



# THE CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK BAY RIDGE, BROOKLYN



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## SEMINARIAN

Mr. Paulo Salazar

## STAFF

Mrs. Marilee Fitzgerald.....Parish Secretary

Ms. Tara Petruzzellis.....Bookkeeper

Mr. Juan Rodriguez.....Director of Faith Formation

Mr. James Siranovich.....Director of Music

Mr. Angel (Manny) Sales..... Facility Manager

## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

## ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC ACADEMY

401 97th Street.....(T) 718-833-0124

Mr. Romeo Petric ..... Board Chairman

Ms. Kathleen Curatolo.....Principal/Chief Academic Officer

## SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** Saturday 2:00 PM

**PENANCE:** Saturday 12:30 PM

**WEDDINGS:** Contact a priest 9 months in advance

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday—Friday 8:15 AM and 12 NOON

Saturday 12 NOON

*Federal Holidays: 12 Noon only*

## HOLY DAY MASSES

4:00 PM Vigil

8:15 AM, 12 NOON and 7:00 PM

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sundays, following the 12:30 PM Mass followed by Benediction at 4:30 pm

## ROSARY

### The Rosary is prayed in Church

Monday thru Saturday following the 8:15 and 12 Noon Masses

**The Rosary in Spanish**—Msgr. Parks Center

Fridays: 7:00 PM

## BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

1st Wednesday of the month at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM

3rd Wednesday of the month at 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM

## LEGION OF MARY

Each Friday at 10:15 AM in the Rectory Meeting Room

## DIVINE MERCY CENACLES (Msgr. Parks Center)

2nd and 4th Thursday at 1:00 PM (September to June)

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (Msgr. Parks Center)

1st Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 PM



**Sunday, May 12th**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN  
YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

## Commit to the Journey

In the Church, we observe a liturgical calendar that takes us through the life of Jesus and highlights fundamental doctrines of our faith. Starting with this Sunday, our observance of the Easter Season continues for one more week until the celebration of Pentecost. While many outside of the Church only see Easter as a one-day celebration, we celebrate for an entire season, much like we do during Christmas as well. Of course, this calendar only serves to remind us and point to greater realities.

We are not called to be more generous at Easter or Christmas than we are on other days. We do not choose to love more during one time of the year. The fact is that Jesus is alive right now and at all times is calling us to give of ourselves.

When we make an intentional decision to follow Jesus and adopt a stewardship way of life, we commit ourselves to this journey 365 days a year. We are an Easter people at all times. The high and low points of our journey are not tied to a liturgical year, but instead to our own experiences of life and shortcomings. A season or holiday may make it easier to have a giving attitude, but we need to do the same when little around us is pointing us in that direction. It is sometimes when few are paying attention that love and generosity are most needed.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



**May 11th, Saturday,  
Vigil, Sixth Sunday of Easter**

4:30 pm Mother's Day Novena  
People of the Parish

**May 12th, Seventh Sunday of Easter**

8:00 am Mother's Day Novena  
9:30 am Mother's Day Novena  
11:00 am Mother's Day Novena  
12:30 pm Mother's Day Novena  
5:00 pm Mother's Day Novena

**May 13th, Monday, Easter Weekday**

8:15 am Mother's Day Novena  
12 Noon Melina Galli

**May 14th, Tuesday, St. Matthias, Apostle**

8:15 am Gena Graff  
12 Noon Mother's Day Novena

**May 15th, Wednesday, Easter Weekday**

8:15 am Mother's Day Novena  
12 Noon Michael F. Scally (*Birthday Memorial*)

**May 16th, Thursday, Easter Weekday**

8:15 am Gertrude De Lorenzo  
12 Noon Nancy Aronson

**May 17th, Friday, Easter Weekday**

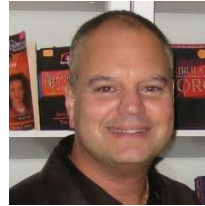
8:15 am Thomas B. & Sandra Carney  
12 Noon Theresa Gallagher

**May 18th, Saturday, Easter Weekday**

12 Noon Daniel Farrell

## St. Patrick Parish Presents

Brooklyn's Own Singing Cop  
**Daniel Rodriguez**



Recording Artist  
**Frank Rendo**

### Live In Concert

*In a cabaret style setting*

### St. Patrick Catholic Academy

Aldo Bruschi Auditorium

**Saturday, May 18th**

**7:30 PM**

Doors Open at 6:30 PM

#### Table Seating

**VIP (1st 2 rows of tables) \$55 pp**

Includes Cheese & Cracker Buffet,  
unlimited wine and dessert.

