



# Saint Catherine of Genoa R. C. Church

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ST. CATHERINE OF GENOA~ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC ACADEMY  
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## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. Catherine of Genoa parish, “Home of Faith Away From Home”, is to carry out evangelization, to help each and everyone to know and live God’s love in faith and hope, according to the teaching of the Catholic Church.

## OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Saturday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
Sundays & Holidays by appointment only.

## PARISH STAFF

**Pastor - Rev. Raphael Munday Kukana**  
**Parochial Vicar - Rev. Peter Mawusi**  
**Secretary - Mrs. Bernadette Johannes**  
**Director of Religious Education - Ms. Agnes Mills**  
Email: catherinereligious@outlook.com

## EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

**Weekends:** Saturday: 5:00 PM (*English*)  
Sunday: 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM (*English*)  
1:00 PM (*French & Kreyol*),  
5:00 PM (*Twi*)  
**Weekdays:** Monday-Saturday 9:00 AM  
**Holy Days:** 9:00 AM & 7:30 PM (*English-French*)

**Catholic Cemeteries:** for information and availability  
please call (718) 894-4888.

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Catholics should be officially registered in a Parish. Call the Rectory to register and use the offering envelopes as a sign of your commitment.

## PARISH WEBSITE:

<https://stcatherinegenoabrooklyn.com>  
See what’s new and get the information you may need.

## Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024



**SACRAMENTS:** are celebrations of the faith community. It is important that our members be registered and participate fully and regularly in the sacramental life of the parish.

**R.C.I.A.** is the Adult Preparation for Sacraments. For more information please call the Rectory (718) 282-7162.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** (**CONFESSION**) Saturday at 4:00 PM or by Appointment.

## **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:**

Marriage arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please contact the rectory for complete information about marriage preparation in the Diocese.

**BAPTISM:** is celebrated every 3rd Saturday of the month at 2:30 PM. Baptism Class is offered on the 2nd Saturday of the month for parents and godparents in the rectory basement at 12 Noon. Please call the rectory to register for baptism.

# April 28, 2024 - Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year B

## Weekly Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, APRIL 27

9:00 AM In thanksgiving and for healing of Elize Alonso,  
Abigail Alonso & Tamenta Augustin — Maria Charles  
9:00 AM Mr. Martin Bristol (d)  
5:00 PM Dave Williams (d) — Yvonne Williams  
5:00 PM Margaret Barterlemy (d), Raymonde François (d) —  
Immacula Dabel

### SUNDAY, APRIL 28

8:00 AM B.B. & in thanksgiving — Clescina Ackie  
8:00 AM B.B. Nadine Morales Toussaint — (son) Colin Toussaint  
11:00 AM Catherine Severin (d), Jennifer G. Joyete (d),  
Leo Severin (d) & Karen Severin (d) —  
James Severin & Magdalene René  
11:00 AM In thanksgiving and for healing of Elize Alonso,  
Abigail Alonso & Tamenta Augustin — Maria Charles  
1:00 PM Roland Prudhomme (d) — Veronique Cadet  
1:00 PM Louis Robert Cadet Sr. (d), Louis Robert Cadet Jr. (d) —  
Veronique Cadet  
1:00 PM Claudia Alcine (d), Dennis Delva (d) — Veronique Cadet  
1:00 PM Emilia Dagain (d) — Veronique Cadet  
5:00 PM Travelling mercy — Yaw Boachie

### MONDAY, APRIL 29

9:00 AM In thanksgiving and for healing of Elize Alonso,  
Abigail Alonso & Tamenta Augustin — Maria Charles

### TUESDAY, APRIL 30

9:00 AM B.B. Jean-Claude Desrosiers — the Desrosiers family  
9:00 AM B.B. Monica Hudlin  
9:00 AM B.B. Jhane Phanor — (grandmother) Immacula Dabel  
9:00 AM In thanksgiving and for healing of Elize Alonso,  
Abigail Alonso & Tamenta Augustin — Maria Charles

