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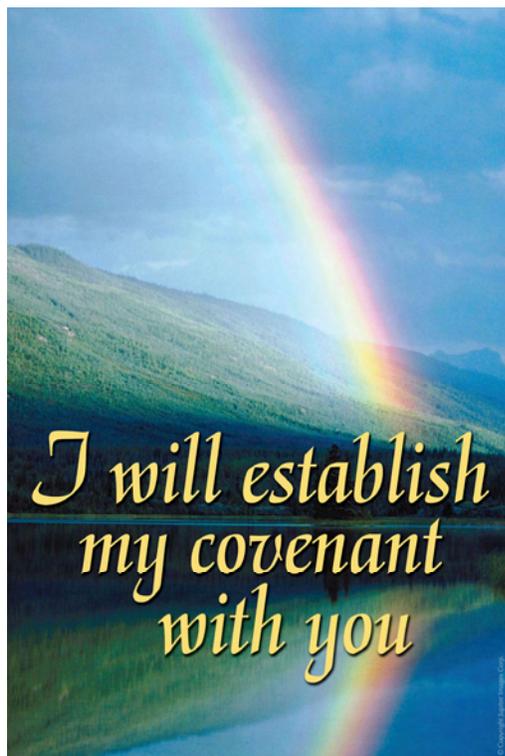
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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT ✦ FEBRUARY 21, 2021



REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL

Lent is the time of year we devote to scrutinizing our lives in the light of our baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus. Today's readings are a nice shorthand catechism of what our baptized lives mean. As Noah passed through the waters of the flood to a covenant with God, so did we enter into a covenant, a promised relationship with God through our baptism.

Peter's letter gives an explicit explanation of what our baptism means: it is an appeal we make to God for a clear conscience. How do we obtain this clear conscience? The words proclaimed by Jesus immediately following his temptation show us the way: "Repent, and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15). It might be a good spiritual exercise to keep these readings before us throughout the entire season of Lent, a means to help us return to a life lived by our baptismal promises.

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Rectory Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 9am to 5pm. Evenings and Sat. by appointment only.

Sundays & Holidays Closed. Email: ourladyofangelsbrooklyn@gmail.com

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 10:30am (Spanish) & 12:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday: 6:45am, 8:30am & 11:45am

Saturday: 8:30am

RECTORY HOURS

Monday-Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Evenings & Saturdays by appointment only

Sundays & Holidays: Closed

SACRAMENTS:

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 11:00am - 12 Noon & 3:30pm - 4:45pm

In the Chapel

Sacrament of Baptism

Celebrated at 12:30pm (English) and 1:45pm (Spanish) - on the Second Saturday of the month.

Celebrated at 1:30pm (Spanish) - Third Sunday of the month.

Celebrated at 1:30pm (English) - on the Fourth Sunday of the month.

Baptismal Preparation

Class on First Saturday of the month -1:00pm. (English & Spanish) in the auditorium of the school.

(Please bring child's birth certificate to interview).

Anointing of the Sick

Following the 8:30am Mass on First Saturday of each month.

For an **emergency**, please speak to the priest on Duty.

PARISH SERVICES

Our Lady of Angels Human Resources Center & Food Pantry

Located at 336 - 73rd Street. Telephone number is 718-680-6344. Hours of operation are Wednesdays, from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM.

Intention and Petition Basket

Beginning at the weekend masses of February 20 and 21, we will reinstitute our weekly tradition of a Petitions Basket at Our Lady of Angels. All parishioners and guests at Our Lady of Angels are invited to write petitions and intentions at home and place them in the basket in the crossover aisle before mass begins. Because of the COVID 19 protocols, we are no longer able to provide the paper and pencils. The basket will then be taken and placed in front of the altar at each mass.



