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1923-2023: Celebrating a hundred years of Ministry and Service

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
JANUARY 1ST 2023

We seek God's blessings (1, Ps) as did Mary. Because of her Son (3), we can confidently call God "Abba" (2)!

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, December 31st

Family Mass **5:00 p.m.**
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

Holy Hour **10:00 p.m.**

New Year's Eve Mass **11:00 p.m.**
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

Sunday, January 1st New Year's Day **8:00 a. m.**
Christmas Mass Remembrance
World Day of Prayer for Priests
All Priests - In Thanksgiving

11:00 a.m.
World Day of Prayer for Priests
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish
Catherine Hall - In memoriam
Requested on behalf of Saint Vincent De Paul Group

Monday, January 2nd **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen Bishops, Doctors of the Church
Christmas Mass Remembrance
Marie Ange Eugene - In memoriam
Requested on behalf of the Parish

Tuesday, January 3rd **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Jesus
Christmas Mass Remembrance
Laverne Bradley - In memoriam
Requested by Allison and Doris Gullap

Wednesday, January 4th **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial Saint Elizabeth Ann Seaton, Religious
Centennial Memorials and Centennial Intentions

Thursday, January 5th **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of Saint John Neumann, Bishop
Geraldine Connelly - In memoriam
Requested by the Dawson family

First Friday, January 6th **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of Saint André Bessette, Religious
Michelle Bernadine - Birthday blessing

First Saturday, January 7th **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
Lucien Tidd - In memoriam
Requested by Malika Millette

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine:
Kerley Monsegue-Joseph - Blessing
Altar Flowers:

Sanctuary Candle:

Altar Candle:
Andre Pointevien - In memoriam
Requested on behalf of the Parish
Altar Candle:
Joy Guy - Birthday blessing
Altar Candle:
Jermaine Martin - Birthday blessing
Requested by Claudia Hooper
Altar Candle:
Garaudy Antoine - In memoriam
Requested on behalf of the Parish
Mary's Chapel Candle:
Marie Ange Lamarque - In memoriam
Requested on behalf of the Parish
Annunciation Chapel Candle:
Brigitte Bien-Aime - Blessing

Saint Joseph Candle:

Baptism: Every second Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m. The child's original birth certificate must be presented at registration.
Marriage: Couples planning to be married should speak to the priest at least 6 months before the desired date. For complete information about marriage preparation in the Diocese, visit www.pre-cana.org.
Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. or by appointment.
Sick Calls: In case of an emergency - any time.

Maligayang bagong Taon

bòn ane

Buon anno

bonne année

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feliz Año Nuevo

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BLESSINGS
Today's readings include another account of the story of Jesus' birth. The reading from the book of Numbers reminds us that we are blessed. We are looked upon with kindness and grace. The psalm and Galatians remind us of the blessings given through God's Son. Luke tells of our ultimate blessing, that Mary, a human being like us, gave birth to a child who is God's Son. Mary, a young mother, watches all that is happening around the birth of her son. She listens as the shepherds bring messages from angels, a message she also received from an angel, about her son. Yet Mary remains silent. She keeps all this news about her son to herself. She reflects on all these experiences. The only thing she shares is the name of her son, Jesus, a name given him before he was even conceived. Her silence leaves us wondering if this is how one responds to such a great blessing.
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TODAY'S READINGS
First Reading — The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! (Numbers 6:22-27).
Psalm — May God be merciful and bless us (Psalm 67).
Second Reading — God sent the Spirit of the Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" So you are no longer a slave but an heir, through God
(Galatians 4:4-7).
Gospel — The shepherds glorified and praised God for all they had heard and seen (Luke 2:16-21).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;
Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

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Special Collections.

Catholic Charities
Christmas Day special collection is for the support of **Catholic Charities.** Please be generous.

