

ASCENSION

Roman Catholic Church 86-13 55th Avenue Elmhurst, NY 11373

<u>Parish Mission Statement</u>

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we, the people of Ascension, strive to be united in Christ through worship and prayer, grow in Christ through God's word and the sacraments, and serve Christ in one another by sharing time, talent and treasure.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 14, 2024



From the Pastor's Desk

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 14, 2024 Mark 6:7-13

Dear Ascension Family,

Blessings of peace and good health!

It is with mixed emotions to let you know that Maryann Nepomuceno told me and the members of the Parish Finance Council last Monday, July 8, that she and her husband are moving out of New York City. Maryann, a long time parishioner of Ascension, is currently the Chairperson of the Parish Finance Council, a Lector, a former Trustee and a former Chairperson of the Parish Pastoral Council. Maryann is indeed an outstanding parishioner. She will be deeply missed. While we are sad to see her go, we are grateful for the opportunities we had to work with her. She is leaving us a legacy of dedication and commitment to serving the parish, which should serve as an inspiration to all of us. As an expression of our gratitude and appreciation, we will be giving Maryann a Certificate of Recognition at the 11:30am Mass this Sunday, July 14.

Maryann, thank you very much for your great and inspiring service to the parish! We wish you all the best in the new chapter of your life.

As we once again allow ourselves to be nourished by God's word, let us reflect on the gospel reading for today. Jesus summoned the twelve apostles and sent them on their mission. Before sending them out, Jesus gave them detailed instructions on how to carry out their mission. "Take nothing for the journey but a walking stick - no food, no sack, no money in their belts. . . not even a second tunic." The instructions are a bit odd, especially today. For even the most austere self-sacrificing missionary today would have at least a backpack!

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Rectory Office Hours: Monday - Friday

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 7:00 & 8:00AM Saturday : 9:00 AM : 5:00 PM (Vigil Mass) Sunday : 8:30 | 10:00 | 11:30AM 1:00 PM (Spanish) 1st Saturday @ 5:00 PM (Cebuano) 2nd Saturday @ 5:00 PM (Tagalog) 3rd Saturday @ 5:00 PM (God the Father of all Mankind) 4th Saturday @ 5:00 PM (Divine Mercy)



Rev. Anacleto S. Asebias, Jr. Pastor

Rev. Kyrian C. Echekwu Parochial Vicar

> **Peter Roland** Music Director

Terry Guevara Parish Secretary

Romulo Quiblat Parish Council Chair

Maryann Nepomuceno Parish Finance Chair

Fernando Velazquez Maria San Pedro When we priests are transferred to another assignment, one problem we have is carrying the things we have accumulated in our previous assignments. These may be personal apparel and books. You know, each priest has a particular interest or hobby. So a priest brings around, not only books and personal apparel, but also electronic gadgets, musical instruments, picture albums, wall decorations, athletic equipments and other bodybuilding paraphernalia. As one veteran priest observed, in his younger years he could fit all his things inside his car and transfer with a few minutes' notice. Now, after several years, he needs a container van.

There was a Peanuts comic strip, which shows Charlie Brown getting ready to go out to play in the snow. He puts on the thermal underwear, the sweater, the outer coat, mittens and cap. He was so bundled up that he gets stuck at the door and cannot move an inch. So he starts screaming at the top of his voice.

Many of us are inclined to think that only bishops, priests and religious are called to mission. But the Decree on the Laity of Vatican II is quite clear when it said, "Incorporated into Christ's Mystical Body through baptism and strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirit through confirmation, the laity are assigned to the apostolate by the Lord himself' (No. 3). Thus by virtue of our baptism and confirmation, we are all called to be apostles of Christ, and as such we are to proclaim and bear witness to him and his message to the extent that we are able. In our day, we are to do this by word and example before the people we are directly in contact with - our families, our peers, our co-workers and those in our immediate community. For as the same Decree further says, "The very testimony of their Christian life and good words done in supernatural spirit, have the power to draw men to belief and to God" (No. 6). In other words, all of us, by our baptism and confirmation, are called to be apostles, to bring the message of Christ to the world around us by word, action and style of life.

