

## MASS SCHEDULE

### MONDAY, August 18, 2014

9:00am Eugene Tiernan

### TUESDAY, August 19, 2014

9:00am John Salanitro

### WEDNESDAY, August 20, 2014

9:00am Vincent Gatens

### THURSDAY, August 21, 2014

9:00am Souls in Purgatory

### FRIDAY, August 22, 2014

9:00am Frank Jordan

### SATURDAY, August 23, 2014

9:00am Frank Jordan

5:30pm Lauria Alexis Cabane

### SUNDAY, August 24, 2014

8:00am People of the Parish, Purgatorial Society

11:30am Mary Dodson

5:30pm Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother

## REMEMBER IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

**The Sick:** Christine Walker, Stacy Lapenna, Ellen M. Lehane, , Edwin H. Walsh, Joseph F. Galli, Ed Morrissey, Baby John Richard Delfino, Angelo Sciannameo, Carl Nott, Susan Olsen, Gail Monsegue Sarah DeProseeno, Marie Lenti

**For those who have died:** Anthony Puglisi

**Those in the Armed Services**—in these difficult times, let us lift up in prayer our brave men and women who fight for our freedom all over the world

## MEMORIAL GIFTS

**Altar Bread and Wine**— in memory of **Eugene Tiernan** donated by His Family

**Sanctuary Lamp**— In memory of **Christine Ann Walker** donated by the Sloan Family

## OFFICE HOURS

Office hours for St. Thomas Aquinas Parish are 9am-12pm & 1pm-5pm (Aquinas Center) and 5pm-8:15pm (Rectory.) **The Parish office is closed from Noon-1:00 pm., so the parish staff can have lunch.**

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Holy Name Society is sponsoring a trip to Atlantic City on **August 19, 2014 to Showboat.** The bus leaves from the front of the church at 8:30am. For more information please call Bill or Dorothy at 1-718-377-4061. All are welcome.

## PLEASE MAKE NOTE SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

Please be aware that our Summer Mass schedule for 2014 will be as follows:

Monday—Friday 9:00am (**There will be no noon Mass.**)

Saturday— 9:00 am  
5:30 Vigil

Sunday— 8:00am, 11:30am, and 5:30pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation during the summer months on Wednesday will be following the 9:00am Mass. Saturdays will stay the same.

## WE ARE ON FACEBOOK

Like us on Facebook @ St. Thomas Aquinas, Flatland's and check out our new website. [www.stthomasaquinasbrooklyn.com](http://www.stthomasaquinasbrooklyn.com)

## **SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY**

### **Calling all Young Adults, 18- 30s.**

We are opening our doors to Young Adults, who either reside in our Parish, or simply want to use this opportunity to connect, discuss, enrich themselves and spend some quality time. No, this is not a prayer group, although the issue of prayer, faith and morality will be touched upon many times. Young adults are people from 18 to 30's, married & single, who very seriously know the realities of life, yet still live out the joys of their youth. The meetings are not classes, where attendance is taken or sign-up is mandatory. Rather, it is a gathering of young people, friends if you will, very informal and laid back. Come as you are. You don't have to be Catholic in order to join. Be sure to become familiar with us both online and in person. We guarantee that these gatherings will be very fulfilling. You will not waste your time with us. Some of our possible activities will include: bowling, hiking, ice skating, soup kitchen, bike rides, Ski trip, retreats, movie nights, wine tasting, sports, visiting the museum, barbeque, Theology on Tap, Midnight Run, Catholic Underground, book club, and community service events. The Young Adult group will meet on the first Saturday of each month after the 5:30PM Mass  
For more information please see Fr. Dwayne or any of the Young Adult Committee members.

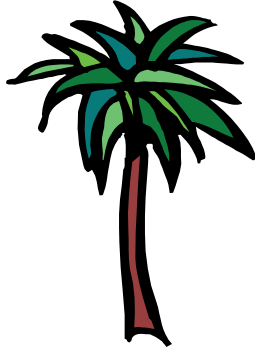
Our First Young Adult gathering will be on Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, Our Young Adult BBQ & Social in the Rectory Garden.

## **YOUTH CORNER**

All youth, junior high and high school teens. St. Thomas Aquinas Youth Group meets every first, and third Friday of the month from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Aquinas Center. In the world we are living today, there is a great need for teenagers to have a place where he or she can feel safe in expressing their faith as well as to have fun among other Catholic teens their age. All are welcome to come, so please invite your friends! For more information see Fr. Dwayne or any of our youth leaders.

### **Upcoming Youth Events and Calendar for the Summer**

August 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 6PM—Brooklyn Cyclones Game, Coney Island  
September 5<sup>th</sup>- Welcome Back & Ice Cream Social



### **CARIBBEAN NIGHT**

St. Thomas Aquinas Msgr. King Hall  
Saturday, September 27, 2014  
7:00 pm - Midnight  
Donation: \$25.00

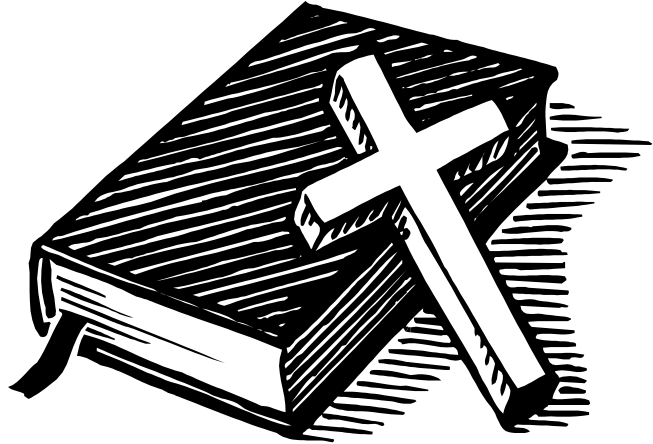
Come enjoy the sounds and tastes of the  
Caribbean

Tickets on sale in the Rectory Office and in  
the Church Vestibule  
after all weekend Masses

Proceeds to benefit the  
St. Thomas Aquinas Youth Ministry

### **DONATIONS**

The Caribbean Night Dinner Dance Committee is currently accepting donations for the Caribbean themed baskets that will be raffled on the night of the event. Please drop off your donations including Caribbean liquors, spices, candies, jewelry etc. at the Rectory Office, or at the ticket table in the church vestibule when the event tickets are being sold. Your contributions will be much appreciated.