Diocesan Mission
Next weekend's second collection is the **Diocesan Mission Collection.** The revenue from this collection will be used when the Bishop receives appeals from various missions for support from the diocese of Brooklyn and when mission appeals are requested from the Society of the Immaculate Conception

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Remember, Reflect, Respond
This feast has had several names through history. Strangely, the title that is most confusing to non-Catholics is the official one. When we call Mary the Mother of God, we are not saying that she somehow preceded God or is equal to God. We are simply recognizing that her human son Jesus is also the divine Son of God.
Today's Gospel records one simple action of Mary: to keep these things in her heart. Even in this simple sentence we are given a good example of being a disciple. Like Mary, we need to both keep, or remember, what God has done, and to reflect on what we remember. First, how much do we remember about what God has done for us? How well do we know the stories of salvation found in the scriptures? Do we recall the prayers God has answered, the guidance given, the love of God that others have shown us, the times God has forgiven us?
Second, how much do we reflect on what God has done? Even if we have many memories of God's goodness to us, we also need to pray over them and ask ourselves how we have changed because of what God has done. Do I forgive hurts more readily? Do I share my faith with my family or friends? Do I support my parish with my time or offerings? Let us ask God's help to imitate Mary by remembering and reflecting.
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CCC 1324

The Ministry of Mercy
invites you to
consecrate yourself to Jesus
through
The Blessed Virgin Mary
on the
Feast of
Our Lady of Lourdes

February 11, 2023
Preparation begins January 9, 2023

All are welcome!

Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Pope Francis' January Intention

True Human Fraternity
We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

The Ministry of Mercy
invites you to
consecrate yourself to
Saint Joseph

on the
Feast of the Holy Spouses
January 23, 2023
Preparation began December 22, 2022

or on the

Feast of the
Presentation of the Lord

February 2, 2023
Preparation begins January 1, 2023

All are welcome!

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School of Religious Education

Grades 1-8

Sunday classes begin at 9:20 a.m.

First Communion
The preparation is a 2-year program usually starting in the First Grade

Faith Formation
Religious Education continues in the 3rd grade through the 6th grade.

Confirmation
The preparation is a 2-year program, typically in the 7th and 8th grades.
The 2 years of preparation are MANDATORY.

Mass attendance is a very important part of the Faith Formation program especially for those in the Sacramental programs. Please make every effort to join us during our celebrations.

For additional information please contact the Rectory Office at 718-859-9009
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Happy New Year!

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Centennial Memorials
Prayer Intentions
Living and Deceased

Every first Wednesday of the month, we will honor Centennial Memorial requests.
You can enroll a loved one in the Saint Vincent Ferrer's Memorial Book (for the deceased), or in Mary's Prayer Intention Book (for the living).
A donation of $20.00 will be accepted with each request.

In thanksgiving,
The Yilmaz Family, Marie R. Charlotin & Family, Mary Marchen, Sybil Kean, Nicholas Miller, Carlene Philip, Charmain Philip, the Baron Family, the Gonzales Family, Marguerite Pierre-Louis, Guy Pierre-Louis, Cassandra Pierre

In memoriam
Venetia Williams, Sorancia Midy, Marie Bertrand, Olga Arthur, Jean P. Charlotin, the Jordan Family the Montanez Family, Mr. & Mrs. Jeanty Vernet, the Gaudard Family, Lilian Philogene, Guynemere Philogene, Sheldon Selman, Vaughn Philip, Jacqueline Wong, Irma Lucas, Jocelyn Wiltshire

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Ministry of Mercy

All married couples
are invited to renew their vows on the

Feast of the Espousal
of
Mary and Joseph

11:00 a.m.
Sunday, January 22, 2023

Bring your family to witness your renewed commitment to one another.

All engaged couples, widows, divorced and single parishioners will join our couples for a special blessing.

For more information call the Rectory office at 718-859-9009

Happy New Year!

Pray that we may all learn the value and dignity of all human life, and seek to uphold it in every situation. Let us pray to the Lord.

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Our Lady of Altagracia Novena

9:00 a.m.
January 12 - 20, 2023

Eucharistic Celebration

9:00 a.m., January 21, 2023

Pawas Saint Vincent Ferrer
925 East 37th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11210

Nevèn Notredam Altagrace

De 12 a 20, Janvye, 2023
De 6:30 p.m. a 9:00 p.m.

Celebration Eucharistic

Commemoration de la Notre Dame Altagrace
21 Janvye, 2023

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