

ST. RAPHAEL'S PARISH

November 19th, 2023
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MISSION STATEMENT: *St. Raphael's is a parish rooted in tradition yet responding to an evolving community by evangelization in action. We seek to inspire the larger Catholic community to a more committed faith life and to heed Christ's call of sharing time, talent and treasure for the needs of others.*

DECLARACION DE MISION: *San Rafael es una parroquia enraizada en la tradición y a la vez responde a una comunidad que evoluciona con una acción evangelizadora. Buscamos inspirar a la comunidad católica global a que vivan una fe más comprometida y a prestar atención a la llamada de Cristo a compartir tiempo, talento y bienes con los necesitados.*

BAPTISM / BAUTISMO

Please contact the rectory to make arrangements. You will need the child's birth certificate.

Favor de llamar a la rectoría. Necesitará el certificado de nacimiento del niño.

MARRIAGE / MATRIMONIO

Any couple wishing to marry should contact the rectory at least six (6) months before the wedding.

Una pareja que está pensando en el matrimonio debe de llamar a la rectoría seis (6) meses antes de la boda.

RECONCILIATION / RECONCILIACION

Saturday/Sábado 4:00-4:45pm
and by appointment/y por cita.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK/ CUIDADO DE LOS ENFERMOS

Please call the rectory at (718)729-8957 to make arrangements for the sick person to receive Holy Communion or the Anointing of the Sick at home.

Favor de llamar a la rectoría al (718)729-8957 para que la persona enferma reciba la Comunión o Unción de los Enfermos en la casa.



EUCCHARIST SCHEDULE

Saturday/Sábado 5:00 pm - English

Sunday/Domingo 8:00 am - English
9:30 am - Korean
11:00 am - English
12:30 pm - Español

Weekdays / Dias de semana

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - English
Lunes - Viernes 9:00 am - Inglés

OFFICE HOURS / HORARIO

Monday - Friday/Lunes - Viernes
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday/Sábado

By appointment / Mediante cita

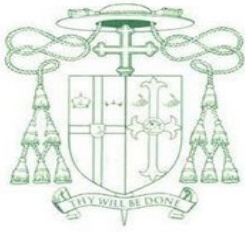
YOU CAN FIND US ON

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From the Bishop,



Office of the Bishop

Diocese of Brooklyn

310 Prospect Park West
Brooklyn, New York 11215

November 3, 2023

To the Clergy, Staffs and the Faithful parishioners of Brooklyn and Queens,

Recently, I met with our Vicar General, Regional Vicars, local Deans and priests during our annual Priest Convocation in Douglaston. During this gathering, we discussed important issues that we will need to address in the near future, like new models of parish life, possible collaborations among parishes regarding Religious Education and other ministries, as well as assessing the current Mass schedules at all our parishes.

Allow me to share with you some statistics that were shared with the priests:

- In 2017, Mass attendance in our Diocese was reported at an average of 205,502 people per weekend. In 2022, the average was reported at 124,031. Due to demographic changes as well as the overall national trend of fewer Catholics attending Sunday Mass regularly, we see a decrease of nearly 40 percent in Mass attendance in our diocese in the last 5 years. This decline in Mass attendance means that we have in many parishes throughout the diocese large capacity churches with a significantly reduced Mass size.
- Due to a high number of priest retirements and deaths in recent years, there are fewer priests serving in our 175 parishes.
- In our diocese Mass is celebrated in 14 different languages on a weekly basis and in 26 languages monthly. This unique pastoral challenge in combination with the reduced number of clergy with bi-lingual skills further complicates the ability to best serve our parishes with specific language needs.

There is no simple solution to these issues. In many of our parishes it is evident that we do not need so many separate Masses to accommodate the number of parishioners in attendance at Sunday Eucharist each week. We are asking pastors and administrators throughout the diocese in Brooklyn and Queens, in consultation with their pastoral councils, to review and evaluate their Mass schedules. In many parishes, the number of Masses celebrated each weekend could be reduced by at least one or maybe more Masses, depending on the number of people attending and the capacity of each church.

