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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. Catherine of Genoa parish, “Home of Faith Away From Home”, is to carry out evangelization, to help each and everyone to know and live God’s love in faith and hope, according to the teaching of the Catholic Church.

OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sundays & Holidays by appointment only.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor - Rev. Raphael Munday Kukana

Parochial Vicar - Rev. Peter Mawusi

Secretary - Mrs. Bernadette Johannes

Director of Religious Education - Ms. Agnes Mills

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EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Weekends: Saturday: 5:00 PM (*English*)

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM (*English*)

1:00 PM (*French & Kreyol*),

5:00 PM (*Twi*)

Weekdays: Monday-Saturday 9:00 AM

Holy Days: 9:00 AM & 7:30 PM (*English-French*)

Catholic Cemeteries: for information and availability
please call (718) 894-4888.

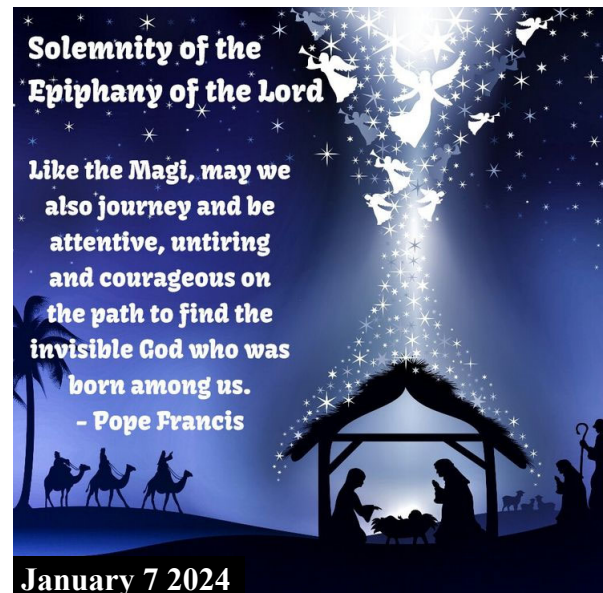
PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Catholics should be officially registered in a Parish. Call the Rectory to register and use the offering envelopes as a sign of your commitment.

PARISH WEBSITE:

<https://stcatherinegenoabrooklyn.com>

See what’s new and get the information you may need.



SACRAMENTS: are celebrations of the faith community. It is important that our members be registered and participate fully and regularly in the sacramental life of the parish.

R.C.I.A. is the Adult Preparation for Sacraments. For more information please call the Rectory (718) 282-7162.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (**CONFESSION**) Saturday at 4:00 PM or by Appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Marriage arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please contact the rectory for complete information about marriage preparation in the Diocese.

BAPTISM: is celebrated every 3rd Saturday of the month at 2:30 PM. Baptism Class is offered on the 2nd Saturday of the month for parents and godparents in the rectory basement at 12 Noon. Please call the rectory to register for baptism.

January 07, 2024 - The Epiphany of the Lord - Year B



SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

9:00 AM Ms. Dina Hernandez (d)
 5:00 PM Consuelo Tomlinson (d) — Friends of St. Catherine

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

8:00 AM B.B. Wendy Saunders
 8:00 AM Special Intention for Stephen — Agnes Roberts
 8:00 AM Consuelo Tomlinson (d) — Friends of St. Catherine
 11:00 AM B.B. Strength, healing & for favors received—
 Gwendoline Griffith
 11:00 AM B.B. Cherwyne Desrosier
 1:00 PM B.B. Rudolphe Matthieu — Marie Marthe Aubry
 1:00 PM Action de graces — Yverose Theodore & famille
 1:00 PM B'day remembrance Rose Lovinsky
 5:00 PM

MONDAY, JANUARY 8 — The Baptism of the Lord

9:00 AM Healing Colin Palmer — Jeanette King

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

9:00 AM Thomas Fitzgerald (d)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

9:00 AM B.B. Fresner Aimé — Annese Aimé & children

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

9:00 AM Thomas Fitzgerald (d)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

9:00 AM Dr. Bernadette Egede (d)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

9:00 AM Msgr. John F. Casey (d)
 5:00 PM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

