MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, December 29, 2014

NOON Christmas Mass Remembrance **TUESDAY**, **December 30**, **2014**

6:30am Christmas Mass Remembrance NOON Frank Guadagno (B)

WEDNESDAY, December 31, 2014

6:30am Christmas Mass Remembrance NOON Virginia Saponaro-Nott

THURSDAY, January 1, 2015

NOON Michele Jean

FRIDAY, January 2, 2015

NOON All the Clergy of St. Thomas Aquinas

SATURDAY, January 3, 2015

8:30am The Lawless Family

5:30pm David and Flo Hamill

SUNDAY, January 4, 2015

8:00am People of the Parish, Purgatorial Society

11:30am Joseph Sr. & Joseph Jr. Boffa 5:30pm Marie Chaerubin

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, Ghislaine Augustin, Ann Daroux, Joan Hafford, Diane Camacho, Sharon Morrissey, Susan & Kenneth McBride, Anthony Guida, Sandra Monkhouse, George Cetta

For those who have died:

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 Virginia Saponaro-Nott donated by Carl Nott

Altar Candles – In memory of Virginia Saponaro-Nott donated by the Carl Nott

Sanctuary Lamp— In memory of Virginia Saponaro-Nott donated by Carl Nott

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 **January 20**, **2015** 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 <u>Bally's Casino</u> 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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES - THANKS YOU!

Bishop DiMarzio and the staff of Catholic Charities send their sincerest thanks to the parishioners of Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish for their generous contributions to the Christmas Collection for Catholic Charities. Your gifts enable Catholic Charities to continue to work with the children and families of the Diocese of Brooklyn who are in need. If you missed the special collection last week, your donation is still urgently needed to help Catholic Charities continue our special work. Donations may be mailed to:

Catholic Charities Brooklyn and Queens, Attn: Development & Communications. 191 Joralemon Street, 12th Floor Brooklyn, NY 11201

PARISH OFFICE TO BE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed from Wednesday December 24, through Monday January 5th 2015. The Parish Office will reopen on Monday January 5th at 9:00am. This is done so that all members of the parish staff can enjoy the Christmas holidays with family and friends.

COLLECTIONS

Dear Parishioners,

As of January 1, 2015 we only will be passing the collection baskets once during Mass. Please put your first collection and second collection envelopes or money in that basket. Thank you for all that you do for the parish of Saint Thomas Aquinas. May you all have a Blessed Christmas and Healthy New Year.



We are once again planning on taking some of our youth to Word 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

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION NIGHT

Students who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation during this Spring and their parents are required to attend the scheduled session on Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Aguinas Center. Please use the Midwood Catholic Academy Parking lot entrance. It is very important that you attend this session which will give important information regarding Confirmation service project, Sponsor and the names they choose to be confirmed in. We have many children in our program preparing for the Sacraments, so it will be difficult for us to answer questions by phone regarding matters discussed at the meetings. See you all on Wednesday, January 14th, at 7:00pm.

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 quarantee 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 Bert Vigueras @ bvigueras@ cruiseone.com.

Our Next Young Adult gathering will be our 2015 Kickstarter Winter Social on Saturday, January 17, 2015 after the **5:30PM Mass**

YOUTH CORNER

All youth, junior high and high school teens. St. Thomas Aguinas Youth Group meets every first, and third Friday of the month from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Aguinas 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. Our next youth group meeting will be November 21, we gather for Thanksgiving and it is gym night.

Our next youth group meeting will be on Friday, January 16, 2015, It is our GYM Night.

SAVE THE DATE

VBCC YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Saturday, January 10, 2015 At Saint Bonaventure Our key note speakers are Carlos Wallace author of the book 'Life is not complicated You Are" And Liz Faublas host our Net TV. Show "Currents"

For more information please contact one of the Youth Group Core team members

THE KING IS BACK !!!!!!

46th Annual

Msgr. King Basketball Tournament

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

1501 Hendrickson St. Day	
Friday, December 26, 2014 Friday, December 26, 2014 Bedford Academy vs James Madison H.S	
Midwood H.S vs Samuel Tilden H.S	
Don Bosco Prep vs Adams Street Academy9:00	
Monday, December 29, 2014	
Consolation Game5:30	
Semi-Final7:15	
Semi-Final 9:00	
Tuesday, December 30, 2014	
Consolation Game3:45	
Consolation Game5:30	
Consolation Game7:15	
CHAMPIONSHIP9:00	

ADMISSION: \$10.00

NEW YEARS EVE SCHEDULE

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

LIGHTING THE WAY FOR CHRIST

We are grateful to all those who made the "Lighting the Way for Christ" possible and to those who sponsored a pew candle. Please remember them in your prayers:

In memory of **Catherine J. Hayes** donated by Jim Hayes & Family



Come celebrate

the

FEAST OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

INTERNATIONAL FAMILY FOOD OF FESTIVAL



Saturday, January 31, 2015 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm Monsignor King Hall

between Avenue P & Flatlands Avenue in Brooklyn. NY

ADULTS: \$20.00 YOUTH UNDER 18 YEARS: \$5.00