

# St. Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude Roman Catholic Church



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Deacon Michael C. Moss  
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Ms. Joanne Murray, Ext. 16  
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## TRUSTEES:

Miguel Jimenez  
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Yvonne Hall

## OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION—Ext. 25

Deacon Michael Moss, Director, (917) 769-4496  
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All children in grades 1-8 should be registered every year for Religious Education classes.

## MUSIC DIRECTOR:

Mr. Joseph R. Villadiego, Ext. 24

## SATURDAY EVENING MASSES:

5:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m. (Spanish)

## SUNDAY MASSES:

8:15, 9:45 (Alternating English & Spanish at St. Gertrude),  
11:30 (Spanish), 1:15

## WEEKDAY MASSES:

12:10—Monday thru Friday  
7:30 PM (in Spanish) - Fridays

## CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 3:30 to 4:30 PM or by appointment.

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:** Mondays after the 12:10 Mass

## EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT:

First Sundays 2:30 - 3:30 PM and Every Friday 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

**BAPTISMS:** Baptisms are scheduled for the Third Saturday of each month in Spanish and the Fourth Saturday of each month in English. Parents should call for an appointment with a priest to arrange for the baptism of child. Birth Certificate should be presented at this time.

**MARRIAGES:** Call the rectory for an appointment with a priest at least 6 months prior to the wedding.

**SICK CALLS:** Emergencies - ANY TIME. Home bound - call the rectory

**BECOMING A CATHOLIC:** The normal way for being received into full communion with the Catholic Church is through the R.C.I.A. Adults interested in being baptized, confirmed or making first communion should speak with a member of the parish staff to enroll

**CORO HISPANO:** MIERCOLES 7:30 PM

**CIRCULO DE ORACION CARISMATICO:** JUEVES 7:30 PM

**CURSILLO DE CRISTIANDAD:** VIERNES 7:30 PM

**SANTO NOMBRE & SAGRADO CORAZON:** 4th DOMINGO  
DESPUES DE LA MISA DE LAS 11:30

**CENÁCULO SACERDOTAL:** Rosario el 4to Domingo—11:00 A.M. en Santa Gertrudis

**LEGION DE MARIA: (Tres grupos)** Lunes 7:30-9:00 PM - McKenna; Sábados 9:30-11:00 AM—Sta. Gertrudis; Sábados 10:30-12:00 PM - Sótano de la Rectoría

**Rosary Society:** 1st & 4th Sunday of month after 8:15 & 9:45 Mass

**St. Vincent De Paul Society:** Contact the Rectory

**Charismatic Prayer Group in English Mondays** at 7:00 P.M. at St. Gertrude Church

**Stewardship Committee:** 2nd Sunday 2:30 P.M.

**Sacred Heart Adoration in English:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the 8:15 A.M. Mass

**Haitian Committee**

**Nigerian Committee:** 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the 8:15 A.M. Mass

**Golden Age Club: (Club Edad de Oro)** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday (Jueves) 9:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. in the McKenna Center

**AA English:** Thursdays 8:00 P.M. & Sundays 6:30 P.M.

**AA Spanish:** Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays & Saturdays 8:00 P.M.



**Saturday, January 17, 2015**

- 5:00 pm - For the people of St. Mary and St. Gertrude  
Brace Cesta (dec)
- 7:30 pm - En honor a la Virgen de la Altagracia  
Por las almas del purgatorio  
Ylda Castillo (dec)  
Paula Segura (dec)  
Consuelo Castillo (dec)  
Miguel Garcia (cumpleaños)

**Sunday, January 18, 2015 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:15 am - John Morovich (dec)  
Adaora Madubuko (birthday)
- 9:45 am - Antonia Leonor Lanuza (dec)
- 11:30 am - María Ignacia Amparo (dec)  
María Nieves Araujo Montano (dec)  
Carolina Mayorga (cumpleaños)
- 1:15 pm - Mary Redican

**Monday, January 19, 2015**

- 12:10 pm - For the people of St. Mary and St. Gertrude

**January 20, 2015 - St. Fabian & St. Sebastian**

- 12:10 pm - For the conversion of souls

**Wednesday, January 21, 2015 - St. Agnes**

- 12:10 pm - Gregorio Garcia (dec)

