

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



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## **PASTOR:**

Rev. Fulgencio Gutierrez, Ext. 22

## **PARISH PASTORAL STAFF:**

Deacon Michael C. Moss  
Deacon Adalberto Eddie Montero  
Deacon Rene Hernandez

## **PARISH ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:**

Ms. Joanne Murray, Ext. 16  
Mrs. Carmen Montero, Ext. 10

## **IN RESIDENCE:**

Rev. Charles H. White, Ext. 18  
Rev. Fredrick Anawonah, Ext. 17  
Rev. David Bertolotti, Ext. 27

## **TRUSTEES:**

Miguel Jimenez  
Lillian Virginia Rountree

## **PASTORAL COUNCIL, CHAIR:**

Yvonne Hall

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

Deacon Michael Moss, Director, (917) 769-4496  
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Ms. Carmen Macfie, CCD  
Mrs. Susan Singh-Smith, CCD  
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.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, October 4, 2014 - St. Francis of Assisi**

5:00 pm - Odiari Family (thanksgiving)  
 7:30 pm - Nidia Rodriguez (dec)  
 Lise Bastien (dec)

**Sunday, October 5, 2014 – Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:15 am - Placid & Marie Gomez (thanksgiving)  
 Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Mapili (thanksgiving)  
 Nigerian Independence  
 9:45 am - Divino Niño Jesus (acción de gracias)  
 Jesus Sacramentado (acción de gracias)  
 Antonia Lanuza (dec)  
 11:30 am - Maria Josefa Almonte Collado (dec)  
 1:15 pm - Divino Niño Jesus (acción de gracias)

**Monday, October 6, 2014 - St. Bruno  
 Blessed Marie Rose Durocher**

12:10 pm - Mirian George (birthday)  
 Theos A. George (dec)

**Tuesday, October 7, 2014 - Our Lady of the Rosary**

12:10 pm - For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

**Wednesday, October 8, 2014**

12:10 pm - For the souls in Purgatory

**Thursday, October 9, 2014 - St. Denis and companions  
 St. John Leonard**

12:10 pm - For conversion of souls

**Friday, October 10, 2014**

12:10 pm - Mass available  
 7:30 pm - Susana Santizo y Familia (sanación)

**Saturday, October 11, 2014 - Bl John XX111**

5:00 pm - Mass for the people of St. Mary & St. Gertrude  
 7:30 pm - Ylda Castillo (dec)

**Sunday, October 12, 2014 – Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:15 am - Mass available  
 9:45 am - Leocadia Ayala (dec)  
 Antonia Lanuza (dec)  
 11:30 am - Por los sacerdotes (Legión de Maria)  
 Luis Emmanuel Ruiz (cumpleaños)  
 1:15 pm - Keisha Clarke (dec)

**MEMORIALS THIS WEEK**

The sanctuary candle is given for **Peace in the World.**

**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 - \$3221.00**

**Second Collection – \$2228.00**

**First Collection Last Year: \$6500.75**

**(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.



**The Sick:** Joanne Vasquez, Christopher Connolly, Juan Santana, Kiara Velazquez, Percival Riveaux, Pedro Bonilla and the homebound.

**All the faithful departed.**

**Weekday Readings**

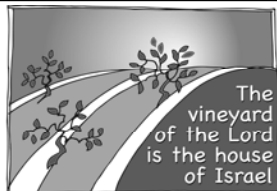
**Sun** \* Is 5:1-7 \* Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20 \* Mt 21:33-43  
**Mon** \* Gal 1:6-12 \* Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c \* Lk 10:25-37  
**Tues** \* Gal 1:13-24 \* Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15 \* Lk 10:38-42  
**Wed** \* Gal 2:1-2, 7-14 \* Ps 117:1bc, 2 \* Lk 11:1-4  
**Thurs** \* Gal 3:1-5 \* Lk 1:69-75 \* Lk 11:5-13  
**Fri** \* Gal 3:7-14 \* Ps 111:1b-6 \* Lk 11:15-26  
**Sat** \* Gal 3:22-29 \* Ps 105:2-7 \* Lk 11:27-28

**Altar Server Assignments for Oct. 11 & 12, 2014**

**Sat.** 5:00 PM - Christian Rodriguez, Bianca Salonga  
**Sat.** 7:30 PM - Melissa Ventura, Monica Ventura, Miguel Garcia, Hilda Hernandez  
**Sun.** 8:15 AM - Gabriel Forbes-Bennett, Adaora Madubuko, Iziegbeuwa Odia  
**Sun.** 9:45 AM - Joseph Santizo, Jorge Santizo  
**Sun.** 11:30 AM – Sebastian Rosas, Edward Peña, Joselin Lopez, Elsa de la Cruz  
**Sun.** 1:15 PM – Jamal Michel, Kevin Robles

**Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

“This is the Lord’s doing and it is amazing in our eyes.” Being chosen to serve as a priest or in the consecrated life is an amazing work of the Lord. Ask the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother to help you recognize and be faithful to your vocation. Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.



## Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

### THE VINEYARD OF BEAUTY AND LIFE

The first sentence of today’s Gospel parable can be easily overlooked: “There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower” (Matthew 21:33). It is difficult for us to imagine the enormous amount of time, money, and effort it must have taken for a construction project of this kind. Once completed, the vineyard must have been a beautiful place, not unlike the vineyards one can find in places like the Napa Valley in California. Vineyards are, by their very nature, places of beauty and life. The vineyard in today’s Gospel, however, becomes the setting for treachery and murder. All too often the vineyard that is this fragile planet of ours likewise becomes a setting for treachery and murder.

### STEWARDS OF THE VINEYARD

Isaiah’s marvelous description of the vineyard reminds us of the creation passages from the book of Genesis. That description generates faint echoes of the oft-repeated line from Genesis: “and God saw how good it was” (Genesis 1:25). The sad reality is that we who are called to be good stewards of this vineyard sometimes make bad choices. Sometimes in our arrogance we fail to care for the vineyard of creation. Like the wicked tenants, we care more for our own personal gain than for the virtues of goodness and righteousness. Pope John Paul II used the term “the culture of death” to describe this kind of behavior. The parables we hear are meant to cut right to our hearts and force us to look squarely at our behaviors and attitudes. May this week’s parable open our eyes to those times when we stray away from the goodness and beauty of God’s vineyard and make decisions that support the culture of death. May we be strengthened in our efforts to become good stewards whose actions bring forth the fruits of life and love.



### DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER TO VOTE!!!!

The deadline to register to vote in this November’s election is October 10, 2014. It is very important that all who are eligible are registered in time to vote in this very important November election. Make your voices heard at the voting polls. Let those who are running for public office know that your vote counts. If you do not vote, you will not be

### 2014 Annual Catholic Appeal Weekly Update

Thank you to all of you who have already made a pledge.

**Remember, all money received above the \$47,883.00 will be returned to the parish.**

There is no new update as of September 29, 2014. These are the same figures from last week. We have 197 donors who have pledged \$48,636.00. WE’VE REACHED OUR GOAL; YEAH! Last year, 2013, 311 donors from our parish contributed to the appeal, and we were able to receive back to our parish over \$6,000.00. With just about 3 1/4 months left to fulfill our goal, we need your help. We will not receive any return back from the diocese until we’ve completely satisfied our goal of \$47,883.00 All of our parishioners are being asked on to make a pledge.

So far, we’ve collected \$35,611.00; we have \$12,272.00 more to collect to satisfy our diocesan goal. However, our parish’s goal is to surpass \$47,883.00 in order to make sure that a nice amount of money is returned to our parish. We have 1100 registered parishioners. **WE CAN DO IT!**

**Can Father Fulgencio count on all of you to make a pledge? It doesn’t matter how much you pledge; \$5.00, \$25.00, \$500.00, whatever you can afford.** The goal is to have **all** parishioners make a commitment and a contribution.

If you have not yet done so, please fill out a commitment form and return it to the diocese, or drop it in the collection basket at the weekend Masses, or drop it off at the rectory. Also, please speak to your family, friends and fellow-parishioners to ask them to make their pledges. **Pledges can be made up to December 15, 2014, to assure that all monies are properly recorded and credited to our parish by December 31, 2014.**

**REMEMBER:** that every dollar that we receive over \$47,883.00, from now until December 15, 2014, is returned to our parish. **WE NEED YOUR HELP TO SUPPORT OUR CHURCH!!**

### *Community Happenings Corner*

#### **Bi-Annual Marian “Spiritual” Pilgrimage to Washington DC**

Please join us On Saturday, October 25, 2014 on Bishop DiMarzio’s bi-annual pilgrimage to Washington DC. The day will consist of prayers, singing, and praying the rosary, to honor our Lady, the Blessed Virgin Mary. The day will end with Mass at the beautiful Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop DiMarzio, and concelebrated by many of our priests in the Diocese of Brooklyn. Seats are still available. If you would like to join us, please call the rectory at 718-327-1133 ext. 10 as soon as possible.

