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
Mrs. Mary-Cassandra Odenat
Director of Faith Formation
Mr. Jeremy Laguerre
Music Director
Brandon Morel
Director of Youth Evangelization

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 **stthomasaquinasbroolyn.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 & 4th Wednesday of every month 6:30pm

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, August 26, 2024
Noon Fr. Norman Fischer
Requested by S.T.A.
TUESDAY, August 27, 2024
Noon Fr. Peter Gillen
Requested by S.T.A.
WEDNESDAY, August 28, 2024
Noon Deceased members of the Murphy Family
Requested by Rosemary Kraemer
THURSDAY, August 29, 2024
Noon Jack & Betty Worst
FRIDAY, August 30, 2024
Noon Albert D. Ayee
Requested by Juliette Ayee
SATURDAY, August 31, 2024
8:30am S.T.A. Sick List
5:30pm Peter J. & Thomas Langone
Requested by Marie Langone
SUNDAY, September 1, 2024
8:00am People of the Parish, Purgatorial Society, Samuel Rodriguez, Marie Ortalano, & Frank Garafola
Requested by Marie Langone
11:30am Lalin Rose Jean-Baptiste
Requested by Mainville & Jean– Baptiste
5:30pm Virgil Frank
Requested by Olivia Ali

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Sick: Louis A Loperena, Doreen Jennings, Daryl Charles Winkler, Anthony Rapisarda, Joseph Saccente, Cindy Rabinowitz, Ingrid Jennings, Maria Elba-Ruiz, Babette Orlich, Kerri Anne, Thomas Shine, Golda Critchhow, Greta Salcedo, Virginia Lauriello, Peter Hickey, Janice Robertson

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

GRIEFSHARE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

For anyone 18 and over who is grieving the loss of a loved one, our support group will meet on Wednesdays, September 11th through December 11th from 6:30 – 8 :00 p.m. in the rectory. Register at Griefshare.org or contact the rectory at 718-253-4404 for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our St. Thomas Aquinas Religious Education Program for the 2024-25 School Year begins with Orientation on Sunday, September 15, 2024, at 9:30 am in the school building.
Registration is currently underway. Please visit the Rectory Office during office hours to register.

MASS ATTENDANCE

August 17, 2024
5:30pm-87 Parishioners
August 18, 2024
8:00am–81 Parishioners
August 18, 2024
11:30am-187 Parishioners
August 18, 2024
5:30pm– 130 Parishioners

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

VBCC Ambassadors Praise Prayer Breakfast

Theme:

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you"

Acts 1:8

Guest Speaker: Fr. Matthew Ragbir

Praise Music: People of Praise

Saturday September 7th

From 10AM-1PM

St. Bonaventure

11458 170th St, Queens, NY 11434

Tickets: **$30** before 8/31 **$40** after 8/31

West Indian & American Food

This is an event you don't want to miss. Bring your bible and a friend!!!

All Proceeds will go to the VBCC Ambassador Program

Contact vbccambassadors@gmail.com or 718-253-4404

St. Thomas Aquinas & Our Lady Help of Christians

Back to School Jamboree

Calling all young people of our parish

Sunday, September 22nd

11:30AM Mass

Followed by open GYM–

Ice Cream Social and Refreshments

Anyone under 14 must be accompanied by an adult

This is a great way to learn about the different opportunities our parish has for families and young people

Prizes and Entertainment!

3rd Annual

Lydia Reid Women's Retreat

Sponsored by The Women's Guild of STA & OLHC

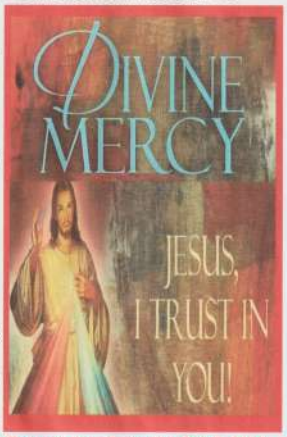
The Women's Guild invites all women to a Retreat. Spend time with your fellow lady parishioners. Relax, leave your worries behind, and have a Heavenly Experience.

A time to hear how others express their experiences of faith, trust in God, and living a daily life of being a Catholic.

The Theme of this year's retreat is **Divine Mercy** in honor of the feast of St. Faustina.

Holy Hour Friday Oct. 4, 2024 at STA church. Doors open at 6:30 PM. Services begin at 7PM

Reflection by Sister Mary Jane on "Salt of the Earth"



Retreat day- Saturday Oct 5, 2024

8:30 AM – 4PM

We will begin with Mass at 8:30, then gather at the Parish Center to listen to our 2 witness' accounts of faith, with time for group discussions and reflection.

Our Witnesses are:
Josephine Cachia, Former Director of Charismatic Renewal
Barbara Rogus, Coordinator of Divine Mercy

Breakfast and Lunch will be served

For further information contact Rosemary @ 347-276-2512

Fr. Josh's 30th Priestly Anniversary

Our Lady Help of Christians

Saturday, September 21th

5pm Mass

followed by a reception

RSVP to the rectory is a must by Sept 12

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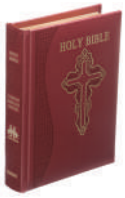

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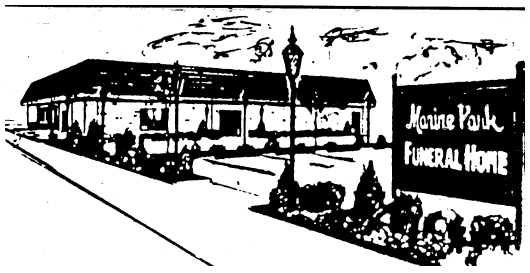
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