8:00 AM
 11:00 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
 1:00 PM B.B. Fresner Aimé — Annese Aimé & children
 1:00 PM B'day remembrance Guillaume Celariste (d) —
 Yverose Theodore Dupont
 5:00 PM

Christian Giving



Mass	#	December 30th & 31st		Amount \$
Saturday	33	5:00 PM	ENGLISH	683.00
Sunday	60	8:00 AM	ENGLISH	755.00
	57	11:00 AM	ENGLISH	644.00
	58	1:00 PM	KREYOL	696.00
	125	10:00 PM	Tri-Lingual	1,600.00
			Mail-In	1,038.00
TOTAL	333			\$5,416.00

Please remember that our parish needs your weekly support. **Our weekly expenses goal is \$5,432.00.** You may mail-in, give online or drop-off your contributions at the rectory. Thank you for your generous support.

SANCTUARY LAMP

burns this week in memory of



- ◆ Jade Smith
- ◆ Consuelo Tomlinson
- ◆ Catherine Boroughs



O Come Let Us Adore Him

**1st WEEK
 IN
 ORDINARY TIME**

Sunday *The Epiphany of the Lord*: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Monday *The Baptism of the Lord*: Is 55:1-11 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; (Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4bcd; Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; (Ps) 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8; Mk 1:21-28 or 1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 25-26; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday *St. Hilary, Bishop, Dr. of the Church*:
 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17

Next Week: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

MEMORIAL TREE OF LIFE



Memorialize your loved one (s) in our Tree of Life

Inscription reads: “ *In loving memory of* (name of loved one)
donated by (person/family/organization/society).

Donations for the various items:

Leaf (\$500). Acorns (\$750), Stones (\$850) or mini-tree (\$1000).

Payments can be made in installments.

Please call or stop by the office to make your reservation.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Sunday

- 10:00 AM Rosary Society - Jan 7
- 10:00 AM Grenadian Society - Jan 7
- 3:00 PM French Legion of Mary - Weekly
- 3:00 PM Christian Mothers - Jan 14
- 6:30 PM Ghanaian Gentlemen’s Club - (Rect. Bsm’t, Jan 21)

Thursday

- 10:30 AM **PANTRY** - Jan 11 & 25
 - 8:00 PM HOLY HOUR – Church**
- Pope Francis has designated this year to Parish Eucharistic Revival. Come recover a sense of awe and adoration before the Eucharist, adore Jesus’ real presence.

Friday

- 7:00 PM French Choir – Church

Saturday

- 10:00 AM Girl Scouts – Weekly Meeting
- 5:00 PM St. Theresa of the Child Jesus – Jan 27
- 6:30 PM United Ghanaian Assn. – (Rect. Bsm’t) Jan 13

UPCOMING EVENTS

1. The second collection today is for Diocesan Mission . Next Sunday, the second collection will be for our parish hall funds. Thank you for your generosity!
2. **All Parish Groups** are to **submit their 2024 Meeting dates and times** to the parish office.
3. **Soon to Begin & More Details to Follow!!!**
 - i) **Hospitality Sunday**, once a month parishioners can meet and share a cup of tea or coffee and socialize.
 - ii) **Monthly Healing Mass**, beginning next month with the World Day of the sick, our parish will have a monthly healing Mass.

Sponsorship of Poinsettias

Thank you to all the parishioners who sponsored a plant for the Christmas Season.

Please pray for the sick

Kofi; Cloudel Aimé; George Aimé;
Kwame Adu-Sarpong; Thomas Asante; Alice Baffoe;
Elzire Barosy; Reynold Bishop; Ralene Caton;
Medel Chavanne; Rose Crouch; Albertha Debrostomas;
Lydia Desarmes; Marie Carmelle Desire;
Elizabeth Donkor; Wilma Dufresne;
Margaret Agyeman Dumfeh; Leila Felix;
Stephanie Frank; Lorna Fyffe; Ann Marie Gay;
Margaret Goddard; Delroy Green; Patricia Griffith;
Jaylan Henry; Roselaure Jean; Renata Jordan;
Okang Kaskazi; Alice Laguerre; Lincoln Laguerre;
Reginald Laroche; Jocelin Mangurat;
Catherine McQueen; Mercy Marboah Mensah;
Ermance Marcenat; Viviane Paccaud;
Colin Palmer; April Pearce; Bernard Pearce;
Jennifer Perce; Lyonel Pearce; Travis Pearce;
Eunice Quashie; Elwyn Quirk; Marlon Roberts;
Roswell St. Talbord; Kerby Theodore; Joyce Thomas;
Marjorie Thomas; Taj Thomas; Kayla & Kaylee Uwuigbe
and Amy Wiles.