**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://w.dfs.ny.gov/consumer/filecomplaint.htm**.

***Community Happenings Corner***

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

A Build it Back representative is available on Mondays from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM at Councilman Richards Far Rockaway office – 1931 Mott Avenue, Room 4102. 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 Rock-**

**away**—The Salvation Army Rockaway 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.

**Far Rockaway Long Term Recovery Assistance “Call to**

**Action”** - The Far Rockaway Long term Recovery team meet every other Wednesday night. This group is diligently working to assist in the long term recovery of the Rockaways. They can offer assistance and referrals to families who were affected by Hurricane Sandy. Join them this week on Wednesday, October 8, 2014, from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM at Battalion Pentecostal Assembly, Inc., 454 Beach 67<sup>th</sup> Street, Arverne, NY. All are welcome; pass the word to your family, friends and neighbors.

**Foreclosure Assistance**—The Parodneck Foundation is a city-wide not-for-profit organization who assists homeowners who are faced with foreclosure. **Must call to make an appointment – 718 527-4356.**

**JOBS ARE AVAILABLE**

The Boulevard Family Transitional Residence have job openings for the following positions: Program Director, Senior Case Manager, Shift Supervisor, Housing Specialist, Drivers, Food Service Worker, Recreational Specialist, Security Counselor, Child Care Specialist and Case Manager. Visit their website for individual job descriptions and qualifications – <http://samaritanvillage.org>, and click on “Careers” at the top navigation menu.

ReServe is offering paid, part-time positions for afternoon Tutors through the MS ExTRA program with the NYC Department of Education and the After School Corporation (TASC). Visit their website for more information – [www.reserveinc.org](http://www.reserveinc.org), or call 212 727-4335.

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)



## Vigésimo séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

**EL VIÑEDO DE LA BELLEZA Y LA VIDA**

La primera frase de la parábola del evangelio de hoy puede pasar fácilmente desapercibida: “Había una vez un propietario que plantó un viñedo, lo rodeó con una cerca, cavó un lagar en él, construyó una torre” (Mateo 21:33). Es difícil imaginarnos la enorme cantidad de tiempo, dinero y esfuerzo requeridos para un proyecto de construcción de esa clase. Una vez terminado, el viñedo debió ser un sitio bellissimo, muy parecido a los viñedos que uno encuentra en sitios como el Valle Napa en California. Los viñedos son, por naturaleza, sitios llenos de belleza y vitalidad. El viñedo del evangelio de hoy, sin embargo, se convierte en un escenario de traición y asesinato.

**RESPONSABLES DEL VIÑEDO**

La maravillosa descripción del viñedo que hace Isaías nos recuerda los pasajes de la creación en el Génesis. Esa descripción nos trae ecos de la frecuentemente repetida frase del Génesis: “Y vio Dios que todo esto era bueno” (Génesis 1:25). La triste realidad es que nosotros, que hemos sido llamados a ser corresponsables de este viñedo a veces hacemos malas decisiones. A veces, por nuestra arrogancia, descuidamos el viñedo de la creación. Como los malvados arrendatarios, nos preocupamos más por nuestra ganancia personal que por practicar las virtudes de bondad y justicia. El Papa Juan Pablo II usó el término “la cultura de la muerte” para describir esta clase de comportamiento. El propósito de las parábolas que escuchamos es el de llegar directamente nuestro corazón y forzarnos a examinar honestamente nuestro comportamiento y actitudes. Ojalá la parábola de esta semana nos abra los ojos para reflexionar acerca de las veces que nos hemos apartado de la bondad y belleza del viñedo de Dios y hemos tomado decisiones que apoyan la cultura de la muerte. Ojalá se fortalezcan nuestros esfuerzos por convertirnos en cristianos responsables cuyas acciones produzcan frutos de vida y amor.