**Sunday, February 21, 2021
First Sunday of Lent**

SATURDAY, February 20th

8:30am Joseph & Gertrude Wolfe

5:00pm Eileen & James Keegan

SUNDAY, February 21st

9:00am Raymond Miller

10:30am Spanish Mass

12:00pm Biagio Colucci, M.D. & Pauline & William Trabold

MONDAY, February 22nd

6:45am Purgatorial Society

8:30am Randi Sacher

11:45am Kathleen & Larry McGeeney

TUESDAY, February 23rd

6:45am Sacred Heart of Jesus-Thank you for the Blessings

8:30am Rosalia Ebeyer *(Birthday)*

11:45am Natalia & Aristedes Perez

WEDNESDAY, February 24th

6:45am O.L.A. Parishioners

8:30am Fred Kaplan

11:45am Gabriel Diaz-Cabana (Dec.) & for Spiritual & Mental Guidance

THURSDAY, February 25th

6:45am Patrick Keane

8:30am Marjorie Connolly

11:45am Gabriel Diaz & Armando Diaz

7:00pm Spanish Mass

FRIDAY, February 26th

6:45am Luigi Masu

8:30am Assunta Borgia

11:45am Giovanni Inserra

SATURDAY, February 27th

8:30am Mario Gaudio

5:00pm Bridget T. Doody & Helen Higgins

SUNDAY, February 28th

9:00am Jim Perrone

10:30am Spanish Mass

12:00pm David Mesiak *(Birthday)*



Dear Parishioners,

We begin the holy season of Lent. A time in which we turn to prayer, fasting and almsgiving as a way of deepening our relationship with Christ. We had a very nice turnout of people on Ash Wednesday and my prayer is that when these 40 days of Lent is over we may be renewed in our relationship with Him.

I invite you to pray with us the Stations of the Cross in English on Fridays at 12:15pm and in Spanish on Thursday at 7:30pm. Every Sunday we will pray Vespers, the Evening Prayer of the church, at 5pm. Vespers is evening prayer of thanksgiving and praise in Roman Catholic and certain other Christian liturgies.

This weekend Bishop DiMarzio has asked all the pastors of the diocese to announce the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. I am happy to inform you that due to the generosity of 207 donors, the diocese received \$111,276.00 of the goal of \$110,066.00. This means we went over our goal by \$1,210. Thank you so very much for your generous support of the appeal.

Our goal for the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal has been reduced to \$104,563. I will have more information on the Appeal in the weeks to come. Thank you in advance to those of you who will make a pledge this year. I appreciate it! Sunday March 7, I invite all essential workers to pray with us at the 12noon mass so we can thank you publicly for all the sacrifices made for us during this time of pandemic as well as to ask God's continued blessings to come down upon you. Also, please invite any essential worker that you may know to attend the mass. The mass certainly is not just limited to essential workers. Everyone, of course, is most welcomed this day.

Also on March 7 I will be conducting Bible study in the school auditorium. Please call the rectory and leave your name and number to RSVP.

Our petition baskets continue this weekend. Please come with a written petition to be placed in the basket at the middle of the church.

Finally, those of you who purchased or who will purchase the 33 day consecration book to St Joseph, will begin the consecration on Friday, March 19, on the feast day of St Joseph. We will have a special mass with music on March 19 at the 11:45am mass. After mass we will begin the consecration. If you are not able to attend this mass you can begin the consecration by praying it in your home. I invite all our parishioners who will be participating in the 33 day consecration to pray it daily at home at a convenient time. St Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for us.

Thanks for your support!

Fr. Abels



Mis queridos amigos:

Damos inicio a la santa temporada de Cuaresma. Este es un tiempo especial para reflexionar sobre nuestra relación con Cristo abarcando las prácticas tradicionales de la oración, el ayuno y la limosna. Yo los animo a traer a los miembros de sus familias a la Misa Dominical de las 10:30am. Adicionalmente, tendremos la Misa en español, cada jueves a las 7:00pm seguida por el rezo del Vía Crucis. Usted podría considerar asistir a la Misa y al Vía Crucis durante los jueves de Cuaresma.

También, la Colecta Anual Diocesana 2021, ha comenzado. Gracias a la generosidad de 207 donantes, nuestra parroquia pudo cumplir con su meta. Nuestra meta el año pasado fue \$110,066. La Diócesis recibió \$111,276. Esto significa que superamos nuestra meta por \$1,210. Yo agradezco a los que sacrificaron e hicieron una contribución.

Este año, les pido a todas las familias de nuestra comunidad hispana que en oración, consideren hacer una donación a la Colecta Anual Diocesana 2021. Nuestra meta para este año ha sido reducida a \$104,563. Si todos contribuimos algo podemos alcanzar y superar nuestra meta. ¡Les pido a las familias de la comunidad hispana aportar alguna donación para ayudar a cumplir con la meta de este año!

¡Gracias por su apoyo!

Padre Abels

ARISE FOR LENT

For the sixth year, OLA will participate in the above program. Over the years, our small groups have tackled topics such as, Faith, Belief, Sacred Scripture and so much more. Coming together has created a strong sense of caring for one another. This caring has touched our parishioners and God has blessed this bonding.

