

The 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the daily work of our Church throughout Brooklyn and Queens in ways no one parish can accomplish alone by supporting the following ministries: **Catholic Youth Ministry Initiative, Catholic Charities; Hospital, College and Prison Chaplains; Diocesan Vocations Office; Catholic Migration Services; Office of Faith Formation; Bishop Mugavero Residence for infirmed clergy; Futures in Education Scholarship Foundation.** All donations made to the ACA above our parish goal are

returned directly back to our parish for operations and improvements. **Through your prayerful consideration and reflection, you are invited to respond in faith, hope and charity by making a gift to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal. The ACA is independently audited each year for full transparency.**

- **ACA Update – The parish goal for the Annual catholic Appeal is \$21,020.00. Thus far, \$26,392.00 has been pledged and \$21, 266.70 has been paid.** A total of 82 families have participated which reflect 29.7 % of the congregation. **Thanks for your generosity and continued support.**

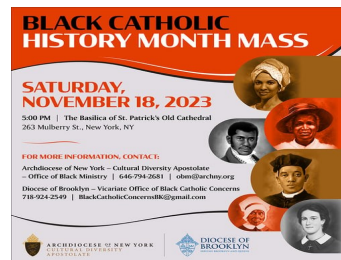
## Important Dates and INFORMATION



To celebrate Black Catholic History Month, the Last Judgment Ministry is sponsoring a **Movie Matinee** titled, **“The Courage to Love” (a history film, inspired by the true story of Henriette Delille)** on Saturday, November 18, from 3:00 – 5:00 PM. Since light refreshments will be served, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the vestibule. All are welcome.



**Christ The King is celebrating its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary** on Sunday, November 26, 2023 from 1 PM to 6 PM at Anton's. Flyers are on the table in the vestibule.



The Brooklyn Black Vicariate Office, in collaboration with the Archdiocese of New York Office of Black Ministry-Pierre Toussaint Guild, is thrilled to announce this year's **Black Catholic History Month Mass**. DATE: Saturday, November 18, 2023. TIME: 5:00pm LOCATION: The Basilica of St. Patrick's Old Cathedral ADDRESS: 263 Mulberry Street New York, NY 10012.

\*Parking is extremely limited, please consider cab or public transportation\*

The Last Judgment Ministry would like to remind everyone of their civic duty to vote in the elections. Our next general election is Tuesday, November 7, 2023 and early voting has begun as of October 28 to today, November 5, 2023. Request for an absentee ballot by mail can be done by calling 1-866-868 3692.