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 01

9:00 AM In thanksgiving and for healing of Elize Alonso,  
Abigail Alonso & Tamenta Augustin — Maria Charles

### THURSDAY, MAY 02

9:00 AM In thanksgiving and for healing of Elize Alonso,  
Abigail Alonso & Tamenta Augustin — Maria Charles

### FRIDAY, MAY 03

9:00 AM In thanksgiving to God for his many blessings —  
Eulalee Bartley  
9:00 AM In thanksgiving and for healing of Elize Alonso,  
Abigail Alonso & Tamenta Augustin — Maria Charles

### SATURDAY, MAY 04

9:00 AM Dr. Pierre Boutus (d) — Marie Laurence Boissette  
5:00 PM

### SUNDAY, MAY 05

8:00 AM In thanksgiving to God for his many blessings —  
Eulalee Bartley  
8:00 AM Harold George (d), Stephen George (d) — Esther George  
8:00 AM Fernande Symby (d), Dieudonne Symby (d) —  
Emma Symby  
11:00 AM B.B. Tiffany Jerome — (mom) Alexia Jerome  
5:00 PM

## Weekly Collections

Mass	#	April 13th & 14th		Amount \$
Saturday	41	5:00 PM	ENGLISH	1,016.00
Sunday	73	8:00 AM	ENGLISH	1,542.00
	78	11:00 AM	ENGLISH	473.00
	52	1:00 PM	KREYOL	482.00
	35	5:00 PM	TWI	486.00
			Mail-In	336.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>279</b>			<b>\$4,335.00</b>

Please remember that our parish needs your weekly support. **Our weekly expenses goal is \$5,432.00.** You may mail-in, give online or drop-off your contributions at the rectory. Thank you for your generous support.

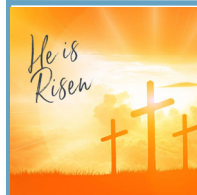
### MAY MONTH SPONSORSHIP OF BREAD, WINE & FLOWERS



◇ Immacula Dabel and a faithful.



\*Maria Charles and Gislène Desormeau.



## Readings for the Fifth Week of Easter

Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32;  
1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

Monday *St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Dr. of the Church:*  
Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday *St. Pius V, Pope:* Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;  
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday *St. Joseph the Worker:* Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5;  
Jn 15:1-8 or Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24;  
Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:58-58

Thursday *St. Athanasius, Bishop, Dr. of the Church:* Acts 15:7-21;  
Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday *Ss. Philip and James, Apostles:* 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5;  
Jn 14:6-14

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

### **Next Week: Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1-4; 1 Jn 4:7-10;  
Jn 15:9-17

## From the Pastor's Desk



*My dear parishioners,*

The Gospel of this Fifth Sunday of Easter presents Jesus Christ as the True Vine and the Father as the Vine grower. Jesus said this to his disciples. The branches that do not bear fruits are taken away by the father who is the Vine grower. All who listen to the voice of Jesus in his word become part of him. They are in him and he is also in them. Without being part of the main true Vine, the branches cannot bear any fruit because of lack of nutrients. They will be cut off and thrown into the fire.

The followers of Jesus have to listen to his words and act upon them in order to be a part of him. Once we remain in Jesus and he also remains in us, whatever we ask from God in prayer, it will be done for us. For us to be able to glorify God, we have to be the disciples of Jesus who can bear fruit.

The disciples in Jerusalem were afraid of Saul when he wanted to join them. It was so because they knew him of not having the words of Jesus. He was persecuting Jesus' followers. He could not therefore bear any fruit. Until he had explained his encounter with the Lord on his way to Damascus to them, they would not have believed him to be a branch that was part of the true Vine, Jesus Christ.

