ST. RAPHAEL’S
PARISH
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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.

EUCHARIST SCHEDULE
Saturday/Sábado  5:00pm - English
Sunday/Domingo  8:00am - English
4:30pm - Korean
10:00 am—English
12:00 pm—Spanish/Español

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE
Monday - Friday  9:00am
Lunes - Viernes  9:00am

OFFICE HOURS/HORARIO
Monday - Friday/ Lunes - Viernes  9:00-1:00pm & 2:00-4:00pm
Saturday/Sábado  By appointment / Mediante cita

BAPTISM/BAUTISMO
Please contact the rectory to make arrangements. You will need the child’s birth certificate. Favor de llamar 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 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 la rectoría al (718)729-8957 para que la persona enferma reciba la Comunión o Unción de los Enfermos en la casa.
FROM THE PASTOR…

Dear Parishioners,

At last weekend’s English and Spanish Masses (“World Marriage Day”), about 60 married couples responded to the invitation to come to the altar at Mass and renew their wedding vows. Among them were Fabiola and Jesus (aka Pablo) Baque, pictured below. Asked for a bit of wisdom as to how they stayed married for 51 years so far, they responded, “The secret to marriage is to keep God in your heart” (“El secreto del matrimonio es tener a Dios en su corazon.”).

Each of the 60 couples received a symbolic memento of the occasion: a magic trick in which a green handkerchief mysteriously changes color to yellow. The idea was that, while marriage is about communication, conflict, household, sex, children, in-laws, finances, etc., it is also about weathering the changes that come with the passing of the years. The psychiatrist Carl Rogers said it’s about committing to the continually changing nature of the marriage relationship. Hence, the color-changing hanky!

Back in January, an education team from New York-Presbyterian Hospital Queens came to our Reyes Magos (Three Kings) event in Brennan Hall with info about two types of cancer: breast and prostate. Due to the large crowd that day, they didn’t have enough time to share as much as they intended. They’ll be visiting our Food Pantry this coming Thursday, February 21st, at 10:30 am. All are invited to stop by then, if only to pick up some printed info on these two vexing health challenges. See the bilingual promo on another page of this bulletin.

-Father Jerry Jecewiz

Second collection this weekend: Black and Indian Missions

Mandated by the Ill Plenary Council in 1884, the 125-year-old National Collection for Black and Indian people continues as the embodiment of the Church’s concern for evangelizing the Black and Indian peoples of the United States. The funds are distributed as grants to needy dioceses throughout the United States, supporting and strengthening evangelization programs which otherwise would cease.

PARISH STAFF / EQUIPO PARROQUIAL

- Rev. Jerry Jecewiz, Pastor
- Rev. Kuno Kim, Parochial Vicar
- Mr. Jan Wnek, Music Minister

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

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### Mass Intentions for the Week
#### February 17th, 2019

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### WEEK’S EVENTS

#### Sun., February 17th:
- Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- No Religious Ed. (CCD) classes today
- 1:30 pm—RCIA

#### Mon., February 18th:
- Presidents Day (rectory office closed)

#### Tues., February 19th:
- 6 pm—Children’s Music Group

#### Wed., February 20th:
- 7 pm—Spanish Prayer Group

#### Thurs., February 21st:
- Feast of St. Peter Damian
- 10:30 am to 12 noon—Food Pantry (NY Presbyt. Hosp Health info)
- 7:30 pm—Choir Practice

#### Fri., February 22nd:
- The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
  - 7:00 pm—Spanish Family Catechesis (RB)
  - 7:00 pm—Folkloric Dance Group (MBH)

#### Sat., February 23rd:
- Feast of St. Polycarp
  - 1:30 to 3:00 pm—Food Pantry
  - 2:00pm—Spanish Baptism
  - 11 am—6 pm Retiro (MBH)
  - 6:00 pm—Youth Group (MBH)

#### Sun., February 24th:
- Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
  - 9:30 am—Religious Ed. (CCD)
  - 1:30 pm—RCIA

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

- **English:**
  - Sat., Mar. 16, 2:00 pm.

- **Spanish:**
  - Sat., Feb. 23, 2 pm. Prep class is Mon., Feb. 18, 7 pm.

### Food Pantry ...

is open Thursdays 10:30 am to 12 noon, and Saturday 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm.

If it’s your first time, bring photo ID.
FROM THE DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN / QUEENS, FOR OUR PARISH BULLETIN:
(The “names” publication may not yet have occurred as of today, but will occur very shortly.)

As many of you know, our Diocese just published the list of 107 priests who have been credibly accused of sexual misconduct with a minor. These allegations date back as far as 1934.

The majority of these priests are already deceased. Those who are living have either been laicized or permanently removed from active ministry. The names have been published to offer greater transparency and accountability to the Church at large as well as to the general public. In this way, we hope to promote healing and justice.

The Church recognizes the pain that has been caused to those who are victims of child abuse, as well as to their families; the victims have been offered the opportunity for counseling, as well as financial reparation through the special Compensation program (IRCP). As Pope Francis has reminded us, we need to take time to listen to those who have survived this painful trauma, we need to be in solidarity with them in their suffering, and continue to work to prevent this from happening again.

