

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, September 15, 2014

NOON James & Joan Nelson

TUESDAY, September 16, 2014

6:30am Eric Henderson

NOON Altide Clerveaux

WEDNESDAY, September 17, 2014

6:30am Catherine & Patrick Mc Nicholas

NOON Thomas J. Toal III

THURSDAY, September 18, 2014

6:30am Mary Ann Blum

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FRIDAY, September 19, 2014

NOON John Ahearn

SATURDAY, September 20, 2014

8:30am Intentions of the Celebrant

5:30pm The McDougall Family

SUNDAY, September 21, 2014

8:00am Purgatorial Society, People of
The Parish, Mary Ann Blum

11:30am Sara Margotta

5:30pm Frank Jordan

NEW OFFICE HOURS

As of September 2, all parish business will be done at the RECTORY

Hours are:

Monday-Thursday

9am-12pm & 1pm-5pm

Evening 5pm-8:15pm

The Parish office is closed from Noon-1:00 pm., so the parish staff can have lunch.

9am-2pm Saturday & Sunday

The Parish office also will be open on Friday starting Sept. 5th 9am-12pm ONLY

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**

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, Luis Loperena

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 and Wine— In memory of **Michael Walby** donated by Mr. & Mrs. Tomas Hernandez

Altar Candles— In Memory of **Mary Ann Blum** donated by Paul her husband

HOLY NAME SOCIETY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Holy Name Society is sponsoring a bus trip to Atlantic City on **October 21, 2014** to **Bally's** The bus leaves from in front of the Church at **8:30am**. For more information please call Bill or Dorothy at 1-718-377-4061. All are welcome.

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.

Our Next Youth Group Night will be our GYM Night on Friday, September 19 in the GYM from 6:30-8:30PM

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.

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 next Young Adult Night will be on Saturday, October 4th after the 5:30PM Mass. It will be our game night

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. You need to have your Baptism and First Holy Communion certificates. Please remember one needs to be fully initiated to be a Godparent for Baptism or Sponsor for confirmation.

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. 16.

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 and download a copy. First time registrants, please bring a copy of your child(ren) baptismal certificate.

Registration fee is \$100.00 per child and \$50.00 for each additional child. Classes are held on Wednesday afternoons 4:00-5:30 pm and Sunday mornings 10:00am- 12:30 pm including 11:30 am Mass.

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. You will be helped to get trained to do this ministry.

Class Starts on Sunday, September 21st and Wednesday, September 24th. Please parents register your child as soon as possible so that we can prepare appropriate material for them.

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

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO SHARE YOUR FAITH WITH OTHERS?

Faith is the best gift one can share with others. Our parish is in need of those who are willing to spare two hours a week to share their faith with the young people of our parish. If you would like to be enriched in your faith by sharing it, please call the Office of Faith Formation at 718 253- 4404. Ext. 16 Those who are involved in this ministry say "it is the most rewarding ministry!"

Our program offers the opportunity for children from KG-8th Grade to know God and deepen their relationship with God. We are in need of Catechists, and helpers and assistants in this ministry.

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

For the next two weekends, the parish will be having Music Ministry sign up. Please see Mr. Jim Millen, the Music Director, at the organ, after any weekend Mass or take and fill out a sheet in the rear of the church. Thank you and God bless you.



S.T.A. SPORTS NEWS

Basketball Registration will take place on Saturday's in September from 9:30am to 12pm for CYO travel, intramural and clinic play. Also the Monsignor King Basketball Tournament is making a comeback this December. For further information visit our website at www.stasports.org

TACHS PREPARATION PROGRAM

A six week TACHS PREPARATION PROGRAM will be offered at Saint Saviour High School beginning Saturday September 20th. Parents of students who entering the 8th grade may call the following number for further information: 914-771-8577

ROSARY FOR LIFE

Monday, October 20, 2014-7:30P.M.
Rosary for Life, Inc invites you to join them for their Annual Anniversary con-celebrated Mass at Good Shepherd Church, 1950 Batchelder Street, Brooklyn, NY 11229.

Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano, Bishop of Bridgeport, CT will be the main Celebrant & Homilist. The Rosary will proceed the Mass at 7:00 P.M. and enrollment in the Brown Scapular will follow. Parking available. For more information, call Rosary For Life, Inc at 718-377-6920

VIRTUS CLASS

Father Dwayne Davis will be having a one time virtus class on Saturday September 20th, in the Aquinas Center, at 10:00am.

TRIDUUM

There will be a Triduum In Honor of St. Padre Pio at St. Edmunds Church, 1902 Avenue T September 21st, 22nd and 23rd at 7:30pm. For more information call-718-743-0102

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 during September and October at 7PM in St. Thomas Aquinas Church. The Bible Study will be led by Fr. Dwayne Davis. All are welcome, so invite a friend and bring your Bible. We are reading the Gospel of Luke. Please note that Bible Study is offered only once on Tuesday nights only.