

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

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at www.ologchurch.com*

Schedule of Masses

Sundays:

Vigil Mass - Saturday 5:00 P.M.
Sunday 7:30 A.M. , 9:00 A.M. (Italian)
10:15 A.M. (Family) ,
11:45 A.M. (Choir), 6:30 P.M.

Monday through Friday 7:30 A.M. , 8:45 A.M.
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:

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



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 23rd, 2011

*“You shall love the Lord, your God,
with all your heart, with all your soul,
and with all your mind.”*

– Matthew 22:37

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY – October 22nd

5:00pm Linda Nacinovich and Joseph & Ann Gagliano

SUNDAY – October 23rd *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30am Marzia Racanati

9:00am Rosary Society

10:15am Menotti Morini

11:45am Tina Soru, Conrad Berardi, Joanne Valentino,
Carmela Scimè, Steven Kirchenbaum

6:30pm Michael Benedetto

MONDAY – October 24th

7:30am People of Parish

8:45am Michael Minchilli

TUESDAY – October 25th

7:30am Ada Tafuri

8:45am Thomas Acquaro

WEDNESDAY – October 26th

7:30am Purgatorial Society

8:45am Living & Deceased Members of Homeless Ministry

THURSDAY – October 27th

7:30am Emma DiGioia

8:45am Mary & Dominic Turturro

FRIDAY – October 28th

7:30am Cemplito Filippo

8:45am Tina Soru

SATURDAY – October 29th

8:00am Rose & Frank Basile

5:00pm Geraldine DeRiso

SUNDAY – October 30th *Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30am Antoinetta Camporale

9:00am Lucia Vincidomine

10:15am Lena Cristallo

11:45am Dominic & Mary Milano

6:30pm Elliot Adam Santiago, Joseph Principato,
Josephine Bisogno (12th Anniv), Raffaele Minetti



Wine and Hosts

The gifts of Wine and Hosts for the Masses the week of October 23rd to October 29th are offered in memory of *Clara Oliviero* requested by Liz, Jean, & Rose

Sanctuary Lamp



The Sanctuary Lamp Candle for the week of October 23rd to October 29th is offered in memory of *Marianna Concepción* requested by the Concepción Family

Altar & Chapel Candles



- Week of October 23rd to October 29th -
The Altar Candles have been donated in memory of *John DeLillo Sr. & Anthony DeLillo* requested by Frances, John, & Connie DeLillo

The Chapel Candles have been donated in memory of *John & Marie Minsquero* requested by Marie & Danny DeLuca

American Flag



Our American Flag for the week of October 23rd to October 29th will be flown in memory of *Members of the United States Armed Forces*

Altar Flowers



-Weekend of October 29th / 30th -
Both Baskets of Flowers have been donated in memory of *All Souls*

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

1st Collection: \$5,382 2nd Collection: \$632

Please pray for those who are sick and in need of prayer:
Florence Laufbaum, Teresa D'Lellia, Cornelius Kelleher, Donald Fitzsimmons, Frank Duffy, Kevin Bryant Morgan, Angela Soranno, Concetta Favara

Please pray for the deceased: Raffaele Minetti

THE NEW TRANSLATION OF THE MASS

New Words in the Communion and Concluding Rites

On the First Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2011, Catholic parishes in the United States will begin praying the texts of the Mass using a new English translation of *The Roman Missal*. This week, we conclude our survey of some of the changes in the words and phrases that we will pray.

The priest invites us to come forward to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord by calling us to the “supper of the Lamb” and we will respond: “Lord, I am not worthy / that you should enter under my roof, / but only say the word / and my soul shall be healed.” This calls to mind the Gospel story of Jesus healing the centurion’s servant (Matthew 8:8).

When we are blessed and dismissed from the Mass to continue living our Christian mission, we recall the presence of the Spirit one more time in the dialogue “The Lord be with you.” “And with your spirit.” The priest or deacon will have two new options for the dismissal: “Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord” or “Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.” Our response—at Mass and each day—is “Thanks be to God!”

