

ST. RAPHAEL'S PARISH

March 10th, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Lent

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.



Laetare, taken from the first words of the Introit at Mass, "Laetere Jerusalem" which means "Rejoice, O Jerusalem! Like Gaudete Sunday, Laetere also reminds us of the event we look forward to at the end of the penitential season and the joy in anticipation of the resurrection.

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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E-Mail: st.raphaelicq@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/saintraphaelqueens
www.givecentral.org/location/691

MARCH THE MONTH OF ST. JOSEPH

Throughout the calendar year, each month is dedicated to a particular spiritual theme. These dedications are not official, but have become part of popular piety over the centuries.

March is a month that eventually became known as the "**Month of St. Joseph.**"

Why is that?

While March always falls within the season of Lent, it also contains the primary feast in the Roman Rite that is dedicated to St. Joseph.

In the Western Church, the feast of St. Joseph wasn't fixed until the 15th century. According to some traditions, **March 19 was the day of Joseph's death**, though there is little evidence to support it, as it is unclear when Joseph died.

By 1621 Pope Gregory XV extended a feast of St. Joseph to the entire Church, and it was elevated even more when Pope Pius IX declared Joseph the "Patron of the Universal Church" in 1870. For many decades March 19 was a holy day of obligation on par with other major feasts in the Catholic Church.

Since March 19 falls during Lent, and is a solemnity, it offers a rare respite from the rigors of Lent. St. Joseph teach us silence, obedience, faithfulness, justice, humbleness, chastity, prepare well for death and how to provide protection for others.

"Traditionally, each day of the week has been designated for a special emphasis when it comes to the liturgy, whether it's Holy Mass or the Breviary, the readings for that day," he told the Register. "For example ... Saturday has always been Our Lady's day. Sunday, of course, is dedicated to Our Lord — which is why they call it the Lord's Day. But there is a day when we honor St. Joseph — and that day is **Wednesday.**"



Patronage: families, fathers, travelers, immigrants, working people, expectant mothers.

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.*

PARISH STAFF / EQUIPO PARROQUIAL

Rev. Paul Kim, **Pastor**

Rev. William McLaughlin, **Parochial Vicar**

Mr. Rafael Alcala, **Music Minister**

Kiara Salgado, **Religious Education**

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's collection: Not ready

GiveCentral (2/29/24 - 3/6/24): \$ 995

Average weekly expenses: \$ 6,185

Upcoming Second Collection:

Catholic Relief Services, March 10

MASS INTENTIONS

This Week

Sunday, March 10th:

8:00 am - People of the parish
9:30 am - Korean mass
11:00 am - Well being of children
12:30 pm - Flor Soto, 6th Dec. Anniversary
(Gustavo Benites)

AND

Helen Fontanez, 1^{er} mes de fallecida
(Familia Murillo y amigos)

Monday, March 11th:

9:00 am - People striving with cancer
and their families

Tuesday, March 12th:

9:00 am - Pope Francis health

Wednesday, March 13th:

9:00 am - Peace in the world

Thursday, March 14th:

9:00 am - Unborn children and their families

Friday, March 15th:

9:00 am - Joseph Alegre, Dec. (Kitty McGee)

Saturday, March 16th:

5:00 pm - People in nursing homes
and rehabilitation facilities.

Sun., March 10th:

Laetare Sunday
9:30 am - Religious Education
1:30 pm - R.I.C.A.

Mon., March 11th:

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

Tues., March 12th:

Wed., March 13th:

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

Thur., March 14th:

10:30 am to 12:00 pm - Food Pantry
7:00 pm - Via Crucis en Español

Friday, March 15th:

Day of Abstinence
5:00 pm - Folkloric Dance Troupe
7:00 pm - Catequesis de familias hispanas

Sat., March 16th:

1:30 pm to 3:00 pm - Food Pantry
4:00 pm - Confessions
4:00 pm - Folkloric Dance Troupe (MBH)

“Let my tongue be silenced,
if I ever forget you!”

Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6



“Que se me peque la lengua
al paladar si no me
acuerdo de ti.”

Salmo 136, 1-2. 3. 4-5. 6

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

ENGLISH: Must meet with a priest before date arrangements.

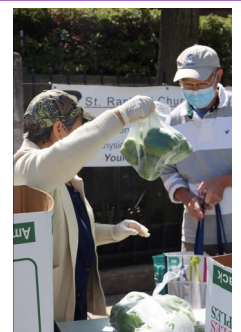
SPANISH: Debe reunirse con un sacerdote para programar la fecha.



