



THE CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK BAY RIDGE, BROOKLYN

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PASTOR

Very Rev. Brian P. Dowd, VF

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Rev. Randy Nguyen

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IN RESIDENCE

Rev. Msgr. Joseph R. Grimaldi, V.G., JCL

STAFF

Mrs. Marilee Fitzgerald.....Parish Secretary

Mrs. Janine Faustner..... Coordinator 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: 2nd Saturday of the month at 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, 10:00 AM, 12 NOON 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

4:30 PM Vigil

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

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

ROSARY

The Rosary is prayed in Church

2nd Sunday of each month at 1:15 PM

Monday thru Friday 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



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 12, 2026

"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." - Mt 13:23

Focus on the Good

When I was a child, my mother had a set of sculptures resembling three human heads. One head had hands over the ears, one had hands over the eyes, and one had hands over the mouth. Of course, they depicted the phrase, "Hear no evil; see no evil; speak no evil." I have seen these images repeated many times since then, usually as the monkey heads from a Japanese proverb, which would have probably seemed a little less creepy to me when I was a small child. Apparently, there is no consensus about the full meaning or certain origin of these three images nor the phrase. At the very least, it causes us to reflect on the need to avoid evil and look for the good in things.

As I have lived my life, I have come to believe there are more people who live their lives in a contrary manner to these images. It is not that they seek evil, but it is as if they "see no good, hear no good, and speak no good." Gossiping is the way they pass the time, and they always seem to find the negative in people and situations. Being a good steward certainly means that we do not seek evil, but more than that, it means that we see the abundance of good things all around us. These gifts of God are big and little, profound and ordinary. By seeing the world in this way, we begin to change our personalities and our overall disposition. We always need to follow a new proverb: see all the good, hear all the good, and speak about the good. Amen.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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**Be thoughtful and reverent—
for this is the house of the Lord.
Before Mass, speak to the Lord.
During Mass, let the Lord speak to you.
After Mass, speak to one-another.**



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

July 11th, Saturday Vigil, 15th Ordinary Sunday

4:30 pm Maureen Drain
William Kilcommons (*Birthday Memorial*)
Dr. Alfredo & Marie Namum
The Green and Riso Families
Michael T. Lacova
Margaret E. King
Ms. Tam Sau Chun (*100 day memorial*)
For the intentions of . . .
The People of the Parish
Fr. Stephen's mom
Maryann Guzman and Family

July 12th, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am John Hudson-Dilgen
10:00 am Kristen Tyler
12:00 pm *For the Birthday Intentions of . . .*
Providencia Castro-Gilbride
5:00 pm Carolyn Antonucci and Anthony Almeida
(*40th Wedding Anniversary*)

July 13th, Monday, Weekday

8:15 am *For the intentions of Alfred Humm*
12 Noon Elizabeth Corozza

July 14th, Tuesday,

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

8:15 am Elizabeth Allgeier
12 Noon John "Jack" Joseph Kelly, Jr.

July 15th, Wednesday, St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:15 am Elizabeth Magee
12 Noon Elizabeth Corozza

July 16th, Thursday, Weekday

8:15 am Grace Sullivan O'Flynn (*5th Anniversary*)
12 Noon Helen Magee

July 17th, Friday, Weekday

8:15 am Frances & William McGann
12 Noon Michael & Providencia Gilbride
(*22nd Wedding Anniversary*)

July 18th, Saturday, Weekday

12:00 pm Giannina Avolio (*34th Anniversary*)



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

WEEK ONE: Elizabeth A & Arthur H Samuel,
Baby Charlotte, Elizabeth Paulsen, Marie Madorma,
Jim McCormack, Vincent Amodeo, James Gorayeb,
Brendan Woods, Angela Eisenberg, Vivian Russo,
Katie S., Ida Scantlebury, Colin Scantlebury,
Denise Schierbaum, Louise Sabbagh Arias,
Helen Gorayeb, Frances Atanisis,
Mandy McCormack, Theodore, Panagioti and
Athanasia (Sia) Vasilopoulos and her unborn child

WEEK TWO: 4 year old Carmine Elvezio
Ted Mootos, James Mootos, Eileen Blundell,
Felipo Sarubbi, Rosa Salazar, Margaret Buckley,
3 year old Aaliyah Cooper

