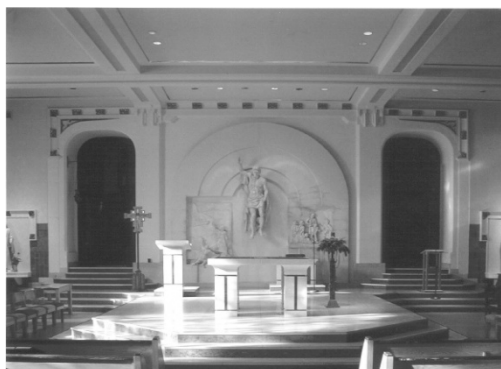


SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2017

The Parish of Resurrection-Ascension

Stewardship



Our Way of Life

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Resurrection-Ascension Church is a diverse community that gathers together to celebrate the Eucharist. We recognize that the Lord is the source of all that we have and all that we do. We hope that through our sharing of the Eucharist, the Sacraments, and our belonging to the parish – we may obtain a deeper relationship with the Lord.

As a people of faith, we are striving to grow in our ability to live out our understanding of “Stewardship” through the sharing of our Time, Talent and Treasure. We trust that, through God’s grace we may reach out to others, welcoming them, while respecting and supporting one another.

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Salvatore J. Amato, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Thelen, Part-Time Associate Pastor
Mr. Emanuel Bologna, Director of Music
Mrs. Joann Heppt, Academy Principal
Ms. Joyce Mennona, Dir. of Religious Education & Parish Outreach
Rev. Basilio Monteiro, Weekend Presider
Robert Mema, “Transitional” Deacon

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Rectory Hours

Monday through Friday: 9am - 12noon, and 1pm - 5pm
(closed for lunch 12noon - 1pm)
Saturday: 9am – 1pm, CLOSED SUNDAY

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am
12:30pm (Spanish)

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday – Friday 9:00am
Saturday 9:00am

Rite of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 11:00am to 11:30am

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RESURRECTION-ASCENSION CHURCH, REGO PARK

Today is Palm Sunday (A) . The Readings are found at #1045 in the Parish Hymnal.



Monday, April 10th

9:00am Mary Hillebrand, req by her family

Tuesday, April 11th

9:00am John, Andy, and Dennis Downing, req by the McInerney family

Wednesday, April 12th

9:00am Ellen and John Robertson, req by their son

Thursday, April 13th - HOLY THURSDAY

9:45am *Morning Prayer*

7:30pm *Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

10:45pm *Night Prayer*

Friday, April 14th - GOOD FRIDAY

9:45am *Morning Prayer*

12noon *Stations of the Cross (English)*

1:00pm *Stations of the Cross (Spanish)*

3:00pm *Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English) with Communion*

5:30pm *Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Spanish) with Communion*

7:30pm *Stations of the Cross (English)*

Saturday, April 15th - HOLY SATURDAY

9:45am *Morning Prayer*

12noon *Blessing of Food*

8:00pm *The Great Vigil of Easter- Easter Spiritual Bouquet Intentions*

(NO CONFESSIONS ON HOLY SATURDAY)

Sunday, April 16th - EASTER SUNDAY

8:00am *Easter Spiritual Bouquet Intentions*

9:30am *Easter Spiritual Bouquet Intentions*

11:00am *Easter Spiritual Bouquet Intentions*

12:30pm *Easter Spiritual Bouquet Intentions*

SPECIAL RECTORY HOURS FOR HOLY WEEK

Monday through Thursday- regular business hours

GOOD FRIDAY: OPEN 9AM-12NOON ONLY

HOLY SATURDAY: CLOSED

EASTER SUNDAY: CLOSED

The Rectory will re-open on Monday, April 17th at 9am.

The Rectory Staff wish all a Blessed Easter!

Prepare for Holy Week and Easter with Scripture!

April 11. Tuesdays 10-11am in FFH

Reading, discussion, and prayer about the Scriptures of the Mass for the following Sunday. All are welcome!

Bring a friend! Facilitator: John Cleary (718) 662-6069

Beginning on Monday, April 10th, we will have

Recited Morning Prayer before the Rosary each day in the Church at 8:30am. All are welcome.

