



Saint Catherine of Genoa R. C. Church

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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. Adrien Ntwa Ilondo

Secretary - Ms. Bernadette Bunting-Johannes

Director of Religious Education - Ms. Agnes Mills

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EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Weekends: 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>

Find the information you may need.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



“The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?”

1 Corinthians 10:16

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 after the 9:00am morning Mass 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.

JUNE 7, 2026 — THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST — YEAR A

Weekly Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, JUNE 6

9:00 AM Luc Toussaint (d) — Jean Claude Desrosiers

SUNDAY, JUNE 7—CORPUS CHRISTI

8:00 AM B. B. Francilia Harris — the Harris family

8:00 AM B.B. Nicole Joseph

8:00 AM Letty-Ann George (d) — Rosary Society

11:00 AM In thanksgiving on the Priestly Anniversary of the Ordination of Rev. Raphael Munday Kukana (19yr.) & Rev. Adrien Ntwa Ilondo (12yr) — Oriane Hyppolite

11:00 AM B.B. Christopher Aimé — (father) Fresner Aimé

11:00 AM B.B. Melissa Prosper — Yverose & Cassandre

11:00 AM B.B. Christian Calizaire (4yrs.) — grandma Yvette Calizaire

11:00 AM B'day remembrance Mizile Arnoux (d) — (son) Fresner Aimé

11:00 AM In thanksgiving for God's blessings and continued healing — Geralde Hyppolite

11:00 AM Ghanaian Apostolate

1:00 PM & 5:00 PM No MASS

MONDAY, JUNE 8

9:00 AM Exima (d) & Rose Pierre (d) — family

TUESDAY, JUNE 9

9:00 AM 42nd Wed Anniv. Jean-Claude & Marie-Claude Desrosiers

9:00 AM (1yr. Anniv.) Letty-Ann George (d) — Friends of St. Catherine

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

9:00 AM In thanksgiving and for healing — Jeanette King

THURSDAY, JUNE 11

9:00 AM In honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:00 PM Holy Hour Consecration of the USA to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

FRIDAY, JUNE 12

9:00 AM B.B. Rev. Pierre Paul Agbodza &

B.B. Marie Laurence Boissette

9:00 AM Conrad David Richards (d) — Kelly & Imelda Williams

7:00 PM Confirmation

SATURDAY, JUNE 13

9:00 AM Souls in Purgatory

7:00 PM Memorial Mass Fr. Anselmus Mawusi

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

8:00 AM B.B. Liam Antoine, B.B. Kelly Antoine & B.B. Steftia Antoine — Veronica Antoine

8:00 AM Lily Grace Britton (d), Elisa Chrichlow (d), Rawle White (d), Aliba K. Baptiste (d) — Friends & family

8:00 AM Exima (d) & Rose Pierre (d) — & family

11:00 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 PM

5:00 PM Ghanaian Apostolate

SUNDAY OFFERING



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Mass	#	May 31st		Amount \$
Sunday	87	8:00 AM	ENGLISH	1,392.00
	75	11:00 AM	ENGLISH	763.00
	56	1:00 PM	KREYOL	831.00
	100	5:00 PM	TWI	798.00
		Mail-In		293.00
TOTAL	318			\$4,077.00

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.

JUNE MONTH SPONSORSHIP

Bread & Wine:

Thank you for your generosity.

Week X in Ordinary Time

Sunday *The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ:*

Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Ps 121:1b-8; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday *St. Ephrem, Deacon, Dr. of the Church:* 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 4:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Ps 16:1b-2a, 4-5, 8, 11; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday *St. Barnabas, Apostle:* Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 5:20-26

Friday *The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus:*

Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30

Saturday *The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; St. Anthony of Padua, Dr. of the Church:* 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Ps 16:1b-2b, 5, 7-10; Mt 5:33-37

NEXT SUNDAY: ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ex 19:2-6a; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36—10:8

From the Pastor's Desk



My dear parishioners,

Today is the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, also known as Corpus Christi (Latin for the Body of Christ).

