

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



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All children in grades 1-8 should be registered every year for Religious Education classes.

MUSIC DIRECTOR:

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SATURDAY EVENING MASSES:

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

SUNDAY MASSES:

8:15, 9:45 (Alternating English & Spanish), 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: (Hay tres grupos) Lunes 7:30-9:00 PM - McKenna; Sábados 9:00-10:30 AM; Sábados 10:30-12 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

Haitian Committee: Sunday 10:30 AM

Charismatic Prayer Group in English Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M. in the Rectory Basement

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

Sacred Heart Adoration in English: 2nd Sunday after the 8:15 A.M. Mass

Nigerian Committee: 4th Sunday after the 8:15 A.M. Mass

Golden Age Club: (Club Edad de Oro) 2nd & 4th 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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 1, 2014

5:00 pm - Maria Surdo (dec)
 7:30 pm - Por la liberación de espíritus malignos
 Clara Garcia (dec), Maria de la Cruz Castro (dec)
 Alberto Rafael Castro (dec)
 Presentación de la bebe Andrea Jolie Rivera

Sunday, March 2, 2014 – Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15 am - For the people of St. Mary & St. Gertrude
 9:45 am - Santizo Family (healing), Cornelia Espinal (dec)
 11:30 am - Magaly Guerrero (dec)
 Carmela De La Cruz (dec)
 Presentación del bebe Andrew A. Leal Barrientos
 1:15 pm - Rosemarie Nanez (dec)
 Divino Niño Jesus (acción de gracias)

Monday, March 3, 2014 - St. Katharine Drexel

12:10 pm - Angeline Pandolfo

Tuesday, March 4, 2014 - St. Casimir

12:10 pm - Nidia Rodriguez (dec)

Wednesday, March 5, 2014 - Ash Wednesday

12:10 pm - Emmanuel Turenne (dec)
 Fan Tai Ma (dec)

Thursday, March 6, 2014

12:10 pm - For the conversion of souls

Friday, March 7, 2014 - Sts. Perpetua & Felicity

12:10 pm - Mass available
 7:30 pm - Misa disponible

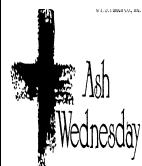
Saturday, March 8, 2014 - St. John of God

5:00 pm - Mass available
 7:30 pm - Por la liberación de espíritus malignos

Sunday, March 9, 2014 – First Sunday of Lent

8:15 am - For the People of St. Mary & St. Gertrude
 9:45 am - Mass available
 11:30 am - Magaly Guerrero (dec)
 Blanca Negrón (dec)
 Presentación del bebe Steven Aristides Estrada
 1:15 pm - Rosemarie Nanez (dec)

Ash Wednesday Schedule



7:00 A.M.	Ashes Only
9:00 A.M.	Bi-Lingual Mass
12:10 P.M.	Mass in English
5:00 P.M.	Prayer Service/Ashes
7:30 P.M.	Bi-Lingual Mass

The Golden Age Club will resume on March 13, 2014 from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm and will continue on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the Month.

An Invitation



“Don’t just come to Church, be the Church”

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 - \$4068.22
Second Collection- \$1649.00

First Collection Last Year: \$4679.00

(Parish weekly expenses average: \$8756.25)

“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.

PLEASE PRAY for The Sick: Blanca Negron, Gisele Munez, Fernando Flores, Eddie Toro Jr. Cecilio Gonzalez, Geraldine Miller, Derrick Heron, Sylvia Lendore, Miguel Mena, Lila Bacchus, Mary Morin, Edwin Cardona, Pedro Bonilla, Laura Clarke.

All the faithful departed.

Weekday Readings

Sun * Is 49:14-15 * Ps 62:2-3, 6-9 * 1 Cor 4:1-5 * Mt 6:24-34
Mon * 1 Pt 1:3-9 * Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9, 10 * Mk 10:17-27
Tues * 1 Pt 1:10-16 * Ps 98:1-4 * Mk 10:28-31
Wed * Jl 2:12-18 * Ps 51:3-6b, 12-14, 17 * 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2 * Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thurs * Dt 30:15-20 * Ps 1:1-4, 6 * Lk 9:22-25
Fri * Is 58:1-9a * Ps 51:3-6a, 18-19 * Mt 9:14-15
Sat * Is 58:9b-14 * Ps 86:1-6 * Lk 5:27-32