Additionally, your pastor in coordination with your Regional Vicar and local Dean, are beginning discussions at the deanery level concerning possible collaborations among neighboring parishes regarding Religious Education programs and other ministries, that could possibly lead to formal parish partnerships.

I ask for your openness and cooperation with these possible changes. Not every parish will be affected, but most will go through some sort of adjustment, in order to be able to most effectively serve the current needs of the People of God in our great Diocese.

Be assured of my prayers for each of you, and may I humbly ask for your prayers, especially for our pastors and administrators, and all those who will be part of these discussions taking place throughout our parishes and deaneries.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. Brennan
Bishop of Brooklyn

PARISH STAFF / EQUIPO PARROQUIAL

Rev. Paul Kim, **Pastor**

Rev. William McLaughlin, **Parochial Vicar**

Mr. Jan Wnek, **Music Minister**

Kiara Salgado, **Religious Education**

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's collection: **\$ 2,781**

GiveCentral (11/9/23 - 11/15/23): **\$ 250**

Average weekly expenses: **\$ 6,185**

Second Collection:

C. C. for Human Development Nov. 18, 19

MASS INTENTIONS

This Week

Sunday, November 19th:

8:00 am - Abigail dela Cruz, 7th Anniv. Remb.
(Dela Cruz Fam.)

AND

James Walker (Helena Mirecki Fam.)

9:30 am - Korean Mass

11:00 am - Richard Ingenito, B'day in Heaven
(His children)

AND

Nichols & Jaggernauth families
(Mr. & Mrs. Nichols)

12:30 pm - Acción de gracias a Sta. Cecilia (Janet Flores y músicos amigos de Sta. Cecilia)

Monday, November 20th:

9:00 am - Por las almas del Purgatorio
(Maria Solorzano)

Tuesday, November 21st:

9:00 am - James J. Walker (Fikar Family)

Wednesday, November 22nd:

9:00 am - Manuela D. Hickey (Fikar Family)

Thursday, November 23rd:

9:00 am - People of the parish

Friday, November 24th:

9:00 am - Olga Kargol, Anniv. Remb.
(Mirecki Family)

AND

Shane Schwarha, 1st Anniv.
(Mother and Brother)

Saturday, November 25th:

5:00 pm - Carlos Vinicio Ruiz (Fanny Pinto)

AND

James Walker (Lidia Liparoto Fam.)

Sun., November 19th:

9:30 am - Religious Education

1:30 pm - R.I.C.A.

Mon., November 20th:

Rosary is prayed after the daily masses in the church, Monday thru Friday.

Tues., November 21st:

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wed., November 22nd:

Feast of St. Cecilia

Evening - Life-streamed Spanish Rosary via Facebook from St. Raphael Rectory by Vino Nuevo Apostolate

Thur., November 23rd:

Feast of Sts. Clement, Columban,
and Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro

Thanksgiving Day

Rectory Office Closed

Food Pantry Closed

No Choir Rehearsal

Friday, November 24th:

Feast of St. Andrew Dung-Lac

5:00 pm - Folkloric Dance Troupe

7:00 pm - Catequesis de familias hispanas

Sat., November 25th:

Feast of St. Catherine of Alexandria

2:00 pm - Quinceañera

1:30 pm to 3:00 pm - Food Pantry

4:00 pm - Confessions

4:00 pm - Folkloric Dance troupe (MBH)



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

ENGLISH: Must meet with a priest before date arrangements.

SPANISH: Debe reunirse con un sacerdote para programar la fecha.



FOOD PANTRY DISPENSA DE ALIMENTOS

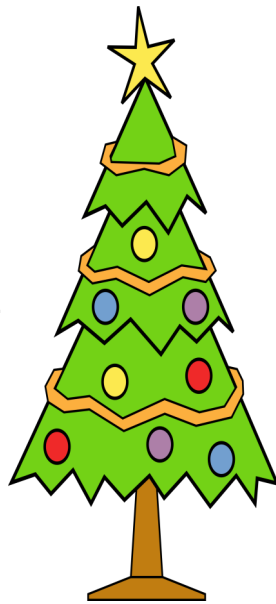
Thursdays | Jueves
10:30am - 12:00pm

Saturdays | Sábado
1:30pm - 3:00pm.