It is an important feast for us Catholics because it reminds us of the importance of the Eucharist in our lives. Although we celebrate the Eucharist every day, but sometimes we can become complacent and lose sight of the meaning of what we celebrate. This feast of Corpus Christi helps us to celebrate and to adore the Body of Christ and his Precious Blood. The Eucharist is the greatest sign of the Lord's love for the Church. The Lord left us the memorial of his Body and Blood (the Eucharist) so that we may remember how much he loved us to the end by giving himself for us.

At the Last Supper, he said to the disciples, "do this in memory of me." Since that first Holy Thursday, the Church celebrates in memory of Christ by proclaiming his death and resurrection, until he comes again in glory. The Eucharist, the Body of Christ, becomes our food from heaven, the bread that gives eternal life. In the chapter 6 of the Gospel of St. John, the Lord says, "This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever" (John 6:58).

The Lord is speaking of the ancestors of the Israelites who ate manna in the desert and died nonetheless. But the one who eats the flesh of the Son of God and drinks his blood will have eternal life. In this bread and wine consecrated at the altar, it is Jesus Christ who is truly present body, divinity and soul. The Eucharist is the real presence of Christ, because Christ himself said, "this is my body, this is my blood." Let us bear this in mind the next time we approach the Eucharist and let us show respect and devotion to the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

It is our tradition here at St. Catherine of Genoa to have a procession with the Blessed Sacrament in the streets of East Flatbush to witness to our faith in this great sacrament of our salva-

tion. Today, we will do the same thing after the 11:00 AM trilingual Mass. What a gift and what a blessing! *May God bless you always.*

Fr. Raphael Munday
Pastor

Congratulations!

50/50 Club Winners

Marie R. Michel

Marie Marthe Aubry

Alistine Atkins



Ex 15:26 "I am the Lord who heals you."

Join us for our

MONTHLY HEALING MASS

JUNE

20th

9:00 AM

Don't come alone invite someone who is in need of healing.

This is the last one until September.

Thank you for all who came as witness to our faith.

Would you share your miracle with us?

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 matin après la Messe de 9:00h 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 JUIN

Vous êtes invités à parrainer du pain et du vin pour la messe et des nappes 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 31 Mai, 2026

\$4,077.00

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.

Solennite du Saint Sacrement du Corps et du Sang du Christ

Chers frères et sœurs,

Nous célébrons aujourd'hui la solennité du Corps et du Sang de Notre Seigneur Jésus Christ, aussi appelée Corpus Christi (qui signifie Le Corps du Christ en Latin) ou encore appelée "Fête-Dieu."

C'est une fête qui revêt un caractère spécial pour nous les Catholiques parce qu'elle nous rappelle l'importance de l'Eucharistie dans notre vie chrétienne. Même si nous célébrons l'Eucharistie chaque jour, parfois ça peut devenir une monotonie au point de perdre le sens de ce que nous célébrons. Cette fête de Corpus Christi nous aide à célébrer et à renouveler notre dévotion pour le Corps et le Précieux Sang de Notre Seigneur Jésus Christ. L'Eucharistie est au cœur de la vie de l'Eglise et c'est le signe du grand amour du Seigneur envers son Eglise.

Le Seigneur nous a laissé le mémorial de son Corps et de son Sang (l'Eucharistie) pour que nous fassions mémoire de son amour infini et du don de lui-même. Lors de la Sainte Cène ou le Dernier Repas, le Seigneur a dit à ses disciples, "*faites ceci en mémoire de moi.*" Depuis ce premier Jeudi Saint, l'Eglise continue de célébrer en mémoire du Christ en proclamant sa mort et sa résurrection jusqu'à ce qu'il revienne dans la gloire. L'Eucharistie, le Corps du Christ, devient le pain venu du ciel et qui donne la vie éternelle.

Au chapitre 6 de l'évangile selon St. Jean, le Seigneur Jésus dit, "*Tel est le pain qui est descendu du ciel : il n'est pas comme celui que les pères ont mangé. Eux, ils sont morts ; celui qui mange ce pain vivra éternellement*" (Jean 6:58). Le Seigneur parle des pères ou ancêtres d'Israël qui ont mangé la Manne dans le désert et qui sont morts tout de même. Mais celui qui mange la chair du Fils de l'Homme et boit son sang aura la vie éternelle. Le pain et le vin consacrés à l'autel deviennent le Corps et le Sang du Seigneur.

