wedding. One party should be a parishioner. For Pre-cana info visit www.bqonlineformation.org/precana

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Instructions for non-Catholic adults interested in becoming Catholics are held during the year. Instructions for Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Confirmation are also given. Anybody interested is asked to call the Rectory and leave your name and phone number.

Devotions

The Miraculous Medal Novena & Rosary are recited after the 8:30 a.m. Mass every Monday. The Rosary is recited everyday after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Holy Hour every First Friday following the 8:30 a.m. Mass

Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn Catholic Cemeteries

Please contact 718-894-4888 for more information.



Second Sunday of Advent
December 6, 2020
 Every valley shall be filled in, every
 mountain and hill shall be made low.
 — *Isaiah 40:4*



**Mass Intentions
 for the Week**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6:
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday 5:00 p.m. -
 Pasqualino & Dorothy Lombardi
 9:00 a.m. - The People of the Parish
 11:00 a.m. - Christopher Gribbon
 Josephine D'Apolito
 Rose Priore - Birthday
 Anna Voce - Birthday
 Virginia Spurvey

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7:
SAINT AMBROSE

8:30 a.m. - Bertha Schreiber & Ginger Schalk
 7:30 p.m. Vigil Mass - Patricia Downey

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8:
**THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED
 VIRGIN MARY**

8:30 a.m. - The People of the Parish

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9:
SAINT JUAN DIEGO CUAUHTLATZIN

8:30 a.m. - William C. Wiggins

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10:

8:30 a.m. - Andrew Johnson - Birthday Remb

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11:
SAINT DAMASUS I

8:30 a.m. - Fred & Theresa Intoccia - Anniversary

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12:
OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

8:30 a.m. - Rosary for Life

Prepare the Way of the Lord

Saint Peter shows us a characteristic of God that we normally do not think about. He tells us that for God, "a day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day" (1 Peter 3:8). Because early Christians sometimes complained that Jesus' second coming had been delayed, Peter is trying to tell us that what seems like a long time to us is nothing to God.

Like the early Christians, we may wonder how long it will take for God to answer our prayers. We may be praying for someone who is looking for a job, a sick relative, an end to abortion, or world peace. Some prayers require us to change, and we may not be ready.

What Peter means is that a thousand years is not too long for God if someone needs that long to repent. God is far more patient than we are. God has been "waiting" over two thousand years for us to preach the gospel to all nations. God has been waiting for millennia for people to give up war as a means for solving our problems. God has been waiting since the beginning of the human race for us to learn how to love our neighbor.

We might not be as patient as God, but we can help. Saint Peter says that we are not just waiting for the Lord's return, we are hastening it. When we make a choice that is based on faith rather than selfishness, we make it a little easier for people to believe in God. Jesus is the light of the world; he asks us to let our light shine, so that people can see Jesus in us. May our light "prepare the way of the Lord" (Mark 1:3).

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**The Eucharistic Gifts of Wine & Altar Breads for
 the Weekend Liturgies have been offered for:**

Christopher Gribbon
 Requested by: Veronica McCarthy

**The Eucharistic Gifts of Wine & Altar Breads for
 the Weekday Liturgies have been offered for:**

John Mignosi
 Requested by: Daniel Palumbo & Sue Lukens
 & Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26
 Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
 Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
 Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9, 10-13ab; Mt 11:11-15
 Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4; Mt 11:16-19
 Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47,
 Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



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PLEASE PRAY *for* THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Aniya Ardon, Efrain (Al) Arroyo, Lyndon Balter, Lilianna Biscione, Bob Canzanella, Carol Cartmel, Marisol CharemSook, Jacob Chung, Ellen Collins, Charles Comi, Patricia Cox, Carissa D'Alba, Danielle DelDuca, Lori DeMario, Claire Denver, Laura Durant, Justine Erikson, Natalie Ferber, Riley Ferguson, Teresa Ferrier, Edward French, Judy French, Bernadette Gallagher, Christopher Gari, Gerard Gribbon, Joan Hope, Mary Hose, Janet Jemec, Kevin Michael Kelly, David Kennedy, Ilene Klein, Geraldine Kopp, Patricia Kopp, Stacey Lakiotes, Nancy Lawrence, Vivian Levesi, Lisa LoBosco, Kim Loccissano, Dominca Lombardi, Patricia Lombardi, Michael Thomas Loughran, Basha Mahajan, Andrea Martin, Edward McCarthy, Mary McCormick, Kevin McDonough, Patty McDonough, Carmen Delia Mejia, Marilyn Meyer, Celia Mikos, John E. Mueller, David Muncie, Carmela Naimoli, Emily Grace Nevara, Diane Ng, baby Nolan, Laura O'Brien, John O'Connor, Kimberly Palmo, Caridad Del Pozo, Jose Ramirez, Ela Reyes, Nicholas Rodick, Evan Romano, Jane Romo, Charles Sabatino, Robert Sansone, Rosa Maria Santos, Moira Sharkey, Anthony Siconolfi, William Smith, Angel Soto, Janet Springer, Barbara Stilp, baby Vivian, Stephen Wiegand