St. John says we should love in deed and truth but not just in word or speech. There is the need to keep the commandments of God to show that we believe in the name of the son Jesus. Just as Jesus says that we should remain in him like the branches being part of the Vine, we need to keep God's commandment in order to remain in him. There is a unity between the Vine and the branches. We have to be united with Jesus through his words. An example is to love our neighbors. This is a mandate given to us by Jesus our Lord and Master. Love has to be our hallmark as Christians to show forth our fruits. This has to be experienced in our families, work places, in the Church and in our society in general. It is the love which will bring us together like the true Vine and the branches so that we can bear the desired fruits. Let us pray for God's grace to help us to remain in him for our salvation. God bless you always.

Rev. Peter J. Mawusi  
Parochial Vicar

# SPONSORSHIP OF CHAIRS & TABLES

We thank those who have already provided monetary donations towards the purchase of Chairs and Tables for our Parish Hall.

Parishioners who would like to sponsor a chair or table are invited to do so.

**Every parish group or society is encouraged to sponsor at least one (1) table and ten (10) chairs.**

**Donation: Chair \$50      Table \$150**

**Amount received: \$5,210.00**

Sick & Shut-in



## Pray For The Sick

Kofi; Cloude! Aimé; George Aimé;  
Kwame Adu-Sarpong; Rosaline Archer;  
Thomas Asante; Alice Baffoe; Elzire Barosy;  
Emma Bedeau; Ralene Caton; Kay Celestine;  
Medel Chavanne; Rose Crouch;  
Albertha Debrostomas; Lydia Desarmes;  
Elizabeth Donkor; Wilma Dufresne;  
Margaret Agyeman Dumfeh; Vilma Dufresne;  
Leila Felix; Lorna Fyffe; Ann Marie Gay;  
Margaret Goddard; Miguel Gray; Delroy Green;  
Patricia Griffith; Jaylan Henry; Roselaure Jean;  
Renata Jordan; Alice Laguerre; Lincoln Laguerre;  
Reginald Laroche; Dewey Lawler; Irene Lee;  
Jocelin Mangurat; Cynthia McCallum;  
Catherine McQueen; Mercy Marboah Mensah;  
Ermance Marcenat; Viviane Paccaud;  
Colin Palmer; April Pearce; Bernard Pearce;  
Jennifer Perce; Lyonel Pearce;  
Travis Pearce; Eunice Quashie; Elwyn Quirk;  
Juanita Robinson; Marlon Roberts; Pauline Smith;  
Roswell St. Talbord; Kerby Theodore;  
Joyce Thomas; Marjorie Thomas; Taj Thomas;  
Kayla & Kaylee Uwuigbe and Amy Wiles.





# Annual Catholic Appeal 2024

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Each year **St. Catherine of Genoa** 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.