COMING SOON ADVENT GIVING TREE

- ◆ Angel Tags to take off the Christmas trees.
- ◆ Gift cards from child-friendly stores are highly recommended.
- ◆ You determine amount. Write it on card. (*Only a suggestion: about \$20?*)
- ◆ Place cards near the trees or drop off at the rectory mail slot or sacristy by December 15th. Wrapped gift are acceptable but gift cards are a better option.
- ◆ The gifts and cards will go to children of our Food Pantry clients and extras to the children from our parish celebrating the Three Kings Day.
- ◆ Kindly remember that due to the recent influx of migrants our Food Pantry has been being assisting them with clothing and food.
- ◆ We are grateful to count with generous parishioners who support our projects.



The Book of Mass Intentions is open for the 2024



The book will be open to take Mass intentions on Monday, November 20th, 2023. The Mass for the Purgatorial Society is the First Saturday of every month at 5:00 pm for those enroll in the society. Call the office to have a Mass said for your loved ones or a particular intention.

Can you help us to reach our parish GOAL?

Annual Catholic Appeal Update Reporte de la Campaña Católica Anual

¿Puede ayudarnos a alcanzar la META parroquial?

United in Communion
United in Charity



Annual Catholic Appeal 2023
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Unidos en Comunión
Unidos en Caridad

Parish goal	\$ 50,705	Meta Parroquial
Pledged	\$ 31,570	Promesa
Paid	\$ 30,479.77	Pagado
# of pledges	99	# de promesas

The Story of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mary's presentation was celebrated in Jerusalem in the 6th century. A church was built there in honor of this mystery. The Eastern Church was more interested in the feast, but it does appear in the West in the 11th century. Although the feast at times disappeared from the calendar, in the 16th century it became a feast of the universal Church.

As with Mary's birth, we read of Mary's presentation in the temple only in apocryphal literature. In what is recognized as an unhistorical account, the *Protoevangelium of James* tells us that Anna and Joachim offered Mary to God in the Temple when she was 3yrs. old. This was to carry out a promise made to God when Anna was still childless.

Though it cannot be proven historically, Mary's presentation has an important theological purpose. It continues the impact of the feasts of the Immaculate Conception and of the birth of Mary. It emphasizes that the holiness conferred on Mary from the beginning of her life on earth continued through her early childhood and beyond.

Blessed Miguel Pro conducted a secret ministry in Mexico for Catholics wishing to practice their religion, in spite of the religious persecution going on there. He wore many disguises to minister to the Mexican Catholics. He was falsely accused and executed for attempting to bomb the Mexican president.



Blessed Miguel Pro's last words were: "Long live Christ the King!" - "¡Viva Cristo Rey!"
January 1891 - November 1927



Pope Francis November 2023 prayer intention For the Pope

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

108 Precinct Annual Christmas Party

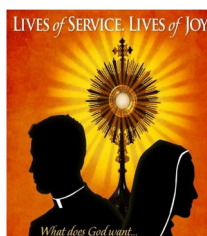
The celebration will be at the Astoria World Manor on December 9 at noon.

If your children will like to attend please look for Richard O'Connor during pantry days to get a ticket or at the rectory during office hours.



1. We acknowledge the generous gift in remembrance of Manuela Hickey & James Walker from Josephine Traynor.
2. Mass is held every Saturday at 10:00 am in the St. Callixtus Chapel at Calvary Cemetery, enter by Greenpoint Avenue.
3. The St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center will be offering FREE speech and hearing screenings from September 11 through November 30, 2023. To schedule a visit call (718) 990-6480.
4. The St. John's University Psychological Service Center offers evidence-based assessment and therapy services for both children and adults. Free services to military and immediate family others can get discounts depending on their income. For details call (718)990-1900.

