

# St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

Founded 1885

Flatlands, Brooklyn  
www.stthomasaquinasbrooklyn.com  
1550 Hendrickson Street, Brooklyn, NY 11234

## Pastoral Staff

Fr. Dwayne D. Davis  
**Pastor**

Fr. Alex Olszewski  
**Parochial Vicar**

Msgr. John Boyle  
**In Residence**

Mrs. Mary-Cassandra Odenat  
**Director of Faith Formation**

Mr. Jeremy Laguerre  
**Music Director**

Ms. Tatiana Jones  
**Youth Ministry**

Aaron Mindanao  
**Digital Ministry**



## Mass Times

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday Noon

### WEEKEND MASS

Saturday 8:30 AM

5:30PM Vigil Mass

Sunday 8:00AM, 11:30AM &  
5:30PM

### LIVE BROADCAST OF OUR MASSES

We are continuing to livestream our Sunday 11:30am Mass on YouTube at: stabrooklyn, facebook@stabrooklyn or our website

stthomasaquinasbrooklyn.com. also livestream our Noon weekday Mass on Facebook and our website.

## Parish Office-Rectory

718-253-4404

718-253-4405

Fax 718-338-7757

### Emergencies Only

917-732-3349

## Rectory Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday

9:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Friday 9:00AM to 2:00PM

Saturday

9:00AM to 2:00PM

## We welcome you to Celebrate the Sacraments

**Baptism:** Baptisms are celebrated on the last Sunday of the month, except for December and January. Please contact the parish Office for further information (at least one month in advance) to set an appointment with one of the priests.

**Reconciliation:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance) is celebrated each Wednesday following the Noon Mass and on Saturdays from 4pm-5pm. There are also seasonal Penance Services.

**Marriage:** Please call the Parish Office at least six months prior to the desired date of your wedding.

## We Welcome You To Pray With The Parish

**Divine Mercy-**Mondays following Noon Mass.

**Miraculous Medal Novena-** Saturday after the 8:30 Mass.

**Eucharistic Adoration-** Following the Noon Mass

**Rosary-** Daily at 11:30am.

**Prayer Group-** Thursday 7:30pm in church

**Bereavement-** 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month

### Parish Membership

New members are graciously welcomed to Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

### Sports Program

Our mission here at Saint Thomas Aquinas is to provide for the children of our Parish and Community the opportunity to learn the skills of Basketball/Soccer in an enjoyable and safe environment. The history of youth sports associated with Saint Thomas Aquinas has always had a tremendous impact on the young boys and girls in this neighborhood. For more information please visit our website: stasports.org.

**Midwood Catholic Academy-** Located at 1501 Hendrickson Street, Brooklyn, NY 11234. Midwood Catholic Academy offers a faith filled environment and academic excellence. For more information on registration please call 1-718-377-1800 or visit their website at www.midwoodcatholicacademy.org

### Parish Mission Statement

We, the people of Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish, Flatlands, Brooklyn, are a multicultural community: invigorate to respond to the call of Jesus under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Consistent with the tradition of the Catholic Church, we are:

- United in worshipping the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit by serving Him through serving one another.
- Devoted to unity within the Body of Christ, supporting and promoting one another to live the message of the Gospel through the celebration of the sacraments.
- Committed to the Church community that fosters evangelism, service, hospitality, stewardship and a need for genuine unity and belonging

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

### **MONDAY, January 2, 2023**

Noon Ann & Jerry Dormody  
Requested by Maureen Shields

### **TUESDAY, January 3, 2023**

Noon Olga Hicks  
Requested by Marjorie Thompson

### **WEDNESDAY, January 4, 2023**

Noon Christmas Mass Remembrance

### **THURSDAY, January 5, 2023**

Noon Christmas Mass Remembrance

### **FRIDAY, January 6, 2023**

Noon Sacred Heart of Jesus

### **SATURDAY, January 7, 2023**

8:30am Christmas Mass Remembrance

5:30pm Marylu Collins

Requested by Maryann Dean

### **SUNDAY, January 8, 2023**

8:00am People of the Parish, Purgatorial  
Society, Nerva Victor

Requested by Nicole Victor

11:30am Virginia Desantis

5:30pm St. Thomas Aquinas Priests

## **THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

Sick: Louis A Loperena, Cynthia Carlson

## **DECEASED**

With great sadness, we are announcing  
the passing of:

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 here and abroad. May God  
bless them and keep them safe .