Kindly notify the Rectory with any updates.



**Dennis Kelly
Walter Klein
Deacon Hiram Lopez**

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR PRIESTS

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Posters are hanging on the wall of the Church on either side of the break



Please pray for Vocations

"Like a sheperd he feeds his flock." Consider following Christ more closely as a priest, deacon or in consecrated life. Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Annual Catholic Appeal 2020
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

WE ARE THE CHURCH, TOGETHER

THANKS TO YOUR OVERWHELMING GENEROSITY WE ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT RESURRECTION HAS SURPASSED OUR GOAL OF \$42,312.00.

According to the Catholic Foundation report, as of **11/30/20**, **\$47,552.50** has been pledged from **154 donors** of which **\$44,800.59** has already been paid.

You may still make a donation on behalf of Resurrection R.C. Church if you wish, online at annualcatholicappeal.org or text ACA to 917-336-1255 or call 718-965-7375 ext. 1602 and have a pledge card mailed to your home. Any amount over our goal comes back to us 100%.

May God Bless You Abundantly, Fr. With & Fr. Mike

A Letter of Congratulations from Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio

Allow me to offer my congratulations to you and the parishioners of Resurrection Parish on reaching your 2020 ACA goal of \$42,312 in pledges. You and your Appeal Team, as well as your parishioners, are all to be commended for the diligence, sacrifice and personal commitment each has made in this important endeavor for the Church in Brooklyn and Queens.

Now more than ever we have faced the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, your leadership and example in implementing the local Appeal is an inspiration. It is because of the willingness of your faithful parishioners to answer the call of Christ to care for each other and build up the Church that so many will be helped. Because of the collective generosity of Resurrection Parish, the presence of Christ Jesus will be brought to so many through Catholic Charities, Catholic Migration Services, Vocations Support, Catholic Schools Scholarship Assistance, Chaplaincies, Care for Retired Priests, Parish Assistance, Faith Formation, and your own parish.

The response by the people of your parish to the 2020 ACA in thanks for all that is accomplished through parish and diocesan ministry, recognizing the hope that goes hand-in-hand with their charity. It is my prayer that your parishioners will continue to emphasize participation in the Appeal, while understanding the magnitude of the impact that our ACA has on all the people who make up the Diocese in Brooklyn and Queens.

Thanking you again and asking the Lord to extend His choicest blessings upon you.

PARISH NEWS

**Rectory Hours: Monday - Friday
9:00am - 12pm and 1:00pm - 4:00pm**

**Confession has resumed in the crying room
of the Church vestibule.**

**Baptisms have resumed.
Only one family at a time with limited
people in attendance.**

Please call the rectory to schedule

**The Boy Scout Troop #396
will be outside Church on
Sunday, December 6th selling raffle tickets
Kindly Support them**



What does RCIA mean?

RCIA stands for the **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**. RCIA is the process through which non-baptized adults prepare for their Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, & Eucharist), & through which those baptized in other Christian faiths join into full communion with the Catholic Church.

How Does One Become a Catholic?

The Catholic Church warmly welcomes new members and the RCIA process tries to provide an appropriate spiritual formation **according to each person's need**.

Therefore, the best way to determine **HOW** you can become a Catholic is to meet with the RCIA Coordinator to discuss your specific needs and discern where you are on your individual spiritual journey.