**Thursday, January 22, 2015**

- 12:10 pm - Olayinka Anakhu (thanksgiving))

**Friday, January 23, 2015 - St. Vincent & St. Marianne Cope**

- 12:10 pm - Helene Joseph (89th birthday)
- 7:30 pm - Misa disponible

**Saturday, January 24, 2015 - St. Francis de Sales**

- 5:00 pm - For the people of St. Mary and St. Gertrude
- 7:30 pm - Jose Morales (dec)  
Alfredo Suarez (dec)

**Sunday, January 25, 2015 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:15 am - Gina & Carmine J. Capone (dec)
- 9:45 am - Fr. James Cunningham (healing)  
Lillie Santiago (dec)
- 11:30 am - Anna Hernandez (dec)
- 1:15 pm - Pearl Waldron

**PLEASE PRAY for The Sick:** Clide Oliver, Wendy Blackman, Geraldine Miller, Donna J. Mohammed, Lyonel Hilaire, Juan Santana, Pedro Bonilla and the homebound.

**All the faithfully departed.**

**We Are A Tithing Community Following God's Plan for Giving**

In return for the Lord's generosity, our people returned to His Church the following:

**Offertory Collection**

**1st Collection last weekend - Not available**

**Second Collection – Not available**

**First Collection Last Year: \$4497.00**

"Our Weekly Offering is One Way of Saying: WE BELONG to the Lord... And One Another. What Does **YOUR** Weekly Offering Say? Pray for His Guidance! THEN Make or Renew Your Commitment to Tithing.

**Weekday Readings**

- Sun** \* 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19 \* Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10 \* Jn 1:35-42
- Mon** \* Heb 5:1-10 \* Ps 110:1-4 \* Mk 2:18-22
- Tues** \* Heb 6:10-20 \* Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c \* Mk 2:23-28
- Wed** \* Heb 7:1-3, 15-17 \* Ps 110:1-4 \* Mk 3:1-6
- Thurs** \* Heb 7:25 — 8:6 \* Ps 40:7-10, 17 \* Mk 3:7-12
- Fri** \* Heb 8:6-13 \* Ps 85:8, 10-14 \* Mk 3:13-19
- Sat** \* Heb 9:2-3, 11-14 \* Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 \* Mk 3:20-21

**Altar Server Assignments for Jan. 24 & 25, 2015**

- Sat.** 5:00 PM - Jacques Mathieu, Kevin Robles
- Sat.** 7:30 PM - Miguel Garcia, Axel Lopez, Carlos Lopez
- Sun.** 8:15 AM – Gabrielle Forbes-Bennett, Chinelan Chukwu, Iziegbeuwa Odia
- Sun.** 9:45 AM - Joseph Santizo, Jorge Santizo
- Sun.** 11:30 AM – Sebastian Rosas, Edward Peña, Hilda Hernandez, Jossabeth Castaneda,
- Sun.** 1:15 PM – Jamal Michel, Noah Roberts

**MEMORIALS THIS WEEK**

*El Pan y el Vino son ofrecido en honor a la Virgen de la Altagracia.*

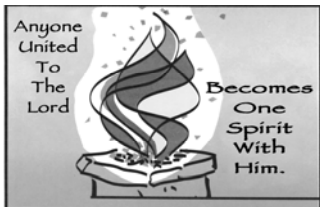
*Las velas son ofrecidas en honor a la Virgen de la Altagracia.*

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

"Follow Me and I will make you fishers of men." Are you considering a vocation as to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454, or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).

**MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK:** In memory of a departed relative or friend.

FLOWERS (each arrangement)	\$55.00
BREAD AND WINE	\$50.00
CANDLES	\$15.00



## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### YOUR SERVANT IS LISTENING

In today's first reading, Samuel hears the Lord's voice, but mistakes it for Eli's. Fortunately, Eli is familiar enough with the ways of the Lord to help Samuel make his response.

As we seek the Lord, it is good to have someone like Eli who is familiar with the Lord's voice. There are many voices that bid us "Follow this way," and the Lord's call is not always easy to discern. There are people, too, who would pretend to know the Lord and draw others to themselves rather than to God.

