



# Saint Catherine of Genoa R. C. Church

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ST. CATHERINE OF GENOA~ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC ACADEMY  
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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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## EUCCHARISTIC 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 14, 2024 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B**



**SATURDAY, JANUARY 13**

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

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 14**

8:00 AM Elizabeth George — family  
8:00 AM Carlroy Brizan (d) — Laurel Jordan & family  
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 Ghanaian Apostolate

**MONDAY, JANUARY 15**

9:00 AM Sibylla Schmitt & family — Msgr. Kevin B. Noone

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 16**

9:00 AM Dn. James Ramos (d)

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17**

9:00 AM Dn. Lester Warner (d)

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 18**

9:00 AM Mr/Mrs. L'Occident Lemaire (d) & deceased  
relatives — Rev. Gerald Dumont

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 19**

9:00 AM Mrs. Chong-lm Lee (d)

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 20**

9:00 AM  
5:00 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 21**

8:00 AM Carlroy Brizan (d) — the Jordan family  
11:00 AM  
1:00 PM In honor and Thanksgiving to Our Lady of  
Altagracia — Fresner Aimé  
1:00 PM François Danois Desormeau — family  
5:00 PM Ghanaian Apostolate

**Sponsorship of Poinsettias**

Thank you for sponsoring a plant that helped make our church a beautiful place of worship during the Christmas Season.

Christian Giving



Mass	#	January 6th & 7th		Amount \$
Saturday	20	5:00 PM	ENGLISH	254.00
Sunday	48	8:00 AM	ENGLISH	1,079.00
	53	11:00 AM	ENGLISH	584.00
	49	1:00 PM	KREYOL	407.00
	40	5:00 PM	TWI	1,074.00
			Mail-In	200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>210</b>			<b>\$3,598.00</b>

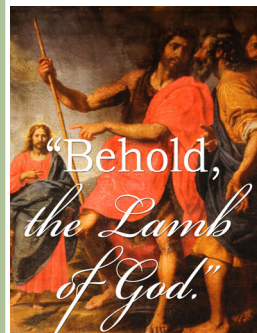
Please remember that our parish needs your weekly support. **Our weekly expenses goal is \$5,432.00.** You may mail-in, give online or drop-off your contributions at the rectory. Thank you for your generous support.

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

*burns this week in memory of*



- ◆ Jade Smith
- ◆ Catherine Boroughs



**SECOND WEEK  
IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42  
Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22  
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28  
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1-2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6  
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-14; Mk 3:7-12  
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19  
Saturday *St. Fabian, Pope, Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr:*  
2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12; 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21  
**Next Week: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

# 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 -
- 10:00 AM Grenadian Society -
- 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 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



1. The second collection today is for Diocesan Mission. 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 Feb 11, our parish will have a monthly healing Mass.

4. **Sight & Sound reservation book to see Daniel is open**, please reserve your seat. Payment can be made in installments. **All payment is to be completed by May 5th, 2024.** Shows are sold out we will only have one bus.

5. Please call the rectory to request your 2023 Tax Letter.

## Please pray for the sick

- Kofi; Cloude Aimé; George Aimé;  
Kwame Adu-Sarpong; Thomas Asante; Alice Baffoe;  
Elzire Barosy; Reynold Bishop; Vilma Bryan;  
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; Veronica Passeur; 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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  
TEL: 718.827.2454 \*\* FAX: 718.827.2167  
Rev. Chris Bethge, Vocation Director**



### **NATIONAL KIDNEY REGISTRY**

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**Arliss Peters**

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### From the Pastor's Desk



My dear parishioners,

We have begun the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. During this liturgical season, we will meditate on the public ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is about the proclamation of the Kingdom of God through different teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ, and through the many miracles that the Lord performs for all those who come to him in need.

In today's Gospel, we see that the Lord Jesus begins his public ministry, after receiving baptism in the Jordan river, by calling his first disciples. The Gospel of John mentions Andrew as the first called, then his brother Peter. Andrew was a disciple of John the Baptist and one of the two who followed Christ, when John the Baptist pointed out to Jesus as "the Lamb of God" (John 1:36).

This detail is different from what we read in the Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke), in which Andrew and Peter were fishermen and were called directly by the Lord by the sea of Galilee. But the call of the first disciples in this Sunday's Gospel teaches us a great deal of lesson for our own Christian vocation. First, Andrew follows the Lord Jesus and spends the day with him. Then, Andrew invites his brother to come and meet Jesus, because "they have found the Messiah" (John 1:41). We too have encountered the Lord Jesus since the day of our baptism, and the Lord has called us by name to follow him. Like Andrew, discipleship requires us to spend time with the Lord.