**For more information or for help call
Fr. Mike Gribbon at the Rectory 718-743-7234.**



THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 8, 2020**

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

MASS:

MON. DEC. 7TH - 7:30 P.M.
TUES. DEC. 8TH - 8:30 A.M.

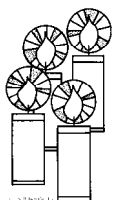


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during this trying time.**

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loved ones are well & stay safe.**

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During this time of Advent
Resurrection will participate in
Reconciliation Monday
on December 21st
(times to be announced)

**DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS, WE
UNFORTUNATELY ARE UNABLE TO HAVE
A GIVING TREE THIS YEAR**



2019 PARISH SUPPORT PROGRAM

All parishioners are asked to use the
weekly offertory envelopes. Please
register at the rectory.

December 6	Weekly Offering
December 6	Monthly Offering
December 6	Christmas Mass
December 8	Immaculate Conception
December 13	Weekly Offering
December 13	Religious Retirement

RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT FUND

The revenue from this collection provides funding to any religious institute in the U.S. that is listed in the religious institute section of the Official Catholic Directory and is in need of support. A number of these religious communities need assistance to provide retirement for their members who have previously served the Church.



**2019 - 2020 RESURRECTION
OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION**

718-891-0888

FAX: 347-875-1175

**Resurrection-Brooklyn.org
Mrs. Margaret Foti, Director**

**Please leave a message &
your call will be returned as soon as possible**

MASS UPDATES

We are now in the yellow zone and our Church doors are open once again. There is a 50% restricted capacity.

Weekday Mass: Monday - Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

Weekend Mass:

Saturday - Vigil Mass 5:00 p.m.

and

Sunday - 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

COVID-19 safety protocols will be in place, including the requirement that **all who enter a church must bring and must wear their own mask during the entire Mass and maintain proper social distancing.**

View video at: <https://vimeo.com/430806908>

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass remains in effect until further notice. As such, the Diocese urges anyone who feels sick in any way to stay home. Mass will continue to be broadcast live on the Diocesan cable channel, NET-TV, on Spectrum channel 97; Optimum channel 30; and Fios by Verizon channel 48.



**PLEASE HELP KEEP YOUR
PARISH UP TO DATE**

If you are new to our parish,
please register.

If you have a **new address, phone #**
or have an **email address to add** or
are **moving out of the Parish,**

**please contact the Rectory at 718-743-7234.
or Email ResurrectionBrooklyn@gmail.com**



**ST. VINCENT de PAUL
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For every car, truck, or van (running or not)
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**FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR
Instruction on the Reverent Reception of Holy
Communion during the Time of Pandemic**

- As you approach the Priest, Deacon or Extraordinary Minister maintain six feet of distance from the person before you.
- As the person before you receives, you are asked to make a sign of reverence. This sign is a simple bow of the head.

Receiving in the hand is the **preferred** method of receiving Holy Communion during this time of pandemic. Why? When one receives on the tongue, there is a greater chance of the minister inadvertently touching your tongue. **It is simply easier to avoid inadvertent contact when one receives in the hand.**

- As you approach the minister, extend your hands, the left palm open over the right. If you are left-handed the placement of your hands can be reversed.
- When you come before the minister after bowing, do not move. Wait until the Sacred Host is placed on your palm. Then, move to the side, at least six feet away, lower your mask and place the Host into your mouth immediately. Then replace your mask before returning to your place.
- Do not hold anything in your hand. Do not reach out and take or grab the Host from the minister. Allow the Host to be placed reverently into your palm. Do not extend just one hand to receive.
- Hold your hands high enough so that the minister can place the Sacred Host into your hand with reverence.

ONLINE GIVING WITH GIVE CENTRAL

We would like to remind you that Resurrection accepts online donations through Give Central.

Visit **www.givecentral.org** to make paperless donations to our church. Type **Resurrection** in the search box. Choose an event, enter the amount of your donation, start date & frequency, then click *Add to my Gift Basket*. Checkout, hit continue, then complete profile. You can give using a credit or debit card, or electronic checks, for either one-time or recurring donations.

GiveCentral is a secure, online system that allows you to give whenever and however you like - from home or on the go with your phone.

For all parishioners who are currently using GiveCentral, we ask that you please notify the rectory to stop sending you envelopes.

Thank you.

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