WEEK THREE: Lisa DeFilippo, Ellen Nobel,
Carmine Del Pezzo, Anthony DeFilippo, Jr.
Phyllis Rucci, Linda DeAngelis, Louise Cartwright,
2 year old Abbey Coriaty, Patrick & Debbie Aceto
Irene Dobronski, Joyce Saraceni, Peggy Carmody,
Cornelius Whooley, Christine Soldano, Gary Arkin,
Danny Pokoluk, Teresa Szymane,
Chirara Santiago and her unborn child

*"Almighty God, we ask You to restore health and
grant comfort to those who are ill.
May Your healing power be present, bringing
strength and a complete recovery. Amen".*



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

Dennis R. Hertel, Patrick M. Doyle

*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.*

New Parishioners Welcome!

Our doors are open to welcome new parishioners into the family of St. Patrick Parish. Are you interested in enrolling in our parish? Maybe you have been attending Mass here at St. Patrick and have been considering becoming a registered parishioner.



We welcome you! To join our parish family, stop by the rectory during regular business hours or visit our website: www.stpatrickbayridge.org.

Attention Young Adults: Once you reach the age of 18, it is your responsibility to join a church family, participate in the Mass and to register as a member independent of your parents.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the spirit-filled community of St. Patrick Parish, with profound love and compassion, witness our deep faith in Jesus Christ by worshipping God, serving the needs of God's people and bringing the Good News of Jesus to all. We seek to become ever more the welcoming face of Christ in our community.



Obligatory Memorials, Optional Memorials, Commemorations

"Memorial" celebrations are placed into three categories according to the importance assigned to each one: Obligatory Memorials, Optional Memorials, and Commemorations.

"Obligatory Memorials" are to be celebrated at Mass (and the Liturgy of the Hours). They have proper collects (opening prayers) if not complete Mass texts in the *Roman Missal* (the Church's "official prayerbook for Mass"). Occasionally, there are proper reading(s) that are to be used though normally the reading from the day is used to respect the continuous cycle of the daily readings. There are only a few reasons to prohibit the celebration.

"Optional Memorials" are not required to be observed but may be celebrated if desired. The structure or format of the Mass does not vary from the "Obligatory Memorial." For both of these celebrations, the *Roman Missal* has a collection of prayers called "Common"s that may be used if special "proper" texts are not already provided. Even the weekday prayers may be used if need be.

Lastly during Lent, the latter Advent Season from Dec. 17 to 24 and the Christmas Octave "Memorials" may only be observed as **"Commemorations."** At these celebrations only the collect (opening prayer) of the saint is prayed and all the remainder of the Mass comes from the Lenten or Advent weekday or the Christmas Octave.

While this might seem complicated each year the bishops of a country establish the liturgical celebrations and create an "Order of Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours and Celebration of the Eucharist" which assists parishes and priests in their celebrations.

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"Hunger Does Not Take a Vacation"

**A message from the St. Vincent de
Paul Society**

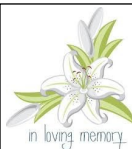
The St. Vincent de Paul Society Pantry **WILL BE OPEN** 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm each Tuesday during July and August.

Contributions to the St. Vincent de Paul poor boxes. Help keep our pantry stocked.

Donations of cereal and canned goods are always gratefully accepted in the rectory's main office during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 9 am to 5pm.

Wishing you and your loved ones a joyful, healthy and safe summer. Thank you for your continued generosity.

The St. Vincent de Paul Truck will be in front of Our Lady of Angels Church, Sunday August 2nd, 9:00 am-noon accepting donations of new and gently used clothes.



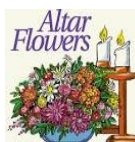
St. Patrick's Memorial Funds

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.

The donations for memorial gifts are:

⇒ Gifts of Bread & Wine	\$ 35.00
⇒ Altar candles	\$ 35.00
⇒ Sanctuary Lamp Candle	\$ 35.00
⇒ Altar Flowers	\$ 75.00

A monetary Memorial Gift to St. Patrick's is another meaningful way to remember those who have gone before us; monetary gifts can be made, in any amount. Memorial Gift Cards are available in the sacristy and the rectory.

