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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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EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Weekends: Saturday: 5:00 PM (*English*)
Sunday: 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM (*English*)
1:00 PM (*French & Kreyol*),
5:00 PM (*Twì*)
Weekdays: Monday-Saturday 9:00 AM
Holy Days: 9:00 AM & 7:30 PM (*English-French*)

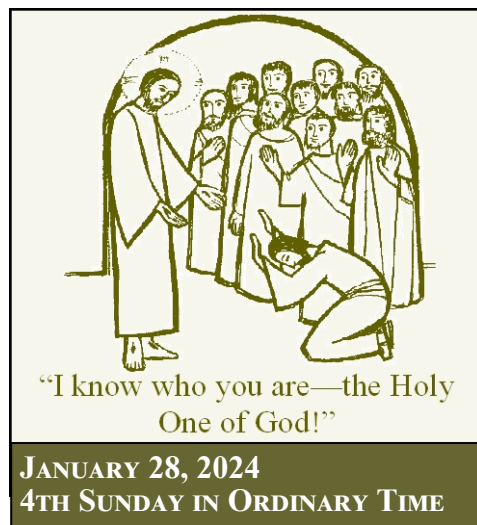
Catholic Cemeteries: for information and availability
please call (718) 894-4888.

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 28, 2024 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year B



SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

9:00 AM B.B. Colin Palmer — Jeanette King & family
5:00 PM In thanksgiving to God for his mercy and blessings upon Kenitha Williams — Letty-Ann George

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

8:00 AM Uzaine Primula Williams (d) — Pearl Jones
8:00 AM For the George's family — Letty-Ann George
11:00 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 PM B.B. Ketly Jean, B.B. Lesly Delence — Helene Agnant
1:00 PM Wed. Anniv. Jean Claude G. & Elizabeth Desrosiers — Desrosiers family
5:00 PM

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

9:00 AM In thanksgiving for Roxanne Palmer — Jeanette King
9:00 AM In thanksgiving Rose Marie Hector

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

9:00 AM B.B. Laurel Jordan — the Jordan family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

9:00 AM Mrs. Maria Nicola Scarlatto

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

9:00 AM

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

9:00 AM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

9:00 AM
5:00 PM In thanksgiving — Rev. Gerald Dumont

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:00 AM Independence Anniversary for Grenada, Carriacou & Petit Martinique - Grenadian Society of St. Catherine of Genoa
8:00 AM B.B. Leroy Antoine — the Antoine family
8:00 AM B.B. Laurel Jordan — the Jordan family
11:00 AM
1:00 PM B.B. Alma Randolph, B.B. Lourdes Constantin — Helene Agnant
5:00 PM

BREAD & WINE SPONSORSHIP



Ghanaian Apostolate, Grenadian Society of St. Catherine of Genoa and a faithful.

Christian Giving



Mass	#	January 20th & 21st		Amount \$
Saturday	23	5:00 PM	ENGLISH	456.00
Sunday	59	8:00 AM	ENGLISH	1,429.00
	63	11:00 AM	ENGLISH	487.00
	60	1:00 PM	KREYOL	922.00
	28	5:00 PM	TWI	469.00
			Mail-In	185.00
TOTAL	243			\$3,948.00

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

- ◆ Catherine Boroughs



FEBRUARY FLOWER SPONSORSHIP



Grenadian Society of St. Catherine of Genoa.



4th WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday *St. John Bosco, Priest*: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; (Ps) 1 Chr 29:10-11b, 11d-12d; Mk 6:7-13
Friday *The Presentation of the Lord*: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Saturday *St. Blaise, Bishop, Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop*: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
Next Week: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

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 - Feb 4
- 3:00 PM French Legion of Mary - Weekly
- 3:00 PM Christian Mothers - Feb 11
- 6:30 PM Ghanaian Gentlemen's Club - (Rect. Bsm't, Feb 18)

Thursday

- 10:30 AM **PANTRY** - Feb 8
- 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
- 6:30 PM United Ghanaian Assn. – (Rect. Bsm't) Feb 10

UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Next Sunday, the second collection will be for our Parish Hall. Thank you for your generosity!
2. **All Parish Groups** are to **submit their 2024 Calendar of Events** to the parish office so as to avoid conflicts in the use of the community spaces.
3. **Two representatives from every parish group** are invited to a meeting on **Tuesday, January 30th, at 7:30pm** to help in the planning of **Hospitality Sunday**.
4. **Soon to Begin & More Details to Follow!!! Monthly Healing Mass, beginning next month** with the **World Day of the sick on February 11**, our parish will have a **monthly healing Mass**.
5. The season of Lent begins on Wednesday, Feb 14. **Please bring in your palms from last year** .
6. Please call the office to request a copy of your 2023 contributions.
7. Sight & Sound **\$200/adult, \$150/child. Final payment due weekend of May 4th & 5th.**

Please pray for the sick

Kofi; Cloude Aimé; George Aimé;
Kwame Adu-Sarpong; Thomas Asante; Alice Baffoe;
Elzire Barosy; Reynold Bishop; Ralene Caton;
Medel Chavanne; Rose Crouch; Albertha Debrostomas;
Lydia Desarmes; 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,

In the Gospel of this 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we see the Lord Jesus enter Capernaum with his disciples. Capernaum is a city in Galilee, which is a gentile or pagan territory. The fact that the Lord Jesus and his disciples go to a pagan territory means that the mission of salvation is destined for all the peoples and nations of the world. The Lord Jesus does not exclude anyone from his salvation, because salvation is universal, meaning it is for the whole world, not only for a part of the world.

