

## MASS SCHEDULE

### MONDAY, May 19, 2014

NOON Lucia & Mikele Competiello

### TUESDAY, May 20, 2014

6:30am Mothers Day Mass Remembrance

NOON Thomas Toal III

### WEDNESDAY, May 21, 2014

6:30am Mothers Day Mass Remembrance

NOON Louise Woodroffe

### THURSDAY, May 22, 2014

6:30am In Thanksgiving

NOON Paul Mathew

### FRIDAY, May 23, 2014

NOON Anita Orteaga

### SATURDAY, May 24, 2014

8:30am Charles Eusebe Jean Baptiste

5:30pm Katherine Bubb

### SUNDAY, May 25, 2014

8:00am People of the Parish, Purgatorial Society, Phyllis Patrizio

11:30am Esther Serra Orengo

5:30pm Andre & Alma Valles

## 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

**For those who have died:** Carmen Ana Zambrano, Mary Notaris

**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 **Carmen Ana Zambrano** donated by the Dawson Family

**Sanctuary Lamp**— In memory of **Aida Rosas-Loperena** donated by Aida Loperena-Padilla

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Holy Name Society is sponsoring a trip to Atlantic City on **May 20, 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.

## ROSARY SOCIETY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Rosary Society is sponsoring a trip to **Showboat** in Atlantic City on **June 5th, 2014**. The bus leaves from in front of the Church at **8:30am**. For more information please call Noreen at 917-991-8362. Please leave a message. All are welcome.

## MASS BOOK IS OPEN

According to an old tradition, Catholics may offer a contribution to the Church and request an intention for a particular Mass. This custom invites the faithful into a deeper celebration of the Eucharist by uniting their sacrifice with that of Christ. It also helps to support the work of the Church. Because of this latter reason, the contribution is called a "stipend." We encourage you to remember your deceased loved ones by making an offering. You may also make an offering for the living, especially the sick, those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries, or for any particular intention.

The offering or stipend for each Mass celebrated at Saint Thomas Aquinas is \$15.00 (this stipend is determined by the Diocese of Brooklyn). There is a multi-intention Mass on Sundays at 8:00am.

## SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

Please be aware that our Summer Mass schedule that will start on Tuesday, July 1, 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

## **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)

## **XXIV KUJENGA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**

July 25-27, 2014, 2014  
(Fri. Sat. Sun.)

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception  
Huntington, Long Island

Sponsored by the Vicariate of Black  
Catholic Concerns (VBCC)  
Diocese of Brooklyn/Queens

For information, please call Father Davis  
718-253-4404 or Email: [blackcatholicconcern@diobrook.org](mailto:blackcatholicconcern@diobrook.org)

The Kujenga weekend is designed as an intensive experience of leadership training with a focus on evangelizing peers and emphasize the importance of a Christ-centered life in moral and ethical development.

A Rite of Passage Ceremony will be held for the High School Graduates of 2014

Early Bird Special Deadline -  
June 30th- \$185.00

After deadline date- \$225.00

Cost includes Transportation, room, meals  
& workshop materials

**Final Deadline July 15, 2014**

Open to Age Groups: 14 - 18 Years

A Talent Show & BBQ

## **OFFICE HOURS**

Office hours for St. Thomas Aquinas are 9am-5pm and 5pm-8:15pm. **The rectory is closed from Noon-1:00 pm., so the parish staff can have lunch.** Please conduct any business during normal office hours. All parish business will be conducted at the Rectory until further notice.

## **WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS AS AN ADULT?**

It is never too late to prepare for Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. The "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" (RCIA) is for adults who have never been baptized as well as baptized Christians who desire to receive First Eucharist and Confirmation. Now is an excellent time to inquire about the process. It is a journey of faith, tailored to the individual needs of each person. Get in touch now for information about becoming Catholic or supporting someone on the journey. Our next meetings are on Thursday June 12, at 7:00pm and Thursday June 19, at 7:pm in the rectory office. Please call the Parish Office (1-718-253-4404, extension 30) to leave your name, address and telephone number.

## **SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL GIVES BACK!**

Saint Thomas Aquinas should share in the profits. For each car, truck or van, running or not. The Society of Saint 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 have an old or neglected vehicles in their driveway that they would like to dispose of. Call the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at 1-718-491-2525. Thank you for your participation.

## **CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!**

Many of our young people graduate from colleges near and far during these weeks. May they be blessed in the paths they choose, finding productive work and ways to serve God in all they do. Congratulations!

**DO YOU HAVE A 2014 GRADUATE IN YOUR FAMILY? LET US KNOW!**

We will be recognizing this year's High School, College & Graduate School graduates from the Parish of Saint Thomas Aquinas in an upcoming bulletin. Please send us your graduate's name, the name of the Institute from which they graduated and for college grads the degree they received. We will need names by June 15th, 2014 for inclusion in a July bulletin.

**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.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION**

**Sunday Classes**

No Sunday Classes for May 18th, & 25th. Classes resumes on June 1st and ends June 8th.

**Closing Mass and Awards**

Our Religious Education Year ends with our closing Mass (and Awards Ceremony) on Sunday, June 8th for all Students in Sunday, Wednesday, and Summer Programs. Following Mass all our Religious Education families are welcomed to our annual barbecue in the Aquinas Parking Lot. Please contact the Religious Education Office for further information at 718-253-4404.

**THE CARRIBIAN –WEST INDIAN APOSTOLATE**

The Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens cordially invite you , your family and friends to:

Our 30th Annual  
Caribbean American  
Liturgical Celebration  
At

Our Lady of Miracles R.C. Church  
757 East 86th Street, Brooklyn, N.Y.  
(Glenwood Rd. & Flatlands Avenue)

On  
Sunday, June 1, 2014  
4:00pm

Principal Celebrant & Homilist  
Father Dwayne Davis