



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

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

Seventh Sunday of Easter



May 12, 2024

“Holy Father, keep them in your name, so that they may be one just as we are.” *Jn 17:11b*

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.

May 12, 2024 - Seventh Sunday of Easter - Year B

SATURDAY, MAY 11 *Weekly Mass Intentions*

- 9:00 AM William & Eleanor Campbell & family —
Msgr. Kevin B. Noone
- 5:00 PM In thanksgiving for God's grace and many blessings —
Doris St. Rose
- 5:00 PM B.B. Dr. Brenda Henry-Offor, B.B. Timothy Offor,
B.B. Marjorie V. Edwards-Patron — the Henry & Offor families
- 5:00 PM Hildegard L. Cornwall (d) — Mary Cornwall & family
- 5:00 PM Dorothy Bostic (d) — Yvonne Williams

SUNDAY, MAY 12 — MOTHER'S DAY

- 8:00 AM For the Mother's of the Parish
- 8:00 AM Mothers day blessings for Marie Martin —
(daughter) Corine Liverpool
- 8:00 AM In fond remembrance of Dorothy Williams (d) —
(grandson) Anderson David
- 8:00 AM Evelyn Viola Edwards (d) — Marjorie Viola Edwards-Patron
- 11:00 AM B.B. & mother's day blessings for Cletus Elliot —
Deborah Caleb
- 11:00 AM For the deceased mothers of the parish
- 1:00 PM For the grandmothers of the Parish
- 1:00 PM B.B. Quency Delence & B.B. Jarnelle Andrews —
Helene Agnant
- 1:00 PM Action de grâces Katline Paulemont
- 1:00 PM Healing of Maryse Lichters — Yvette Calizaire
- 5:00 PM Ghanaian Apostolate

MONDAY, MAY 13

- 9:00 AM In honor of Our Lady of Fatima

TUESDAY, MAY 14

9:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

9:00 AM

THURSDAY, MAY 16

9:00 AM

FRIDAY, MAY 17

- 9:00 AM B.B. Carl Morris — the Morris family
- 9:00 AM Dave Williams (d) — Yvonne Williams

SATURDAY, MAY 18

- 9:00 AM Ms. Sonia Peñafiel (d)
- 5:00 PM

PENTECOST SUNDAY, MAY 19

- 8:00 AM B.B. Kenny Antoine — Veronica Antoine
- 8:00 AM God's blessing upon Marie Martin — Corine Liverpool
- 8:00 AM Christine George (d) — Esther George
- 8:00 AM Rose Roberts (d) — Veronica Antoine
- 8:00 AM Jean Nelson (d) — Portia Nelson
- 11:00 AM **FIRST COMMUNION**
- 1:00 PM B.B. Roland Duclervil — Marie Jean-Pierre
- 5:00 PM Ghanaian Apostolate



Weekly Collections

Mass	#	May 4th & 5th		Amount \$
Saturday	30	5:00 PM	ENGLISH	728.00
Sunday	63	8:00 AM	ENGLISH	1,492.00
	60	11:00 AM	ENGLISH	577.00
	65	1:00 PM	KREYOL	974.00
	46	5:00 PM	TWI	571.00
			Mail-In	325.00
TOTAL	248			\$4,667.00

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.

SANCTUARY LAMP

burns this week in memory of



- ◆ Deceased mothers of the Parish
- ◆ Souls in Purgatory
- ◆ Dorothy Williams ◆ Reynold Bishop



Readings for the Seventh Week of Easter

- Sunday: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19
- Monday *Our Lady of Fatima*: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3b, 4-5acd, 6-7b; Jn 16:29-33
- Tuesday *St. Mathias, Apostle*: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
- Wednesday *St. Isidore*: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36b; Jn 17:11b-19
- Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
- Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20b; Jn 21:15-19
- Saturday *St. John I, Pope, Martyr*: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4-5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
- Saturday Pentecost Vigil**: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b; (Ps) Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 or Ps 19:8-11; Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2a, 24, 35c, 27-28, 29bc-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
- Next Week: Pentecost Sunday**
Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1ab, 24ac, 29bc-30, 31, 34;
1Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

From the Pastor's Desk



My dear parishioners,

Some ecclesiastical regions in the United States have transferred the feast of the Ascension to this Sunday. In the ecclesiastical region of New York, Ascension was celebrated on Thursday, May 9, 2024. So for us, this 7th Sunday of Easter is celebrated in the context of the after-Ascension.

The Lord ascended to the heavens, where he sits at the right hand of the Father. This ascension was the prerequisite for the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Lord said that if he does not go to his heavenly Father, the Paraclete (or the Advocate) will not come (Cf. John 16:7). But Ascension also defines the mission of the Apostles or the mission of the Church in general. As the Lord ascends to heaven, the disciples have no choice, but to carry out the work without the physical presence of the Teacher. They have observed, they have learned, and they have been strengthened, now it's their turn to bring the message of salvation throughout the world. It is a big challenge.

The disciples were scared, nervous, inexperienced, and the Lord was aware of all that. That is why the Lord Jesus prayed for them as the Gospel of this Sunday relates, in what is known as the priestly prayer (John 17). The Lord said: *"I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth"* (John 17:15-17). The world is the disciples' field of action. So it is for all of us Christians.