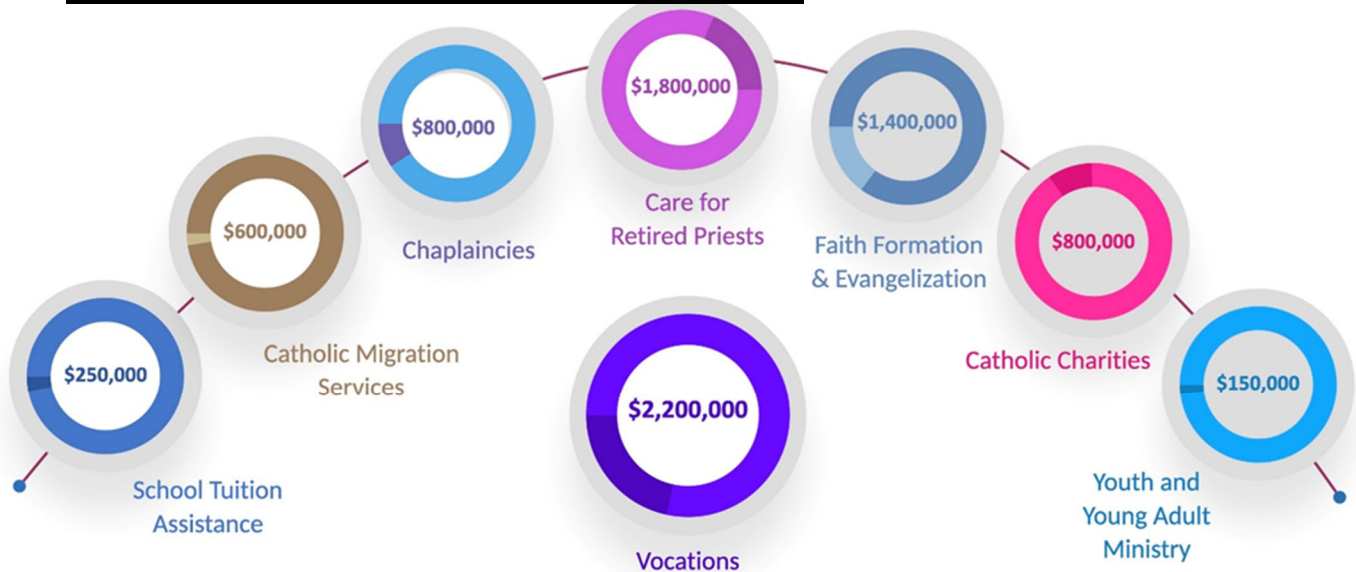
## Why is your participation important?

As followers of Jesus here at **St. Catherine of Genoa** 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. Catherine of Genoa** to faithfully support the mission of Christ while also providing the 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**

## What does the Annual Catholic Appeal Support?



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. Catherine of Genoa is \$46,139.00**

**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 – 718-282-7162**

**Called to Communion, Participation & Mission.**



**Annual Catholic  
Appeal 2024**  
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

## Called to **Communion,** **Participation & Mission**

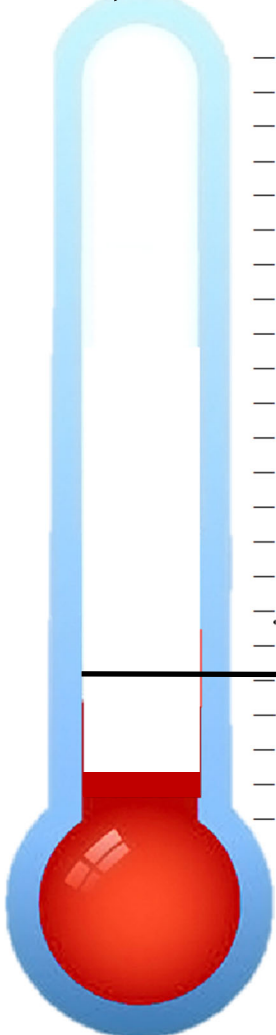
**ST. CATHERINE OF GENOA  
ACA PARISH GOAL: \$46,139.00**

**PLEDGED: \$7,440.00**

**RECEIVED: \$2,819.00**



**\$ 46,139.00**



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**If you have made a pledge  
for this year's Appeal,  
please remember to fulfill  
your pledge by Dec. 31st.**

**If you have not yet made a  
pledge, please prayerfully  
consider making a PLEDGE  
to this year's  
Annual Catholic Appeal**



**WAYS TO DONATE:**

- Please scan the above QR
- Complete a Pledge Envelope located at the Church entrance
- Pledge Online at:

**[www.AnualCatholicAppeal.org](http://www.AnualCatholicAppeal.org)**

**SACREMENTS :** Les sacrements sont des célébrations de la communauté de foi. Il est important que nos membres soient inscrits pour participer pleinement et régulièrement à la vie sacramentelle de la paroisse.

**R.C.I.A.** est la préparation des adultes aux sacrements. Pour plus d'informations, veuillez appeler le Presbytère.

**SACREMENT DE RECONCILIATION :**

Samedi à 16h00 ou sur Rendez-vous.