Eli could have taken advantage of Samuel's naiveté and claimed it was he who had summoned Samuel. But Eli claims neither to be God nor to speak for God. Instead, he encourages Samuel to listen for himself.

### WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

Perhaps the most profound line in all of today's readings is Jesus' question of the two disciples who begin to follow him. "What are you looking for?" he asks plainly and directly.

Finding the Messiah was partly a matter of what one was looking for. If one lived with the expectation of the Messiah's coming, there would be a certain alertness, a certain watchfulness to life, and a certain openness to God's movements. The two disciples had followed John the Baptizer, but as soon as John pointed to Jesus, they were ready to follow him.

It has been said that what we find in life is pretty much what we have sought. "What are you looking for?" is a challenging question for each of us to ask of ourselves. Our honest answer to this question can reveal much about our faith and our values. Those who, like Andrew and the other disciple, are looking for the Messiah will find the Messiah, dwelling now, as then, among the people. "Come and see!"

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR ALTAR SERVERS BORN IN JANUARY

January 16	Miguel Garcia
January 19	Carolena Mayorga
January 20	Gabriele Forbes-Bennett
	Adaora Madubuko
January 21	Noah Roberts
January 26	Chinelan Chukwu

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!**

**JANUARY 2015**

**PARISH HOLY HOUR EACH SUNDAY**  
**AFTER THE 1:15PM MASS**

*Jan 19th and 25th*

**For VOCATIONS  
and CATECHESIS  
ALL ARE WELCOME...  
BRING A FRIEND**

**ALL PARISH MINISTERS SHOULD  
ATTEND**

### MARCH FOR LIFE

Since the legalization of abortion on January 22, 1973, there have been about 60 million American children killed by abortion. Please consider participating in the Annual March for Life on Thursday, January 22, 2015 in Washington, D.C.

Contact Father David for more information.

**ROCKAWAY LITTLE LEAGUE**—Registration for the 2015 baseball and softball seasons. The Early Bird registration discount ends on January 31. Go to [www.rockawaylittleleagueny.com](http://www.rockawaylittleleagueny.com) for more information or to register. Call Marty Andresen 917-226-9156 if you need to register in person.



### REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY PRAYER

God of our work and of our rest, again and again your creatures take sides against one another. Oppression and violence are our sad inheritance. But we still look for you where the lowly are raised up, where the mighty are brought down. We find you in your servants, and we give you thanks for the witness and work of Martin Luther King, Jr. Fill us with a spirit and strength like his, so that day by day we may see where our community is torn by repression and fear and ignorance, and so give ourselves to healing. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### OFFICE CLOSED

**Happy Martin Luther King Day**  
**The Rectory Office will be closed on Monday,**  
**January 19, 2015 in commemoration of**  
**Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. day.**

### *Community Happenings Corner*

**SANDY RESOURCE CONNECT** is a program through St. John's Episcopal Hospital and NYCDOHMH to assist in the continuing SUPERSTORM SANDY recovery efforts. We provide referrals and information to assist in your continued recovery. We provide referrals for: Disaster Case Management, Medical Insurance/Services, Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse Services, Food/Housing Assistance and Employment Assistance. For more information call: 718-474-2070.

#### **Build it Back at Councilman Richards Far Rockaway Office**

A Build it Back representative is available on Mondays from 12 Noon to 5:00 PM at Councilman Richards Far Rockaway office – 1931 Mott Avenue, Room 410. Please take advantage of this assistance, even if you have already went through the Build it Back process. **Must call to make an appointment – 718 471-7014.**

#### **The Salvation Army is here to help the people of Far Rockaway—**

The Salvation Army Rockaway Disaster Recovery Office has opened and is accepting impacted individuals for disaster case management. If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, please call their office at (347) 926-4167 between the hours of 9:30 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

#### **Disaster Hotline for Homeowners**

For homeowners who are still unable to resolve disputes with insurers, call the Disaster Hotline who will be able to answer questions and help with problems. You may also file complaints at: <http://www.dfs.ny.gov/consumer/filecomplaint.htm>.

#### **JOBS ARE AVAILABLE**

**HHA JOBS ALERT**—Join our team of Home Health Aides—Summit Home Health Care is currently seeking HHA's. Immediate hire if you meet all the requirements. No appointments needed. Call us at 718-376-3100 or visit us at: [www.TrustSummit.com](http://www.TrustSummit.com).