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Our annual Christmas Fair will be held the weekend of November 18th. If anyone wants to be a vendor or knows of someone, please call Paul at 718-336-2220 or Marv Ann at 718-376-8294

CYAC HALLOWEEN DANCE

The Catholic Young Adults will be having their **Spooktacular Dance** on Saturday, October 29th at St. Bernard Auditorium located at East 69th Street & Avenue U in Brooklyn from 8:30pm to 1am for singles ages 25 to 49. There will be a DJ, continuous dancing, munchies, coffee, desert, sodas, door prizes and a great time to be had by all! Tickets are \$25 at the door, \$20 in advance. For information call Lou/718-376-2441 or Mary Ann/718-376-8294 or Michael/718-209-8241.

75th Anniversary Memorabilia

75th Anniversary DVD’s are available for ten dollars and the drawing of the church is available for five dollars. You can purchase these items at the Rectory during office hours.

A Message



**from the
Pastor**

Dear Parishioners,

I often hear it said that “love” has become a very soft, almost meaningless word, and that the Gospels are rather vague when they speak about Christ’s command to love one’s neighbor.

If you believe that, read Matthew 5 (“love your enemy”, “turn the other cheek”), or look at today’s reading from Exodus 22, which demands care for strangers, widows, orphans, and the poor, those who are without any support. We are not to charge interest or take as a pledge someone’s only covering. Moreover, whatever we do or fail to do for those in need is reckoned as our treatment of Christ himself (Matthew 25).

No, Christian love is very specific; it manifests itself in our response to the needy person who crosses our path.

In the Good Shepherd,
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. Candidates for the Rite of Initiation should register at the Rectory. Sessions began on **October 3rd**.

TEEN NEWS

- World Youth Day -

October 23rd is designated **World Youth Day**. The Teen Group of Our Lady of Grace asks that you please pray for all youth throughout the world, that they may always see things clearly through the light of Christ and that they may always have hope and know that God travels with them on all their journeys.

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!

Winter Wear Needed for the Homeless

With the cold weather coming soon, we have been receiving requests from the homeless for warm clothing. If you have any extra jackets or sweaters that are clean and still usable, please bring them to our Pastoral Ministry Office any weekday morning. Please label your donation "for the homeless". Thank You.

Thank You

We wish to thank Teresa Cascio for running the pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima in Washington, New Jersey. A donation of \$300 was made to Our Lady of Grace Church. Thank you Teresa!

REDUCED FARE METRO CARDS

The Metro Card Mobile Staff will be at Assemblyman William Colton's office on Friday, October 28th from 10am to 12noon to assist senior citizens (65+) and people with disabilities in obtaining their Reduced Fare Metro Cards. The office is located at 155 Kings Highway between West 12th and West 13th Streets. Tel: 718-236-1598.

School News

Toddler Time will now be held on Wednesdays from 10:00 – 11:00. The first class will begin on October 19. Please contact the school office for more information – 718-375-2081.

Our World's Finest Chocolate Drive has begun. Contact the school office if you wish to buy some chocolate.

VOCATIONS

Our parish community needs to pray and work together to encourage and foster a culture of vocation. As a parish family, we should be "vocation conscious". Our Vocation Committee shares information about various Catholic vocations. We meet periodically to discuss ways that we can support the members of our parish who have been called by our Lord to the religious life or who are considering serving in religious life. The Committee is looking for people who would like to join us to share ideas and suggestions that will promote vocations in our parish. Please consider joining this committee. Call Phyllis Niwinski at 718-375-0404.

Our Lady of Grace YOUTH CHOIR

Application forms for the Youth Choir were distributed to all the children in Our Lady of Grace School and the Faith Formation Program. The choir sings at the 10:15am Family Mass on Sundays and rehearses on Mondays from 4pm to 5pm and is open to children in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades from any school. If you have a child who is interested and you have not received an application, speak to Ed Radonic, our organist, after any of the Sunday Masses or call the office at 718-627-2020.

+ Pray for Vocations +