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### MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m.**  
**Saturday: 5:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass**  
**Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.**  
**HOLY DAYS: 9:00 a.m.**

### OFFICE HOURS

**Monday to Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**  
**Evenings & Weekends: By appointment**

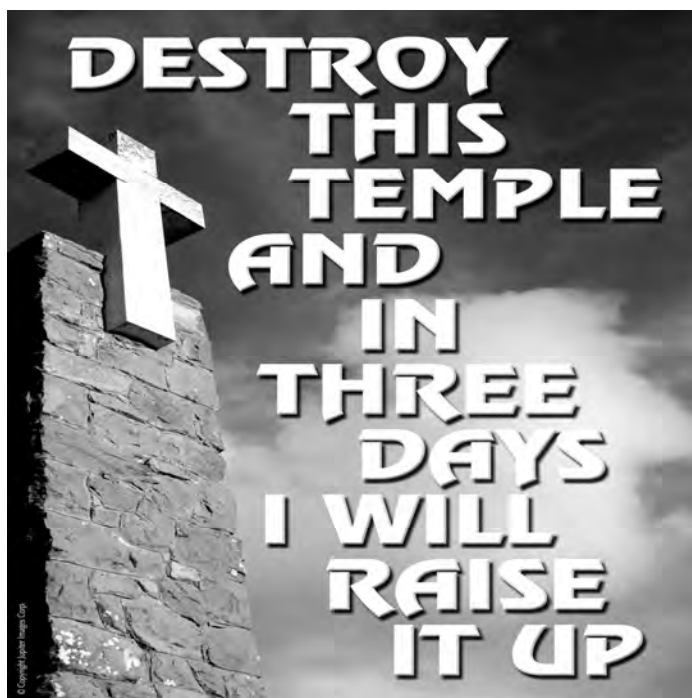
### OUR STAFF

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#### **School Affiliation:**

Midwood Catholic Academy (Pre-K - Gr. 8)  
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**Daylight Savings time begins**  
**Saturday March 20, 2021**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Rosary Society 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after 11:00 a.m. Mass	Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Novena after 9:00 a.m. Mass	Charismatic Group la Paix Rectorry basement at 7:00 p.m.	Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena after 9:00 a.m. Mass	St. Vincent de Paul 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday Rectorry basement at 7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary Rectorry basement at 10:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul sandwich-making Rectorry basement at 9:00 a.m.
Mary's Apostolate 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after 11:00 a.m. Mass	In His Light Charismatic Prayer Group Rectorry basement at 7:00 p.m.	Group la Paix Charismatic Mass 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.	Jeanne Mance Guild Rectorry basement after 9:00 a.m. Mass		Girl Scouts Lower Church 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Divine Mercy Chaplet Chapel after 9:00 a.m. Mass

# THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

## MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup> 2021

The law liberates and leads us to freedom. It is to be trusted for it is a source of wisdom. Jesus speaks of the ultimate freedom to be won for us by his being raised up. He is the sign of the power and wisdom of God.

### MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup> **5:00 p.m.**

Cecilia L. Wong - In memoriam, birthday

Requested by Mary Wong

Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup> **8:00 a.m.**

Kalyn Williams - Birthday blessing

Requested by Joan Williams

**11:00 a.m.**

The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

Rev. Msgr. Joseph Nugent - Blessing

Requested Gerald DeMaio

Judy Pierre - In memoriam

Requested by Gerald DeMaio

Carlthorpe Serrette - In memoriam

Requested by Mrs. Gopaul

Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup> **9:00 a.m.**

Memorial of Saint John of God, Religious

Rev. Fr. Coman Brady - In memoriam

Requested by Perpetur Henry Perrotte

Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> **9:00 a.m.**

Memorial of Saint Frances of Rome, Religious

Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> **9:00 a.m.**

Novena in honor of Saint Joseph, spouse of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup> **9:00 a.m.**