FOOD PANTRY DISPENSA DE ALIMENTOS

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

Saturdays | Sábado
1:30pm - 3:00pm.





Annual Catholic Appeal 2024

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Each year **St. Raphael** and the Diocese of Brooklyn engage in the **Annual Catholic Appeal** which supports Catholic programs throughout Brooklyn and Queens and affects the lives of countless individuals and families living in our neighborhoods in addition to benefiting our parish. The Annual Catholic Appeal makes possible those programs that no one parish could do alone.

Why is your participation important?

As followers of Jesus here at **St. Raphael**, we understand our responsibility to our parish implies a responsibility to the diocese which unites us together with the entire Catholic community as the one body of Christ.

When one part of the body does not participate, the entire body suffers and makes it harder to function. Likewise, your participation in this Appeal, over and above your regular Sunday offering, will determine the ability of **St. Raphael** needed support we receive as one parish, which is part of the larger Catholic Church.

Please join us to respond as the Church of Christ called to Communion, Participation & Mission in Brooklyn and Queens through a pledge to the **Annual Catholic Appeal** today at AnnualCatholicAppeal.org or text **DONATE** to (917)336-1255.

The **Annual Catholic Appeal** seeks to raise a minimum of \$8 million to provide programs and ministries throughout the Diocese and support the local efforts of parishes like ours.

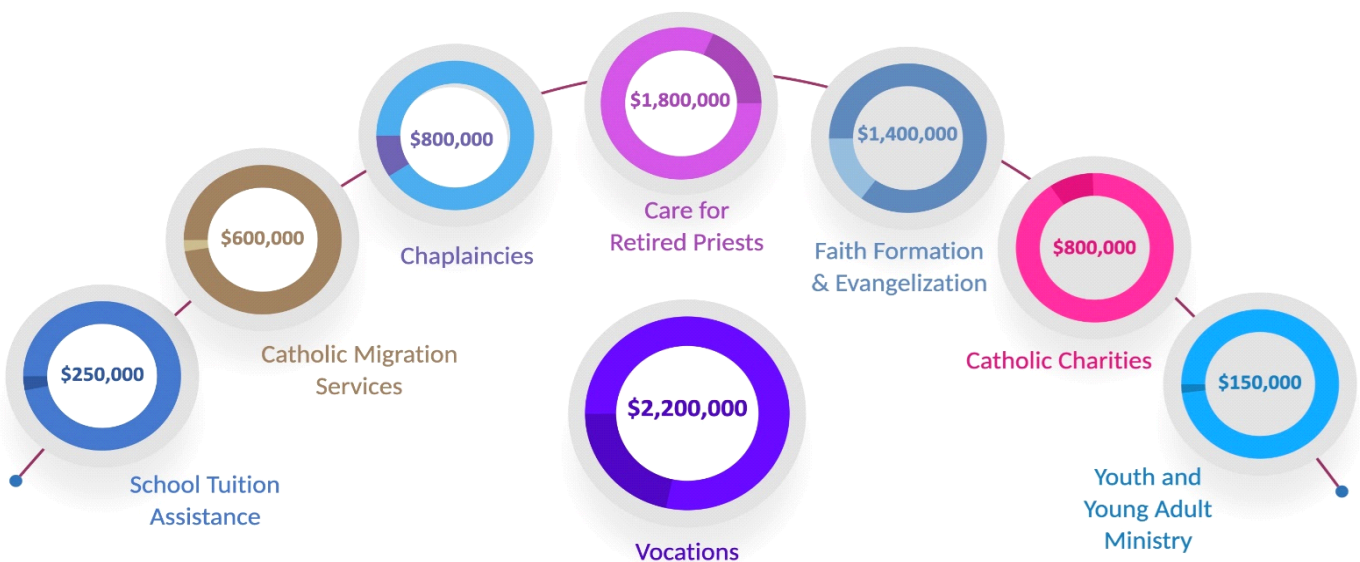
The goal at St. Raphael is \$50,705.

Once we exceed our goal, we will then receive 100% of all funds raised above this figure directly back to our parish.

For questions regarding the **Annual Catholic Appeal**, or to schedule an appointment to make a gift to the parish, please contact the Parish Office (718) 457-8957

Called to Communion, Participation & Mission

What does the Annual Catholic Appeal Support?