HELP WANTED- Holy Saturday Morning.

We will be decorating the church for Easter on Holy Saturday. Join us after Morning Prayer for a cup of coffee and then help us to decorate.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The Sick and/or Hospitalized: Vahide Atlas, Tyler Benton, Stephanie Bojarski, Richard DeNardo, Louis F., Ida Fernandes, Steve Ferrugio, Agnes Finegan, Elena Flores, Msgr. Vincent Fullam, Eileen Grubb, George Harms, George J. Harms, Pat Holahan, Claire LaRocca, James Leung, Carmen Mayor, Kathy O'Connell, Joseph A. Oliveri, Jr., Susan Patina, Brendan Phelan, Michael Pratley, Grace Radonicic, Barbara Ravert, Jovina Rios, Julio Rosado, Frank Russo, Vincent Russo, Madeline Silecchia, Rose Tantillo, Alicia Witherby

WINE & HOSTS AND MEMORIAL CANDLES

In keeping with our Holy Week tradition,

NO Memorials have been taken for this week.

Please Note: All the electric candles in the church, as well as the candles at the Statues of the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, St. Patrick and St. John Vianney will be extinguished prior to the Holy Thursday 9:45am Morning Prayer Service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CLW

There is no Sunday School or CLW next Sunday, April 16th (Easter Sunday.) Instead, we will have our Special Liturgy at the 9:30am Mass. Happy Easter!

Easter Egg Hunt!

Join us at 10:45 following our Easter Special Liturgy Mass in Father Feely Hall. Look for eggs with a special surprise inside, celebrating our Lord's Resurrection! It's for children in nursery through grade 3, but older children are welcome to come help!

FOOD PANTRY HOURS: Please note that the Food Pantry will be CLOSED Monday, April 17 and Wednesday, April 19th. It will re-open on Monday, April 24th.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

This year, Cardinal Dolan, Bishop DiMarzio, and Bishop Barres, have designated **Monday, April 10th Reconciliation Monday** throughout the entire Metropolitan New York area. There will be ample opportunity to avail yourself of confession in your parish church, or a neighboring one.

The schedule for Reconciliation Monday at RA is as follows:

3:30pm – 7:30pm Confessions heard in English (Reconciliation Room)

(Please note- this will be the last opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter).

Bridge to Life Baby Bottles

Any bottles, used or unused, can be dropped off **by Easter Sunday**. Thank you for your generosity!!

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Palm Sunday (today): Easter Gift to the parish

Holy Thursday: donated to Mercy Center

Good Friday: donation toward upkeep of The Holy Land Shrines

Easter Sunday: in addition to your regular Sunday tithing envelope, an additional collection will be taken for the Support of Senior Priests (an envelope is provided in your tithing packet)

As always, we thank you for your generosity!

HOLY WEEK AT RESURRECTION ASCENSION

APRIL 10, 2017 - MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK

- 8:30am Morning Prayer (Recited) before Rosary
- 9:00am Mass
- 3:30-7:30pm Individual Confessions (Reconciliation Room)

PLEASE NOTE: This is the LAST opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter. There are NO Confessions on Holy Saturday.

APRIL 11, 2017- TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

- 8:30am Morning Prayer (Recited) before Rosary
- 9:00am Mass

APRIL 12, 2017 - WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

- 8:30am Morning Prayer (Recited) before Rosary
- 9:00am Mass

APRIL 13, 2017 - HOLY THURSDAY

- 9:45am Morning Prayer (Solemn/Chanted)
- 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
- 8:45pm Blessed Sacrament Chapel of Reposition will be open for Adoration until 10:45pm
- 10:45pm Night Prayer

APRIL 14, 2017- GOOD FRIDAY

Church Law allows only ONE celebration of the Good Friday Liturgy unless for "a truly pastoral need approved by the Bishop." The only need approved by our Bishop is a different language group. Even the Cathedrals have only one "Liturgy of the Lord's Passion."