**Standard Ticket \$35 pp**

Includes Cheese & Cracker Buffet  
and 1 glass of wine or beverage of choice.

*Additional wine, beer and soda will be  
available for purchase.*

**For tickets or more information  
call the rectory: 718-238-2600**



*"I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me." -*

Jn 16:12-14a

Next Sunday, May 19th, we will celebrate the great **Feast of Pentecost**, commemorating that day when the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples gathered in prayer in the upper room. We will once again pray, "Come, Holy Spirit" and anticipate His response, as He touches our lives more deeply each day.

As we approach this great feast, let's pray for one another, for greater openness to God's direction to us through the Holy Spirit.

Don't forget to **WEAR RED** to celebrate the **HOLY SPIRIT!**

### Catholic Communication Campaign Next Weekend, May 18th and 19th

*Reading and meditating on the Word of God is a devotion that opens our hearts to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and draws us closer into communion with the whole Church, especially when we meditate on the Scripture passages used in the Mass. For more than 15 years, thousands of people across the United States have viewed the daily reflection videos found on the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Presented by a diverse group of clergy, consecrated religious, and lay volunteers, this popular feature helps viewers grow in faith each day by engaging with the texts of the daily Mass readings. These treasured, high-quality videos are among the faith-enriching programs made possible with your support of the Catholic Communication Campaign.*



## St. Patrick's Memorial Funds

The next time you wish to memorialize, honor or give thanks for a special friend or loved one, please remember St. Patrick's Memorial Fund. Gifts of Bread & Wine \$25; Altar candles \$25; candle used in the Sanctuary Lamp \$25 or Altar Flowers \$50 may be made in honor/memory or thanksgiving of your loved one.

Arrangements can be made through the Rectory.

## Welcome! James Siranovich



Please join us in welcoming our new Music Director, James Siranovich, to St. Patrick's!



## The Bread and Wine

*This week the Bread and Wine are donated in loving memory of . . .*

***Frances Potter***

***Gift of: Diane McDonough***



***We pray for those who are sick, especially. . .***

**WEEK ONE:** Patrick Anthony Smyth, Ted Mootos, Doris Freyland, Janice Friedman, Elizabeth Fifield, Linda Gassoso, Kathy Tyoka, Anthony C. Strano, Viola-Cleo Bradshaw, Alan Bruce Bradshaw, Doris Freyland, Janice Friedman, Linda Gassoso, Kathy Tyoka, John Eulenid, Cordelia Vogel, Jane Metzger, May McNally, Veronica Diaz, Shirley Perezic, Arthur Samuel, Baby Charlotte, Baby Savannah, Jean Cucuzza, Nancy Cucuzza, Ann Marie Prunella, Theresa Prunella

**WEEK TWO:** Gary Checkalski, Jeffrey Corrado, Mitchell Kuddar, Gregory Corrado, Erin Waring, Agnes Elaine Grosso, James R. Mauro, Joseph Perri, Louise Arias, Danny Pokoluk, Jean Mitchell, Annie Olsen, Karen Windram, Courtney Donohoe

**WEEK THREE:** Louise Cartwright, James Gorayeb, Caroline Beisswanger, Matthew James, Cathy Ryan, Helen Gorayeb, Margaret Buckley, Felipe Sarubbi, Roger Santos, Joyce Saraceni, Margaret McLaughlin, Rafael Vallejo, Lois Murray, Mandly McCormack, Gail Devitto, Elizabeth Samuel, Jim McCormack, Anthony Amodeo and family

*O Christ our Lord, Physician of salvation, grant all who are sick the aid of heavenly healing. Look on all faithful people who are sick and who love to call on your name, and take their souls into your keeping, and deliver them from all sickness and infirmity; through Jesus Christ.*



## The Sanctuary Lamp

*This week the candle in the Sanctuary Lamp is donated in loving memory of . . .*

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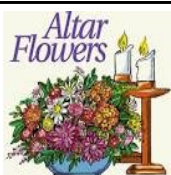