We live in a consumeristic society where our value as persons and our efficiency are measured by how much we possess. Thus, we tend to accumulate things. But the things, which we accumulate, encumber not only our movement but also our hearts. So, the things we gather in the course of our life often serve no longer as helps but as obstacles to our mission. If we are to be effective apostles, we have to learn to **let go and let God**. This is the other reason Jesus instructed his apostles to travel light. He wanted them to put their trust in God and not in things. Unfortunately, very often we put a disproportionately great reliance on material resources. We fail to realize that it is not those who have the most but those who put the most trust in God who become his best instruments. The saints and effective apostles have been characteristically people who live in great simplicity and put their absolute trust in God. Mother St. Teresa of Calcutta has provided us an example of great detachment and trust in God bearing abundant spiritual fruits.

Praying for you all, Fr. Anacleto

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

 2^{nd} Saturday of the month @ 11:00 AM, Baptism Class is the last Saturday of the month preceding the baptism @ 9:00 AM, preregistration is needed, available in English & Spanish instruction. Please call the rectory to schedule, at least one month ahead of desired date. For further information and for the requirements of the godparents, please call the Rectory office.

Confession

Saturday @ 4:00 - 4:40 PM and by appointment

Marriage

Couple should contact the rectory office for information and registration at least 6 months prior to the date of marriage.

> Anointing of the Sick Call the rectory to arrange for a Priest's visit

CHURCH OFFERING

July 7, 2024 1st Collection - \$5,816.00 2nd Collection - \$1,722.00 (Youth Ministry)

Upcoming Collections

July 14th - Air Conditioning July 21st - Church Maintenance July 28th - Upkeep of Rectory & Grounds

Online Giving

If you are interested in donating online, please visit the parish website. Parishioners can schedule their contribution to be made weekly, bi-weekly or monthly.

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Religious Education Classes for Children

Faith Formation Classes are held Sundays from 8:45 AM to 11:00 AM. The classes run from September through June. Registrations for Faith Formation are presently being accepted at the Rectory Office for classes from: $1^{st} - 8^{th}$ Grades. Proof of baptism is required for children who are being registered for the first time. For further information on registration please call the Rectory Office at 718-335-2626.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Are you an unbaptized adult but want to be baptized in the Catholic church? Or, are you baptized non-Catholic who desires to be a Catholic? Or, are you baptized Catholic in need of the Sacrament of Confirmation? The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults is the place for you.

For further information please call the Rectory office at 718-335-2626.



Saturday, July 13th

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5:00 PM	People of the Parish	
Sunday, July 14 th		
8:30 AM	Filipinos in Woodhull Hospital (L)	
10:00 AM	Emma & Rodrigo Rosado	
11:30 AM	Rene Escobar (L)	
1:00 PM	Esperanza Castro Ramirez Grupo de Ministros de Hospitalidad de la Iglesia Asuncion en Accion de Gracias, Cuarto Aniversario de Servicio (L) Lizzete Sanchez Ricardez (L) Maria Natividad Lopez Peralta Jazmin Castro (L) & Avigail Castro (L) Imelda Flores (L) & Lucas Toxqui (L) Grupo de Oracion Ministerio Inmenso Dios (L) Gabriel Arango	
Monday, July 15 th - St. Bonaventure, Bishop and		

- Doctor of the Church 7:00 AM Carmencita De La Cruz
- 8:00 AM Canlas Family (L)
- Tuesday, July 16th Our Lady of Mount Carmel 7:00 AM Sylvester, Lucy & Family
- 8:00 AM Souls of Montana & Sotelo Families

Wednesday, July 17th

- 7:00 AM Juliet & Errol Fern
- 8:00 AM Adriana Caro
- Thursday, July 18th St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest 7:00 AM Carmelita Maranan (L)

Ann Pfoser (L)

Evelyn (L) & Bernie De Guzman (L) 8:00 AM

Friday, July 19th

- 7:00 AM William Boetel
- 8:00 AM Ann Darby Pfoser (L)

