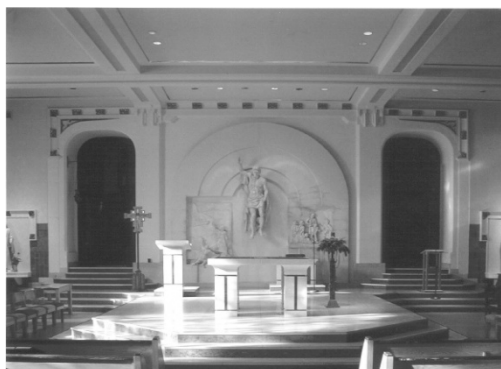


SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019

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 Parochial Vicar
Mr. Emanuel Bologna, Director of Music
Mrs. Joann Heppt, Academy Principal
Mr. Jason Velazquez, Dir. of Religious Education & Parish Outreach
Rev. Basilio Monteiro, Weekend Presider

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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 The Baptism of the Lord (C). The Readings are found at #1022 in the Parish Hymnal.



Monday, January 14th

9:00am Peter Reilly (ann), req by his wife, Barbara

Tuesday, January 15th

9:00am Godofredo Rodriguez, req by Angel and Nita Almazan

Wednesday, January 16th

9:00am Patrick Mullen, req by Hanora Malley and family

Thursday, January 17th

9:00am Patrick Mullen, req by the Mitchell family

Friday, January 18th

9:00am James and Eva O'Connell, req by their sister, Josephin

Saturday, January 19th

9:00am- For the People of the Parish

-Michael Pagano

-for the intentions of Gladys Masterson, req by friends

-for the holy souls in Purgatory, req by Nilda Mendoza

-Cirila Valino, req by Gina Eng

-Ketty Real (ann), req by the family

-Mercedes Martinez, req by her family

5:00pm Barbara Rurak, req by her family

**Sunday, January 20th- Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

**(66: Is 62:1-5 Ps 96:1-3, 7-10
1Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11)**

8:00am Leroy Mackiewicz

9:30am John Dennigan, req by the Meller family

11:00am the Donlon family, req by Jane Donlon

12:30pm in thanksgiving for the 31st wedding anniversary of Alonzo and Jewsin

CHURCHES IN NEED COLLECTION

Next weekend, you will have the opportunity to make a donation to **Churches in Need**.

An envelope has been included in your regular tithing packet. Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

RECTORY CLOSED

The Rectory will be **CLOSED** on Monday, January 21st, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. It will re-open on Tuesday, January 22nd at 9am.

FOOD PANTRY HOURS

The Pantry is open Mondays and Wednesdays from 10am-12noon. The Pantry will be **CLOSED** on Monday, January 21st.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The Sick and/or Hospitalized: Vahide Atlas, Colleen Breheny, Peggy Brennan, Stephanie Bojarski, Kurt Burger, Martha Chaves, Richard DeNardo, Eleanor Ducey, Carmine Eso, Ida Fernandes, Steve Ferrugio, Msgr. Vincent Fullam, Jackie Hanley, George J. Harms, George M. Harms, Pat Holahan, Claire LaRocca, James Leung, Joe Loughnane, Mary Loughnane, Mary Ellen Lustberg, Patrick McCabe, Joseph A. Oliveri, Jr., Susan Patina, Brendan Phelan, Michael Pratley, Grace Radonicic, Frank Rahill, Maureen Rahill, Barbara Ravert, Jovina Rios, Joel Rivera, Julio Rosado, Madeline Silecchia, Rose Tantillo

Deceased: John P. McCabe, Robert L. Harvey,
Sister Richard Maureen Rowan, CSJ

WINE & HOSTS AND MEMORIAL CANDLES

The **Wine and Hosts** will be used this week in **loving memory of Nancy Kerrane**, as requested by her husband and family.

The **Candle at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** will be lit this week in **loving memory of Anna Pagano**.

The **Candle at the Statue of St. Patrick** will be lit this week in **loving memory of Leonard and Rose Rella**.

The **Candle at the Statue of St. John Vianney** will be lit this week in **loving memory of Anna Pagano**.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & CLW

CLW will not meet next Sunday, January 20th.
Sunday School will also not meet next Sunday.