## Altar Candles

*This week the Altar Candles are donated in loving memory of . . .*

***Anthony (Tracy) Nocera***

***Gift of: Ed Clinton***



## Altar Flowers

*This week the Altar Flowers are donated in loving memory of . . .*

***Michael F. Scally***

***Gift of: His Loving Family***



***We pray for those who have recently died . . .***

***Leonida Antonio, Mark DeBock, Zaveria Igoki Nyaga***

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



*A mother is she who can take the place of all others but whose place no one else can take.*

We heartily congratulate the mothers of St. Patrick Parish and their own mothers and pray that this will be a happy and blessed day for them. We hope that they will have the joy of the remembrances and good wishes of their families and their prayers.

We unite with those who will be praying for and paying tribute to the memory of those who have gone to their eternal rest and will continue to remember them in the Mother's Day Masses each day during the Novena. The names of all those enrolled in the Spiritual Bouquet will remain on the altar for all Masses during the Month of May.

Saint Egeria the Pilgrim



## St. Egeria the Pilgrim

### The Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer

The center and high point of the entire celebration of Mass is the Eucharistic Prayer. The Preface is the first part of that beautiful and important prayer.

The familiar dialogue between priest and people begins the Preface. It's a reminder that this prayer is a joint venture of the baptized and ordained, offered in the presence of God, and that its central focus is thanksgiving.

While the introduction is always the same, its body is changeable in harmony with the larger celebration. Here the priest, in the name of those gathered, glorifies God the Father and gives thanks to him for the whole work of salvation, or for some particular facet of it, according to the day, festivity, or time of year.

The Preface concludes with the *Sanctus* (Holy, Holy, Holy) acclamation that leads us into the Eucharistic Prayer proper. It is sung or recited by the congregation, joining with the heavenly powers, proclaiming the holiness of God. The beginning of this acclamation repeats the song of the angels before the throne of God in the Old Testament, and its conclusion echoes the shouts of the crowds as Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday.

*Egeria Inserts are an endeavor of egeriathepilgrim.com*

### United Military Veterans of Kings County proudly presents...



**Brooklyn's 157th Memorial Day Parade**  
**Monday, May 29th**  
**Step Off: 11:00 am**  
**78th Street & 3 Avenue**

*A Memorial Service, to honor all those who made the ultimate sacrifice, follows the parade*

**John Paul Jones Park**  
**4th Avenue & 101st Street**

**All veterans are encourage to march!**  
**Everyone is invited to join us on 3rd Avenue and in the Park!**



### Baby Shower

#### For our Spiritually Adopted Babies

Hosted by St. Patrick's Committee for Life and Hospitality Team

**Sunday, June 9th**  
**Following the 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am and 12:30 pm Masses**

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**Diaper Raffle**  
*Cut out and bring this form, with a pack of disposable diapers, for a chance to win a prize!*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_



### THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

Our **Annual Spring/Summer CEREAL DRIVE** begins today. Cereal donations will be accepted at all Masses this weekend. Donations are always gratefully accepted in the rectory during regular business hours.

We serve over 150 families, and many of them have children. We are looking forward to a long vacation period, and, with the children at home from school, an even greater need for breakfast food. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



## ITALY PILGRIMAGE

**11 DAYS: NOVEMBER 10 - 20, 2025**

**VISITING: VENICE \* FLORENCE \* ASSISI \* ROME**  
*Including The Opportunity to Pass Through The Holy Doors of the Basilica of St. Peter in Vatican City & the Other Three Major Basilicas*

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For More Information, Please Contact Fr. Cunningham  
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**DON'T MISS OUT! SIGN UP TODAY!**





## Saint Patrick's 175th Anniversary!

St. Patrick's is proud to be a pillar of the Catholic faith in Bay Ridge for 175 years and we want to celebrate this amazing achievement with our parishioners and community.

Our 175th Anniversary Year provides us time to reflect on our spiritual journey, acknowledge the contributions of our parish family and rejoice in the unity and growth we have experienced over the years.

### 1920-1935

Father Jeremiah J. Kent, who had served in St. Patrick parish from 1901 to 1912, returned as pastor in 1920. In December, 1923, ground was broken for the extension of the Fourth Avenue Subway Line to 95th Street. This event had a profound effect on the growth of the Fort Hamilton neighborhood. It initiated a building boom which brought many new families into the parish. Many of the stores, with apartments above, were built along the avenues.

