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 4:30-5pm. 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– Every Wednesday from 6:30pm –8pm

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, December 23, 2024
Noon Margaret Rampersad, Brian Charles Khan & Kellin Cheerangie Requested by Family
TUESDAY, December 24, 2024
Noon Joseph Marcellino Requested by Jim Marcellino
12:00am Christmas Mass Remembrance
WEDNESDAY, December 25, 2024
8:00am Christmas Mass Remembrance
11:30am Christmas Mass Remembrance
THURSDAY, December 26, 2024
Noon Christmas Mass Remembrance
FRIDAY, December 27, 2024
Noon Christmas Mass Remembrance
SATURDAY, December 28, 2024
8:30am Christmas Mass Remembrance
5:30pm Angela Colasuonno
SUNDAY, December 29, 2024
8:00am People of the Parish, Purgatorial Society Ertha Lima (B)
11:30am Virginia Desantis Request by Family
5:30pm Christmas Mass Remembrance

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

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

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

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

RECTORY HOURS

Please be advised that the rectory office is **Closed** between the hours of 12pm-1pm Monday thru Friday

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Altar Bread and Wine– Anne & John Cortese donated by Family

SUMMA GIFT SHOP

The Suma Gift shop is ready for the Advent/ Christmas Season. Advent wreaths, candles and calendars are available, as well as various Christmas ornaments and stocking stuffers. Come and see

GRIEF SHARING

Our next session of GriefShare begins January 8, 2025...every Wednesday at 6:30pm for 12 weeks. Please sign up on GriefShare.org or call the rectory at 718-253-4404