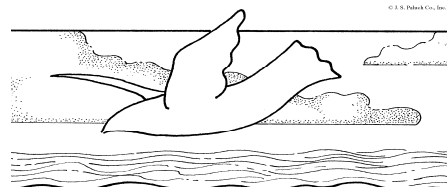


SAVE THE DATE!!!

Our annual **St. Patrick's Day Dance** will be held on **Sunday, March 10th, from 4-8pm**.
More details to come... ask around about what fun we had last year!!

Welcome 2019 the Marian Way

Please join our Marian Group as we offer our first rosary and Marian reflection of 2019. Let us begin this New Year in the best way possible-praying to our Mother Mary for her guidance and protection each and every day. Morning refreshments are served. We will meet on Thursday, January 31st at 9:45am in the Garden Room of Fr. Feely Hall.
We look forward to see you there!



JANUARY 13, 2019



A FURTHER LOOK AT THE MEANING OF OUR BAPTISM

The Feast of the Baptism of Jesus signals for us the conclusion of the Christmas Season. For the next few weeks—prior to the beginning of the Lenten Season—the focus will be upon the beginning of Christ’s ministry on earth as we enter the “Season of Ordinary Time”. For a reflection on this feast of the Baptism of Jesus, it may be helpful to consider *three* parts of the *process* of Baptism that speak of our own Baptism.

First: It entails a LIFE-STYLE change. For us, to be baptized, as a Christian, means to undergo a *lifestyle change* in the depths of our body, mind, and spirit. In other words, we, actually, take on the new life of Christ—as St. Paul states: “No longer just me acting, but Christ in me.” Paul’s powerful statement reminds us that once our life becomes “Christ in me,” we begin to look at the world through the loving and compassionate eyes of Jesus. At the same time, we try to imitate His actions, and spread His love—both far and wide.

Second: It’s a LIFE-TIME change. When we were baptized, we entered into a *stream of life* that has a history attached to it. That history consists of the Sacred Tradition of all those women and men through the ages—who have tried to be faithful to following God through Jesus Christ. In this case, Baptism means that we are claiming *our part in that history*—not unlike saying “I do” in the wedding ceremony. And, we carry the Tradition with us. In other words, when we die, we leave behind either a continued stream of goodness and love, or a legacy of missing links and wasted opportunities.

Third: It’s a Genetic Change! In our modern day terms, we, actually, get a whole new DNA—simply because Baptism bonds us to a New Body—The Body of Christ. In this instance, Baptism means never having to be alone. Since every creature has already been loved into existence by God, Christian Baptism [indelibly] *links us to each other* in a way that allows us to act as One Body in Christ. As a result, we reach out to bring Christ’s love to the world—as we stand “arm in arm” or, [even more fittingly], “heart to heart” with others who have made this choice.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

It was just three years ago, on January 5th, 2016 that Msgr Bynon, well known, and loved, by many, entered into eternal life. Coincidentally, on the evening of January 5, 2019, our beloved Sister Richard Maureen, CSJ, at the age of 97, passed away very suddenly. “Sister Richard”, as she was affectionately called, resided in our parish convent for more than twenty-five years.

Many of our parishioners may recall those times, and occasions, when she spoke to our worshippers about the Religious Retirement Fund. In addition to enlightening us concerning the economic factors associated with this annual collection, she always managed to interject some humor—which was an integral part of her human nature. Sister Richard was also a dedicated religious for 77 years, and was viewed by members of her community as one of their “wisdom sisters.” She was waked at the Sisters of St. Joseph motherhouse, in Brentwood, on Wednesday, January 9th, and her Mass of Christian burial took place on Thursday, January 10th at 10am.

While we mourn this loss, we are grateful for the years that she was very much a part of this parish community, and enriched the lives of those who have come to know, and love her. Let us pray for Sister Richard Maureen, and the members of her family, and community, as she passes on to eternal life, welcomed with the words: “WELL DONE, GOOD, AND FAITHFUL SERVANT!”

In Christ,
Fr. Amato

2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

The Appeal has drawn to a close. We thank all those who have generously donated to the appeal. We are glad to report that we met our goal this year! Please, if you still haven’t fulfilled your pledges, you may continue to do so.

All monies received above and beyond our goal will come directly back to RA!

Goal: \$63,130 Registered Members: 829 Number of Donors: 170 Amt Pledged to Date: \$70,426
Amt Received to Date: \$69,426 (figure is not reflective of any monies received after submission deadline for printer.)