H O L Y W E E K



PALM SUNDAY - March 24

Commemorates Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We carry blessed palm branches into church, symbolizing the crowd's welcoming gesture. The Gospel readings recount the story of Jesus' death and Passion, evoking reflection on His sacrificial love and the profound significance of Holy Week.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Lenten Reconciliation Monday will be observed on **March 25, 2024**, from 2:00 to 4:00 and 6:00 to 9:00 pm in the archdiocese and the Dioceses of Brooklyn and Rockville Centre, in every parish from the east end of Long Island to the Catskills. Many dioceses celebrate the **Chrism Mass** on Tuesday, Wednesday, or the morning of Holy Thursday. *Chrism* refers to one of the oils used during different Sacraments. During the Chrism Mass, the Oil of the Sick, the Oil of Catechumens, and the Chrism oil are consecrated by the Bishop. Large vessels of oils are carried to the altar for the blessings and consecration of Chrism, which is a mixture of oil and balsam. Then the oils are distributed to representatives of each parish. The oils are taken back to the parishes and used for the Sacraments throughout the year.



March 27: Holy Thursday is the first day of the Easter Triduum of the Catholic faith. It commemorates the **Last Supper** celebrated by Jesus and his disciples when He established the sacrament of Holy Communion prior to his arrest and crucifixion. It also commemorates His institution of the priesthood. During this Mass, the priest washes the feet of some members of the parish in memory of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples who will become the first priests. During the Passover meal, Jesus breaks bread and gives it to His disciples, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you." Then, He passes a cup filled with wine and says, "This is my blood ..." At mass the bread and wine are transformed into the body and blood of Jesus Christ through a process known as transubstantiation.

March 28: The events of Good Friday are commemorated in the Stations of the Cross, during all lent and Good Friday. It is a day of fasting within the Church. There is no Mass and no celebration of the Eucharist on Good Friday. A liturgy may still be performed and communion is taken from host consecrated on Thursday, there we venerate the Cross by kneeling, kiss and making the sign of the cross. Church bells are silent, altar are left bare, and the tabernacle is empty.



March 29 - Mass of the Lord's Supper

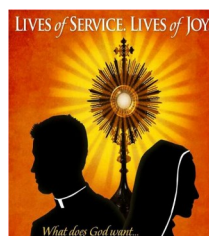
While there is no Mass offered until the Easter Vigil, many churches host a short prayer service in the morning. This is an opportunity to read the Morning Prayer together as a group. If you have not yet received the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Holy Week this is a good time to go. Most churches spend the afternoon preparing for the Easter Vigil so you can volunteer to help with set up as well! Holy Saturday is typically a day of preparation for Easter Sunday.



Pope Francis prayer intention
March 2024
For the New Martyrs,
witnesses of Christ

Pope Francis invites prayer "for those around the world who risk their lives for the Gospel, to inspire the Church with their courage and missionary zeal." [youtube.com/@thepopevideo](https://www.youtube.com/@thepopevideo)

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



DOMINGO DE LAETARE (Marzo 10)

El domingo de **Laetare** marca la mitad de la Cuaresma y los signos especiales de Alegría de este día, están destinados a alentar a los fieles de su curso a través de la temporada de penitencia. Signos como el uso de flores sobre el altar y que se permita la vestimenta color rosa en vez de morado, enfatizan el contraste entre los demás domingos.

Laetare, nos invita a poner especial atención en la alegría animándonos a continuar practicando los tres pilares de la fe (*oración, austeridad y misericordia*), para luego vivir el gozo de la Pascua de Resurrección.

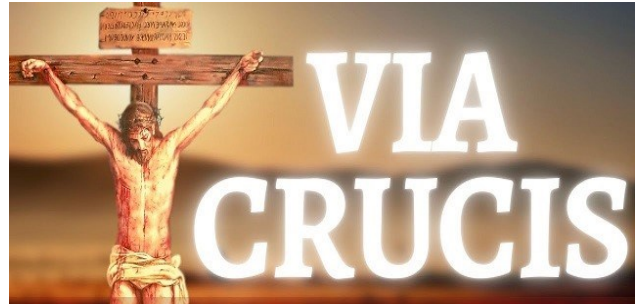
“Estemos alegres y recibamos la misericordia de Dios para encontrar el gozo verdadero gracias al perdón de Dios que regenera y da vida”.