It is only by spending time with the Lord in prayer and listening to him through meditation of the Word of God and receiving his grace through the sacraments that we can grow in our faith. And our faith leads us to action. One of the actions is not to keep our faith to ourselves, but rather to share it with others. When Andrew left the company of the Lord Jesus, he went and shared the Good News with his brother Simon. And Simon also became an Apostle, receiving the new name of Peter. Our responsibility is also to share the Good News with others and to invite them to "come and see" what the Lord Jesus can do for them.

We know some people, perhaps in our own families, who have drifted away from the Church and from the practice of the faith. These are the ones we need to invite, so that they may also encounter the Lord and spend time with him in prayer or in the sharing of the Word of God. Let us take to heart this discipleship commitment for the salvation of all. God bless you always.

*Fr. Raphael Munday*



**Annual Catholic  
Appeal 2023**  
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

**United in Communion  
United in Charity**

**Parish Goal: \$46,139.00**

**Pledged: 52,255.00    Paid: \$42,355.00**

The 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal has officially ended. We thank everyone who responded and completed their pledge payments.

*We pray for your continued support and generosity in the upcoming 2024 Appeal.*

***Called to Communion, Participation & Mission.***

## 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 \$150**

**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 6 & 7 Janvier

**\$ 3,598.00**

**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.

## 2e Dimanche du Temps Ordinaire – Année B

Chers frères et sœurs,

Nous avons commencé la nouvelle saison liturgique que nous appelons le Temps Ordinaire. Pendant ce nouveau temps liturgique, nous allons méditer sur le ministère public de notre Seigneur Jésus Christ. Cela concerne la proclamation du Royaume de Dieu à travers les différents enseignements de notre Seigneur Jésus Christ, et à travers les miracles qu'il opère chez ceux qui viennent à lui dans leur besoin.

Dans l'évangile de ce Dimanche, nous voyons que le Seigneur Jésus commence son ministère public, après avoir reçu le baptême dans le Jourdain, en appelant les premiers disciples. L'évangile de Jean se réfère à André comme le premier appelé, et après lui, son frère Pierre. André était le disciple de Jean-Baptiste et l'un de deux qui ont suivi Jésus lorsque Jean-Baptiste l'a identifié comme "l'Agneau de Dieu" (Jean 1:36). Ce détail est différent de ce que nous lisons dans les évangiles synoptiques (Matthieu, Marc et Luc), dans lesquelles André et Pierre étaient des pécheurs et étaient appelés directement par le Seigneur sur la mer de Galilée.

Mais l'appel des premiers disciples dans l'évangile de ce Dimanche nous enseigne des leçons précieuses dans notre vocation Chrétienne. D'abord, André suit le Seigneur et passe la journée en sa compagnie. Après cela, André invite son frère de venir rencontrer le Seigneur Jésus, parce qu' "ils ont trouvé le Messie" (Jean 1:41). Nous aussi, nous avons rencontré le Seigneur depuis le jour de notre baptême, et le Seigneur nous a appelés par notre nom à le suivre.

Comme André, être disciple demande que nous passions le temps en compagnie du Seigneur. C'est seulement en étant en compagnie du Seigneur dans la prière et dans l'écoute du Seigneur par la méditation de la Parole de Dieu et en recevant sa grâce par les sacrements, que nous pouvons grandir dans la foi. Et notre foi nous amène à l'action. Une des actions c'est de ne pas garder la foi pour nous-mêmes, mais plutôt de la partager avec les autres. Quand André a quitté le Seigneur à la fin de la journée, il est allé partager la Bonne Nouvelle avec son frère Simon. Et Simon aussi est devenu Apôtre, recevant le nom de Pierre.

Notre responsabilité est aussi de partager la Bonne Nouvelle avec les autres et les inviter de "venir et voir" ce que le Seigneur peut faire pour eux. Nous connaissons certaines personnes, peut-être dans nos propres familles, qui se sont éloignés de l'Eglise et de la pratique de la foi. Ce sont ceux-là que nous devons inviter, pour qu'eux aussi rencontrent le Seigneur et passe le temps en sa compagnie dans la prière ou dans le partage de la Parole de Dieu. Prenons à Cœur cet engagement du disciple pour le salut de tous.

Que Dieu vous bénisse.

*Père Raphaël Munday*  
Curé