*Happy New Year*

## **RECTORY CLOSED**

St. Thomas Aquinas Rectory will be  
closed from December 24, 2022– Janu-  
ary 2, 2023. The rectory will reopen on  
January 3, 2023 at 9:00am. Have a very  
Merry Christmas and a Blessed New  
Year

## **LIVE BROADCAST OF OUR MASSES**

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## **RCIA**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Are  
you a baptized Catholic who wishes to  
receive the  
Sacraments of First Communion and  
Confirmation? Call the Rectory Office to  
speak with Fr. Dwayne, or Mary-  
Cassandra, The Director of Faith for-  
mation.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2022-2023**

Religious Education for the 2022-2023  
year is currently underway. Please con-  
tact the Rectory for more information.

## **COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND**

If you know a parishioner who is unable  
to attend mass on the weekend, or are  
unable to attend yourself, please contact  
the rectory to arrange 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.

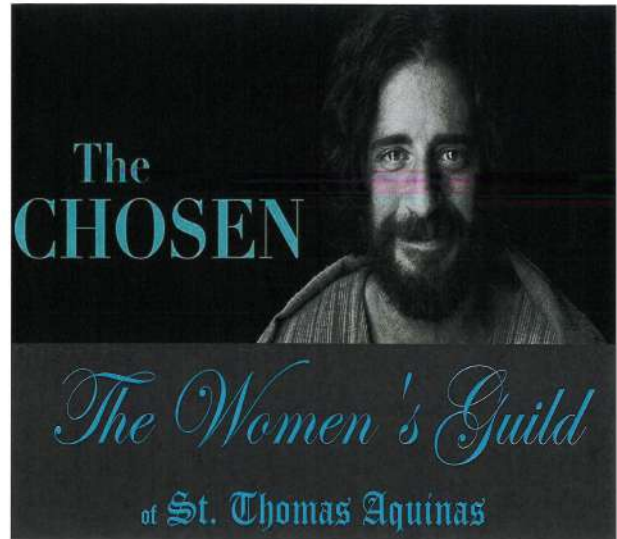
## **SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS MEMORIAL GIFTS**

Each week you can memorialize some-  
one with the gift of Altar Candles,  
Sanctuary Lamp, Altar Bread & Wine &  
Altar Flowers.

## 2022 CONTRIBUTIONS

All contributions to your 2022 commitment to Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish received by December 31st, 2022, will be recorded on your 2022 statement that you will be receiving no later than January 31st, 2023. Any contribution received after December 31st, 2022 will be credited to your contributions for 2023

Thank you for your continued generosity to the Parish of Saint Thomas Aquinas. Please be advised that we can only send out letters to parishioners who use their envelopes, we are unable to substantiate cash placed in the collection basket. Throughout the year a few parishioners place checks in the collection basket instead of using their parish envelopes; please know that these checks have not been recorded in our parish data program and your end of the year statement will not reflect these contributions.



invites you to a presentation of the "The CHOSEN", the multi-Season Series about the Life of Jesus Christ.

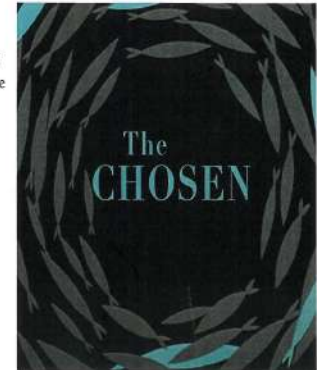
Two episodes will be presented

"The Shepherd": The Story of the Birth of Jesus, as told through the eyes of some local shepherds  
Season 1, Episode 1:  
"I have called you by name"

When: Sunday January 15<sup>th</sup>  
immediately following the 11:30<sup>am</sup> Mass

Where: The Parish Center

The Dumb Ox Café will be open  
Refreshments Available for purchase



Pilgrimage to  
**EGYPT**

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**Mardi Gras Masquerade**

The WYD Young Adults are hosting a  
Mardi Gras Masquerade  
on Saturday, February 18, 2023 at 6:30pm  
St. Thomas Aquinas Msgr. King Hall  
Tickets are \$40 per person

Join us for a fun night before we enter into our Lenten Season.  
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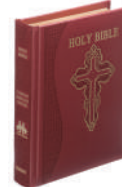
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