Novena in honor of Saint Joseph, spouse of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

Lucienne Blaise - In memoriam

Requested by Samine Charles

Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> **9:00 a.m.**

Novena in honor of Saint Joseph, spouse of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

Armelle Jean-Baptiste - In thanksgiving to St. Joseph

**7:00 p.m.**



Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> **9:00 a.m.**

Novena in honor of Saint Joseph, spouse of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

### TOTAL ALLEGIANCE

In previous weeks we have seen how the theme of covenant—as a preparation for the baptismal covenant celebrated at Easter—occupies an important place in our cycle of Lenten readings. The notion of covenant as a relationship between two parties carries with it an expectation of mutual accountability and fidelity to the terms of the covenant. When God forged the covenant with the Jewish people on Mt. Sinai, it was a pledge of God's protection, and it would forever permit them familiar access as the Chosen People. For their part, the Jewish people were to observe the dictates of the law, summarized most succinctly here in the form of the Ten Commandments. To be in a covenantal relationship with the Lord God requires an exclusive relationship, just as discipleship with Jesus—ritualized in baptism—demands a total allegiance to him and none other.

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### TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The law was given through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) or Exodus 17:3-7.  
Psalm — Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19) or Psalm 95.

Second Reading — We proclaim Christ crucified; the foolishness of God is greater than human wisdom (1 Corinthians 1:22-25) or Romans 5:1-2, 5-8.

Gospel — Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up (John 2:13-25) or John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42].

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9;

Mt. 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;

Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17;

Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6;

Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

Alternate readings (Year A):

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;

Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]



# *The Eucharist Is The Heart Of Our Life In Christ*

## GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine:

Altar Flowers:

Altar Candle:

Altar Candle:

Sanctuary Candle:

Annunciation Chapel Candle:

Mary's Chapel Candle:

Simone Parkins - Birthday blessing

Requested by Claudia Hooper

Please pray for

All those in need, mindful that God's wisdom is wiser than human wisdom and God knows our needs well, even before we utter them.

For God's holy Church to serve the world with zeal and dedication.

For leaders throughout the world to heed God's commands and act with justice and compassion.

For those victimized by the moneychangers of the world; for all those abused and mistreated for the sake of the profit of others.

For those preparing for the Easter sacraments, especially those in our midst, may they come to believe in Jesus' name more deeply every day.

For our community as we use this Lenten season to purify and cleanse the temple of our hearts.

For all those who are sick, for all who suffer from COVID-19, and for all who have died.

O God, your law is perfect, refreshing our souls. Hear these, our prayers which we bring to you at your invitation, and graciously grant them according to your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## Special Collection

This weekend's second collection is the **Easter Mass Remembrance** collection. Please return your envelope with the name of the person or persons to be remembered in the Masses.

Next weekend's second collection is the **Easter Flower Offering**. Please return your envelope with the name or names of the person or persons to be remembered or honored.

## **Record of Charitable Contributions**

A copy of your tax-deductible charitable donations is available. Please call the rectory office to make an appointment to collect it.

718-859-9009

## **Important Give Central Tax Records**

Parishioners can download and print their **Gift Central** tax information using the link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Xih-1DoMAo&list=PL8n5mdUJQrii4qNVUZ5Bs1CUgsEHXUHoP&index=8>

*Ministry of Mercy*

**Saint Vincent Ferrer**

**Roman Catholic Church**

invites you to the Novena in honor of

**Saint Joseph**

**Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> - Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup>

**All Are Welcome**

## ***Become a member of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish!***

Fill out this form and drop it in the Rectory's mail slot, or collection basket or send an email to:  
[info@saintvincentferrer.org](mailto:info@saintvincentferrer.org)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home/Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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NYS/FEMA VACCINATION SITE -  
**Medgar Evers College**

