

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, July 17, 2017

9:00am Eugenie Elizabeth Bebe

TUESDAY, July 18, 2017

9:00am Elisa Saulino

WEDNESDAY, July 19, 2017

9:00am Eileen Doherty &
Rev Gary Rogers

THURSDAY, July 20, 2017

9:00am Eleanor Forde

FRIDAY, July 21, 2017

9:00am George Sankey

SATURDAY, July 22, 2017

9:00am Msgr. John Brown

5:30pm James Mahaney

SUNDAY, July 23, 2017

8:00am People of the parish, Purgatorial
Society, Eugenie & Theodor
Silma, Dr. Vijay Anand,

11:30am Jackie Carroll & Irene Vero

5:30pm Mary & Eugene Tiernan

Sick: Rosaline Peiters, Annette Petti, Monroe Okola, Ed Rossnagel, Paul Peridon Sr., Isidro Padilla, Ann Dormody, Jean Chenet, Rosemary Podesta, Louis Cardiello Martin Ewald, Anthony Boffa, Ellen Lahane, Julien Dolisca, Frank Incorvaia, Patricia Farrow Chin, Jim Polloicino, Patricia Watson, Ingrid Velinskie, Grace Lipani, Carissa 'Alba, Kimberly Palmo, Edwin Walsh, Dorothy Lasher, Isidoros Binikos, Dr Vijay Anand, Carol Melo

For those who have died: Nancy Kastner, Patricia Strossner, Marie, Wielandt, Mary Cahalan, Jean Raymond Chennel

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Altar Bread and Wine, Sanctuary Lamp & Altar Candles— In memory of **Msgr. John J. Brown** donated by the Staff of Saint Thomas Aquinas Church

Those in the Armed Services—in these difficult times, let us lift up in prayer for our brave men and women who fight for our freedom all over the world. May God bless them and keep them safe.

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM FR. DWAYNE

In order to give letters of recommendation, letters attesting to character, sponsor certificates, and other documents that may have legal or religious purposed, it is required that persons requesting those documents.

Be registered and be active members of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish (Parishioners with envelopes for at least 6 months) We cannot give any of these documents to persons not register in the parish

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,
We seem to be having a problem with children playing in the water feature in the back of the rectory, by our St. Francis Statue. We have had this fixed twice already and it has cost the parish close to \$1000.00 dollars. Just to state a few things about that pond.

- In November when the gardener comes to close down the system he puts anti-freeze in water feature so the pipes do not freeze. We **DO NOT** put in clean water during the summer. We just add to the feature, so the children are playing with water mixed with anti-freeze.
- All activity that goes on in the back of the rectory is video taped so make sure you say cheese for the camera.

Parents, please, it is understood that it is hot out but your children are not to be playing in this area.

FAITH FORMATION CORNER

Registration for Faith Formation Classes is now ongoing. Our classes will be held on Sundays. If your child is 6 years or older, please come in and register them, so that the child can be prepared to receive Holy communion with their age group. Please stop by the rectory located at (1550 Hendrickson St.) Monday– Friday 9:15am-11:15am or Monday—Thursday 1:30pm-7:30pm. Please bring your child's baptism certificate and your registration fee (\$100). If you are transferring your child from another Faith Formation program, a transfer letter or proof of attendance in that parish's' Faith Formation program.

Parent of children with Special Needs: St. Thomas Aquinas has classes for special needs children. Please call the rectory office so we can discuss the matter and place the child according to his or her needs.

Adults: If you have been baptized and have not received the sacrament of initiation or Holy Communion, please call the rectory so you can receive the appropriate information. If you have received Holy Communion and have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation, please consider doing so, and call the rectory for more information. If you or someone you know who would be interested in becoming a Catholic, please call 718– 253-4404.

FAITH FORMATION

Our Faith Formation Program 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.

BEREAVEMENT SESSIONS

There will not be any bereavement sessions during the months of July, August and September. However if you need to meet and talk on an individual basis, please do not hesitate to call the rectory at 718-253-4404

KNITTING AND CROCHETING AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Please join parishioners and friends at St. Thomas Aquinas for free classes in Knitting and Crocheting. Knitting and Crocheting supplies will be on sale. Classes are on Saturday, at 10:00 am in the St. Thomas Aquinas Center. Please call or Text Mary-Cassandra Odenat at 917-922-3312 to indicate your interest in attending the classes.

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

Please be aware that our Summer Mass schedule that will start on Monday **July 3, 2017 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

OFFICE HOURS

Please be aware of the rectory office hours:

**Monday—Thursday
9am-12pm & 1pm-8pm
Friday- 9am– 12pm
Saturday & Sunday -9am-2pm
Please conduct all parish business during these office hours only**

HELP KEEP YOUR PARISH UP TO DATE!

Summer is time for moving for many families. If you are new to our parish, please register at the Parish Office. If you have a new address or are moving from the parish, please contact the Parish Office as well. We would appreciate it!

SUMMER ENVELOPES

We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail or deliver your weekly envelopes to the Parish Office while you are out-of-town on vacation this summer. As many of you understand, our parish expenses and obligations do not take a vacation when you do, so it is very helpful to be able to rely on your continued support even when you cannot personally attend Mass here.

MY CAR WENT TO HEAVEN!

For each car, truck or van, running or not, the Society of Saint Vincent DePaul will give back to our parish \$50/\$100 per each vehicle donated. If you, 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 Saint Vincent DePaul at 1-718-491-2525. All donated cars are tax deductible

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 Fr. Clifford at 1-718-253-4404. Fr. Clifford 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.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Looking for a volunteer to work the SUMMA gift shop . Please contact :
Joe Costillo for details (718) 377-1293

The Intension of the Mass

The intension of the Mass is the most precious Gift we can give for Our Beloved ones who are departed. We also have Mass Cards that you can give to your friends and family for their Birthdays, illness, or a special intention. The Mass is truly unique special gift.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

A Memorial gifts is another way you can honor a loved one who has died. Altar Bread and Wine, Altar Candles and the Sanctuary Lamp. Each one is \$25.00 for the week.

MASS BOOK—2017

The weekday Mass Book for the months of July, August, September, October, November & December 2017 is open.

The Masses for the weekends are also available.

The Mass Stipend for each Mass is \$15.00 and must be presented when making the arrangements. Please be aware that we cannot make arrangements for masses over the phone. For those who cannot come to the Rectory you can mail your request and donation to the Rectory Office and we will try to accommodate your request.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our 50/50 winner for the month of June, Lydia Reid. We had 90 people who participated so the winner received \$450.00. Our next drawing is August 5, 2017 at the 11:30am Mass. Good Luck to all!

ROSARY SOCIETY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Rosary Society of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish runs a trip to **Resorts 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, August 3, 2017** For further details or to sign up for the trip, please call Noreen at (718) 253-7824