The program is open to all, so please feel free to join. All new members are welcome. Books are available for purchase in the rectory for \$15.00 cash or check made out to Our Lady of Angels. Please put your name, etc. on envelope and pick up book at the rectory.

Group meets starting Monday, February 15 @ 1:30 pm - once a week in Msgr. Cavanagh room.

Wednesday, February 17 @ 6:30:pm - once a week on Zoom.

Thursday, February 18 @ 9:30 am - Msgr. Cavanagh room - once a week

Any questions, please contact Ann O'Brien or Pam Hume - 718-748-1384

Be safe, please.

PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

Oh, Saint Joseph, who's protection is so great, so strong,
so prompt before the throne of God,
I place in you all my interests and desires.

Oh, Saint Joseph, do assist me by your powerful
intercession and obtain for me from your divine son
all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
so that having engaged here below your
heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and
homage to the most loving of fathers.

Oh, Saint Joseph, I never weary contemplating you
and Jesus asleep in your arms, I dare not approach
while he reposes near your heart. Press Him in my
name and kiss his fine head for me, and ask Him to
return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. Saint Joseph,
patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you someone or do you know someone who...
Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
Has a child over the age of seven who has not
been baptized?
Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not
celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and
Eucharist?
Please call the Religious Education office for
more information.
718-748-6553 or
Email: olacatholic11209@gmail.com
Office Hours: **Wednesday 3-7pm or Saturday 9am
-12pm.**



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Office Hours

Wednesday 3:00pm-7pm and
Saturday 9am-12pm

Telephone #: 718-748-6553

Email: olacatholic11209@gmail.com

Coordinator: Mrs. Rocio Castillo-Siegel

Religious Education for Grades 1-8

All Catholic children attending public, charter or
private schools, should be registered and attend
Religious Education classes offered by the parish
EACH YEAR. If your child is not registered,
please call or visit the Religious Education Office.

Important News

First Sacrament of Reconciliation for our
religious education students, who will receive
First Communion this May, will take place on
March 6, 2021 at 1:00pm. Please check your
emails for upcoming information related to this
special celebration.

Goal: **\$104,563**

Pledged: \$

Paid: \$

Donors:



Please wear a mask
Por favor use una mascara

*Friendly Reminder that the Diocese continues to
require, in consultation with
the CDC guidelines, the
wearing of masks in
public spaces and houses of
worship (churches) at all times.
Thank you for your
cooperation.





February 13th & 14th, 2021—\$8,554
Attendance: 500
February 15th & 16th, 2020—\$6,292
Attendance: 889

Black & Indian Missions Collection-February 28th

I really appreciate the treasure that you give to help meet all our parish expenses. God bless your kind generosity—Fr. Kevin

Ribbons to Jesus

Let's tell Jesus what we are planning this lent. Please write your Lenten sacrifice, good deed, petition and/or intention and bring it to OLA the weekend of February 27th and 28th and place it in the Petitions and Intentions Basket. Your deeds, petitions, and sacrifices will then be placed on the altar before the offertory. During the following week, purple ribbons representing your thoughts will be tied along the gate outside the church. On Easter these purple ribbons will be changed to white to celebrate the Risen Jesus

CALL FOR CATECHISTS

This fall, over 150 children Grades 1 through grade 8, will sign up to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic faith. You can help by becoming a catechist. As you nurture the faith of our children, you will learn and grow as well! We provide you with training, materials, and support. Please contact Mrs. Rocio Castillo-Siegel at the Religious Education office for more information.

THANK YOU FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Thank you for your generosity towards Catholic Charities Brooklyn & Queens 2020 Christmas Toy & Gift Drive to help those who needed it the most during the holidays. Each gift made such an important difference to so many of our neighbors in need. Parents expressed their heartfelt gratitude, and many indicated this was the only gift that their children would be receiving this year.

None of this would have been possible without your hard work and dedication. On behalf of our children & families, we thank you for demonstrating the true spirit of Christmas.

Purgatorial Society

Patricia Altomare
 James (Jim) Arnone
 Lourdes Flores
 Eugenio Pastrana
 Eileen Potter

May They Rest in Peace



ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE
CARE FOR CREATION

If you would like to receive information from the Saint Andrew The Apostle Care for Creation Ministry regarding environmental issues and tips, contact Karen Doyle at: ksdoyle712@gmail.com.