Altar Server Assignments for March 8 & 9, 2014

Sat. 5:00 PM - Jacques Mathieu, Alexis Small
 Sat. 7:30 PM - Miguel Garcia, Aaliyah Mayorga-Miranda, Carolena Mayorga
 Sun. 8:15 AM - Gabrielle Forbes-Bennett, Adaora Madubuko
 Sun. 9:45 AM - Joseph Santizo, Jorge Santizo
 Sun. 11:30 AM— Axel Lopez, Carlos Lopez, Lexa Torres, Jossabeth Castaneda
 Sun. 1:15 PM— Jamal Michel, Lisa Deryce



Daylight Saving Time Begins: Set your clock ahead one hour next Saturday, March 8, 2014.



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE TODAY FULLY

There is an old saying that life is what happens to us while we are busy making other plans. How often do the people and events of today pass unnoticed because we are preoccupied with concerns about the future?

Sometimes after a death in a family, one hears the survivors lament all that they did not do for the deceased. "I was so busy with my career plans, I never spent time with her." "I put so much energy into establishing my place in the community, I forgot he was lonesome."

One would suppose that the birds in the sky do not spend a great deal of time mapping out a lifetime flight plan. They seem to fly where they need to go today, trusting that that will eventually bring them where they must be tomorrow and next winter. Similarly, the wildflowers do not appear to bemoan their plot of earth or jockey for position. Rather, each accepts the sun and rain given it today and grows, imperceptibly perhaps, but beautifully.

I WILL NEVER FORGET YOU

It is a wonderful gift for someone to say, "I will never forget you!" We want to be remembered, to have made a lasting difference.

Perhaps some of our anxiety about what we will wear and what we will accomplish tomorrow can be traced to this desire. "Will anyone remember me?" "Will I contribute anything of lasting value?"

In today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah, our God says: "I will never forget you" (Isaiah 49:15). Before we ever see tomorrow, before we ever achieve any of our lofty goals, God declares us eternally valuable and unforgettable.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Thus should one regard us, as servants of Christ." Are you being called to serve the Lord and others in the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.



New Altar Servers Needed!!!

If you have received your First Communion and you are at least 10 years old, please consider becoming an altar server. Our priests need your assistance to help them during the Mass. Won't you please say yes, and fill out the Altar Server Registration Form as soon as possible.

The forms are available in the Sacristy or in the Rectory. Parents, please encourage your children to participate in this wonderful ministry. If any questions, please call Ms. Daisie Rodriguez at 917 330-1683, or Ms. Joanne Murray at 917 757-0466.

Reflections for the 1st days of Lent



Ash Wednesday – March 5th

Eternal Father, grant that during these forty days I may share more profoundly in your divine life, and help me to know more certainly the depths of your love.

March 6th

Merciful Father, give us the grace to recognize that losing ourselves for the sake of your Son is always a trusting surrender into your hands, which allows us to share in the Resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, through whom we pray.

March 7th

Guide us, O loving and merciful Father, through the joys and sorrows of this world, so as to bring us safely and forever to your heavenly home.

March 8^h

Heavenly Father, rich in mercy, give me a heart that welcomes your call. Make me, Lord, conform to the truth about my life and about you.

Parish of St Mary Star of the Sea & St Gertrude

2014 Holy Season of Lent

7:00PM TUESDAY EVENINGS

PRAYING THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

MARCH 11

For a Deeper Understanding of the Paschal Mystery

MARCH 18 - For Peace in the World

MARCH 25

For SPIRITUAL Healing ... Scriptural Readings

APRIL 1

The Way of the Cross with Mary the Mother of Jesus

APRIL 8

For Our Families in Preparation for Holy Week

Trip to the Divine Mercy Shrine

St. Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude invite you to the National Shrine of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 27, 2014. The cost of the trip is \$50.00 per person. Departure time 6:00 A.M. For more information call 516-812-9563.

Special Thanks

To all who participated on the visit to City Hall for the Press Conference.
We are very proud of all of you!

Community Happenings Corner



FEMA—The proof of loss deadline has been extended to **April 28, 2014**

Job Openings

1. *The Rockaway YMCA is now hiring for Swim Lessons Instructor, Lifeguards, Child Watch Aid, Porters, and other positions. For more information contact the YMCA at 718-251-6950.*

2. *Emergency Snow Removal Workers*
The New York City Department of Sanitation is now hiring snow removal workers. Call 311 for more information.

