



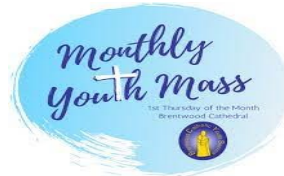
Thank you!

Annual Catholic Appeal 2023 UPDATE - Congratulations to our faith community; we surpassed our goal of \$21,020.00. Our overage was \$5,924.48. We thank you for your continued support and generosity during the 2023 Appeal. Our 2024 Appeal will commence in March and you should have received materials the week of February 5th. We hope that you will continue to support the Annual Catholic Appeal.



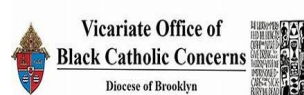
PPC, Finance & Trustee Meeting: Tuesday, 2/20 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall

Please join us Sunday, February 25th at 11:00 AM for our monthly Youth Mass.



Our Small Prayer Group Lenten sessions will commence this week for six weeks. Sign – up cards are available on the table.

The Vicariate Office of Black Catholic Concerns Diocese of Brooklyn is celebrating a Black History Month Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, February 25 at 4:30 P.M. at the Immaculate Conception parish located at 8645 Edgerton Blvd, Jamaica NY.



LENTEN PILGRIMAGE FEBRUARY 14th — MARCH 27th, 2024. This Pilgrimage is an opportunity to visit the beautiful and historic churches of our Diocese in Brooklyn and Queens. For questions: 718-965-7313 or PILGRIMAGE@DIOBROOK.ORG



G.I.F.T. Program – For the Lenten season, the youth in the G.I.F.T. program will be collecting unexpired can goods commencing today, February 18th to March 24th. A bin will be placed in the vestibule for all donations which will be delivered to the Christ The King food pantry.

Seder Supper – Christ the King is hosting a Seder Supper on Wednesday, March 27th at 7:00 PM. All are welcome!



St. Mary Magdalene Lenten Retreat — March 5th & 6th at 7:00 PM. Guest Celebrant: Father Emmanuel



St. Mary Magdalene R. C. Church

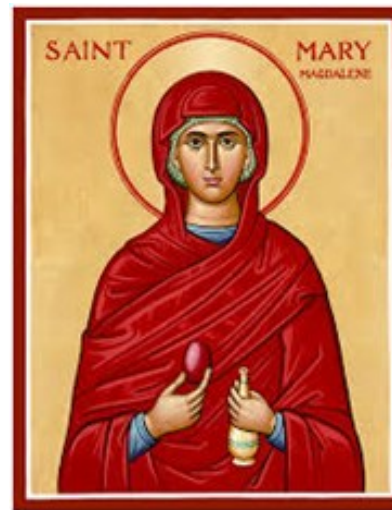
136-20 219th Street Springfield Gardens, NY 11413

Rectory/Parish office: 218-12 136th Avenue

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THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS – MARK 1:12-15



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.



February 18, 2024

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

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Year B

February 18, 2024

Reading 1: Genesis 9:8-15

Reading 2: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

MONDAY: LV 19:1-2,11-18/Mt 25:31-46

TUESDAY: IS 55:10-11/ MT 6:7-15

WEDNESDAY: JON 3:1-10/ LK 11:29-32

THURSDAY: EST C:12, 14-16/Mt 7:7-12

FRIDAY: EZ 18:21 / Mt 5:20-26

SATURDAY: DT 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48



PRAY FORTHE SICK, WHO ARE ILL IN BODY, MIND OR SPIRIT, ESPECIALLY:

Janet Brown, Georgina Smith, Teneshia MaxDixon, 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, Louise Aguilera, Lonny Chattergoon, Dr. Phillip Clifton, Ashanti Rimes, Grace Mogul, Roberto Giscomb, Andre Chase, Aleem Shoucair, Alma Sweeney



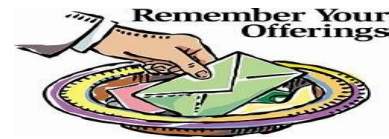
Sun. Feb. 18, 2024

10:00 AM: Maxine Martinez (+)

Req. by: Patricia Gonsalves



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



COLLECTIONS: FEBRUARY 11, 2024

REGULAR COLLECTION: \$2,85800

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



Today: 2nd Collection for the Black and Indian Mission Office. This collection supports Home Missions around the world.

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.

- **E-Giving info for online giving**
- Go to give central: www.givecentral.org/dob.
- Follow instructions on page: In search bar type in St. Mary Magdalene, click on St. Mary Magdalene and complete form
- **Again, we thank everyone for their continued generosity** and ask if they could, to please consider increasing their weekly offering.



Stations of the Cross will be conducted each Friday in Lent at **7:00 PM**. A Parish Ministry has been selected to lead the Stations each week in Lent but everyone is invited to attend. The schedule is as follows:

* Friday, February 23rd – Men's Group

*Friday, March 1st – Last Judgment Ministry

* Friday, March 8th – Youth Ministry

*Friday, March 15th – Pastoral Care & Homebound

***Palm Sunday** - March 24th – 8:45 AM & 11:00 AM Masses

Holy Week Schedule:

***Holy Thursday** March 28th – Mass at 7:00 PM

***Good Friday** March 29th – 3:00 PM (The Passion of the Lord) - (Stations & Veneration of the Cross)

***Holy Saturday** (Easter Vigil), March 30th – Mass at 7:30 PM



Join our faith community; each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all.

SACRAMENTS & FAITH FORMATION

OCIA Invitation

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.

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 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.