Build-it-Back is hiring! For an up-to-date listing of positions, visit their website at <https://a127-jobs.nyc.gov/jobsearch.html?> Keyword = build+it+back.

**Annual Civil Service Exam Schedule** - The NYC Department of Citywide Administrative Services currently has Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers (CTACs) open to the public. Visit their website to apply for jobs and get exam schedules and filing deadlines at [www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs](http://www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs).

FedEx has seasonal jobs for drivers. Drivers must have driving a clean driving record and driving experience within the past 3 years. Fill out applications at [fedex.jobsonline.com](http://fedex.jobsonline.com).

#### **EL DIEZMO—EL REPORTE DE LAS OFRENDAS**

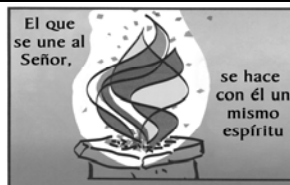
Colecta del Domingo pasado: **No disponible**

Segunda Colecta: **No disponible**

Mismo Domingo Hace un Año: **\$4497.00**

Un Promedio de Gastos Semanales: **\$4416.33**

Si usted es nuevo en nuestra parroquia, puede hacerse miembro oficial de Santa María llenando una tarjeta de inscripción que está disponible en el vestíbulo de la Iglesia. Que Dios les bendiga!



## **Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

### **TU SIERVO ESCUCHA**

En la primera lectura de hoy, Samuel escucha la voz del Señor, pero cree que es Helí. Afortunadamente, Helí está suficientemente familiarizado con los caminos del Señor y ayuda a Samuel a responder.

Cuando buscamos al Señor, es bueno tener a alguien como Helí que reconoce la voz del Señor. Hay muchas voces que nos invitan a “seguir el camino”, y el llamado del Señor no es siempre fácil de discernir. Hay personas, también, que pretenden conocer al Señor y atraen a otros hacia ellos, no hacia Dios.

Helí pudo haberse aprovechado de la inocencia de Samuel y decirle que era él quien lo llamaba. Pero Helí ni dice ser Dios ni hablar por Dios. En cambio, anima a Samuel a escucharlo él mismo.

### **¿QUÉ BUSCAN?**

Quizás la línea más profunda en todas las lecturas de hoy es la pregunta de Jesús a los dos discípulos que comienzan a seguirlo. “¿Qué buscan?” les pregunta sencilla y directamente.

Encontrar al Mesías dependía parcialmente de lo que uno buscaba. Si uno vivía a la expectativa de la llegada del Mesías, habría cierto estado de alerta, cierta observación de la vida, y cierta apertura a las manifestaciones de Dios. Los dos discípulos habían seguido a Juan el Bautista, pero tan pronto Juan les mostró a Jesús, estuvieron listos para seguirlo.

Se ha dicho que lo que encontramos en la vida es casi siempre lo que buscamos. “¿Qué buscas?” es una pregunta retadora que debemos hacernos a nosotros mismos. Nuestra honesta respuesta a esta pregunta puede revelar mucho sobre nuestra fe y nuestros valores. Quienes, como Andrés y el otro discípulo, buscan al Mesías encontrarán al Mesías habitando ahora, como entonces, en medio de la gente. “¡Vengan y vean!”

### **Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

“Siganme y los haré pescadores de hombres” ¿ Has considerado la vida sacerdotal o religiosa? Llama a la Oficina Vocacional al 718-827-2454, o escribe a: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).

**Monseñor Octavio Cisneros  
y la Vicaría de Asuntos Hispanos tienen el placer  
de invitarle a una conferencia sobre  
"La Vida Humana, el Aborto y la Eutanasia"**

Presentada por

**Monseñor Fernando Chomali Garib**  
Arzobispo de la Santísima Concepción, Chile  
Administrador Apostólico de la Diócesis San Mateo de Osorno

**Sábado, 7 de febrero de 2015**

**A las 3:00 de la tarde**

**Holy Child Jesus Church**  
**111-11 86 Ave. (a una cuadra del tren J parada 111St.)**  
**Richmond Hill, NY 11418**

La entrada es gratuita pero deberá inscribirse con anterioridad.  
Favor de llamar a la rectoría — **(718) 327-1133**.