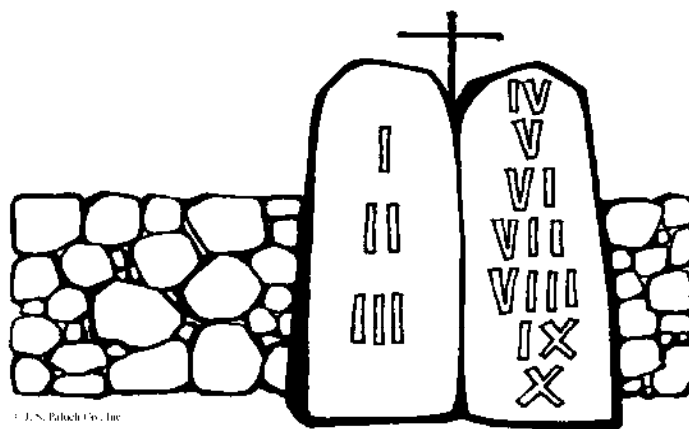
Eligible New Yorkers who live in qualifying ZIP codes in Brooklyn can schedule an appointment to get vaccinated at a new mass vaccination site at Medgar Evers College.

The site is initially reserved for eligible Brooklyn residents who live in the following ZIP codes: 11207, 11212, 11208, 11206, 11233, 11213, 11221, 11226, 11236, 11216, 11225, 11210, 11203, 11238. After a week, it will open to all Brooklyn residents.

The Medgar Evers College vaccination site, located at the Medgar Evers College Carroll Building, 231 Crown St., Brooklyn, NY 11225, will be open to those with appointments beginning February 24 and will be able to handle 3,000 appointments a day, 7 days a week. **You must have an appointment to get vaccinated. If you show up without an appointment, you will not get the vaccine.**

**Scheduling by Phone:**

To make an appointment by phone, call the NYS COVID-19 Vaccine Hotline at **1-833-697-4829** (the hotline is open from 7am to 10pm, 7 days a week). They will ask you some questions to confirm you are eligible for the vaccine, and then work with you to schedule an appointment at a time that is convenient. You can tell the call center agent you want to get an appointment at Medgar Evers College.



**JESUS, THE LAW, THE JEWS—AND US**

When Jesus accused the moneychangers of sacrilege and cleared them out of the temple, the onlookers asked for a sign of his authority to do such a thing.

After all, wasn't it a sacrilege to purchase animals for sacrifice with pagan coins? Wasn't this how the Jews adapted to Roman rule? Jesus says nothing about that; he only knows that this commercial activity inside the temple was a sacrilege. Elsewhere in the Gospels Jesus is criticized for not being strict enough with the Law, as when he ate with prostitutes and tax collectors, but here he is prescribing something stricter, something "more."

Jesus is doing something extraordinary, contrary to ordinary practice, prompting the onlookers to request a sign, evidence that God is acting here through Jesus. His insistence that the moneychangers depart, his clear vision regarding "my Father's house," and his cryptic reference to himself as a temple, are signs of his contemplative intimacy with his Father that is the source of his authority about the Law.

Catholics, like first-century Jews, have our regular means for living in God's presence. We have the liturgy, sacraments, devotions, and personal prayer. During Lent, we are asked to be a little stricter with ourselves, listening for God's own voice. If we do, we might discover that we, too, are being called to something "more."

**Dear Parishioners, help us to know who you are by becoming a registered member of the parish.**

# The Eucharist Is The Heart Of Our Life In Christ

## Midwood Catholic Academy

1501 Hendrickson Street, Brooklyn NY 12134

Midwood Catholic Academy believes that serving others is an important tenet in our Catholic faith. As such, even our youngest students are given opportunities to serve the broader community. We feel that all students must have the opportunity to understand the importance of sharing blessings and love to others. Students have also brought the idea of service to life through the organization of events to underserved communities. **Midwood Catholic Academy** has participated in a variety of service projects throughout the years.

Please call **718-377-1800** for more information on how to register for the upcoming school year. Seats are available in Pre-K to Grade 8.