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

☺ RESURRECTION – ASCENSION ☺ CATHOLIC ACADEMY NEWS

Early Childhood Open House

We will have an Open House for our Early Childhood students (Nursery, Pre-K and Kindergarten) on the following Tuesdays in January:

Tuesday, January 15th 9am-11am
 Tuesday, January 22nd 9am-11am

All Grades Open House

Our Open Houses for all grades will take place on:

Sunday, January 27th 11:00am-12:00am
 Tuesday, January 29th 9:00am-11:00am and 3:00pm-5:00pm

 Congratulations to the following students who were Student of the Month for December. We honored students who demonstrate helpfulness.

Kindergarten A	Catalina Garcia
Kindergarten B	Valerio Johnson
Grade 1	Gabriel Ruiz Diaz
Grade 2A	Elena Dobis
Grade 2B	Mateo Rodriguez
Grade 3	Luciana Landa
Grade 4	Chermane Roxas
Grade 5A	Gavin Sweeney
Grade 5B	Logan Dobis
Grade 6	James Gaffney
Grade 7A	Janelle Pascual
Grade 7B	Yessenia Seminario
Grade 8	Meghan Wenz

BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. MARGARET CHURCH

There is a critical blood shortage in our area and the New York Blood Center is asking for our help. St. Margaret Church, located at 66-05 79th Place in Middle Village, will be sponsoring a Blood Drive on Sunday, January 20, 2019 from 9am-3pm in the Parish Hall. Please consider giving the gift of life by making a blood donation. Blood types A-, B- and O are especially needed. For more information, and/or to make a blood donation appointment, please email parishcalendar@aol.com.

A Glimpse at your contributions... January 5/6:

	Cash	Checks	Total
Saturday-5:00pm (English)	\$ 287	\$1,778	\$2,065
Sunday 8:00am (English)	\$ 538	\$ 852	\$1,390
9:30am (English)	\$ 444	\$ 955	\$1,399
11:00am (English)	\$ 682	\$ 860	\$1,542
12:30 pm (Spanish)	\$ 624	\$ 249	\$ 873
	\$2,575	\$4,694	\$7,269

Contributions made via Online Giving: \$885
 Total weekly collection: \$8,154 (this week's deficit=\$1,497)
Weekly goal needed to meet parish expenses: \$9,651

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, January 14th

- Food Pantry 10-12noon PCC
- Basketball Practice 5-9:30pm Gym
- Yoga 6pm FFH
- NA 7:30pm PCC

Tuesday, January 15th

- Children's Choir 3pm Church
- Track 4-5pm, Basketball Practice 5-9:30pm Gym
- English Classes 6-8pm PCC
- Spanish Prayer Group 7-9pm FFH Chapel

Wednesday, January 16th

- Toddler Time 9:30-10:30am CMR
- Food Pantry 10-12noon PCC
- Spanish Choir 6pm, English Choir 7:30pm Church
- Basketball Practice 5-9:30pm Gym
- NA 7:30pm PCC

Thursday, January 17th- St. Anthony, Abbot

- English Classes 6-8pm PCC
- Diocesan Choir 7:30pm Church
- No Basketball Practice, Gym Closed

Friday, January 18th

- CODA 10am PCC
- Twirling 4-7pm, Basketball Practice 7:15-9:30pm Gym
- Girl Scouts 7-8pm FFH Main
- Spanish Bible Study 7-9:30pm FFH Chapel

Saturday, January 19th- BVM

- OCA 10am PCC
- CYO Basketball Gym
- Spanish Classes 3-5pm, Spanish Service 5-7pm PCC
- Divine Mercy 4:15pm Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Sunday, January 20th – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- No Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 9:30am Mass
- No Sunday School, No RCIA
- Youth Group 12-1:30pm FFH Garden
- CYO Basketball Gym
- Alanon 12noon PCC

Why should I be registered in Church?

All parishioners should be registered and use contribution envelopes. In addition to proof of attendance, the use of envelopes allows the parish to maintain a record of any contributions you make. Funds given without identification cannot be verified as requested by tax laws for deductions.

If you would like a statement of your 2018 Church contributions, you must request that one be sent to you (we do not automatically send them to all parishioners.) **Kindly call the rector and request a statement from our bookkeeper, Heather Belon, extension 12, or email the request to rarectory@aol.com.** All statements requested will be mailed during the last week of January. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish!