Are you between the ages of 17-24? Are you currently out of school (not enrolled in a program) and looking for work? Paid internships are available for qualified participants in animal care, auto mechanics, cosmetology, catering, etc. Contact: The Greater Ridgewood Youth Council for more Information at 718 456-5437, ext. 235 or ext. 225

Training

Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT)

A free training course is being offered to train volunteers to work in their community as first responders to natural disasters, fires, etc. For more information go the website at nyc.gov/cert or email cert@oem.nyc.gov

The Jamaica YMCA is currently recruiting participants for a new paid workforce development training program directed at young adults pursuing their Associates Degree or a credential (ex. CDA) in Early Childhood Education. For information and/or to apply, contact: Nathalia Theogene at 646 597-7616 or by email ntheogene@ymcanyc.org

Kingsborough Community College comes to the Rockaways— Contact Kingsborough Community College, Office of Continuing Education at 718 368-5050 for more information.

Housing Alert – Housing Lotteries in Queens

To participate in a lottery for housing, with rent starting at \$500.00, contact the Association for Neighborhood and Housing Development (ANHD) at 212 747-1117 for a complete list of current listings and filing deadlines.

Home Repair Program

The mayor's office of Housing Recovery Operations announced a home repair program to assist New Yorkers who may not be eligible for the Build it Back program. Contact NRNYC for more information at 212 455-9309 or by email at nyc.gov/fund

EL DIEZMO—EL REPORTE DE LAS OFRENDAS

Domingo Pasado: \$4068.22

Segunda Colecta: \$1649.00

Mismo Domingo Hace un Año: \$4679.00

Un Promedio de Gastos Semanales: **\$4368.00**

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!



*Ni Salomón
con todo su lujo
pudo vestirse como
una de ellas.*

Octavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

VIVE A PLENITUD EL DÍA DE HOY

Hay en la cultura anglosajona un dicho antiguo que dice algo así como que la vida es lo que nos va ocurriendo mientras nosotros estamos ocupados en hacer otros planes. ¡Cuántas veces las personas y los hechos de la actualidad nos pasan desapercibidos porque estamos ocupados y preocupados acerca del futuro!

Algunas veces, cuando muere un familiar oímos el lamento de los sobrevivientes por todo lo que no hicieron por la persona fallecida. “Estaba tan ocupado con los planes de mi carrera, que nunca pasé tiempo con ella”. “Puse tanto afán en establecerme dentro de la comunidad que se me olvidó que él se sentía solo”.

No debemos suponer que los pájaros dedican mucho tiempo a planear un itinerario de vuelo para toda la vida. Tal parece que vuelan a donde deben ir hoy, confiando en que ésto los llevará a donde deben estar mañana y el próximo invierno. De una manera similar, las flores silvestres no parecen lamentar su parcela de tierra ni emplear la astucia para conseguir una posición, sino que cada una acepta el sol y la lluvia que se les da hoy para crecer; y tal vez lo hacen de una manera imperceptible pero hermosa.

NO TE OLVIDARÉ

Un regalo hermoso es decirle a alguien: “¡No te olvidaré!” Todos queremos ser recordados y haber hecho algo que marque una diferencia perdurable.

Quizás parte de nuestra ansiedad por lo que vamos a vestir o por lo que vamos a lograr mañana tenga que ver con este deseo: “¿Se acordará alguien de mí?” “¿Contribuiré con algo que tenga un valor perdurable?”

En la primera lectura de hoy tomada del profeta Isaías nuestro Dios dice: “Yo nunca me olvidaré de ti” (Isaías 49:15). Antes de llegar a ver el día de mañana, antes de lograr alguna de nuestras encumbradas metas, Dios nos declara eternamente invaluable e inolvidables.

Octavo Domingo de Tiempo Ordinario

“Debería uno de nosotros interesar se en el servicio a Cristo. ” Sientes el llamado a servir al Señor y a otros en la vida consagrada o en el sacerdocio? Llama a la Oficina de Vocacional al 718-827-2454, o escribe a: vocations@diobrook.org.

Horario para el Miércoles de CenizasMiércoles
de Ceniza

7:00 A.M.	Cenizas solamente
9:00 A.M.	Misa bilingüe
12:10 P.M.	Misa en Ingles
5:00 P.M.	Servicio de Oración/cenizas
7:30 P.M.	Misa bilingüe

Reflexiones para los primeros días de la Cuaresma

5 de Marzo - Miércoles de Ceniza



Padre Eterno, concede que durante estos cuarenta días pueda compartir más profundamente en tu vida divina, y ayudarme a saber con mayor certeza la profundidad de tu amor.