PARISH REGISTRATION

All parishioners are encouraged to register. We are only able to give recommendations to those who are registered for at least **6 MONTHS**. Please register (or update your information if you have recently moved or gotten married) with the form below. Place the form in the collection basket or drop off at the rectory. We will send you weekly collection envelopes every two months.

Family Name: _____

Head of Household: _____

Spouse: _____

Address: _____

Apartment# _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

New Registration Moving Out of the Parish

Change of Name: _____

New Address: _____

Apartment # _____ Zip Code: _____



Girl Scouts meet at
St. Catherine of Genoa
on **Saturdays at 10am in**
the newly renovated
Parish Hall.

MEETINGS ON SATURDAYS

Please contact Mrs. Alistine Aikins at
(718) 346-1923.

Ages :Girls Kindergarten to 12th grade.

BISHOP'S PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

*(Composed by
The Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan)*

Almighty God, we turn to you at this hour with all our hearts. Hear our prayer as we ask for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life to serve your Church in Brooklyn and Queens.

May we always have the ministers we need to stand at Your Altars, administer Your Sacraments, and lead Your people on the path to Heaven.

We pray that we will always be attentive to Your Call and that if today we hear Your Voice, we may not harden our hearts; rather, that we have the courage to respond with generosity. *Amen*

**VOCATION OFFICE
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN
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Rev. Chris Bethge, Vocation Director**



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From the Pastor's Desk



My dear parishioners,

The universal Church celebrates today the Epiphany of the Lord. The word "Epiphany" means manifestation of the Son of God. Jesus Christ, our Lord, is born in Bethlehem and now he is revealed to all the nations on earth. God has made him known to the world as our King and our Savior. All the nations are represented by the magi who came from the East to pay their homage to the newborn King. The magi were guided by the star as they asked, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage" (Mat. 2:2). The Lord Jesus is our guiding star, leading us to God. Like the magi, we should trust the Lord, our morning star, and follow wherever he leads us.

The magi did not come empty handed. They brought gifts: gold as a sign of the kingship of Jesus, frankincense as a sign of the high priesthood of Jesus, and myrrh as an anticipation of the death of our Lord Jesus Christ (myrrh was also used to prepare the body for burial). The Lord Jesus is inviting us to him as he attracted the magi. We should offer him, not gold or frankincense or myrrh, but rather our lives. St. Paul says, "I urge you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship" (Rom. 12:1). It means that our bodies should become an offering of sweet fragrance to God by the example of our faith.

With this new year 2024, let us take the resolution like the magi, not to return to our old ways, but to be transformed through the grace of God into new creatures, and to walk in the newness of life with Christ. Happy New Year to all!

God bless you always.

Fr. Raphael Munday
Pastor



**Annual Catholic
Appeal 2023**
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

**United in Communion
United in Charity**

Parish Goal: \$46,139.00

Pledged: 48,405.00 Paid: \$38,605.00

*We thank everyone who responded to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal. THIS IS THE FINAL WEEKEND to submit and **complete your 2023 Pledge Payment.***

*Please use one of the ACA envelopes at the front of the church. **One time donations are welcomed.***

No amount is too small.

Not receiving your envelopes??

Many envelopes are being returned to the church by the post office even though the addresses are correct.

Please check the back of the Church if you have not received your contribution envelopes.

SPONSORSHIP OF CHAIRS & TABLES

We thank those who have already provided monetary donations towards the purchase of Chairs and Tables for our Parish Hall.