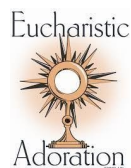


Altar Flowers

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

**Helen Magee and
Elizabeth Magee**

Gift of: Helen Hughes



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sundays following 12 Noon Mass
(unless otherwise noted in the bulletin)

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is not only a very old devotion in our Church, but one that highlights the fundamental mystery of the Holy Eucharist that our Lord is truly present, body and blood, soul and divinity, in the Blessed Sacrament.

Benediction and Reposition at 4:30 pm.



VOCATIONS

**"God has called us with a holy calling
... according to His own purpose and
grace."**

If you think God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life contact the Vocation Office.

Phone: 718-827-2454

Email: vocations@diobrook.org



**Annual Catholic
Appeal 2026**
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I am happy to share an update on the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal. As of July 6th, toward our parish goal of \$103,218, 185 parishioners have pledged \$106,978 with \$95,342.00 already received.

1 new pledge was received this week! We ask and encourage you to participate and give what you can. **15 new pledges needed to reach our 1st goal.**

I am deeply grateful to the parishioners who have already made their pledge. Your generosity is a blessing to our parish community.

Fr. Dowd

To Make a Pledge . . .

- ⇒ **Pick up a pledge form;** in the gathering space or in the rectory.
- ⇒ **Online** at AnnualCatholicAppeal.org
- ⇒ **Text donate** to 917-336-1255
- ⇒ **Scan the QR Code**



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To enroll, either...

- Visit <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-291>
- Scan the QR code

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.



FREEWILL



Plan ahead with faith.

Did you know most Americans do not have an up-to-date will or trust? **St. Patrick's Church** wants every member of our parish family to be prepared. With support from Catholic Foundation for Brooklyn and Queens, you can now access a free and secure will-writing tool through FreeWill. In just 20 minutes, you can create your plan, care for loved ones, and honor your faith. You can even leave an optional gift to **St. Patrick's Church** to strengthen our ministries for future generations.

Visit FreeWill.com/stpatrickbayridge to create your free will.

St. Patrick's Parish School of Religion

Faith Formation

NOW IS THE TIME TO PROVIDE FOR YOUR CHILD'S RELIGIOUS FORMATION THIS FALL.

- ⇒ **Re-Registration**, for those already enrolled in the program, re-registration forms have been emailed home. Please complete and return your re-registration form at your earliest convenience, this allows us time to more effectively prepare for and organize classes.
- ⇒ **New Registration**, for families whose children will be attending the Parish School of Religion for the first time, will be done by appointment only. Call Janine Faustner, to schedule an appointment.

Required Documents for First time registrants

- ⇒ Child's Baptism Certificate
- ⇒ Child's First Communion Certificate, *if applicable*
- ⇒ If your child attended religious education at another parish; please provide a letter from that parish.

Register early and save \$

Registration fees Now through August 31st
\$100—1 Child/\$125—2 Children/\$150—3 Children

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\$125—1 Child/\$150—2 Children/\$175—3 Children

In order for to order books and materials in time for the start of classes, registration must be completed by the 1st week of September.

Please contact our Coordinator of Faith Formation with any questions or concerns . . .

Mrs. Janine Faustner
saintpatrickpsr@gmail.com
718-238-2600 ext. 32177



OCIA
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

- **Are you a visitor to the church who's not Catholic but feels drawn to the Faith?**
- **Are you a baptized Catholic who's never received Communion or Confirmation?**
- **Are you a Catholic who just wants to know more about the Faith?**

If you answered "YES" to any of these questions you should consider participating in the RCIA process.

Beginning in September and culminating with the reception of the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil, the **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults** is a journey of faith – a journey toward a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

To register or for more information, contact the rectory. Phone: 718-238-2600
Email: parish@stpatrickbayridge.org



Vendors Wanted

St. Patrick Church
9511 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209

2nd Annual Christmas Craft Fair
Sunday, November 22, 2026
8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Vendor Set-up at 7:00 am

\$60.00 per table Limited number of spaces
Tables are 8' x 3' available.