## La Salle Academy

Admissions Exams, by appointment only, on **Thursday, March 11th** at 3:00 pm. The Admissions Exam is \$65, and this amount will be deducted from the student's \$250 Enrollment Fee if he is accepted and enrolls. For more info contact: [ACHin@LaSalleAcademy.org](mailto:ACHin@LaSalleAcademy.org) or **212-475-8940 ext. 240.**

or apply on line at <https://www.lasalleacademy.org/admissions/applying-to-la-salle/>.

## Xaverian

### Virtual Information Night

Join us for a *Virtual Information Night* for the chance to virtually tour our school, learn about our academic and extracurricular programs, and get to know our Clipper community!

Please contact the Admissions Office at  
718-836 7100, ext. 117  
or email us at  
[admissions@xaverian.org](mailto:admissions@xaverian.org)  
with any questions you may have.

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

## Seafood Delight

### Lunch to go Fundraiser

Sunday, April 18th, 2021

*Seafood Paella* \$25.00  
(Shrimp, Scallops, Crabmeat, Mussels)

*Fish Dinner* \$15.00  
Baked Salmon or Red Snapper  
with choice of two (2) sides:  
Rasta Pasta, Rice n Peas, Mixed Veg.

Delicious Cupcakes: \$3.50  
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Please place your order **before April 11th.**  
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## Mother's Day Raffle - May 9th

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## Parish Stewardship Program

Our goal is to receive a response from every family about becoming involved and supporting the future of our parish. You should have received a letter further detailing our needs and a response card.

We ask that you send your response card in or fill out the card online at [www.cfba.org/PSP](http://www.cfba.org/PSP).

Just scan the SUNDAY OFFERTORY DONATION QR code to begin online giving enrollment.



### Online Giving Enrollment

Please help us increase and sustain our offertory to ensure we can continue to meet our parish's needs and the families it serves.

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## 2021-2022

### Tuition Assistance Available

Financial aid is available for eligible students in grade K-8, who attend a Brooklyn or Queens Catholic School or Academy.

## TO APPLY

Starting **Monday, January 18, 2021** go to [www.futuresineducation.org](http://www.futuresineducation.org)

From the main menu, click **SCHOLARSHIPS** and then **APPLY**

### SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE

**April 30, 2021: New Families**

For help or any questions, please give us a call at **718.965.7340** or email [scholarships@futuresineducation.org](mailto:scholarships@futuresineducation.org) we are here to help you!

### How do I apply?

**Step 1:** Register your child(ren) in a Catholic Elementary school/academy in Brooklyn or Queens; students who are not yet registered cannot be considered for tuition assistance.

**Step 2:** After reading and agreeing to the Parent/Guardian acknowledgement, click the link below to fill out the online application and submit with required supporting documentation. There is a non-refundable \$35 application processing fee payable by credit card. Only one application per family is required.

**Step 3:** Send in the appropriate required supporting documents, as requested by FACTS, to complete the application.

### Who is eligible?

Scholarship awards are assessed on a needs-basis, considering household size and total annual income using the guidelines of the National School Lunch Program.

Maximum Income is Based on Total 2020 Annual Household Income	
House size	Total 2020 Maximum Income For Household
2	\$68,960
3	\$86,880
4	\$104,800
5	\$122,720
6	\$140,640
7	\$158,560
8	\$176,480

Families must meet financial eligibility requirements and be registered for 2021-22 to be considered.

### How are scholarships awarded?

Partial tuition scholarships are available, from **\$500** up to **\$3,200** per student, not to exceed 75% of tuition.

### Which documents do I submit?

- **Proof of Income for 2020.**
- **Public Assistance Verification Letter**, if applicable.
- **Report Cards** students coming from Public School must provide most recent.

## APPLY NOW!

Starting **Monday, January 18, 2021** go to [www.futuresineducation.org](http://www.futuresineducation.org)

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