### **BIBLE STUDY**

Have you ever thought of God's plan for us? Are you looking to break open the word of God? Are you searching for something greater this Fall? Join us on Tuesday nights at 7PM starting on September 9th 2014 in St. Thomas Aquinas Church. The Bible Study will be led by Fr. Dwayne Davis. All are welcome. We will begin with the book Ezra. Please note that Bible Study is offered only once on Tuesday nights only.

### **ROME PILGRIMAGE REUNION**

There will be a pot luck dinner on August 22, 2014 at 7:00pm in the Aquinas Center for all those who went on the Rome Pilgrimage. Bring your favorite food or dessert. Hope to see you there.

## **FAITH FORMATION**

Our Faith Formation Ministry will begin a new class for adults who wish to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. Sessions will begin in October and are open to anyone sixteen years of age or older who have been baptized and received the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and First Penance. Prior registration is necessary. Please call our Faith Formation Office. 718 253-4404 Ext.30. You need to have your Baptism and First Holy Communion certificates.

## **RCIA**

**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS.... OR RCIA** is a process by which people who are considering membership in the Catholic Church come together for weekly classes to experience Christian Community and share a journey of faith.

### **FOR WHOM IS IT INTENDED?**

1. Non baptized adults who wish to learn more about the faith and Christian life, with the possibility of being a Catholic Christian.
2. Baptized Christians from other denominations who would like to learn more about, and possibly join, the Catholic Church.
3. Baptized Catholic Christians who wish to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist.

## **WHY NOT ME?- self check list**

- Non baptized?
- without recent church involvement?
- searching for meaning in your life?
- curious about the Catholic Church?

If you checked one or more of the above, the Lord is inviting you to “come and see” what the RCIA process is like. For information, call at our Faith Formation Office: 718 253-4404 Ext. 30.

## **IS GOD CALLING YOU?**

God calls people in different and mysterious ways! Some to proclaim the Word, some to teach, some others to be companions on the journey. Would you Do you think God is calling you to be a companion with those on the journey? If so, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults in our parish is asking you to be a faith companion on an individual basis. Please call at Faith Formation Office. 718 253-4404 Ext. 30.

Our Faith Formation Program offers the opportunity for children from KG through Eight grade to deepen their knowledge of the Catholic Faith and grow in their relationship with God. Classes are held on Wednesday afternoons and on Sunday Mornings and include Mass during the school year. We are in need of catechists who are willing to share their faith and work with the young ones as Catechists, helpers and assistants to catechists. If you feel Jesus and His mission is calling you to this ministry, please call Faith Formation Office. 718 253-4404 Ext. 30. You will be helped to get trained to do this ministry.

### **EMERGENCY NUMBER**

Please be advised that there is a new emergency number for those who need a Priest. This is an emergency number, so please **only use in an emergency**, a death or last rites all other calls please use the parish phone number. **Emergency # 917-732-3349**

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

#### **Religious Education Class Registration for 2014-2015**

Registrations for the 2014-2015 Calendar Year is now being accepted. Please stop by the Aquinas Center (Mon - Thurs, 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.) or Rectory Office (Mon - Thurs, 5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.) to pick up a registration form for either the Sunday or Wednesday Program. Or go to [www.stthomasaquinasbrooklyn.com](http://www.stthomasaquinasbrooklyn.com) and download a copy. First time registrants, please bring a copy of your child(ren) baptismal certificate.

**For additional information, please contact the Religious Education Office at 718-253-4404.**

### **COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND**

If you know of a parishioner who is unable to attend mass on the weekend, or are unable to attend yourself, please contact Ms. Elizabeth Mathew at 1-718-253-4404, extension 30. She will arrange a visit and then assign an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to visit on a regular basis. Homebound parishioners are very grateful to be able to receive communion in their homes. Please keep our homebound members in your prayers.

### **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

Grieving is the painful experience of loss of a loved one. One way or other many of us have experienced loss which is still fresh in our heart and mind. More times than often, we are expected to be strong, taking care of others who are grieving or suffering from illness, or other life situations. What about us? St. Thomas Aquinas bereavement ministry invite you to set aside an hour of your time for yourself. Sharing the suffering that accompanies grieving, usually assists us in realizing how typical our experience is and how much the support of others helps us in recovering from our losses. We meet on the 1st Mondays of every month at 7:00pm and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of every month at 2:30pm at Aquinas Center. 2000 Flatbush Avenue. Please use the entrance through the School yard.

Need any information please call 718 253-4404 ext. 30.

### **THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DEPAUL GIVES BACK!**

Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish schools share in the profits. For each car, truck, van, running or not. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will give back to our church \$50/\$100 per vehicle. Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor has an old or neglected vehicle in their driveway that they would like to dispose of. Call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 1-718-491-2525. Thank you for your participation.