### MARCHA POR LA VIDA

Desde la legalización del aborto, el 22 de enero de 1973, cerca de 60 millones de niños estadounidenses han muerto a consecuencia del aborto. Por favor considere unirse a la Marcha Anual por la Vida el Jueves, 22 de enero del 2015 en Washington, D.C. Contacte al Padre David para más información.



### REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. ORACIÓN

Dios de nuestro trabajo y de nuestro descanso, una y otra vez Tus criaturas se enfrentan unos a otros. La opresión y la violencia son nuestra triste herencia. Pero aún te busco donde los humildes son resucitados, donde los poderosos son derribados. Te encontramos en tus siervos, y te damos gracias por el testimonio y las obras de Martin Luther King, Jr. Llénanos con el espíritu y la fortaleza como la suya, para que día a día podamos ver donde nuestra comunidad está desgarrada por la represión, el miedo y la ignorancia, y así podamos sanar. Te lo pedimos en el nombre de Jesucristo, nuestro Señor.

Amen.

### OFICINA CERRADA

**Día de Martin Luther King Jr.**

**La Oficina de la Rectoría estará cerrada el Lunes 19 de Enero del 2015 en conmemoración del Día de Martin Luther King Jr.**

### *Rincón de Eventos en la Comunidad*

**CONECTAR CON LOS RECURSOS DE SANDY** es un programa a través del Hospital Episcopal de St. John y NYCDOHMH para ayudar en los esfuerzos continuos de recuperación del Huracán Sandy. Proporcionamos referencias e información para ayudar en su recuperación continua. Proporcionamos referencias para: Administración de Casos de Desastres, Seguro Médico / Servicios de Salud Mental, Servicios de Abuso de Sustancias, Alimentos / Asistencia de Vivienda y Asistencia de empleo. Para más información llame al: 718-474-2070.

**Reconstruyendo de Nuevo**—Un representante de Reconstruyendo de Nuevo estará disponible los lunes de 12:00-5:00 en la oficina del Concejal Richards Far Rockaway, 1931 Mott Avenue, Room 410. Por favor trate de aprovechar esta oportunidad de ayuda, aunque haya pasado por el proceso de Reconstruyendo de Nuevo.

**El Ejército de Salvación está aquí para ayudar al pueblo de Far Rockaway** - El Ejército de Salvación (Salvation Army) ha abierto su oficina y esta aceptando casos para ayudar a aquellos afectados por el huracán Sandy. Si usted o alguien que conoce necesita ayuda, llame al (347) 926-4167.

**Línea directa de Desastres para Propietarios**—Los propietarios que todavía no han podido resolver los conflictos con las aseguradoras, llame a la Línea de Desastres los cuales podrán responder a sus preguntas. También puede presentar quejas en : <http://www.dfs.ny.gov/consumer/filecomplaint.htm>.

### **TRABAJOS DISPONIBLES**

**ALERTA DE EMPLEOS EN CUIDADO DE ENFERMOS/ ANCIANOS EN EL HOGAR**—Únete a nuestro equipo de Home Health Aides. Summit Home Health Care está actualmente buscando personas para cuidado de enfermos/ancianos en el hogar. Empleo inmediato si cumple con todos los requisitos. No necesita hacer cita. Llámenos al 718-376-3100 o visítenos en: [www.TrustSummit.com](http://www.TrustSummit.com).

**Build-it-Back** está contratando! Para obtener una lista actualizada de las posiciones, visite su sitio web en <https://a127-jobs.nyc.gov/jobsearch.html>? Palabra clave = build+ it+ back.

**Horario de exámenes del Servicio Civil** - El Departamento de Servicios Administrativos de la Ciudad de Nueva York tiene actualmente Centros de Exámenes & Aplicaciones (CTACS) abiertos al público. Visite su sitio web [www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs](http://www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs) para solicitar puestos de trabajo y obtener los horarios de exámenes.

**FedEx** tienes trabajos de temporada para conductores. Los conductores deben tener un historial limpio y experiencia manejando en los últimos 3 años. Llene una aplicación en línea en [fedex.jobsonline.com](http://fedex.jobsonline.com)