- 9:45am Morning Prayer (Solemn/Chanted)
- 12:00pm Stations of the Cross (English)
- 1:00pm Stations of the Cross (Spanish)
- 3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English) with Communion
- 5:30pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Spanish) with Communion
- 7:30pm Stations of the Cross (English) with organist and cantor

APRIL 15, 2017 - HOLY SATURDAY

- 9:45am Morning Prayer (Solemn/Chanted)
- 12:00pm Blessing of Food
- 8:00pm The Great Vigil of Easter

APRIL 16, 2017 - EASTER SUNDAY

- 8:00am Mass
- 9:30am Special Liturgy
- 11:00am Choir Mass
- 12:30pm Spanish Mass

HAVE A HAPPY AND BLESSED EASTER!

**DON'T FORGET,,,
YOU CAN STILL ENROLL IN ONLINE GIVING!**

We offer the option to use Online Giving for contributions to our parish! It is secure, convenient, and simple! You can keep track of your donations, adjust them, and print out your donation information for your financial records. You can stop, or start, at any time, enroll in automatic contributions, or simply make a one-time donation. Registering is easy- just visit our parish website www.rachurch.net, and click on Online Giving.



In the event you did not receive an envelope stipulated as an "Easter Gift to your Parish," please feel free to place your offering *next week* and clearly mark as **your gift to your parish**. Your generosity is very much appreciated at this special time in the Church year—as well as throughout the year.

As we begin Holy Week, these days entail our entering a special time when we celebrate "who we are as Catholics." We remember, especially, the One who gives us our identity, and makes us His own through His suffering and death for us. We will move toward Easter Sunday when we celebrate His **LOVE**, which lives on in the **mystery of the Resurrection** and our **promise of eternal life**.

As in the past, our parish community will attempt to assist you in **remembering** and in **celebrating**. Our staff and ministers have prepared, extensively, in planning our services with the hope that they can be experienced in a **prayerful** and **meaningful** manner. This writing is intended as a special **INVITATION** to participate in most, if not all, of these opportunities. Bear in mind that "each and every one of you constitute a part of who we are," namely, the **BODY OF CHRIST**. Your presence, therefore, is important and we look forward to welcoming and worshipping with you.

LATEST GENERATIONS OF FAITH UPDATE

Parish Target: \$650,000 Total Pledged: \$1,124,317
Pledged Percent of Goal: 173%
Number of Pledges: 229 Amount Received: \$331,449
 \$331,449 - \$63,130 (ACA goal)= \$268,319
Half of \$268,319 = \$134,159.50 we will receive for designated Capital Improvements.
Pledge payments should be mailed directly to:
Catholic Foundation for Brooklyn and Queens,
Generations of Faith Campaign Office
P.O. Box 7356, Berlin, CT 06037

2017 CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Goal: \$63,130 Registered members: 814
Number of Donors: 30
Amt Pledged to Date: \$19,700 Amt Paid to Date: \$8,770
 *Pledge forms are available in Church, or at the Rectory, in both English and Spanish. ***An increased number of donors will help to reach our goal and beyond!!!**

PRAYER FOR BLESSING PALM IN THE HOME

Please use this blessing when placing palm in the home following the Palm Sunday liturgy:
 Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!
 May we, who place these palms, receive Christ into our midst with the joy that marked the entrance to Jerusalem.
 May we hold no betrayal in our hearts, but peacefully welcome Christ, who lives & reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God,
 now and forever. Amen.

PALM SUNDAY

RESURRECTION - ASCENSION

☺ CATHOLIC ACADEMY NEWS ☺

Registration for 2017-2018

Registration for the 2017-2018 school year will now be done by appointment only. Please call the office at 718-426-4963 to schedule an appointment. Tours are available. Please bring the following:

- Birth certificate
- Baptismal certificate
- Immunization records
- Social Security Card
- Copy of report card (Grades 1-8)
- Standardized test results (Grades 3-8)
- \$150 registration fee (non-refundable)

Financial aid is available through Futures in Education for families that qualify.

We Are Saving a Seat for You!