RELIGIOUS VOCATION



If you sense you may have a vocation to follow the risen Lord as a Priest, Deacon or Religious life, call Fr. Chris Bethge, Vocation Director, he will answer you:

(718) 827-2454 or
vocations@diobrook.org

EL RINCON HISPANO



¡FELIZ DÍA DE ACCIÓN DE Gracias!

“¡Den gracias al SEÑOR, porque él es bueno! Su fiel amor perdura para siempre.”

— Salmos 107:1

Todos están invitados a traer un alimento que compartiran para que sea bendecido después de misa el día de Acción de Gracias.

MINISTERIO MEXICANO BROOKLYN - QUEENS



EL COMITE GUADALUPANO DE SAN RAPHAEL LOS INVITA A PARTICIPAR EN LA CARRERA GUADALUPANA 2023

RECIBID LA LUZ DE CRISTO

No se trata de correr, sino de caminar con Cristo!

Si desea integrarse llamar a:
Felix Perez (917) 804-5202 ó
Rosalba Carvente (646) 226-9042

IGLESIA SAN RAPHAEL APOSTOLADO VINO NUEVO

RETIRO VIVA CRISTO REY
 Sábado 25 de noviembre
 9:30am a 4:30pm

¿Quién es el rey del reino de Dios?
“A su debido tiempo Dios lo manifestara, el Bienaventurado y único Soberano, Rey de reyes y Señor de señores.
 1 Timoteo 6, 15



HORA SANTA
 Dirigida por el Diacono **Jorge González**



En la Alabanza María del Carmen y Futura Generación


Para mas detalles llamar a,
 Paul (646) 509-1109 o
 María (718) 472-2570

Donación \$15

El Libro de Intenciones de las Misas del año 2024 esta disponible



El libro de intenciones para la misa estara disponible a partir del Lunes, 20 de Noviembre. La misa para la Sociedad del Purgatorio es cada Primer Sabado del mes a las 5pm para todos los que estan inscritos en la sociedad. Llame a la oficina parroquial para ofrecer una misa por sus seres queridos o una intension personal.



Intención del Papa para Noviembre 2023
Por el Papa

Oremos por el Papa, para que en el ejercicio de su misión siga acompañando en la fe a la grey que le ha sido encomendada, con la ayuda del Espíritu Santo.

VOCACION RELIGIOSA



Si usted siente el llamado de Cristo resucitado al sacerdocio, diaconado o vida religiosa, llame a Pr. Chris Bethge, Director de la Oficina de Vocaciones, el contestara su llamada:

(718) 827-2454 or
 vocations@diobrook.org

Pray for the sick... / Recemos por los enfermos...

We list here the names of those who are ill and should be held in prayer: Edda Az-zalini, Hugh Forde, Cele Rossi, Kenneth Jonelunas, Kristin Revy, Esther Byrne, Liz & Peter Farrell, Jan Wnek, Michael Pfeifer, Lidia Liparoto, Dina Filingeri, Danny & Matthew Del Carpio, Thom Vaughan, Mary Rose Reilly, Michael Leahy, Eileen Walsh, Liz Kleven, Margaret Walker, Regina Chun, Peggyann Callanan, John Greico, Kathy Longnecker, Derry O'Leary, Maria Shafeluk, Ben Hecht, Lee Aleong, Jan Wnek, Teresa Marambio, Mary McCarthy, Pope Francis & for all our Parishioners and Friends in Nursing Homes and Rehabilitation Facilities.



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord, we thank you
for the goodness of our people
and for the spirit of justice
that fills this nation.
We thank you for the beauty and
fullness of the land and the
challenge of the cities.
We thank you for our work and our
rest, for one another, and for our
homes.
We thank you, Lord: accept our
thanksgiving on this day.
We pray and give thanks through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Oración de Acción de Gracias

Señor te damos gracias
por la bondad de nuestra gente
y por el espíritu de justicia
que llena esta nación.
Te damos gracias por la belleza y
plenitud de la tierra y el desafío de
las ciudades.
Te damos gracias por nuestro
trabajo y nuestro descanso,
por cada uno y por nuestros
hogares.
Te damos gracias Señor:
Acepta nuestra acción de gracias
en este día.
Oramos y damos gracias por
Jesucristo nuestro Señor.
Amen.