In the passage of today's Gospel, the Lord went to the synagogue and taught. Yes, the Lord Jesus is the Teacher par excellence. More than a teacher, he is also the Savior of the world. Those who listened to him called his teaching, "*a new teaching with authority*" (Mark 1:27). Indeed, the Lord teaches with authority because he came from the heavenly Father. As he himself said in the Gospel of St. John, "*I tell you what I have seen in the Father's presence*" (John 8:38a) or "*I did not speak on my own, but the Father who sent me commanded me what to say and speak*" (John 12:49).

Also, the authority of the Lord is seen in the way he deals with those who are burdened with unclean spirits. The Lord enters the synagogue and sees a man possessed by an unclean spirit. He delivers him and frees him from evil and from the dominion of the devil. And the Gospel says that the Lord Jesus "*commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him*" (Mark 1:27b). The Lord has brought us a new teaching because he makes everything new. His new teaching is a teaching of love. He said to his disciples, "*I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another*" (John 13:34-35). This is what makes the teaching of the Lord new because we are called to love as he himself has loved us.

It means that our love should be a self-giving love, without calculation of what we may get in return. It is the only way for us to stand out as his disciples. Just like the Lord Jesus delivered the man in the synagogue from the bondage of the evil spirit, he comes to us also to free us from the bondage of sin and evil. Let us open our hearts to welcome the teaching of the Lord and to live by it. God bless you always.

Fr. Raphael Munday
Pastor



Annual Catholic Appeal 2023
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Parish Goal: \$46,139.00

Pledged: 55,605.00 Paid: \$47,800.00

We thank everyone who through their generous contributions helped us surpass our 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal goal.

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.

Every parish group or society is encouraged to sponsor at least one (1) table and ten (10) chairs.

Donation: Chair \$50

Table \$150



Ghanaian Apostolate
for your donation of
\$2000.00 to
St. Catherine of Genoa
Church.

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.

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 FEVRIER

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 20 & 21 Janvier

\$ 3,948.00

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.

4ème dimanche du Temps Ordinaire

Chers frères et sœurs,

Dans l'évangile de ce 4^e Dimanche du Temps Ordinaire, nous voyons le Seigneur Jésus entrer dans la ville de Capharnaüm avec ses disciples. Capharnaüm est une cité en Galilée, qui est un territoire des gentils ou païens. Le fait que le Seigneur Jésus et ses disciples se rendent dans un territoire païen signifie que la mission du salut est destinée à tous les peuples et à toutes les nations du monde. Le Seigneur Jésus n'exclut personne de son salut, parce que son salut est universel. Cela signifie que son salut est pour le monde entier, et non pas seulement pour une partie du monde.

Dans le passage de l'évangile d'aujourd'hui, le Seigneur est entré dans une synagogue et y a enseigné. Oui, le Seigneur Jésus est l'enseignant par excellence. Plus qu'un enseignant, il est aussi le Sauveur du monde. Ceux qui l'écoutaient ont dit de son enseignement que c'était "*un enseignement nouveau, donné avec autorité*" (Marc 1:27). En effet, le Seigneur enseigne avec autorité parce qu'il est venu du Père céleste. Comme lui-même l'a dit dans l'évangile de Jean: "*Je dis ce que moi, j'ai vu auprès de mon Père*" (Jean 8:38a) ou encore "*Ce n'est pas de ma propre initiative que j'ai parlé : le Père lui-même, qui m'a envoyé, m'a donné son commandement sur ce que je dois dire et déclarer*" (Jean 12:49). Aussi, l'autorité du Seigneur s'est manifestée dans sa manière de traiter avec ceux qui sont sous l'emprise des esprits impurs.

Le Seigneur entre dans la synagogue et voit un homme possédé par un esprit impur. Il le délivre et le libère de l'emprise du diable. Et l'évangile dit que le Seigneur Jésus "*commande même aux esprits impurs, et ils lui obéissent*" (Marc 1:27b). Le Seigneur nous a apporté un enseignement nouveau parce qu'il fait toute chose nouvelle. Son enseignement nouveau c'est l'enseignement de l'amour. Il a dit à ses disciples: "*Je vous donne un commandement nouveau : c'est de vous aimer les uns les autres. Comme je vous ai aimés, vous aussi aimez-vous les uns les autres. À ceci, tous reconnaîtront que vous êtes mes disciples : si vous avez de l'amour les uns pour les autres*" (Jean 13:34-35). Ce qui fait de l'enseignement du Seigneur un enseignement nouveau c'est le fait qu'il nous invite d'aimer comme lui-même nous a aimés.

Cela signifie que notre amour doit être un amour qui se donne, sans calcul de ce que nous pouvons recevoir en retour. C'est la seule façon pour nous démarquer comme disciples du Christ. Tout comme le Seigneur a délivré l'homme possédé par un esprit impur dans la synagogue, de la même manière il nous délivre aussi de l'emprise du péché et du mal. Ouvrons nos cœurs à accueillir l'enseignement du Seigneur et de vivre par cet enseignement. *Que Dieu vous bénisse.*

Père Raphaël Munday
Curé