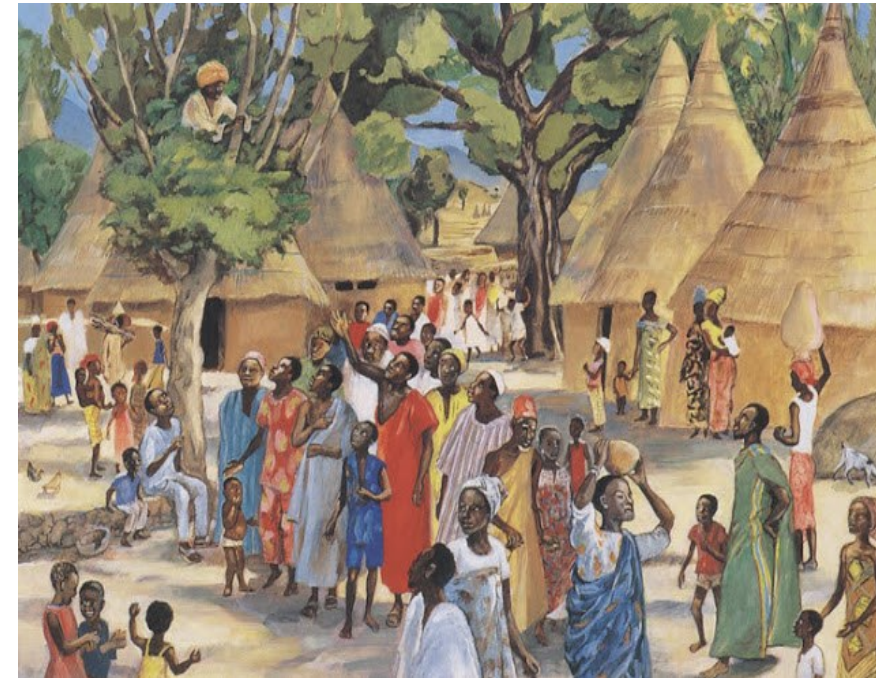


# St. Mary Magdalene R. C. Church

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*They “tie up heavy burdens hard to carry and lay them on people's shoulders, but they will not lift a finger to move them.” (Matthew 23:1-12)*



November 5, 2023

**MISSION STATEMENT:** St. Mary Magdalene Parish is a welcoming Faith Community of followers of Jesus Christ bonded by the Eucharist. We go forth from this table into the larger community sharing our gifts and talents in order to bring about God’s reign through works of justice and responsible stewardship.



### Masses

Sunday 8:45 AM & 11:00 AM  
Weekday 8:30 AM  
Saturday 9:00 AM

### Parish Clergy

Rev. Fr. Gordon P. Kusi – Administrator  
Rev. Fr. Cosmas C. Nzebalu –Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Fr. Mark Cregan – Sunday Assistant

Deacon Lee Williams  
Deacon Ernie Hart

### Parish Staff

Mary Harris – Pastoral Associate  
Aminta Maynard – Administrative Assistant  
Dr. Marva Chevalier— Director of Religious Education

### Liturgical Ministries & Coordinators

<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Miriam Bettis
<b>Baptism Preparation:</b>	Doris & Price Olivier
<b>Consolation Ministry:</b>	Mikki Maynard
<b>Evangelization:</b>	Betty Williams
<b>Last Judgment</b>	
<b>Ministry/Social Justice:</b>	Miriam Bettis
<b>Liturgical Dance:</b>	Stephanie Simeon
<b>Men’s Ministry:</b>	Ken Harrison
<b>Musician:</b>	Gary Fisher
<b>Pastoral Care/</b>	
<b>Homebound:</b>	Fr. Cosmas
<b>Prayer:</b>	Velma Samuels
<b>O.C.I.A.:</b>	Dr. Marva Chevalier
<b>Social Media:</b>	Taryn Bettis, Cara Elie
<b>Women’s Ministry:</b>	Stanlee Richards
<b>Youth Ministry</b>	
<b>Coordinator:</b>	Najimah McKenzie





# 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

November 5, 2023

Reading I: Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10  
Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13  
Gospel: Matthew 14:22-23

Monday: Rom 11:29-26/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: rom 12:5-16b/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12/1 Cor 3:9c-11,11-17/

Jn 2:13-22

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9,16,22-27/Lk 16:9-15



PRAY FOR ....THE SICK, WHO ARE ILL IN BODY, MIND OR  
SPIRIT, ESPECIALLY:

Janet Brown, Georgina Smith, Teneshia  
MaxDixon, Errol Osborne, Martha Benjamin  
Pelham Jolly, Winnifred Smith, Ellington  
Jeffrey, Inga Watson, Cecile Augustin, Louise  
Roberts, Geraldine Kelley, Roy Henry, Lisa  
Moore, Thaddeus Scott, Jason Trotman,  
Lynette Bass, Cecile Rivers, Magalie Bloncourt,  
Lonny Chattergoon, Dr. Phillip Clifton, Ashanti  
Rimes, Grace Mogul, Roberto Giscomb



Masses are lived  
streamed for your  
viewing on our  
website, YouTube and  
on our Facebook page.



