

SUNDAY, MAY 28, 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

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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 Seventh Sunday of Easter (A). The Readings are found at #1095 in the Parish Hymnal.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, May 29th

9:00am Angela Aldini, req by Mary Gibbons and family

Tuesday, May 30th

9:00am Patrick Finegan, Patrick Lydon, Ann and John Feeney, req by Agnes Finegan, and family

Wednesday, May 31st

9:00am Maura McGreevy, req by her husband, Patrick

Thursday, June 1st

9:00am Michael Heaney Sr., req by the Benini family

Friday, June 2nd

9:00am *First Friday Perpetual Mass Society*

Saturday, June 3rd

9:00am- For the People of the Parish

-Florence Borzell (bday), req by her niece, Joan
-health and intentions of the Chang family, req by
Carmen Chang

-Mary Ellen, Patrick, and Michael Fitzpatrick, req by
Kathleen Fitzpatrick

-Michael Noone, req by Mary Sammon and family
-for the intentions of Sister Francis Butler, req by
Josephine Hartnett

-for the intentions of Msgr. Vincent F. Fullam, req by
Josephine Hartnett

5:00pm Nancy Rabold, req by her children, and grandchildren

Sunday, June 4th- Pentecost Sunday

(63: Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34
1Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 Jn 20:19-23)

8:00am Rev. Richard E. Mackiewicz

9:30am Ray Scacalossi, req by his wife, Carol

11:00am for the special intentions, req by Helen

12:30pm for the intentions of all fathers, req by Stella Giraldo

FIRST FRIDAY

This **Friday, June 2nd**, is the First Friday of the Month. The following have been enrolled in the **Perpetual Mass Society:**

Mary Thompson Agripina Almazan
Alice Carlson Rowena Rea Garcia
Felicidad De Guzman Benito Di Giorgio
Marcin (living)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The Sick and/or Hospitalized: Vahide Atlas, Tyler Benton, Stephanie Bojarski, Martha Chaves, 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, Kay Madigan, Kathy O'Connell, Joseph A. Oliveri, Jr., Susan Patina, Brendan Phelan, Michael Pratley, Grace Radonicic, Frank Rahill, Barbara Ravert, Jovina Rios, Julio Rosado, Frank Russo, Madeline Silecchia, Rose Tantillo.

WINE & HOSTS AND MEMORIAL CANDLES

The **Wine and Hosts** will be used this week in **loving memory of Vito Silecchia**, as requested by the Madeline Silecchia.

The **Altar Candles** will be lit this week in **loving memory of Mary Ellen, Patrick, and Michael Fitzpatrick**, as requested by Kathleen Fitzpatrick.

The **Candle at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** will be lit this week in **loving memory of Pedro and Maria Giraldo**, as requested by their daughter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday School & CLW meet next Sunday, June 4th.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We will have our **Annual Vacation Bible School** again this year. It will be scheduled from 9am-12noon in Fr. Feely Hall from **June 26th to June 30th**, and **July 5th to July 7th**. VBS consists of age-appropriate Bible stories, experiments, games, crafts, and songs. Each session of VBS involves kids in exploring an amazing aspect of God's life-changing plan. Registration forms are available at the Rectory, or online at www.rachurch.net.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group will meet **TODAY, May 28**. The final meeting before the summer will take place on June 4th.



JUNE WEDDINGS



Saturday, June 3rd at 2:30pm
Katherine Mary Gibbons & Phillip Charles Pye

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

Next weekend, we will be accepting your donations towards the Diocesan **Catholic Communications Campaign**. An envelope has been provided in your tithing packets. We thank you for your generosity!

CATHOLIC APPEAL YEAR-TO-DATE COMPARISON

2015

Goal: \$63,130
Registered members: 816
Number of Donors: 135
Amount Pledged to Date: \$58,443
Amount Paid to Date: \$45,891

2017

Goal: \$63,130
Registered members: 817
Number of Donors: 104 (an increase of 5 from last week)
Amount Pledged to Date: \$41,080 (\$4,400 from last week)
Amount Paid to Date: \$30,343 (an increase of \$4,513)



THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL NEEDS YOUR HELP.....