6 de Marzo

Padre misericordioso, danos la gracia de reconocer que al perdernos nosotros mismos por el bien de Tu hijo nos da siempre la confianza de entregarnos en tus manos, lo que nos permite compartir la Resurrección de Tu Hijo Jesucristo, por quien oramos.

7 de Marzo

Guíanos, oh Padre amoroso y misericordioso, a través de las alegrías y las tristezas de este mundo, puedas llevarnos de manera segura y para siempre a Tu hogar celestial.

8 de Marzo

Padre Celestial y misericordioso, dame un corazón que pueda darle la bienvenida a Tu llamada. Hazme, Señor, conforme con la verdad de mi vida y de ti.

Nuestro Especial Agradecimiento

A todos los que nos acompañaron en la visita a City Hall para la Conferencia de Prensa.
Estamos muy orgullosos de todos ustedes!

Paseo al Santuario de la Divina Misericordia

Santa María y Santa Gertrudis les invitan al Santuario de la Divina Misericordia en Massachusetts el domingo, 27 de Abril del 2014. Costo \$50.00 por persona. Salida a las 6:00 A.M. Para mas información favor llamar al 516-812-9563.

El Club de la Edad de Oro reanudará el Jueves 13 de Marzo del 2014 de 9:30 am a 12:00 pm y continuará cada segundo y cuarto Jueves del mes.



**Adelanten su reloj una hora el próximo
Sábado 8 de Marzo, 2014.**



"No solo vengán a la Iglesia, sean la Iglesia"

Rincón de Eventos en la Comunidad

Escriba en



su calendario

FEMA—La fecha límite para aplicar por los daños del Huracán Sandy se ha extendido hasta el 28 de abril 2014

Empleos disponibles

1. El Rockaway YMCA está buscando personal para Instructor de Clases de Natación, Salva vidas (Socorristas) Cuidado de Niños, Conserjes, y otras posiciones. Para más información favor de llamar al YMCA al 718-251-6950.

2. **Trabajadores para remover nieve** - El Departamento de Sanidad de la Ciudad de Nueva York está ahora contratando trabajadores para remover nieve. Favor llamar al 311 para más información.

¿Está usted entre las edades de 17 a 24? ¿Acaba de terminar la escuela (no está inscrito en un programa) y esta buscando trabajo?

Hay clases pagadas disponibles para los participantes calificados en cuidado de animales, mecánica automotriz, cosmetología, clases de cocina etc
Contacto: Concejo Juvenil Ridgewood (The Greater Ridgewood Youth Council) para más información al 718 456-5437, ext. 235 o ext. 225

Entrenamiento—Equipos de Primeros Auxilios

Un curso de entrenamiento gratuito para capacitar a voluntarios para trabajar en su comunidad como primeros respondedores a los desastres naturales, incendios, etc. Para obtener más información, visite el sitio web al nyc.gov/cert o al correo electrónico cert@oem.nyc.gov

El Jamaica YMCA está actualmente reclutando participantes para un nuevo programa de entrenamiento para jóvenes que persiguen su grado asociado o un credencial (ex. CDA) en Educación Infantil. Para más información y / o para aplicar, contacte a: Nathalia Theogene al 646 597-7616 o por correo electrónico ntheogene@ymcanyc.org

El Colegio Comunitario Kingsborough llega a Rockaways

Favor de contactar el Colegio Comunitario Kingsborough, Oficina de Educación Continua al 718 368-5050 .

Alerta de Vivienda - Loterías de Vivienda en Queens

Para participar en una lotería para viviendas, con una renta comenzando en \$500.00, póngase en contacto con la Asociación para el Desarrollo de Vecindarios y Viviendas (AHND) al 212 747-1117 para obtener una lista completa de los anuncios actuales y fechas de registración.

Programa de Reparación de Viviendas

— La oficina del alcalde de Operaciones de Recuperación de Viviendas anunció un programa de reparación para ayudar a neoyorquinos que no fueron elegibles para el programa **Volviendo a Reconstruir** . Póngase en contacto con NRNYC para más información llame al 212 455-9309 o por correo electrónico al nyc.gov/fund