

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 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

### Church

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### Rectory

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### Rectory Staff

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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 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A). The Readings are found at #1118 in the Parish Hymnal.



- Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:00am** Giuseppe and Madalena Tantillo, req by the Tantillo family
- Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**9:00am** Danny Guez and Will McInerney, req by Dan and Peggy Guez
- Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**9:00am** Giuseppe Russo, req by his wife and family
- Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**9:00am** Giuseppe and Francesco Tantillo, req by the Dioguardi family
- Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**9:00am** *First Friday Perpetual Mass Society*
- Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:00am** – For the People of the Parish  
 -Ray Scacalossi, req by his wife and family  
 -for the intentions of of ZJ, VJ, and Miko
- 5:00pm** Bob Liberatore, req by his family
- Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> -Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 (73: Is 58:7-10 Ps 112:4-9 1Cor 2:1-5 Mt 5:13-16)
- 8:00am** Vincent Sammon, req by Mary and grandchildren, Jackie, Brian, Danny, Ceara, and Brendan
- 9:30am** Christian Tobar, req by Virginia Meller and family
- 11:00am** Jerry Sheehan, req by Irene
- 12:30pm** Ketty Real, req by her family

**UTILITY FUND**

Next weekend, we will be accepting your donation to our Utility Fund, which includes both fuel and electric. An envelope has been included in your regular tithing packet. Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

**BLESSING OF THROATS**

Friday, February 3rd is the **Feast of St. Blaise**. **Following the 9am Mass only**, there will be an opportunity for anyone wishing to have their throat blessed.

**SAVE THE DATE!!!**

Our annual **St. Patrick's Day Dance** will be held on **Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, from 4-8pm**. More details to come... ask around about what fun we had last year!! DJ, buffet, step dancers, and we will have our first "Irish Person of the Year" presentation. Stayed tuned for even more info....

**GIVE THE GIFT OF GIVING**

Our Society of St. Vincent offers Memorial Cards, or Birthday cards, in honor of a loved one. Simply make a donation for whatever amount you wish. Cards are available at the Rectory.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

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

**Deceased:** Clifford Smith, Sister Eileen Schulenburg, SC

**WINE & HOSTS AND MEMORIAL CANDLES**

The **Wine and Hosts** will be used at all the Masses this week in **loving memory of Rev. Richard E. Mackiewicz (7<sup>th</sup> anniversary)**.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will be lit this week in **loving memory of Rev. Msgr. Joseph P. Bynon**.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL & CLW**

Sunday School and CLW will take place next Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.

**ARISE!!**

Arise will begin on Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup> in Fr. Feely Hall, following the 9am Mass. All are welcome! Arise is a weekly gathering including Scripture Study and sharing in a non-judgmental setting. For questions, or to sign up, email [jmennona@hotmail.com](mailto:jmennona@hotmail.com).

**OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!!!**

Our Pantry is in great need of staple items. If you are able to contribute, please feel free to drop off items on Sunday in the Church Meeting Room, or at the Rectory during business hours. We are in need of cereal, coffee, rice, canned vegetables, soups, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, oatmeal, pasta, and beans. Thank you for your continued support!

**FIRST FRIDAY**

This Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, is the First Friday of the month. The following have been enrolled in the

**Perpetual Mass Society:**

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|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Carmen Lopez               | Lita Nery         |
| Ester Corra                | Bruce P. Chadwick |
| Joseph Krazniewski         | Paddy McGoarty    |
| Kathy Baker                | Frank O'Neill     |
| Joseph Ruscigno            | Marie Delledona   |
| William Wyckoff            | Clifford Smith    |
| Odysseus George Kolotouros |                   |
| Msgr. Vincent P. Dooley    |                   |

**A Glimpse at your contributions... January 21/22:**

|                           | Cash    | Checks  | Total   |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Saturday-5:00pm (English) | \$ 612  | \$1,830 | \$2,442 |
| Sunday 8:00am (English)   | \$ 398  | \$ 560  | \$ 958  |
| 9:30am (English)          | \$ 698  | \$ 949  | \$1,647 |
| 11:00am (English)         | \$ 642  | \$ 673  | \$1,315 |
| 12:30 pm (Spanish)        | \$ 702  | \$ 157  | \$ 859  |
|                           | \$3,052 | \$4,169 | \$7,221 |