Every Sunday, throughout the Diocese of Brooklyn, among the 187 parishes similar to our parish of Resurrection-Ascension, the faithful of Brooklyn and Queens worship together in order to renew our Catholic faith. During the 365 days of the calendar year, members of our Diocesan family, [and our Parish family], **live out** the Scriptures in ways that continuously respond to this renewal. With the above in mind it is also a fitting time for us to reflect on this year's Annual Catholic Appeal theme, namely: **LIVE IN FAITH, GIVE IN LOVE."**

Many of us are aware that each New Year brings many—known and unknown—challenges to the local Church. We are reminded that through the pastoral, charitable, and educational services administered, compassionately, to the people throughout the Diocese, each of us can renew our faith through acts of charity towards our neighbor. As a result, the Annual Catholic Appeal is also viewed as the **primary vehicle** for raising the necessary funds which will enable our community to continue to share our gifts with others.

Our assigned goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal is the same for this year as it had been for previous years. (Please know that in the year, 2016, the appeal goal was "folded in" with the Generations of Faith Campaign Goal. In other words, the assigned goal was subtracted from the total amount paid in the Generations of Faith Campaign) Please be aware, also, that the assigned goal was reduced from previous years, which amounted to \$65,270.

During the year 2015, among the 841 registered members with the Annual Catholic Appeal, 205 were donors who remained faithful to their pledge. By the end of 2015, our parishioners also pledged \$77,828. Of that amount \$72,475 was paid—which resulted in \$9,345 above the goal. That amount was given directly to the parish as though it were a fund raiser (without anyone needing to lift a finger). Therefore, please keep in mind that any dollar amount **above the assigned goal** will continue to be returned to the parish. Hopefully, the same result- if not greater- will be realized at the end of this year in order that the monies will be used toward capital improvements, such as an upgrade on our speaker system.

Since many of our parishioners have already received their pledge envelopes, those who did NOT receive pledge envelopes in the mail are encouraged to take one from any of the pews, or from the tables, at the entrances of the Church. With an increased number of donors—closer to the 841 registered members- one can be reasonably certain that we could very well EXCEED the assigned goal, with that amount of money returned to the parish in order to help with an anticipated upgrade of our speaker system (approximate cost \$18,000). Therefore, may we continue to reach out [with the Lord's love], to all those who are in need within the diverse communities across our entire Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens. Let us, also, as a parish, demonstrate our interest, concern, and generosity, while we continue in the tradition of grateful sacrifice, through our participation in the ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL, focused on the theme "LIVE IN FAITH, GIVE IN LOVE."

In Christ, *Fr. Amato*

**2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL PRAYER
ACA Theme for 2017—Live in Faith—Give in Love**

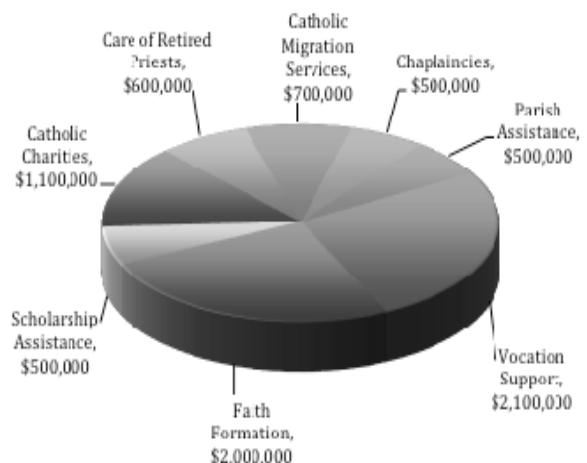
God our Creator, Giver of all good gifts, we praise and glorify you. Teach us to acknowledge always, and with enduring gratitude, the many blessings your infinite love has showered upon us. Widen our vision and enliven our generosity, as we seek to support the pastoral and charitable works of our diocese in Brooklyn and Queens.

All-loving Father, Fountain of Mercy, we honor and adore you.

Open our hearts to welcome the Holy Spirit, who enables us to live in faith and give in love, so that the joy of the Gospel may penetrate every heart in our local communities.

