

# Our Lady of Grace

*"A Family Tradition"*



## Our Mission Statement

*The Parish of Our Lady of Grace, Gravesend, as a family of faith motivated by love for God welcomes all to join us as we worship in the Roman Catholic tradition. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we strive to form ourselves and our children in the love and truths taught by our Savior Jesus Christ, and to instill a deep respect for all that God, our Father, has created. We willingly share our time, talents, and treasure through diverse ministries in the service of others.*

**Our Lady of Grace R.C. Church**  
430 Avenue W - Brooklyn, NY 11223  
Rectory Office 627-2020

### **Pastor**

Rev. Thomas F. Leach

### **Pastor Emeritus**

Rev. Dominick F. Cutrone

### **Associate**

Rev. Edward A. Cassar

### **Permanent Deacon**

Deacon Philip J. Siani

### **School Principal**

Ms. Joan McMaster  
School Office - 375-2081

### **Director of Faith Formation**

Ms. Phyllis Niwinski

### **Director of Youth Ministry**

Ms. Barbara Dattilo

**Faith Formation Office - 375-0404**

### **Coordinator of Pastoral Services**

Ms. Annette Bonvino  
Office - 375-0668

### **Director of Music Ministries**

Mr. Edward Radonic  
Office 627-2020

*Visit our homepage on the internet  
at [www.ologchurch.com](http://www.ologchurch.com)*

## *Schedule of Masses (July & August)*

### **Sundays:**

<b>Vigil Mass - Saturday</b>	5:00 P.M.
<b>Sunday</b>	8:30 A.M. (Bi-Lingual)
	10:15 A.M.
	11:45 A.M.

**Monday through Saturday 8:00 A.M.**

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)**

Saturday 3:45 to 4:45 P.M.

Private Confessions in the Rectory by appointment

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

2nd and 4th Sundays of the Month at 2:00 P.M. Register at the Rectory for Baptism and Class (bring birth certificate)

### **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

Please make arrangements with a priest at least six months before the wedding date.

### **SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Contact the Rectory to make arrangements for the Sacrament of Anointing. Please contact the Pastoral Ministry Office to arrange for home visitation and Communion.

### **ADORATION CHAPEL**

Chapel is open from 6:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.—entrance is on East 4th St.

### **PARISH MEMBERSHIP**

We **WELCOME** new members to our parish and those who wish to return to the church. Please register at the rectory or complete a Parish Information Card that is available in rear of the church and give it to an usher.

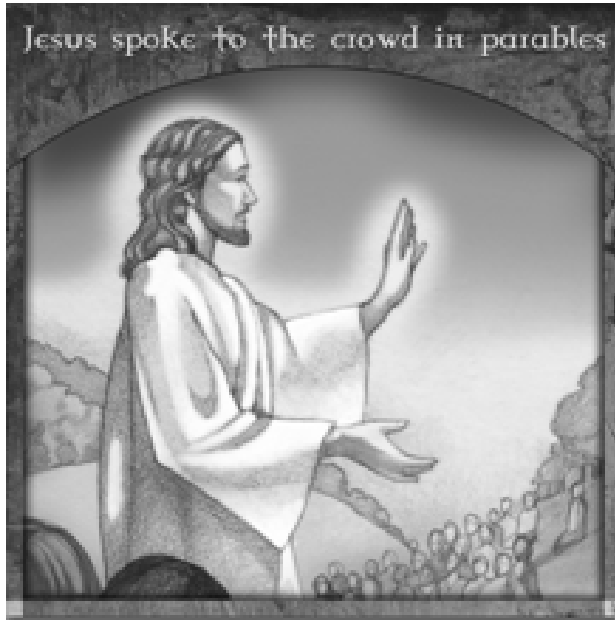
### **CONSULTATION**

Priests are available by appointment. Please call the rectory.

### **Rectory Office Hours:**

<b>Monday - Friday</b>	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon, 1:00 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon, 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Our Lady of Grace Parish in the Brooklyn East Vicariate is a member of the Cluster of Neighboring Parishes  
Guardian Angel - Most Precious Blood - Saint Mark / Saint Margaret Mary - Our Lady of Solace



# Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011

*Those who are just must be kind.*

*– Wisdom 12:19*

## Wine and Hosts



The gifts of Wine and Hosts for the Masses the week of July 17<sup>th</sup> to July 23<sup>rd</sup> are offered in memory of *Alexander Michael Fargo Jr.* requested by his wife, children, and grandchildren.