**Please consider making your
weekly offertory On-Line**

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donation page fast and secure**



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smartphone*

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text the word**

'Sunday'

to

646-692-0050

St. Raphael Church

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a través de nuestra Página de Donación
Seguro y Rápido**

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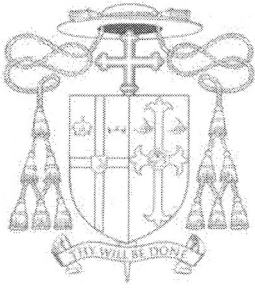
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Iglesia San Rafael



Office of the Bishop

Diocese of Brooklyn

310 Prospect Park West
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1 de noviembre de 2023

Al clero, personal parroquial y a los fieles feligreses de Brooklyn y Queens,

Recientemente tuve el placer de reunirme con nuestro Vicario General, Vicarios Regionales, Decanos locales y sacerdotes en una Convocatoria Sacerdotal en Douglaston. Discutimos temas importantes que necesitaremos abordar en el futuro cercano, como nuevos modelos de vida parroquial, posibles colaboraciones entre parroquias con respecto a Educación Religiosa y otros ministerios, y evaluar los horarios actuales de Misa en todas nuestras parroquias.

Permítanme compartir con ustedes algunas estadísticas que fueron compartidas con los sacerdotes:

- En 2017, la asistencia total a Misa en nuestra Diócesis fue de un promedio de 205,502 personas por fin de semana. En 2022, el promedio fue de 124,031. Debido a los cambios demográficos, así como a la tendencia nacional general de que menos católicos asisten a la Misa dominical con regularidad, vemos una disminución de casi el 40 por ciento en la asistencia a Misa en nuestra diócesis en los últimos 5 años. Esta disminución en la asistencia a Misa significa que en muchas parroquias de la diócesis tenemos iglesias de gran capacidad con asistencia a la Misa bastante reducida.
- Debido a un alto número de jubilaciones y fallecimientos, hay muchos menos sacerdotes en nuestras 175 parroquias.
- En nuestra diócesis, la Misa se celebra semanalmente en 14 idiomas diferentes y mensualmente en 26 idiomas. Esta es una situación única y el reducido número de clérigos bilingües complica aún más la capacidad de servir a las parroquias con necesidades lingüísticas específicas.

No existe una solución sencilla para estos problemas. En muchas de nuestras parroquias es evidente que no necesitamos tantas Misas para dar cabida al número de feligreses que asisten a la Eucaristía dominical. Estamos pidiendo a los párrocos y administradores de la diócesis de Brooklyn y Queens, en consulta con sus consejos pastorales, que revisen y evalúen sus horarios de Misas. En muchas parroquias, el número de Misas celebradas cada fin de semana puede reducirse en al menos una o quizás más Misas, dependiendo del número de personas que asisten y de la capacidad de cada iglesia.

Además, su párroco, en coordinación con su Vicario Regional y el Decano local, están iniciando discusiones a nivel de decanato sobre posibles colaboraciones formales entre parroquias vecinas con respecto a la Educación Religiosa y otros ministerios, que posiblemente podrían conducir a la formación formal de parroquias asociadas de dos iglesias.

Les pido su apertura y cooperación con estos posibles cambios. No todas las parroquias se verán afectadas, pero la mayoría pasará por algún tipo de ajuste para poder continuar atendiendo de manera más efectiva las necesidades actuales del Pueblo de Dios en nuestra gran diócesis.

Les ofrezco mis oraciones por cada uno de ustedes, y les pido humildemente sus oraciones, especialmente por nuestros párrocos y administradores, y todos aquellos que serán parte de estas discusiones que tendrán lugar en nuestras parroquias y decanatos.

Sinceramente suyo en Cristo,

Reverendísimo Monseñor Robert J. Brennan
Obispo de Brooklyn