**Vigésimo Séptimo Domingo de Tiempo Ordinario**

“Esto es lo que hace el Señor y que maravilla a nuestros ojos.” Ser escogido para servir como a sacerdote o en la vida consagrada es un trabajo asombroso del Señor. Pídele al Espíritu Santo y a nuestra Santísima Bendita para que te ayude a reconocer tu vocación y a serle fiel. Comunícate a la Oficina Vocacional al 718-827-2454, o escribe a: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).

**EL DIEZMO—EL REPORTE DE LAS OFRENDAS****Colecta del Domingo pasado: \$3221.00****Segunda Colecta: \$2228.00****Mismo Domingo Hace un Año: \$6500.75****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!

**RETIRO DE MUJERES**

Santa María Estrella del Mar y Santa Gertrudis tendrá un Retiro de Mujeres el Domingo 12 de Octubre de 1:00 P.M. a 6:00 P.M. con la Exposición del Santísimo en el auditorio.

**NO SE OLVIDE REGISTRARSE PARA VOTAR!!!!**

La fecha limite para registrarse para votar en las elecciones de Noviembre es el 10 de Octubre 10, 2014. Es muy importante que todos aquellos elegibles se registren a tiempo para votar en esta importante elección en Noviembre. Hagan oír su voz en las urnas de votación. Hágale saber a todos los postulados para un cargo publico que su voto cuenta. Si usted no vota, no será escuchado. REGISTRESE HOY!!! Los formularios de registración podrán ser encontrados en el vestíbulo.

**Rincón de Eventos en la Comunidad****Peregrinación “espiritual” Mariana a Washington DC**

Por favor, únase a nosotros el Sábado, 25 de octubre 2014 a la Peregrinación del Obispo DiMarzio a Washington DC. El día incluye oraciones, cantos y recitación del rosario, en honor a nuestra Señora, la Santísima Virgen María y concluirá con una Misa en la hermosa Basílica del Santuario Nacional de la Inmaculada Concepción en Washington DC. La Misa será celebrada por el Obispo DiMarzio, y concelebrada por muchos de nuestros sacerdotes en la Diócesis de Brooklyn. Todavía tenemos asientos disponibles. Si usted desea unirse a nosotros, por favor llame a la rectoría al 718-327-1133 ext. 10 lo mas pronto posible.

**“Llamada a la Acción” Asistencia de Recuperación a**

**Largo Plazo de Far Rockaway**—El equipo de recuperación a largo plazo de Far Rockaway se reúne cada segundo Miércoles en la noche. Este grupo está trabajando diligentemente para ayudar en la recuperación a largo plazo de los Rockaways. Ellos pueden ofrecer ayuda y referencias a las familias que fueron afectadas por el huracán Sandy. Únete a ellos esta semana el Miércoles, 8 de Octubre 2014, de 7:00 PM a 8:30 en la Iglesia Batallón Asamblea Pentecostal, 454 Beach 67th Street, Arverne, NY. Todos son bienvenidos; corra la voz a sus familias, amigos y vecinos.

**Línea directa de Desastres para Propietarios**—Para 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>.

**Reconstruyendo de Nuevo**—Un representante de Reconstruyendo de Nuevo estará disponible los lunes de 1:00 -5:00 en la oficina del Concejal Richards en Far Rockaway, 1931 Mott Avenue, Room 4102. 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, por favor llame al (347) 926-416.

**Asistencia de Hipotecas**

La Fundación Parodneck es una organización sin fines de lucro que ayuda a los propietarios de viviendas que se enfrentan a una ejecución hipotecaria. Necesita hacer una cita - 718 527-4356.

**TRABAJOS DISPONIBLES**

Boulevard Family Transitional Residence tiene los siguientes trabajos disponibles: Director de Programas, Trabajador social, Supervisor de Turno, Especialista en vivienda, Chofer, Supervisor de Servicio de Comida, Especialista Recreacional, Consejero de Seguridad, Especialista en Cuidado de Niños y administrador de casos. Visite su sitio web para ver las descripciones de trabajo y cualificaciones - <http://samaritanvillage.org>, y busque "Careers" en el menú de navegación superior.

**ReServe** está ofreciendo puestos a tiempo parcial para tutores de la tarde a través del programa MS ExTRA con el Departamento de Educación de NYC y la Corporación del Programa Después de la Escuela (TASC). Visite su sitio web para obtener más información - [www.reserveinc.org](http://www.reserveinc.org), o llame al 212 727-4335.

**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.



“No solo vengan a la Iglesia,  
sean la Iglesia”