**SACREMENT DE MARIAGE :**

Les dispositions relatives au mariage doivent être prises au moins six mois avant la date du mariage. Veuillez contacter le presbytère pour des informations complètes sur la préparation au mariage dans le diocèse.

**PARRAINAGE DU MOIS D'MAI**

**Vous êtes invités à parrainer du pain et du vin pour la messe, des nappes d'autel et les fleurs pour décorer les autels. *Merci à tous.***



Commémorez vos proches et participez aux activités financières de la paroisse. Chaque don de **feuilles \$500**. Le paiement peut être effectué en plusieurs tranches.

Inscrit « *À la tendre mémoire de* (nom d'un être cher) *donné par* (personne/famille/organisation/société).

Le cout pour les articles de spécialité **Glands (\$750), Pierres (\$850) ou mini-arbre (\$1000)**.

Aidez-nous à faire pousser notre arbre. Il y reste beaucoup d'opportunités pour participer à cette activité spéciale !



**Le 20 & 21 Avril**

**\$ 4,335.00**

**La Quête**

N'oubliez pas que notre paroisse a besoin de votre soutien hebdomadaire. Notre objectif hebdomadaire est de **\$5,432.00**. Vous pouvez envoyer par la poste, donner en ligne ou déposer au presbytère. Merci pour votre générosité.

## 5ème Dimanche de Pâques

Chers frères et sœurs,

L'Évangile de ce cinquième dimanche de Pâques présente Jésus-Christ comme la vraie vigne et le Père comme le vigneron. Jésus dit ceci à ses disciples. Les sarments qui ne portent pas de fruits sont enlevés par le Père qui est le Vigneron. Tous ceux qui écoutent la voix de Jésus dans sa parole deviennent une partie de lui. Ils sont en lui et il est aussi en eux. Si elles ne font pas partie de la vraie vigne principale, les branches ne peuvent pas porter de fruits parce qu'elles manquent de nutriments. Elles seront coupées et jetées au feu.

Les disciples de Jésus doivent écouter ses paroles et agir en conséquence pour faire partie de lui. Une fois que nous demeurons en Jésus et que lui aussi demeure en nous, tout ce que nous demandons à Dieu, notre Père, dans la prière sera fait pour nous. Pour que nous puissions glorifier Dieu, nous devons être des disciples de Jésus capables de porter du fruit. Les disciples de Jérusalem ont eu peur de Saul lorsqu'il a voulu se joindre à eux. C'est parce qu'ils savaient qu'il n'avait pas les paroles de Jésus. Il persécutait les disciples de Jésus. Il ne pouvait donc pas porter de fruits. Tant qu'il ne leur avait pas expliqué sa rencontre avec le Seigneur sur le chemin de Damas, ils n'auraient pas cru qu'il était un rameau faisant partie de la vraie vigne, Jésus-Christ.

Saint Jean dit que nous devons aimer en actes et en vérité, mais pas seulement en paroles ou en discours. Il est nécessaire de respecter les commandements de Dieu pour montrer que nous croyons au nom du fils Jésus. Tout comme Jésus dit que nous devons rester en lui, comme les sarments qui font partie de la vigne, nous devons garder les commandements de Dieu pour rester en lui. Il existe une unité entre la vigne et les sarments. Nous devons être unis à Jésus par ses paroles. Un exemple est l'amour de notre prochain.

C'est un mandat que nous a donné Jésus, notre Seigneur et Maître. L'amour doit être notre marque de fabrique en tant que chrétiens pour montrer nos fruits. Nous devons en faire l'expérience dans nos familles, sur nos lieux de travail, dans l'Église et dans notre société en général. C'est l'amour qui nous réunira comme la vraie vigne et les sarments afin que nous puissions porter les fruits désirés. Prions pour que la grâce de Dieu nous aide à rester en lui pour notre salut. *Que Dieu vous bénisse.*

*Père Peter J. Mawusi*  
*Vicaire Paroissial*



# MEMORIAL TREE OF LIFE



Memorialize your loved one (s) in our Tree of Life

Inscription reads: “ *In loving memory of* (name of loved one)

*donated by* (person/family/organization/society).