Le Seigneur Jésus est réellement présent corps, âme et divinité. L'Eucharistie c'est la présence réelle du Christ, parce que le Christ lui-même a dit, "*ceci est mon corps, ceci est mon sang.*" Ayons donc une attitude de respect et de dévotion à chaque fois que nous nous approchons de l'Eucharistie parce que nous sommes en présence du Seigneur. Il est devenu une tradition ici à Sainte Catherine de Gênes d'organiser une procession avec le Saint Sacrement dans les rues de notre quartier pour témoigner de notre foi en ce grand Sacrement de notre salut. Aujourd'hui encore, nous ferons la même chose après la Messe (en trois langues) de 11h de l'avant-midi. Quelle grâce et quelle bénédiction! Que Dieu vous bénisse toujours.

Père Raphaël Munday
Curé



One Church.
Diverse Ministries.
United Mission.

St. Catherine of Genoa Church **ACA PARISH GOAL: \$46,605.00**

PLEDGED: \$16,576.00

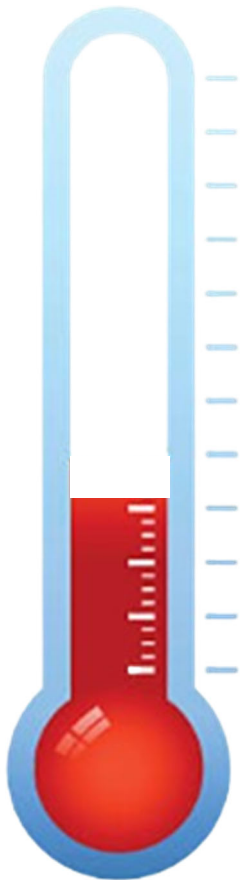
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Parish Goal: **\$30,029.00**

RECEIVED: \$12,546.00

#Families: 44



\$46,605.00



RECEIVED: \$12,546.00

**If you have made a pledge
for this year's Appeal,
please remember to fulfill
your pledge by Dec. 31st.**

**If you have not yet made a
pledge, please prayerfully
consider making a PLEDGE
to this year's
Annual Catholic Appeal**

WAYS TO DONATE:

- Please scan the QR
- Complete a Pledge Envelope located at the Church entrance
- Pledge Online at:

www.AnnualCatholicAppeal.org





Question of the week

1. Who is a saint?

Name three (3) Saints of African descent and say why they mean something to you. Submit a paragraph about him/her to be published in our next bulletin.

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Who is a saint?

Saints are persons in heaven (officially canonized or not) who lived courageously a righteous life; offered their life to others, or were attacked, tormented, or even put to death because of their belief in Christ.

In its most basic sense, a Saint is a "holy one," someone who is set apart for God's special purposes.

Examples of saints of African descent:

1) *St. Josephine Bakhita is a Patron Saint for victims of Human trafficking.*

She was sold into slavery as a child in Sudan. She suffered greatly and endured years of cruelty. After gaining her freedom in Italy, she dedicated herself serving others who were vulnerable. ***Her feast day is February 8th.***

2) *Venerable Pierre Toussaint is known as the patron saint of barbers and hair stylists.*

He was born in Haiti on June 27, 1766 and brought to New York as a slave. He became a successful barber and used his wealth to support many philanthropic works. He was a devout Catholic. ***His feast day is May 28th.***

3) *St. Augustine is known as Doctor Gratiae ("Doctor of Grace").*

Augustine was not a faithful Christian in his early life. Monica, his mother never gave up on him. She devoutly prayed to God to change her son. God answered Monica's cries and Augustine became a devoted Christian. He is regarded as one of the most significant philosophers in the history of the Catholic Church and the Western world. ***His feast day is August 28th.***

4) *St. Martin de Porres is known as the "patron of social justice"*

He was born in Lima, Peru, to a Spanish nobleman and a freed Black enslaved woman, he is the first Black saint from the Americas. , he dedicated his life to caring for the sick, the poor, and stray animals. ***His feast day is November 3rd.***

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:00 AM Rosary Society — **June 7th (Rectory)**
3:00 PM French Legion of Mary — **Weekly**
3:00 PM Christian Mothers — **June 14th**