Care for Creation

During this holy season of Lent, let us Pray: "God of love, show us our place in this world as channels of your love for all the creatures of this earth." (Laudato Si')
 Fast from thoughtless and wasteful habits which are harmful to God's Creation.
 Give of our time, talent, and treasure, contributing to those who advocate and act for the betterment of the Earth.

Afternoon Book Club

Next meeting will be on
Monday, March 1, 2021 at 1:00pm
in the Monsignor Cavanagh Room

The book is: The Other Einstein
By Marie Benedict

"SAFETY PROTOCOLS WILL BE FOLLOWED"

AVISOS PARROQUIALES

EL MINISTERIO HISPANO DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LOS ÁNGELES

¡Bienvenidos a la comunidad de Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles!

Nuestra Señora de Los Ángeles llega a la vibrante y creciente comunidad de habla hispana dentro de la parroquia, ofreciendo oportunidades espirituales, educativas, caritativas y sociales.

La Cuaresma:

El Vía Crucis se rezara todos los jueves después de la Santa Misa.

Celebración de la Santa Misa en español: Todos los domingos a las 10:30am y todos los jueves a las 7:00pm.

Exposición del Santísimo: los jueves a las 6:00pm

Servicio Para La Comunidad Hispana

La señora Alma Méndez y la señora Cynthia Vélez atienden a la Comunidad Hispana en la rectoría. Atenderán las entrevistas para: **los bautismos, quinceañeras, citas con los sacerdotes, visitas a los enfermos e intenciones para la Santa Misa.** El horario es de lunes a viernes de 10:00am – 5:00pm. El teléfono es (718) 836-7200. Los sábados y domingos no hay servicio. Solo serán atendidos los que tengan cita previa con los sacerdotes.

El Sacramento del Bautismo:

La Charla Bautismal tendrá lugar el primer sábado del mes a la 1:00pm en el Auditorio de la escuela. El Sacramento del Bautismo se celebra cada segundo sábado del mes a la 1:45pm y cada tercer domingo del mes a la 1:30pm.

Requisitos Para Recibir el Sacramento del Bautismo en Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles:

- 1-Proveer copia del certificado de nacimiento del niño/a
- 2-Los padres y padrinos deben asistir a la charla bautismal
- 3-El padrino/la madrina es un buen ejemplo de lo que significa vivir una vida de fe católica.

El Sacramento de Reconciliación: Los sábados: 11:00am – 12:00pm & 3:30pm - 4:45pm en la capilla.

El Sacramento del Matrimonios: La pareja debe pedir una cita con el sacerdote 6 meses antes de la boda.

Quinceañeras: La joven debe tener los tres sacramentos de Iniciación Cristiana: Bautismo, Eucaristía y Confirmación. Los padres deben llamar para una cita.

Oficina de Educación Religiosa (Clases de Catecismo para estudiantes en Grados 1-8)

Coordinadora: Sra. Rocío Castillo-Siegel

Horario: Miércoles 3:00pm-7:00pm y Sábados 9:00am-12:00pm

Teléfono: 718-748-6553

Email: olacatholic11209@gmail.com

Estudiantes Grados 1-8

Todos los niños católicos que asisten a una escuela pública, chárter o privada, deben ser matriculados y asistir a las clases de educación religiosa ofrecidas por la parroquia cada año. Si su niño no está matriculado, por favor visite o llame a la oficina de educación religiosa.

Informacion Importante

El primer Sacramento de Reconciliación para nuestros estudiantes de catecismo quienes recibirán su Primera Comunión este Mayo, tendrá lugar el 6 de marzo a la 1:00pm. Por favor estén al tanto de sus correos electrónicos para información relacionada a esta celebración especial.

Rito de Iniciación Cristiana Para Adultos

Eres alguien o conoces a alguien que...

¿Ha expresado un interés en ser católico?

¿Tiene un hijo(a) de ocho años que no ha sido bautizado?

¿Fue bautizado, pero no ha celebrado los Sacramentos de Eucaristía y Confirmación?

Por favor llame a la oficina de Educación Religiosa para más información.



Durante esta temporada santa, Ore: "Dios de amor, muéstranos nuestro lugar en este mundo como canales de tu amor por todas las criaturas de esta tierra".

(Laudato Si ')

Ayuna de hábitos irreflexivos y derrochadores que son dañinos para la creación de Dios.

Dar de nuestro tiempo, talento y tesoro, contribuyendo a quienes abogan y actúan por el mejoramiento de la Tierra.