We acknowledge the confusion and anger this has caused many of the faithful of the Church. Difficult as it is, we are doing everything possible to rebuild the trust.

Since 2002 and the “Charter for Protection of Children and Young People,” the Church in the United States has taken many important steps to prevent such abuse from happening in our parishes, programs and schools. Any member of the clergy with a credible allegation of sexual misconduct with a minor is removed from active ministry. Also, every member of the clergy, every lay employee and volunteer who has contact with children is required to undergo a background check (which is now reviewed quarterly) as well as participate in a training program on abuse prevention. We also publicize the independent Reporting line to facilitate filing reports of abuse within our Diocese, which immediately are communicated to civil authorities. That number is: 888-634-4499.

We ask God to watch over us, and to give us the fortitude to face the painful truth of abuse, as we move forward to work for healing and reconciliation.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like a copy of your accountable 2018 church contributions for income-tax purposes, please call or stop by the rectory during weekday office hours.

Thank you to all who plan and are accountable in their giving to St. Raphael’s.

To sign up for parish-support envelopes, contact the rectory office (718-729-8957).

UNITED 40’S CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Meeting: Thurs., Feb. 21st, 7 pm
St. Teresa’s Parish Center
44th St. off 50th Ave., Woodside

Includes local crime report, plus updates from elected officials or their reps.

THIS ‘N THAT

1. Next Family Mass is Sunday, March 3rd. Choir practice is Monday, Feb. 25th at 7:30 pm in church.

2. Daughters of Wisdom Vocational Discernment opportunity for young women: Sat., March 2nd, at the Montfort Mission House in Ozone Park (101-18 104th St.). “A” train to 104th St. stop. See flyer in church vestibule for more info.

3. St. Raphael’s Food Pantry gratefully acknowledges donations from the Kiwanis Foundation ($80.50) and the Green Valley Marketplace of Sunnyside ($100). Much appreciated!

Sat., Feb. 23rd
(a re-schedule!)
6 pm
Michael Brennan Hall
NOTAS:

1. El programa R.I.C.A. (preparación de los adultos y los teenagers) tiene lugar los domingos a las 1:30 pm en el salon de abajo.

2. Rosario y alabanzas: miercoles a las 7:00 pm en sótano de la rectoría.

3. Catequesis Familiar: viernes a las 7:00 pm en el sótano de la rectoría.

Pronto en nuestra iglesia tendremos el Cursillo de Cristiandad. Interesadas favor de comunicarse con Angelina Muñoz al (718) 937-8459 o con Marta Aquino al (917) 715-4679.


José Darío Restrepo (1933-1918)

Nació en 1933 en Concepción (Colombia). Sus padres, Ernesto y Josefa, formaron una familia de 17 hijos.

Creció en el campo, respirando la paz de las montañas.

Se casó con su amada Estrella y tuvieron 7 hijos. Fue un esposo fiel y responsable. Un padre noble quien enseñó a sus hijos y nietos a crecer con Dios en el corazón.

En 1981 llegó a NY con toda la familia. Dedicado al trabajo y a su familia, vivió con alegría y paz.

En junio pasado fue de vacaciones a Colombia acompañado por su esposa, algunos hijos y algunos nietos. Un sueño se hizo realidad. Don Darío estaba tan feliz.

Y la Virgen María lo llevó de regreso a su pueblo natal. Saludó a toda su familia y a tantos amigos. Sus ojos contemplaron otra vez la belleza de las montañas y sintió paz.

Dijo una vez mas su frase favorita: Que se haga la voluntad de Dios. Y toda su familia estaba a su lado cuando la Virgen María abrió sus brazos para recibirlo en el cielo. Descanse en paz.
1. After 25 years of ministry at the Apostolic Nunciature (Vatican Embassy) in Washington, DC, Msgr. Maks will make the move back to our diocese in a month or so, reside at Cathedral Prep in Elmhurst, and continue to offer us his services. His weekend assistance has been a great blessing to our parish.

2. The Vino Nuevo Apostolate of our Hispanic community has just formed a Ministry of Consolation for persons who have lost loved ones. This ministry extends to the Latino tradition of the novenario (9-day novena), rosaries and/or wake services, and anniversary-of-death (or birthday) remembrances for 3 years following the loss. In the Hispanic tradition, all ultimately serves the lifting or raising of the Holy Cross to enable those in grief to move forward in faith and trust. If you would like to contact this ministry, speak with one of our Pastoral Ministers: Paul Casiano, Maria Casiano or Bogar Casiano. As always, they are at your service.
Erick F. Gonzalez’s fifteenth anniversary of death is marked this coming week with Thursday’s 9 am Mass here offered for him from Gloria & Leo (his parents), Kevin (his brother) and his family. Despite his sudden death at an early age, may he live radiant and forever young in the glory of God’s kingdom.

In observance of Presidents’ Day weekend, there will be no Religious Education (CCD) classes this Sunday.

Also, the rectory office will be closed this Monday.

Registration for 2019-20 is now open at St. Stanislaus Kostka Catholic Academy

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