Each one of us is asked to change the world wherever we are and to make the Church present and fruitful in those places and circumstances where it is only through us that the Church can become the salt of the earth. (Cf. Pope Francis, Letter instituting the ministry of catechist, n. 6). The Lord acknowledges that while he is no longer in the world, the disciples are still in the world to continue the mission, and they need his support.

Imagine that for a moment. The Lord Jesus himself praying for you and for me! We should then be filled with courage, zeal, faith, and trust to advance the cause of evangelization, knowing that the Lord is with us, so that God's Kingdom may be made visible in the world. God bless you always.

Fr. Raphael Munday
Pastor

MAY MONTH SPONSORSHIP OF BREAD, WINE & FLOWERS

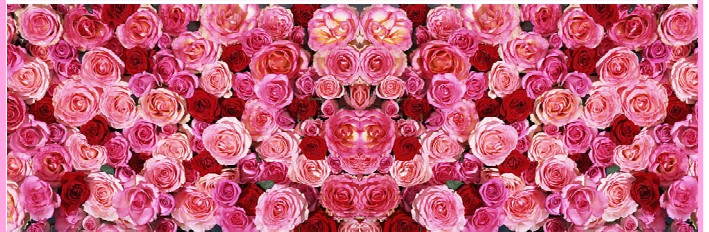


Veronica Antoine, Ernest Baah,
Immacula Dabel, Doris St. Rose and three
faithful.



Marthe Aurelien, Maria Charles, Immacula Dabel,
Gislène Desormeau, Merle Gibbs,
Rebecca Marfo, Doris St. Rose,
Yverose Theodore and Anne Williams.

On this Mother's day weekend, Bread, Wine and
Flowers are offered in loving memory of
Dorothy Williams from her grandson
Anderson David



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 Uwugbe 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.

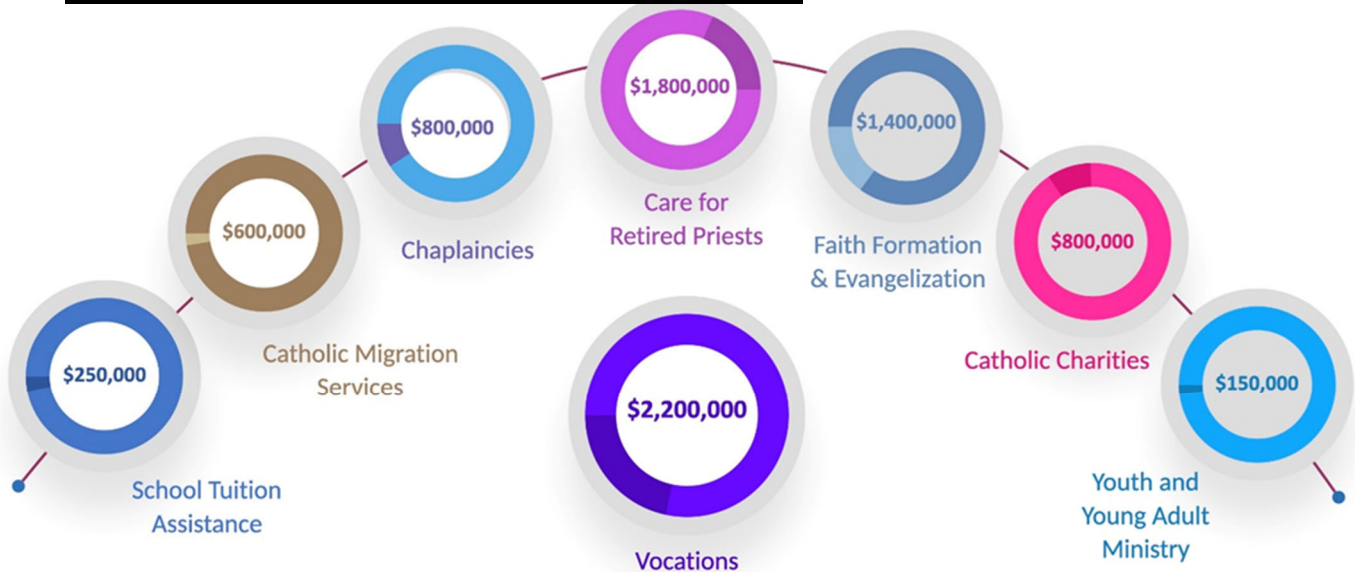
Why is your participation important?

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.