Evangelization Scholarships are available to students in our Sunday School program who would like to attend Resurrection Ascension Catholic Academy. To apply, visit futuresineducation.org, click on Scholarships and click on Apply. An outside vendor, TADS Financial Aid Assessment Service has been selected by Futures in Education to conduct fair and confidential financial need assessments for families that may need assistance paying tuition. There is a \$30 non-refundable application fee. The deadline to apply is April 21, 2017. Tours of our school are available upon request. Please call the school office for an appointment at 718-426-4963.

SAVE THE DATE

13th Annual Supermarket Blitz 2017

will be held on Friday, April 28th, in the gym.

Tickets are \$15.00 per person, and are available for sale during rectory hours.

This event is for those 18 and over, please. Join us for a night of fun to benefit our school.

Please note: seating is limited.

NO tickets will be sold at the door.

Next weekend we celebrate our **Great Easter Vigil!** We invite you to pray for **Ruby, Leyla, and Jake**, entering the church, that it may be a moment of grace, and lifelong journey of renewal. May God bless them, the Holy Spirit guide them, and Jesus remain forever in their hearts!

We even have left wallet sized prayer cards at the entrances if you wish to take one as a reminder to pray for: Ruby, Leyla, and Jake who will be Baptized next week.

EASTER GRAND PRIZE BOOSTER WINNERS

1 st Prize	\$500	Edith Kofler, MV
1 st Prize	\$500	Mr. & Mrs. L. Catuogno, MV
2 nd Prize	\$250	Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Rivera, MV
2 nd Prize	\$250	Robert E. Lee, MV
3 rd Prize	\$125	Sandy Chang, Woodhaven
3 rd Prize	\$125	Madeline Silecchia, Rego Park,

Congratulations to all of our Grand Prize winners!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, April 10th - Holy Week

- Recited Morning Prayer 8:30am Church
- No Golden Age 12:30pm FFH
- Food Pantry 10-12noon
- Individual Confessions 3:30-7:30pm
- Gym Closed
- NA 7:30pm PCC

Tuesday, April 11th - Holy Week

- Recited Morning Prayer 8:30am Church
- Lenten Scriptures 10-11am FFH Main
- Children's Choir 3pm Church
- Gym Closed, No English Classes
- Spanish Prayer Group 7-9:30m FFH Chapel

Wednesday, April 12th - Holy Week

- Recited Morning Prayer 8:30am Church
- Food Pantry 10-12noon PCC
- School Prayer Service 1:15pm Church
- English Choir 7:30pm Church, Spanish Choir 6pm
- Pre-Cana Class 7-9:30pm FFH
- School Board Meeting 7pm CMR
- Gym Closed
- NA 7:30pm PCC

Thursday, April 13th - Holy Thursday

- Solemn Morning Prayer 9:45am Church
- No School, All FFH Closed, Gym Closed
- Altar Server Practice 11am Church
- Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm Church
- Blessed Sacrament Chapel of Reposition will be open for Adoration from 8:45pm-10:45pm
- Night Prayer 10:45pm Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Friday, April 14th - Good Friday - Day of Fast and Abstinence

- Solemn Morning Prayer 9:45am Church
- Altar Server Practice 11am Church
- English Stations of the Cross 12noon Church
- Spanish Stations of the Cross 1pm Church
- Rectory Closes 12noon
- English Celebration of the Lord's Passion with Communion 3pm Church
- Spanish Celebration of the Lord's Passion with Communion 5:30pm Church
- English Stations of the Cross 7:30pm Church
- No School, All FFH Closed, Gym Closed, No CODA

Saturday, April 15th - Holy Saturday

- Solemn Morning Prayer 9:45am Church
- Decorate Church after Morning Prayer
- Altar Server Practice 11am Church
- Blessing of Food 12noon Church
- No Confessions, No 5pm Mass
- Rectory Closed, FFH Closed, Gym Closed
- Great Easter Vigil 8pm Church

Sunday, April 16th - Easter Sunday - Resurrection of the Lord

- Special Liturgy at the 9:30am Mass followed by Easter Egg Hunt in FFH
- No Sunday School, No-Alanon, No youth Group
- Indonesian Apostolate Mass 2:30pm, Recep 3:30-7pm gym