## Sanctuary Lamp



The Sanctuary Lamp Candle for the week of July 17<sup>th</sup> to July 23<sup>rd</sup> is offered in memory of *The Firreno Family*

## Altar & Chapel Candles



- Week of July 17<sup>th</sup> to July 23<sup>rd</sup> -

The Altar Candles have been donated in memory of *Albert Speranza* requested by his wife  
The Chapel Candles have been donated in memory of *Alexander Fargo* requested by Betty Pellicano

## American Flag



Our American Flag for the week of July 17<sup>th</sup> to July 23<sup>rd</sup> will be flown in memory of *Joseph Sheha* and in honor of *SGT. Brian Diego* requested by Mary & Justine Sheha

## Altar Flowers



-Weekend of July 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> -

Both Baskets of Flowers have been donated in memory of our grandmother, *Irene Passaro* requested by Robert Joseph Florist

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK AND IN NEED OF PRAYER:** *Teresa McQuade, Carol Fitzsimmons, Angela Frontera, Raphael Gonzales, Karen Pelliccio, Ann Hanson, Mae Martucci, Tawin Graf, Edward Smith, Phyllis Cremato*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:**  
*Grace Capezzano*

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

#### SATURDAY – July 16<sup>th</sup>

5:00pm Raffaele Persechino

#### SUNDAY – July 17<sup>th</sup> *Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30am In Honor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

10:15am Louis Abate

11:45am Millie Lombardi, Tina Soru, Horacio Soto,  
Irene Denaro, Rose C. Grigioni

#### MONDAY – July 18<sup>th</sup>

8:00am People of the Parish

#### TUESDAY – July 19<sup>th</sup>

8:00am Josephine & Anthony Geloso

#### WEDNESDAY – July 20<sup>th</sup>

8:00am Purgatorial Society

#### THURSDAY – July 21<sup>st</sup>

8:00am Michael J. Spadaro

#### FRIDAY – July 22<sup>nd</sup>

8:00am Biagio Luberto

#### SATURDAY – July 23<sup>rd</sup>

8:00am Marianna & Luigi Conte

11:00am Caterina Deserio (Missa Cantata)

5:00pm Joseph Bonavita & Kenneth Valentino

#### SUNDAY – July 24<sup>th</sup> *Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30am Rosary Society

10:15am Rose, Joseph, & John Simone

11:45am John Susino

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

1<sup>st</sup> Collection: \$4,546 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection (*Missions*): \$1,456

**GOOD SEEDS**

Today Jesus continues to speak to his followers using parables. What a rich treasure we are given today in three parables about the kingdom of heaven! The kingdom is likened to a man sowing good seed in his field, a mustard seed, and yeast mixed with flour. As they did last week, today the disciples press Jesus for an interpretation of one of the parables—the parable of the man sowing good seed. Lest we think that these parables are simply amusing little anecdotes, Jesus’ interpretation should be seen for what it is—a warning. Wailing and grinding of teeth in a fiery furnace await those who are children of the evil one. This parable points to the struggle for today’s believer. Sometimes, through sin, we sow weeds and prevent the love of Christ from blossoming. Let today’s Gospel help put us back on track. Let us recommit ourselves to prepare for the last days, the harvest, by blossoming as the good seeds we were created in love to be.

*Our American Flag Memorial*



*Remember your loved ones, living or deceased, with our American Flag, which is located on the lawn outside the church. The flag can be flown in memory or in honor of someone or some group (even if they’re not military) for one week. This is especially appropriate for VFW’s, Scouts, NYPD, NYFD, EMS, etc. The donation is \$25. Call the Rectory for information: 627-2020*

**Thank You from our Knights**

The Knights of Columbus, Council 7236, wish to thank all who participated in our Annual Brooklyn Cyclone baseball ticket raffle. The 1<sup>st</sup> Prize winner was Dominick Milano, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize winner was Michael Gabriel DeCanio (who invited his grandma to go with him). Thank you to the Gravesend Athletic Association for donating the baseball tickets for the raffle. Have a healthy and safe summer. Gabe DeCanio PGK, Chairman.

*Pilgrimage to China*

“Discover the XXI Century” is organizing a pilgrimage to China from October 12<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this year. For more information, contact their office at 212-244-4778 or visit their website: [www.Discovering21Century.com](http://www.Discovering21Century.com)

**A Message from the Pastor**



Dear Parishioners,

Jesus’ parables, as homey as they are, are still disturbing to us. The God he describes does not operate the way we do.