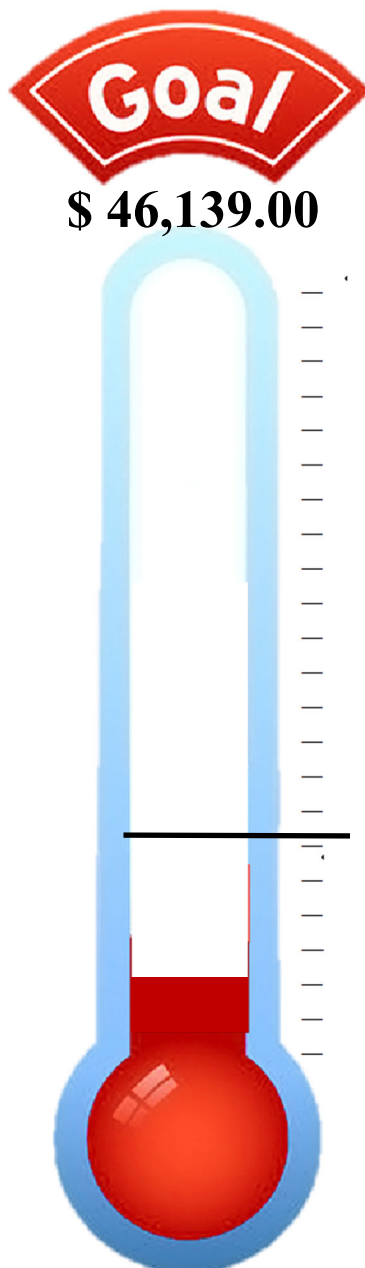


Called to **Communion,** **Participation & Mission**

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

PLEDGED: \$12,780.00

RECEIVED: \$4,109.00



I would like to thank all those generous individuals who have made a pledge to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal at our Parish.

If you are still considering your donation, please complete a donation envelope at the entrance of the church and it in by June 1st or Text DONATE to 917-336-1255 today.



WAYS TO DONATE:

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

www.AnnualCatholicAppeal.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 5 & 6 Mai

\$ 4,667.00

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.

7ème Dimanche de Pâques

Chers frères et sœurs,

Certaines régions ecclésiastiques des États-Unis ont reporté la fête de l'Ascension à ce dimanche. Dans la région ecclésiastique de New York, l'Ascension a été célébrée le jeudi 9 mai 2024. Alors pour nous, ce 7ème dimanche de Pâques est célébré dans le contexte de l'après-Ascension.

Le Seigneur est monté aux cieux, où il est assis à la droite du Père. Cette ascension était la condition préalable à la venue du Saint-Esprit. Le Seigneur dit que s'il ne va pas vers son Père céleste, le Paraclet (ou le Défenseur) ne viendra pas (Cf. Jean 16, 7). Mais l'Ascension définit aussi la mission des Apôtres ou la mission de l'Église en général. Alors que le Seigneur monte au ciel, les disciples n'ont d'autre choix que d'accomplir le travail sans la présence physique du Maître. Ils ont observé, ils ont appris et ils ont été fortifiés, c'est maintenant à leur tour d'apporter le message du salut à travers le monde. C'est un grand défi.

Les disciples étaient effrayés, nerveux, inexpérimentés, et le Seigneur était conscient de tout cela. C'est pourquoi le Seigneur Jésus a prié pour eux, comme le raconte l'Évangile de ce dimanche, dans ce qu'on appelle la prière sacerdotale (Jean 17). Le Seigneur dit : « *Je ne prie pas pour que tu les retires du monde, mais pour que tu les gardes du Mauvais. Ils n'appartiennent pas au monde, de même que moi, je n'appartiens pas au monde. Sanctifie-les dans la vérité : ta parole est vérité* » (Jean 17 : 15-17).

Le monde est le champ d'action des disciples. Il en va de même pour nous tous, chrétiens. Il est demandé à chacun de nous de changer le monde où que nous soyons et de rendre l'Église présente et féconde là où c'est seulement à travers nous que l'Église peut devenir le sel de la terre. (Cf. Pape François, Lettre instituant le ministère de catéchiste, n. 6). Le Seigneur reconnaît que même s'il n'est plus dans le monde, les disciples sont toujours dans le monde pour continuer la mission et qu'ils ont besoin de son soutien.

Imaginez cela un instant. Le Seigneur Jésus lui-même prie pour vous et pour moi ! Nous devrions alors être remplis de courage, de zèle, de foi et de confiance pour faire avancer la cause de l'évangélisation, sachant que le Seigneur est avec nous, afin que le Royaume de Dieu soit rendu visible dans le monde. Que Dieu vous bénisse toujours.

Père Raphaël Munday
Curé

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 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 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 Catholic Communications. Please be generous.
2. The crowning of Mary will take place after the 8am Mass everyone is invited to the garden after Mass.
3. Next Sunday, Pentecost Sunday, children of our Religious Education Program will receive Jesus for the First time at the 11:00am Mass. Please keep them and their families in your prayer this week.



4. The **Rosary Society Annual Luncheon is only two weeks away.** If you have not yet purchased your tickets there are still a few available from a society member. **The 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 final payments are due on May 19th.**
6. **Annual Catholic Appeal Envelopes are located at the church entrance** for anyone who has not made a pledge or to make a payment. Kindly place in the collection basket at the Mass you attend. Thanks for your continued support and generosity.

Prayer for a Child's First Communion

Lord Jesus, Bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time. May this day be an important step into a life-long love of the Eucharist. Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to You for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship. Thank you for their innocence and goodness. May their eagerness to receive Your Body and Blood inspire all of us to cherish this Sacred Sacrament.
Amen

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 12th 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*

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