RECTORY CLOSED

St. Thomas Aquinas Rectory & Our Lady Help of Christians will be closed from Tuesday December 24, 2024– Wednesday January 1, 2025. The rectory will reopen on Thursday January 2, 2025 at 9:00am.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS & OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
YOUTH GROUP
JANUARY2025
FRIDAY, JAN. 3RD MIXED MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL
FRIDAY, JAN. 10TH HIGH SCHOOL ONLY
FRIDAY, JAN. 17TH MIDDLE SCHOOL ONLY
ALSO JOIN US FOR YOUTH SUNDAY ON JANUARY 12TH IN THE DUMB OX CAFE AFTER 11:30 AM Mass
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Fr. Michael Davidson, S.J.
Fr. Norman Fischer (posthumously)
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Deacon Ernest F. Hart
Gargiulo's
2911 W 15th St
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NOTE: Journal ads are $200
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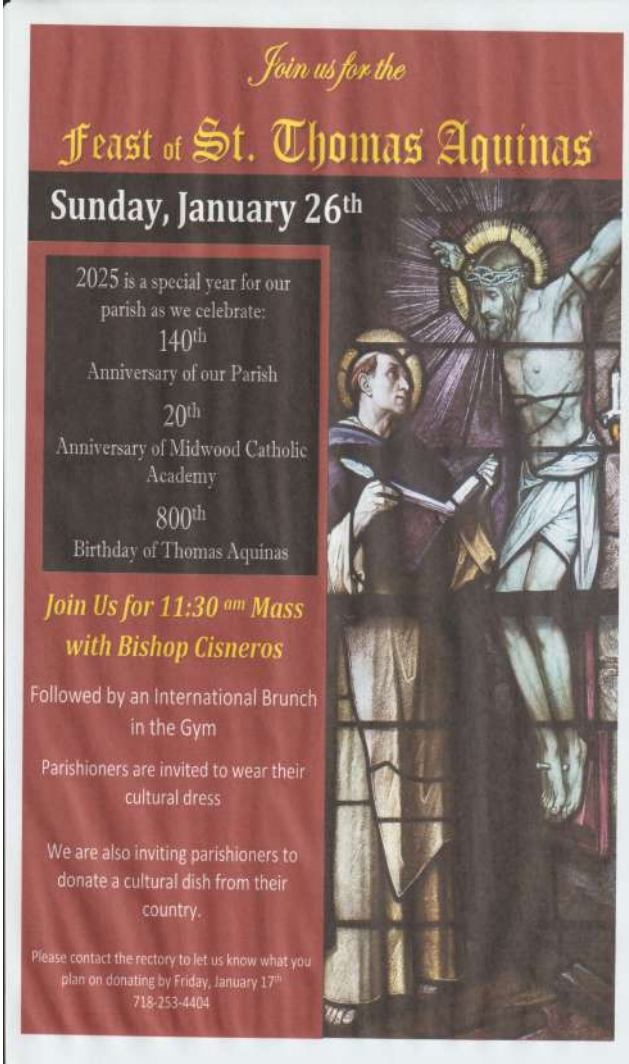
Join us for the
Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas
Sunday, January 26th
2025 is a special year for our parish as we celebrate:
140th
Anniversary of our Parish
20th
Anniversary of Midwood Catholic Academy
800th
Birthday of Thomas Aquinas
Join Us for 11:30 am Mass with Bishop Cisneros
Followed by an International Brunch in the Gym
Parishioners are invited to wear their cultural dress
We are also inviting parishioners to donate a cultural dish from their country.
Please contact the rectory to let us know what you plan on donating by Friday, January 17th
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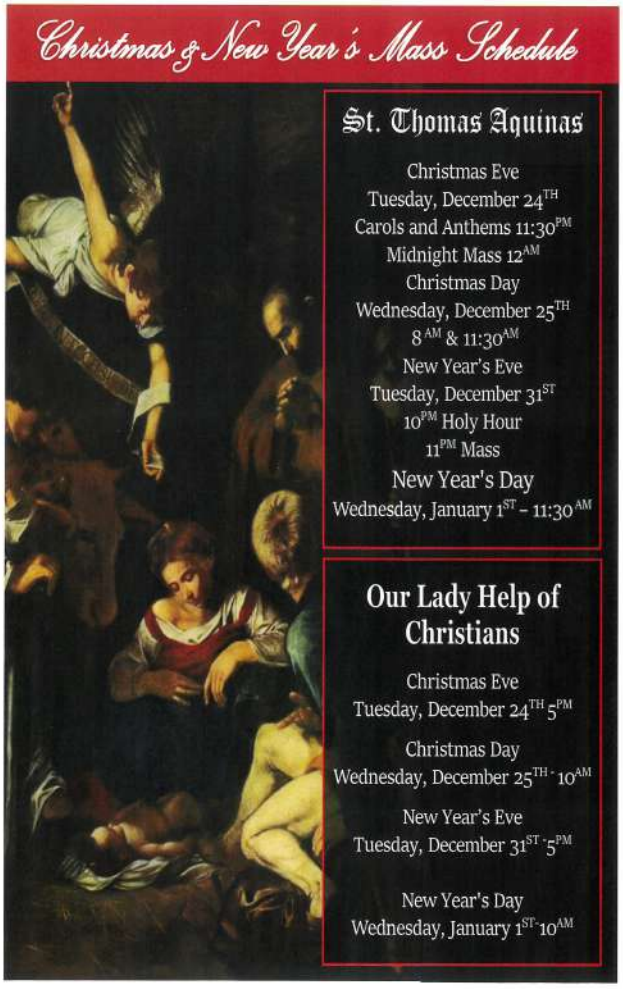
Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule
St. Thomas Aquinas
Christmas Eve
Tuesday, December 24TH
Carols and Anthems 11:30PM
Midnight Mass 12AM
Christmas Day
Wednesday, December 25TH
8 AM & 11:30AM
New Year's Eve
Tuesday, December 31ST
10PM Holy Hour
11PM Mass
New Year's Day
Wednesday, January 1ST – 11:30 AM
Our Lady Help of Christians
Christmas Eve
Tuesday, December 24TH 5PM
Christmas Day
Wednesday, December 25TH - 10AM
New Year's Eve
Tuesday, December 31ST - 5PM
New Year's Day
Wednesday, January 1ST- 10AM

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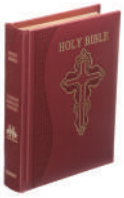

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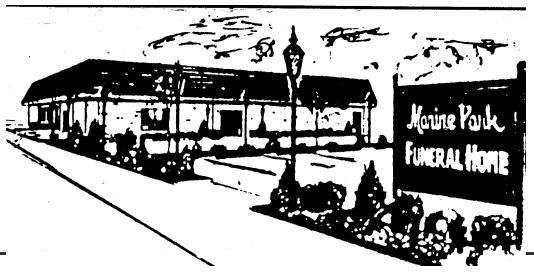
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