Parishioners who would like to sponsor a chair or table are invited to do so.

Donation: Chair \$50

Table \$175

SACREMENTS : Les sacrements sont des célébrations de la communauté de foi. Il est important que nos membres soient inscrits pour participer pleinement et régulièrement à la vie sacramentelle de la paroisse.

R.C.I.A. est la préparation des adultes aux sacrements. Pour plus d'informations, veuillez appeler le Presbytère.

SACREMENT DE RECONCILIATION :

Samedi à 16h00 ou sur Rendez-vous.

SACREMENT DE MARIAGE :

Les dispositions relatives au mariage doivent être prises au moins six mois avant la date du mariage. Veuillez contacter le presbytère pour des informations complètes sur la préparation au mariage dans le diocèse.

PARRAINAGE DU MOIS DE JANVIER

Vous êtes invités à parrainer du pain et du vin pour la messe, des nappes d'autel et le fleurs pour décorer les autels.

Merci à tous.



Commémorez vos proches et participez aux activités financières de la paroisse. Chaque don de **feuilles \$500**. Le paiement peut être effectué en plusieurs tranches.

Inscrit « *À la tendre mémoire de* (nom d'un être cher) *donné par* (personne/famille/organisation/société).

Le cout pour les articles de spécialité **Glands (\$750)**, **Pierres (\$850)** ou **mini-arbre (\$1000)**.

Aidez-nous à faire pousser notre arbre. Il y reste beaucoup d'opportunités pour participer à cette activité spéciale !



Le 30 & 31 Décembre

\$ 5,416.00

La Quête

N'oubliez pas que notre paroisse a besoin de votre soutien hebdomadaire. Notre objectif hebdomadaire est de **\$5,432.00**. Vous pouvez envoyer par la poste, donner en ligne ou déposer au presbytère. Merci pour votre générosité.

L'Épiphanie du Seigneur – Année B

Chers frères et sœurs,

L'Église Universelle célèbre aujourd'hui l'Épiphanie du Seigneur. Le mot « Épiphanie » signifie manifestation du Fils de Dieu. Le Seigneur Jésus Christ, né à Bethléhem, est révélé à toutes les nations de la terre. Dieu l'a révélé au monde comme notre Roi et Sauveur. Toutes les nations sont représentées par les mages qui sont venus de l'Orient pour rendre hommage au nouveau roi qui vient de naître. Les mages étaient guidés par l'étoile et se demandaient : « Où est le roi des Juifs qui vient de naître ? Nous avons vu son étoile à l'orient et nous sommes venus nous prosterner devant lui » (Mat. 2 :2). Le Seigneur Jésus est notre étoile qui nous guide à Dieu. Comme les mages, nous devons avoir confiance au Seigneur, notre étoile du matin, et le suivre où il nous guide.

Les mages ne sont pas venus mains vides. Ils ont apporté leurs dons : de l'or comme signe de la royauté de Jésus, de l'encens comme signe de la prêtrise de Jésus, et de la myrrhe comme anticipation de la mort de notre Seigneur Jésus Christ (parce que la myrrhe était aussi utilisée pour préparer le corps pour l'enterrement). Le Seigneur Jésus nous invite à lui comme il avait attiré les mages. Nous devons lui offrir, non pas de l'or, ni de l'encens, encore moins de la myrrhe, mais plutôt nos vies. St. Paul dit : « Je vous exhorte donc, frères, par la tendresse de Dieu, à lui présenter votre corps – votre personne tout entière –, en sacrifice vivant, saint, capable de plaire à Dieu : c'est là, pour vous, la juste manière de lui rendre un culte » (Rom. 12 :1). Cela signifie que notre corps -et tout notre être- doit devenir une offrande agréable à Dieu par l'exemple de notre foi.

Avec la nouvelle année 2024 qui vient de commencer, prenons la résolution comme les mages de ne pas retourner dans nos vieilles habitudes, mais plutôt d'être transformés par la grâce de Dieu en créatures nouvelles, et de marcher dans la nouveauté de la vie avec le Christ. Bonne Année à tous ! Que Dieu vous bénisse.

Père Raphaël Munday
Curé