You and I would be very quick to uproot the weeds that had invaded our good wheat. We have little patience for sinful people in our Church. The weed (“darnel” or “tares”) involved in the story is poisonous, but looks so much like wheat that it cannot be distinguished until very late in the growth process, when the roots are intertwined.

Lest the good wheat be uprooted along with the weeds, God asks us to endure and await his judgment. While our God provides the time for repentance and conversion of heart, he asks us to practice a God-like patience and refrain from rash judgment. He assures us that, despite the presence of evil, even within the Church, his Kingdom will come.

In Christ Jesus,  
*Father Tom Leach*

**Registration for the R.C.I.A.**

Do you know an adult who has never received the sacrament of first holy communion and/or confirmation? Has anyone ever expressed to you the desire to become a Catholic? Invite him or her to take part in this year’s R.C.I.A. process.

We prepare adults for first sacraments on Monday evenings from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in the Rectory during the summer for the sessions that will begin on **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**.

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Now you can shop and help your parish at the same time. Now when you shop on the Internet, log on to [www.igive.com](http://www.igive.com) and identify Our Lady of Grace Church as your charity. Make your purchases from **680** brand name stores like Lands End, Barnes & Noble, Home Depot, Toys R Us, Target, Staples, Best Buy, and a percentage of your transaction will be credited to Our Lady of Grace.

## Pastoral Ministry

### **BEREAVEMENT GROUP . . . .**

Members of our Bereavement Group are particularly sensitive to the needs of others in the group. The loss of a loved one is overwhelming and agonizing. The experience of listening to another person sharing his or her grief helps one to look beyond himself, which is consoling and healing. Won't you let us help? There is no registration fee and all are welcome.

The Bereavement Group meets every other Wednesday at 7:30pm in the convent. Please call 718-375-0668 for the next meeting date.

### **THRIFT SHOP . . . .**

We thank you for remembering the **Thrift Shop** with donations of clothing and housewares. Donations may be brought to the convent any weekday morning. The shop is open on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8am-11:30am.

### **PRAYER GROUP . . . .**

The prayer group meets in the Rectory Meeting Room at 8pm on Tuesdays. All are welcome!

### **Our cupboards are bare!**

Old Mother Hubbard went to her cupboard and found that the city had cut their deliveries again! Please help us stock our food pantry in this time of need. We can use the following items: peanut butter, jelly, cereal, tuna, packaged snacks for children, macaroni/cheese, spaghetti sauce. Donations may be brought to the Pastoral Ministry office any weekday morning or left in church after any of the weekday or weekend masses. Thank you and may God bless you for your kindness and generosity.

### **FONTBONNE HALL ACADEMY CHEER WITH THE CHAMPIONS**

*Open to girls in grades 4 through 8  
August 8<sup>th</sup> through August 12<sup>th</sup>  
9am to 3pm*

*Price: \$200 per camper.  
If interested, please contact  
Anne Rafferty at 718-748-2244*

## School News

Our Lady of Grace School will be offering Summer School Tutoring. 30 hour Summer School Program. Private Tutoring and Small Group Tutoring. June 28<sup>th</sup> to July 28<sup>th</sup>. Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm

Our Lady of Grace School will be offering our Toddler Time program for 1, 2 and 3 year olds every Tuesday during the month of July from 10:30am - 11:30am. Please call the school office for more information.

### **School Office Summer Hours**

June 22 to June 30 – 8:00 am – 2:00pm  
July 5 to August 25 – Tues & Thurs: 9:00am – 12:00noon  
August 29 – September 1 – 8:00 am – 2:30pm

If there is no answer please call Rectory at 718-627-2020 for day/hour changes due to vacation. If there is an emergency you can call the Rectory and they will be able to reach the school administration.

## *75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary News*

**Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio** will be here to celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, at 10:15am. The Reception will follow at *Russo's on the Bay* from 12:30 to 5:30pm. Tickets are \$125.00 and can be obtained at rectory.

If you need a ride after mass to the 75th anniversary celebration at *Russo's on the Bay*, and are not already part of another group that has arranged transportation, please leave your name and phone number at the rectory and someone will call you back.

You can submit your photos for the Anniversary CD before September 1<sup>st</sup>. Please include the name/s of person/s in photos, the events, and dates of the events. Photos will be returned upon request.

The Anniversary Committee is currently recruiting sponsors for various aspects of the celebration. If you are interested in sponsorship, please call Mary Ann for details - 718-376-8294.

Please remember to submit your ad for our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Journal. Forms are available at the rear of the church and at the rectory.



# COVER SHEET

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