**Weekly goal needed to meet parish expenses: \$9,651**



Our local observance of Catholic Schools' Week begins with a special gathering of students, teachers, school personnel, parents, and parishioners who worship at the 9:30am Mass. Once again, the designated "theme" is "**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS: COMMUNITIES OF FAITH, KNOWLEDGE, AND SERVICE.**" Catholic Schools [especially our parish grade school of Resurrection-Ascension] are well noted for their excellent academic, and moral standards. This year's theme is also intended to highlight the fact that the growth in Catholic Schools culminates in the *highest achievement of all—A CROSS WHICH REPRESENTS THE FAITH THAT UNDERSCORES ALL CATHOLIC EDUCATION.* Here, at Resurrection-Ascension School, the Catholic faith is taught in "*age-appropriate ways*" and permeated throughout the school atmosphere in order to provide a strong moral awareness of each child's personal development. In our school, each day begins with a reading of the Gospel (by our school Principal, Mrs. Heppt) that is communicated through the P.A. system, followed by a prayer, reflection on the life of a Saint on his/her feast day, and concluding with the pledge of allegiance—[the latter has been the custom, in all schools, at the beginning of the school day]. Each year, Catholic identity is reinforced by reflecting on a specific virtue throughout the week beginning with, for example, a Scripture quote: "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you" from the Gospel of Matthew 7:12. From this quote, students associate the virtue of "respect" with examples as to *how to live this virtue*, followed by a brief reference to a Saint who exemplified "respect", as witnessed by others. At a forthcoming assembly, students from each grade are acknowledged for their outstanding example in applying a particular virtue, especially when relating to their teachers, and fellow students.

The specific theme selected for this year reminds us that schools are viewed as "communities"—small communities in their own right, but also, members of the larger communities of parish, town, state, and nation. Typically, they are—in the first place—*communities of FAITH—where: children are openly taught about God and, where God is worshipped regularly, (especially since students and faculty put their faith into practice on a daily basis).* Secondly, Catholic schools exist to pass on **KNOWLEDGE**—*not just the practical [and pragmatic] knowledge of reading, writing, arithmetic etc., but also, knowledge of God and truth, which is our spiritual heritage as Catholics.* Finally, Catholic schools are **COMMUNITIES OF SERVICE**—*best described as places where helping one another, and aiding the needy, are clearly recognized as the 'modus operandi', i.e., the normal way of living life.*

The "Open House" dates [Sunday, January 29th, following the 9:30am Mass] and [Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, from 9am to 11am, and from 3pm to 5pm] may be of particular interest for any parents of future students. However, others-- such as alumni and additional interested parties—may also wish to view "first hand" the quality education that our students receive—as well as the many other opportunities they have in order to express their individual talents and interests. For example, during the past three years, our students began learning both Latin and Greek roots [tailored to each grade level] in order to assist them in improving their understanding of our English vocabulary, through their recognition of Latin and Greek roots that form many of our English words. In addition, students have --once again-- been offered the opportunity to learn how to play a musical instrument—such as the violin; and in the middle grades, they have been re-introduced to a sampling of a variety of dances, as well as the genre of music associated with them. Some parents may recall an enjoyable evening, [for the past three years], as they watched their potential contestants-to-be on "Dancing with the Stars," demonstrate their poise and skill, while partnering with another student, and then concluding the evening program by dancing with a parent.

As you can see, our school is one which offers many opportunities in the area of the arts-as well as in the traditional academic subjects. And so, for those who may not have an (age-eligible) child to register in our school—please "SPREAD THE WORD." Assuredly, you, and the families of any prospective enrollees, will, undoubtedly, be GLAD THAT YOU DID!