Open our eyes and stir up in us your compassion, so that all may come to know your Son, Jesus Christ, the way, the truth and the life, now and forever. **Amen.**

LIVE IN FAITH—GIVE IN LOVE



SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

RESURRECTION - ASCENSION

☺ CATHOLIC ACADEMY NEWS ☺

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our 7th and 8th grade Aquinas team who presented their project on the brain at this year's Expo. Their booth included a model of the brain, an interactive computer program and sketches. Thanks to moderator Miss Rosato.

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.

2018 MASS BOOK OPENING (Jan. 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018)

The Mass Book will be open for your Mass intentions is now open. You may come to the Rectory during regular business hours to make your requests. ***Please remember the rectory closes from 12noon to 1pm.*** Due to the overwhelming request for Masses, this year **we are limiting Mass requests to 5 Masses.** This will accommodate all parishioners. If you can be flexible with the DATE & TIME, we will take requests by mail.

Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope for confirmation of your mail-in requests. No phone requests will be taken. The Mass Stipend amounts for Saturday 5pm and Sunday Masses will be \$25 per Mass, weekday Masses remain \$15. In an effort to increase the opportunity when requests for 9am Masses are made, the **Saturday Masses at 9am will include collective intentions @**

\$10 each for a maximum of 10 intentions. The above is permissible for **one** Mass only each week.

A Glimpse at your contributions... May 20/21:

	Cash	Checks	Total
Saturday-5:00pm (English)	\$ 369	\$2,091	\$2,460
Sunday 8:00am (English)	\$ 438	\$ 614	\$1,052
9:30am (English)	\$ 567	\$ 780	\$1,347
11:00am (English)	\$ 536	\$ 541	\$1,077
12:30 pm (Spanish)	\$ 569	\$ 62	\$ 631
	\$2,479	\$4,088	\$6,567

Contributions made via Online Giving: \$688

Parishioners enrolled in Online Giving: 40

Total weekly collection: \$7,255

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

Thank you for your generosity to our parish!!

BOOSTER WINNERS

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 st Prize \$100 | Brendan Grogan, MV |
| 2 nd Prize \$50 | Mr. & Mrs. Danilo Santiago, RP |
| 3 rd Prize \$25 | Miss Julietta Morales. RP |

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, May 29th- MEMORIAL DAY

- Rectory Closed
- School Closed
- Food Pantry Closed
- No Golden Age
- No Yoga
- NA 7:30pm PCC

Tuesday, May 30

- Spanish Rosary 6:30-7:30pm FFH Chapel
- Spanish Prayer Group 7:30-9:30m FFH Chapel
- English Classes 6-8pm PCC

Wednesday, May 31st – The Visitation of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

- Mommy and Me 9:30-10:30am CMR
- Food Pantry 10-12noon PCC
- Spanish Rosary 6:30-7:30pm FFH Chapel
- Pre-Cana 7-9:30pm FFH Main
- NA 7:30pm PCC

Thursday, June 1st- St. Justin, Martyr

- Wedding Rehearsal 6pm Church
- Vicariate Choir 7:30pm Church
- English Classes 6-8pm PCC

Friday, June 2nd- First Friday - Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

- Perpetual Mass Society 9:30am CMR
- CODA 10am PCC
- School Talent Show 7pm Gym
- Spanish Bible Study 7-9:30pm FFH Garden Room

Saturday, June 3rd- St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

- OCA 10am PCC
- Wedding 2:30pm Church
- Spanish Adoration 11am Church
- Spanish Rosary 12:15-1:15pm FFH Chapel
- Spanish Classes 3-5pm PCC
- Spanish Service 5-7pm PCC
- Divine Mercy 4:15pm Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Sunday, June 4th- Pentecost Sunday

- Children's Liturgy of the Word at 9:30am Mass
- Sunday School 10:45-12noon School
- Youth Group 12-1:30pm FFH Garden
- Divino Nino 1:30pm Church & Reception 2-3pm Gym
- Alanon 12noon PCC

FOUR SEASONS PARISH RAFFLE

Our next drawing of the Four Seasons Parish Raffle will take place on **Monday, June 26th**. Tickets are available at the Rectory, and will also be included in the June 11th bulletin.

With summer approaching, who couldn't use some vacation money???? ☺

