

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, December 15, 2014

NOON Eugene Tiernan

TUESDAY, December 16, 2014

6:30am Alice & James Morrissey

NOON Grace & John Boffa

WEDNESDAY, December 17, 2014

6:30am Yvita Francois

NOON Vincent Gatens

THURSDAY, December 18, 2014

6:30am Members of the Morrissey & Kelly Families

NOON Anthony Sikorski

FRIDAY, December 19, 2014

NOON In Thanksgiving to Alex Bruno

SATURDAY, December 20, 2014

8:30am Christine Walker

5:30pm Frank Jordan

SUNDAY, December 21, 2014

8:00am Purgatorial Society, People of the Parish, Intension for Magalie Toussaint

11:30am Eugene Tiernan

5:30pm Christine Walker

REMEMBER IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The Sick: 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, Luis Loperena, Louise Brennan, Ghislaine Augustin, Ann Daroux, Joan Hafford, Diane Camacho, Sharon Morrissey, Susan & Kenneth McBride, Anthony Guida, Sandra Monkhouse, George Cetta

For those who have died:: Evans Vieux

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 & Wine— In memory of **Christine Walker** donated by Mr. & Mrs. James O'Rielly

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**

HOLY NAME SOCIETY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Holy Name Society runs a bus trip to Atlantic City on the **THIRD TUESDAY** of every month our next trip is **December 16, 2014 to Bally's**. The bus leaves from in front of the Church at **8:30am**. **The cost for this trip is \$40.00**. For more information please call Mark Evans at 917-517-1903. All are welcome.

ROSARY SOCIETY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Rosary Society of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish runs a trip to **Bally's Casino** in Atlantic City on the **FIRST THURSDAY** of every month. The bus leaves from in front of St. Thomas Aquinas Church (1550 Hendrickson St. between Flatlands Ave. and Ave. P.) at 8:30AM. The cost is **\$40.00**, which includes a bagel for breakfast and a \$30.00 bonus from the Casino. The next trip is scheduled for **Thursday, January 8, 2015** For further details or to sign up for the trip, please call Noreen at (718) 253-7824

SPECIAL REQUEST

A parishioner here at St. Thomas Aquinas Diane Camacho is in need of a new kidney. If you would like to help, please call 718-284-0704.

**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.

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. Ms. Mathew 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 3rd 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. 16



We are once again planning on taking some of our youth to World Youth Day in Poland in 2016. In order to attend the youth must be at least 16 by July 2016 and must be an active member or interested in becoming an active member of one of our parish ministries. Those youth who are interested in participating in World Youth Day are asked to see Fr. Dwayne. We are also looking for sponsors who are willing to help sponsor or part-sponsor our youth. The Youth and Young Adults who are interested must be 16-35 by the July 2016

CATHOLIC CHARITIES COLLECTION

Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio invites all to join him in this year's annual Catholic Charities collection. The collection takes place at all Christmas masses. Please return the special Catholic Charities envelope from your envelope packet with your gift. If you did not receive a printed envelope, we ask you to use your own blank envelope and mark it for "Catholic Charities." Bishop DiMarzio urges all to join in sharing God's love with families and children in need by giving generously to this year's Catholic Charities collection.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS COLLECTIONS

- **Christmas Flowers** - help us decorate the Church this Christmas through your generous donation to this collection. A complete list of all those who donate will be published in an upcoming bulletin.
- **Christmas Mass Remembrance** - your loved ones and friends will be included in our Christmas Mass Remembrance this Christmas season.
- **Christmas Gift to the Parish** - this important annual collection helps us to meet the extraordinary expenses we face at this time of year. Please be as generous as your means permit.

LIGHTING OUR WAY TO CHRISTMAS

For the past few years we have lit our way to Christmas with the lighting of candles down the center aisle of the Church during the Christmas season. This year we would like to offer this opportunity again.

From Christmas Eve through the end of the Christmas season, candles will be lit in memory of or in honor of family members or friends; a donation of \$150.00 per candle is requested. Please place this donation in an envelope marked "Christmas Candles" and drop in the collection basket. A complete list will be placed in the Christmas bulletin



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 24th
Christmas Eve Family Mass
5.30 P.M.
Midnight Mass at 12.00 A.M.

Thursday, December 25th
Christmas Day
8.00 A.M. & 11:30 A.M.

Wednesday, December 31st, New Year's
Eve
10.00-11:00 P.M. Holy Hour
11.00PM Mass of Thanksgiving

Thursday, January 1st
New Year's Day
12 Noon

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The winners of our Christmas raffles
are:

Carol McFarlane
First Prize- \$500.00

Margarette St. Louis
Second Prize-\$200.00

Kirk Walfall
Third Prize- \$100.00

Congratulations to all.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Msgr. Brown and Fr. Dwayne would like to
thank everyone who helped to make last
weekend a great success

What a great weekend. Thank you so
much to the Youth Group Core Team:
Skhy Boasi, Eugene Boasi, TJ Chin, Mary
- Cassandra Odenat, Joseph Pasqua,
Christopher Spinelli, Roseme Rodriguez,
Danny Walsh and Rosemary Walsh, for
putting on a great two day Christmas Fair
and Breakfast with Santa. A Big thank
you to all our Volunteers who gave of their
time, talent and treasure. Thank you to
the parish Staff. Thank you to all the pa-
rishioners and friends of St. Thomas Aquina-
nas who came out to support our Fair.
Thank you to all the Venders. A Big thank
you Mr. Danny Walsh, the Sacristy team
and everyone who helped to put up the
Christmas Trees and lights, they look
beautiful.

IT'S BACK

46th Annual

Msgr. King Basketball Tournament

1501 Hendrickson St. Bklyn, NY 11234 (Flatlands and Flatbush)

Friday, December 26, 2014

Bedford Academy vs James Madison H.S.....	7:15
George Westinghouse H.S vs St. Edmund Prep.....	9:00

Saturday, December 27, 2014

Mldwood H.S vs Samuel Tilden H.S.....	7:15
Don Bosco Prep vs Adams Street Academy.....	9:00

Monday, December 29, 2014

Consolation Game.....	5:30
Semi-Final.....	7:15
Semi-Final.....	9:00

Tuesday, December 30, 2014

Consolation Game.....	3:45
Consolation Game.....	5:30
Consolation Game.....	7:15
CHAMPIONSHIP.....	9:00

ADMISSION: \$10.00