## Donations for the various items:

Leaf (\$500). Acorns (\$750), Stones (\$850) or mini-tree (\$1000).

## Payments can be made in installments.

Please call or stop by the office to make your reservation.

# MONTHLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

## Sunday

- 9:00 AM Rosary Society — May 6
- 9:00 AM Grenadian Society — May 26
- 3:00 PM French Legion of Mary — Weekly
- 3:00 PM Christian Mothers — May 12
- 6:30 PM Ghanaian Gentlemen — May 19

## Monday

- 7:30 PM English Choir Weekly

## Thursday

- 10:30 AM **PANTRY — May 2, 16 & 30**
- 8:00 PM HOLY HOUR – Weekly**

Pope Francis has designated this year to Parish Eucharistic Revival. Come recover a sense of awe and adoration before the Eucharist, adore Jesus’ real presence.

## Friday

- 6:00 PM French Choir — weekly

## Saturday

- 9:00 AM Healing Mass — May 25
- 10:00 AM Girl Scouts – Weekly Meeting
- 5:00 PM St. Theresa of the Child Jesus — May 25
- 6:30 PM The United Ghanaian Assn. — May 11

# UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Next weekend the second collection will be for the Building Fund. Please be generous.
2. Mother’s Day is fast approaching. Kindly return your envelopes by next weekend so they may be placed on the altar at the weekend Masses of May 11 & 12th.
3. Thank you to those who took the time and visited the Ministry tables at last weekend’s Ministry Fair. We look forward to the participation of new members.



4. The **Rosary Society Annual Luncheon will take place on Sat. May 25 from 1:00pm—5:00pm. Tickets are \$60.** Come and enjoy Good Food, Music, Prizes & Surprises.
5. **Sight & Sound payments are due this weekend.** Unpaid seats will be assigned to those on the waitlist beginning next weekend.



6. **Bus Trip to Atlantic City \$70, with a \$35 REBATE on May 11, 2024.** Only a few seats left. **GET** your ticket after all weekend Masses or at the Rectory during office hours. **Bus leaves at 8:00am prompt in front of the church.**

### PARISH REGISTRATION

All parishioners are encouraged to register. We are only able to give recommendations to those who are registered for at least **6 MONTHS**. Please register (or update your information if you have recently moved or gotten married) with the form below. Place the form in the collection basket or drop off at the rectory. We will send you weekly collection envelopes every two months.

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Head of Household: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Apartment# \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

New Registration  Moving Out of the Parish

Change of Name: \_\_\_\_\_

New Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Apartment # \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_



Girl Scouts meet at  
St. Catherine of Genoa  
on **Saturdays at 10am in**  
the newly renovated  
**Parish Hall.**

## MEETINGS ON SATURDAYS

Please contact Mrs. Alistine Aikins at  
(718) 346-1923.

**Ages :Girls Kindergarten to 12<sup>th</sup> grade.**

### BISHOP'S PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

*(Composed by  
The Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan)*

Almighty God, we turn to you at this hour with all our hearts. Hear our prayer as we ask for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life to serve your Church in Brooklyn and Queens.

May we always have the ministers we need to stand at Your Altars, administer Your Sacraments, and lead Your people on the path to Heaven.

We pray that we will always be attentive to Your Call and that if today we hear Your Voice, we may not harden our hearts; rather, that we have the courage to respond with generosity. *Amen*

**VOCATION OFFICE  
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN  
TEL: 718.827.2454 \*\* FAX: 718.827.2167  
Rev. Chris Bethge, Vocation Director**



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