For more information . . .
email: parish@stpatrickbayridge.org
Call: 718-238-2600



Free Summer Concerts

Presented by
NIA Community Services Network in
partnership with Senator Andrew
Gounardes and
Council Member Kayla Santosuosso

Tuesday evenings
7:00 pm to 10:00 pm
79th Street & Shore Road

***The School of Rock Bay Ridge students will perform
as opening acts before the main bands.***

July 14th—Mainsail—Yacht Rock
July 21st — Radio Daze—80's Band
July 28th—The Electrix—Grateful Dead Band
August 4th— Age Against the Machine—Pop
National Night Out- 68th Precinct begins at 6pm
August 11th—Rhapsody Players—60's/70's/80's
Aug 18th—Danny Matos Y La Zaborinquen—Salsa
August 25th—The Fumos—70's Funk
September 8th—The Canny Brothers—Irish Night

For rain date announcements visit . . .
<https://www.niabklyn.org/events>




Blood Drive

Sunday, July 26th
11:00am to 5:00pm
St. Anselm RC Church
Basement - Meletia Hall
365 83rd Street Brooklyn, NY 11209

To make an appointment:
Please scan QR code



One donation saves 3 lives!
800.933.BLOOD • nybc.org

Prepare to donate

- Eat well and hydrate
- Bring a photo ID
- Feel good and symptom free
- 17+ Must be 17+ or 18 with parental consent form
- Meet minimum weight requirements

For full eligibility requirements and COVID-19 information, visit nybc.org/eligibility.

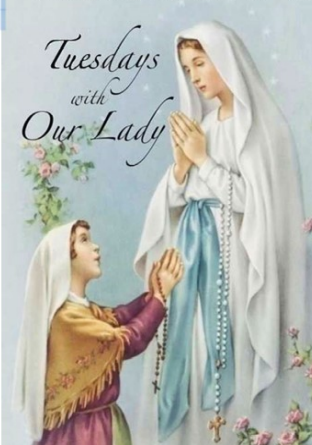


2026 SUMMER STROLLS ON THIRD AVENUE

82nd Street to Marine Avenue
July 24th and August 7th
6:00 pm to 10:00 pm

68th Street to 82nd Street
July 31st and August 14th
6:00 pm to 10:00 pm

TUESDAYS: JULY 7th - SEPTEMBER 1st



Tuesdays with Our Lady

The Shrine Church of St. Bernadette
- Invites you to pray -
The Rosary with Our Lady in the Grotto

**Every Tuesday in July and August
for 9 consecutive weeks**
(Last Tuesday is September 1st this year)
7:00pm - 7:45pm

Sponsored by:
St. Bernadette Holy Name Society
and
Prayer Group

In case of inclement weather
this event will take place inside the church
The Shrine Church of St. Bernadette 8201 13th Avenue
718 837 3400

Care for Creation

"Consider that God, your Benefactor, is present in all creatures and in yourself. If you look at every step of the visible creation, in all you will meet God."
St. Ignatius Loyola



St. Patrick Catholic Academy

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

Interested in applying to St. Patrick Catholic Academy? Good news! Applications are being accepted for the 2026 - 2027 school year! Join our outstanding community by following the steps below.

Benefits you get at St. Patrick Catholic Academy:

- Class sizes capped at 28 in grades K - 8
- Class sizes capped at 25 in Nursery and Pre-K
- We have a STEM lab and Library- Media Center
- 1:1 Electronic Devices in Grades K to 8
- Regents content classes
- Nursery through 8th grade take Art, Music, Gym, and Library
- Grades 5th to 8th grade have a choice of a World Language
- There are after school clubs such as Petite Painters, Irish Step Dancing and Theater Club.
- There are also CYO sports available such as Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer, Baseball and Swimming

For more information visit us online at www.stpatrickca.org

Application process goes as follows:

1. Parents email Mrs. Gail Buckley at admission@stpatrickca.org to fill out an application and pay the application fee online.
2. Our principal, Ms. Kathleen Curatolo, will interview parents and students entering Nursery through 8th grade in person.
3. Parents need to submit most recent report card to Mrs. Gail Buckley at admission@stpatrickca.org
4. Our principal will make a determination and Mrs. Buckley will email parents.
5. Parents sign a contract, scan it to Mrs. Buckley. Pay registration fee online.
6. Welcome to St. Pat's!