In Christ, *Fr. Amato*

**LATEST GENERATIONS OF FAITH UPDATE**

Parish Target: \$650,000

Total Pledged: \$1,124,317

Pledged Percent of Goal: 173%

Number of Pledges: 230

Amount Received: \$281,412

\$281,412 - \$63,130 (ACA goal) \$218,282

\$218,282 / 2 = \$109,141 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

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### RESURRECTION - ASCENSION

### ☺ CATHOLIC ACADEMY NEWS ☺

#### Great News!

Thanks to the fundraising efforts of our Home Academy Association, our 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students began their Chromebook program this week. Each student has a Chromebook and case that they can use both at school and at home. This allows teachers to give instant feedback, and allows students to collaborate without being in the same place. Instructional videos can be watched at home and later discussed at school. Students who are absent from class can work from home in real time. We are proud to prepare our students for life in the technological age!

#### ENGLISH CLASSES

There will be no English Classes until March 2017.  
Resume date will be published in a future bulletin.

#### DEANERY NEWS.....

Our Lady of Hope's Holy Name Society is sponsoring a Men's Retreat at Bishop Molloy Retreat House from Friday, February 24-Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. The theme of this year's retreat is "We are a People of Promise!" The offering is \$210. For more information, please contact Steve Stern at (917) 648-9707.

The Single Adults Group at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs welcomes new members (never married, separated / divorced, or widowed). The group generally meets in the OLQM parish rectory on the second Saturday of the month at 1:30pm. Call the group's hotline at (718) 361-3201 for more info, or download the group's calendar at [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/single-adults-group/](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/single-adults-group/) for a full listing of social, spiritual, cultural, and service activities. OLQM is located at 110-06 Queens Blvd, between Ascan Avenue and 72<sup>nd</sup> Road in Forest Hills.

#### Bereavement Support Group at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

The Bereavement Support Group is for anyone who has experienced a recent loss of a loved one, and especially those seeking spiritual comfort. Meetings are typically the first and third Mondays of the month, from 7-9pm in the rectory basement meeting room (except on Monday holiday observances). Scheduled meetings are February 6, March 6, 20. If interested, please call the OLQM rectory at (718) 268-6251, or email [ymizelle@nyc.rr.com](mailto:ymizelle@nyc.rr.com) for additional info.

#### BOOSTER WINNERS

1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$100 Lani Chang, Woodhaven  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$50 Mr. & Mrs. Bruce A. Corey, MV  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$25 Carol & Jack Veracochea, MV

#### Congratulations to all our winners!

New subscribers are always welcome and, "YOU NEED TO BE IN IT – TO WIN IT"! For further info, kindly call the rectory 718-424-5212, ext. 16.

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

##### Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>

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

##### Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>- St. John Bosco, Priest

- Children's Choir 3pm Church
- Track 4-5pm Gym
- Basketball Practice 5-9pm Gym
- Spanish Prayer Group 7-9:30m FFH Chapel
- No English Classes

##### Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>

- Mommy and Me 9:30am CMR
- Food Pantry 10am-12noon
- Spanish Choir 6pm, English Choir 7:30pm Church
- Pre-Cana 7-9:30pm FFH Main
- Basketball Practice 5-9pm Gym
- NA 7:30pm PCC

##### Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>- The Presentation of the Lord

- World Day for Consecrated Life
- Vicariate Choir 7:30pm Church
- Basketball Practice 5-9pm Gym
- No English Classes

##### Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>- St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop

- First Friday Perpetual Mass Society 9:30am CMR
- CODA 10am PCC
- Twirling 4-6:45pm Gym
- Basketball Practice 7-9pm Gym
- Spanish Bible Study 7-9:30pm FFH Garden Room

##### Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>- BVM

- OCA 10am PCC
- Twirling 10-12noon FFH Main
- Spanish Adoration 11am Church
- Spanish Rosary 12:15-1:15pm FFH Chapel
- CYO Basketball Gym
- Spanish Classes 3-5pm PCC
- Spanish Service Group 5-7pm PCC
- Divine Mercy 4:15pm Blessed Sacrament Chapel

##### Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>- Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Children's Liturgy of the Word at 9:30am Mass
- Sunday School 10:30-12noon School
- Divino Nino 1:30pm Church, 2pm Reception in FFH
- Youth Group 12-1:30pm FFH
- CYO Basketball Gym
- Alanon 12noon PCC

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ... Calista McCoy, Arianna Perry, Justin Munson, David Giraldo, Nicolas Correa Tabares, Jacob Aguaviva and Nicholas Chamulak** for advancing to the District level of the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. Good luck in the next round!