On September 18, 1920, Father Kent gave benediction following the ceremony of the unveiling of the monument in honor of the Fort Hamilton heroes who answered their country's call in World War I and those who eventually made the supreme sacrifice of their lives. The monument stands in the small park located at 94th Street and 4th Ave. It underwent extensive renovations in 1999.

The rapid increase in population had other effects on St. Patrick parish. Other parishes were established to serve the ever-growing number of Catholics in the community. In 1921, St. Ephrem parish was established. In the following year, the northern boundary of St. Patrick parish was fixed when St. Anselm parish was founded.

Under Father Kent's guidance, a drive was begun for the erection of a new church. The original church was demolished in April, 1925, and the cornerstone for the current structure laid October 11th. The first Mass was celebrated in the basement of the new church at midnight on Christmas.

The church was dedicated by Bishop Molloy on December 12, 1926. It was situated on the site of the church which had been blessed by Archbishop Hughes exactly 74 years prior. The entire cost of the building was estimated at \$250,000.

On October 31, 1925, the 95th Street station of the Fourth Avenue Subway Line opened. Now, finally, public transportation was in place to connect the Fort Hamilton community to the rest of Brooklyn and to Manhattan.

It was inevitable that the increase in population would have an impact on the parish school, requiring it to be enlarged. Since the parish plant had become surrounded by apartment houses and other buildings, it was impossible to acquire new land adjacent to the school. It became necessary, therefore, to build on the same plot. Consequently, a new wing of eight classrooms was built on the lot behind the existing school. This was opened in February, 1932. Two years later, Father Kent laid the cornerstone for the front section of the school. The financial depression, which had brought the building boom at an end in 1929, had delayed the completion of the project until 1935, when the entire building was completed. 1935 also marked the establishment of St. Bernadette parish. This was the last time any territory was taken from St. Patrick's.



### SPRING INTO SUMMER 50/50 RAFFLE

**THE DRAWING IS ONLY FIVE WEEKS  
AWAY!**

**OVER \$6,600 COLLECTED  
TO DATE! GOAL!**

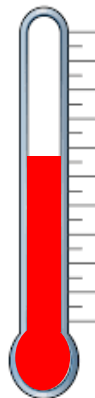
**CAN WE REACH \$10,000?**

**ONE** Lucky winner will  
receive **1/2 of all monies**  
collected.

**THE BIGGER THE POT THE  
MORE YOU CAN WIN!**

Tickets are **\$5** ea/3 for **\$10/5** for  
**\$15** and a whole page (10 tickets)  
for **\$25**

Flyers of tickets are available at all  
entrances to the Church, in the rectory and on  
our website: [stpatrickbayridge.org](http://stpatrickbayridge.org)



### 6-Hour NYSDMV-Approved Point and Insurance Reduction Course

*(Defensive Driving Course)*

**Saturday May 25, 2024**

**10:30 am - 4:30 pm**

*Please arrive by 10:15am*

**St. Patrick Rectory Meeting Room**

**All licensed NYS drivers welcome**

**The fee for the Course is \$55.** Reservation Forms are available at all entrances to the Church and in the rectory. To pre-pay and reserve a seat, return completed form with registration fee to the Rectory office (718 238-2600). Payment can be made by cash or check, payable to "Northeast Road Safety". Same-day registration allowed if openings are available.

**Think About It!**

**BLOOD DRIVE**

**8am to 1:30 pm**

**Sunday, June 30th**

**Watch future bulletins for details**



**17% Number of non-donors who cite "never thought about it" as the main reason for not giving.**



## St. Patrick Catholic Academy

*Our mission is to lead by example, as Christ did, when teaching, learning, and serving*

The Wax Museum is a special event at St. Pat's where students in grades 3, 4, and 5 research famous people throughout history. Students portray a famous person in history. Third graders portrayed "Famous Firsts" such as George Washington and Walt Disney. Fourth graders portrayed "Famous Artists, TV personalities and Sports Commentators" such as Tony Bennet and Vera Wang. Fifth graders portrayed "Famous Americans" such as Judy Garland and Fred Rogers.



For more information on St. Patrick Catholic Academy, visit us at [www.stpatrickca.org](http://www.stpatrickca.org) or email us at [admission@stpatrickca.org](mailto:admission@stpatrickca.org) !

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