Sun. Nov. 5, 2023

8:45 AM: Joseph Gonsalves (+)

Req. by: Patricia Gonsalves

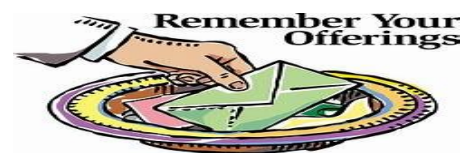
11:00 AM: Petra Gilmore (+)

8:30 AM: Mon. Nov. 6th – Eva Semper

8:30 AM: Tue. Nov. 7th – Taryn N. Bettis (Birthday)

Req. by: Miriam Southward Bettis

Your intentions are being remembered at Mass and we  
are praying for everyone's health and well-being.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023

REGULAR SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$ 2,668.00

ST. MARY MAGDALENE & BRO. RAYMOND BLIX SCHOLARSHIP

FUND CONCERT: \$1,378.00

(excluding on-line giving, which is reported at  
the end of the month). We thank you in advance  
for your consideration and generosity

Sunday offerings are critical to the ongoing vitality and  
sustainability of our parishes to carry out the Mission  
of Jesus Christ. We are always thankful for the  
continuing generosity of our parishioners, and during  
this difficult time we ask that you please continue to  
support your parish to the extent that you are able.



Please remember your parish. Donations can be  
mailed to the rectory or you can use on-line giving at:  
[www.givecentral.org/dob](http://www.givecentral.org/dob).



**Friday, November 10th**  
**in Honor of VETERANS DAY**  
**Rectory Office will be closed**



**THE PARISH OF MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD-STs SIMON AND  
JUDE IS HONORED TO HOST**

**THE RELIC OF THE ARM OF ST. JUDE:**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH. MASS AT 3 PM FOLLOWED BY  
VENERATION OF THE RELIC UNTIL 9PM.

MOST REVEREND ROBERT J. BRENNAN, BISHOP OF BROOKLYN, CELEBRANT.  
ALL ARE WELCOME!

*"Pray" Session Groups meetings* - Our Small Christian Community  
prayer group will commence the first week in Advent for four  
weeks. Classes are conducted via zoom. Sign-up cards are on the  
table in the vestibule.

**Join us in Indianapolis!**

**Pilgrimage to the National Eucharist Congress**

Diocese of Brooklyn 5-Day Pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic  
Congress in Indianapolis July 17-21, 2024. Diocesan Pilgrimage Led by  
Bishop Robert Brennan. For more information flyers are on the vestibule  
table.

## **SACRAMENTS & FAITH FORMATION**

### **Sacrament of Baptism for Infants:**

#### **(Infants—3 years old):**

Baptisms are held on the first Sunday of the month  
(Exception: There are no Baptisms in December or March).  
Please register your child at least one month in advance by  
coming to the rectory. You must complete the registration  
form and submit the child's birth certificate. In addition,  
parents and Godparents MUST attend preparation class  
PRIOR to Baptism.

### **Religious Education -**

#### **(Faith Formation for young people):**

Our classes have begun! **Classes begin at 9:30 AM.** This  
will allow our young people and Catechist to participate in our  
8:45 AM or 11:00 AM Mass Celebration.

For registration and/or further information, please call the  
rectory or see Dr. Marva Chevalier after Mass.

### **Diocesan guideline:**

**A two year sacramental preparation is required to  
receive Sacraments of Holy Eucharist/Communion  
and Confirmation.**

## **OCIA INVITATION**

### **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (O.C.I.A.):**

Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation for Adults

We welcome Adult members into full communion  
through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. We  
welcome all who worship with us who are not baptized  
or were baptized in a different Christian tradition to join  
us as full members of the Catholic Christian Community  
through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and  
Eucharist. Please speak with Dr. Marva Chevalier for  
more information. We also welcome baptized Catholics  
who have not been confirmed or received the Eucharist.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Requires a time of six  
months before the proposed date of the wedding for  
the Marriage Preparation Program. Registered  
participating Parish members should contact the  
parish office to begin the process.

**Funerals:** Please call the parish office when planning  
the Wake. All funeral arrangements are made through  
the Funeral Director who notifies the church.

**Pastoral Care of the Sick:** Please call the parish  
office to arrange for the Sacraments of Reconciliation,  
Communion, and Anointing of the Sick, at home.