Franciscus

¿Qué han dicho los Papas sobre San José?



- 1870** Papa Pío IX lo declaró Patrono de la Iglesia Universal.
- 1889** Encíclica *Quamquam Pluries* “Aunque muchas veces” Sobre la devoción a San José. Papa León XIII.
- 1955** Pío XII lo nombró Patrono del trabajo.
- 1961** Carta Apostólica *Le Voci** “Las voces” Sobre el fomento de la Devoción a San José. Juan XXIII.
- 1989** Exhortación Apostólica *Redemptoris Custos*. Papa Juan Pablo II.
- 2020** Carta Apostólica *Patris Corde* “Con corazón de padre” con motivo del 150° aniversario de la declaración de San José como patrono de la Iglesia Universal.



Join us to pray the **Stations of the Cross** in church as follows:

- ◆ In English on Fridays after the 9am Mass
- ◆ In Spanish on Thursdays at 7:00pm
- ◆ In Korean on Fridays at 7:50pm

Recemos juntos las **Estaciones de la Cruz** en la iglesia:

- En Inglés los Viernes después de la misa
- En Español los Jueves a las 7:00pm
- En Coreano los Viernes a las 7:50pm



Intención del Papa - Marzo 2024 Por los Nuevos Martires, testigos de Cristo

El Papa Francisco invita a rezar “para que quienes en diversas partes del mundo arriesgan su vida por el Evangelio contagien a la Iglesia su valentía y su impulso misionero”. [video](#)

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 Azzalini, Hugh Forde, Cele Rossi, Kenneth Jonelunas, Kristin Revy, Esther Byrne, Liz & Peter Farrell, Jan Wnek, 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, Mary McCarthy, Charles Schwarha, Mary McMorrow, James Slynn, Pope Francis & for all our Parishioners and Friends in Nursing Homes and Rehabilitation Facilities.



**THINGS TO DO
DURING LENT**

**2024
Lenten
Diocesan
Pilgrimage**

February 14 to March 27
Febrero 14 a Marzo 27

Visit 40 churches throughout Brooklyn and Queens for a celebration of the gift of the Holy Eucharist.
[Click here for a list of participating parishes.](#)

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St. Raphael Church

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Iglesia San Rafael



Campaña Católica Anual 2024

DIÓCESIS DE BROOKLYN

Cada año **St. Raphael** y la Diócesis de Brooklyn se dedican a conducir **La Campaña Católica Anual**, la cual sostiene programas católicos a través de Brooklyn y Queens, teniendo efecto en las vidas de un sin número de personas y familias, además de beneficiar a nuestra parroquia.

¿Por qué mi participación es importante?

Como seguidores de Jesús aquí en **St. Raphael**, entendemos que nuestra responsabilidad hacia nuestra parroquia implica una responsabilidad hacia la diócesis que nos une con toda la comunidad católica como el único cuerpo de Cristo.

Cuando una parte del cuerpo no participa, todo el cuerpo sufre y dificulta su funcionamiento. Asimismo, su participación en esta Campaña, además de su ofrenda dominical, determinarán la capacidad de **St. Raphael** para apoyar fielmente a la misión de Cristo, y al mismo tiempo ofrecer el apoyo necesario que recibimos como una parroquia, siendo parte de la Iglesia católica.

Unámonos hoy y respondamos juntos como la Iglesia de Cristo, Llamados a la Comunión, Participación y Misión en Brooklyn y Queens a través de un compromiso a la Campaña Católica Anual en AnnualCatholicAppeal.org o envíe un mensaje de texto con la palabra **DONAR** al teléfono **(917) 336-1255**.

La Campaña Católica Anual busca recaudar un mínimo de 8 millones para proveer los programas y ministerios a lo largo de la Diócesis y apoyar los esfuerzos locales de las parroquias como la nuestra.

La meta de San Raphael es \$50,705

Después de sobrepasar nuestra meta, recibiremos **100% de los fondos recaudados por encima de esta cifra directamente para nuestra parroquia.**

Para preguntas acerca de **la Campaña Católica Anual**,

o para hacer una cita para hacer una donación a la Parroquia, por favor de contactar la Oficina Parroquial (718) 729-8957

Llamados a la Comunión, Participación y Misión

¿Cómo se beneficiará nuestra Parroquia?