Thursday

10:30 AM **Pantry** — **June 10th, 24th**
8:00 PM **HOLY HOUR** — **Weekly**

Friday

6:30pm **MOVIE NIGHT** — **June 26**

Saturday

10:00 AM Girl Scouts — **Weekly**
5:00 PM St. Theresa of the Child Jesus— **6/27**
6:30 PM United Ghanaian Assn. — **June 13th**

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY JUNE 7

A Blessing Prayer for Those Who Are Sick

All praise and glory is yours, Lord our God, for you have called us to serve you in love. Bless N., so that he/she may bear this illness in union with your Son's obedient suffering. Restore him/her to health, and lead him/her to glory. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Excerpts from the English translation of Pastoral Care of the Sick: Rites of Anointing and Viaticum © 1982, International Committee on English in the Liturgy, Inc. All rights reserved.

USCCB.org A blessing Prayer for those Who are sick accessed April 2, 2026, <<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/prayers-health-and-dignity-sick>>.

Claudel Aimé; Georges Aimé; Alice Baffoe; Kaniff Barton;
Vilma Brian Dufresne; Gertha Brunache; Medel Chavannes;
Rose Crouch; Alberta Debrostomas; Jeanne Derival;
Elizabeth Donkor; Dominique Dorcilien; Celine Etienne;
Marjorie Viola Edwards-Patron; Leila Felix; Lorna Fyffe;
Margaret Goddard; Miguel Gray; Patricia Griffith;
Ethan Henry; Debra Henry; Wendy Henry; Roselaure Jean;
André Johannes; Neville King; Morse King; Lee Lawler;
Joseph Lubin; Jocelin Mangurat; Cynthia Mc Callum;
Catherine McQueen; Carmelle Nerrette; Colin Palmer;
Carol Paul; April Pearce; Bernard Pearce; Jennifer Pearce;
Lyonel Pearce; Travis Pearce; Mary Percy; Eunice Quashie;
Evelyne René; Carol Robertson-Love; Juanita Robinson;
Veronica Robley; Veronica Simon; Pauline Smith;
Roswell St. Albord; Kerby Theodore; Shaun Thomas;
Kayla & Kaylee Uwuigbe; Yolande Vilsaint; Joyce White;
Amy Wiles; Linda Wiles; Tom Wiles; George Zanny.



1. Next Sunday's second collection will be for Maintenance & Repair. Thank you for your generosity!
2. Get your tickets—**after all Masses or at the Parish Office**—for our yearly Parish BBQ. **Sat. June 27th from 5:00pm to 9:00pm. Adults:\$30; Preteen & Seniors:\$25**
3. **Spring Cleaning???**
Please use the info at the back of the Bulletin to have your clothing donations picked-up, **FREE**. Please do not bring clothing donations to the church as we do not have storage space. Thank you.



Congratulations to our Pastor

*Rev. Raphael Munday Kukana
on his 19th Anniversary (June 2nd)
&
our Parochial Vicar
Rev. Adrien Ntwa Ilondo
on his 12th Anniversary (May 31st)
of Ordination to the Priesthood.*

May God bless them with His joy as they minister the Word and the Sacraments and joyfully serve the community of the faithful wherever they are sent. May He keep their minds sound and their hearts burning with the fire of the Holy Spirit.

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: _____

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*

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Rev. Chris Bethge, Vocation Director**

Used Clothing/furniture/toys Donations

Catholic Charities to arrange a pick-up please contact Brooklyn Director of Parish and Community Relations Mr. John Gonzalez, P: 718-722-6121

Email: john.gonzalez@ccbq.org.

St. Mary's Church call (718) 529-6070 or email:

StMarysChurch@stmarysclotingdrive.com.

Or visit their website <https://stmarysclotingdrive.com/stmarys/schedule>.

Or **1-800-SA-TRUCK** (1-800-728-7825) to discuss a **free pick up** of your clothing, furniture or household items or to find out the nearest drop off location bin. (**Salvation Army**)

These charities pickup at your home, please call and schedule a pick-up.

DO NOT bring these items to the rectory or leave them on the premises as they will be discarded. May God bless you as you serve those in need.



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