Saturday, July 20th - St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr; BVM 9:00 AM Michael Modica Chloe Reese Atienza Kristian Joy & Nezlie Ann De Graciz (L) Elizabeth Occhi & Lucia Pagcanlungan Laura Morte (L) Aida Salvador (L) Rosa (L) & Rosita (D) Tan

Please pray for:



Deceased members of our families

MEMORIALS July 14 – July 20

Altar Bread and Wine has been donated In Loving Memory of Emma & Rodrigo Rosado Requested by: Rosado Family

Sanctuary Lamp will burn In Loving Memory of Antonio Gallego





Altar Flowers has been donated In Loving Memory of (please contact the Rectory Office to request a flower memorial)

Altar Candles will burn In Loving Memory of Marie A. Borrusso



Memorials are available, kindly contact Rectory Office.



Pray for the Sick:

Rosa Tan, Carmen Moredo, Sandra P. Carvajal. Julissa Martinez, Luis Arnulfo, Elizabeth Yee, Elie Fornilda, Jose Reynel Vigoya, Joel Rivera, Sursatti Shaw, Gloria Patricia Rios, Harold, Diego y Kennedy Gomez, Elisa Marquina, Maria Daulo, Jose M. Rosado, Karla Nicole Paredes, Romelia Arenas, Rubiela Arenas, Enrique Soto, Eduardo D. Soto, Teresita Danseco, Evangeline & Victoria Danseco, Nazarette Serion, Nerissa Infante, Laura Kreft, Shirley Ann Gundran, Egbert Nuñez, Avelina Quilung, Dennis Anthony Calimlim, Exelito Valencia, Bonifacio Guingab, Margie Bulwag, Egbert Nuñez, Maria Dala Rosa George, Leticia Maranan, Denise Giglio, Beth Bagnol Enriquez, Cely DeBorja, Maggie Riego de Dios, Teresa Reale, Lizzete Sanchez, Janet P. Cordi, Cristian Ardila, Rey Garcia, Susan, Elena Rivera, Lizzete Sanchez Ricardez, Edwardo Ruiz. To add names, please call the Parish Office.



2024 Annual Catholic Appeal **Called to Communion, Participation & Mission**

The 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the mission of our parish and the daily work of the Church in Brooklyn

and Queens.

Once we exceed our goal, we will then receive 100% of all funds raised above this figure directly back to our parish for operations and improvements. Donations for this year are being accepted. Donate at Annual Catholic Appeal.org or text ACA to 917-336-1255.

Summary Report as of July 8, 2024

Goal:	\$51,617

Pledged: \$57,611.25

Received: \$33,335.18

To donate on-line: https://catholicfoundationbq.org/ annual-catholic-appeal/ Checks can be made out directly to:

Annual Catholic Appeal Diocese of Brooklyn P.O. Box 310 Kensington, CT 06037-0310 Remember, that no gift is too small. Thank you.

Spanish Corner:

El Sacramento del Bautismo

Tenemos Bautismo en español el tercer sábado del mes a las 11:00 AM La clase pre-bautismal será el sábado antes del bautismo a las 9:00 AM. Se requiere inscripción previa para la clase y el Bautismo, lo menos con un mes de anticipación. Llamar a la oficina parroquial para más información y para los requisitos de los padrinos.

Clases de Educación Religiosa Para Adultos

La Orden de la Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos (OICA) son clases para adultos necesitados de recibir los sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión o Confirmación. Las clases de OICA también son para adultos que no son Católicos, pero están interesados en ser Católico.

Para información sobre el programa y atención en español, llamar al 718-335-2626, en el horario de día de lunes a viernes.

Clases De Educación Religiosa Para Niños/Jóvenes

La clases de Educación Religiosa para los niños/jóvenes del primero a octavo grado toman lugar los domingos de 8:45 AM a 11:00 AM de septiembre a junio. Se requiere prueba de bautismo para todo niño/a registrado por primer vez. Para mas información en español llamar al 718-335-2626, en el horario de día de lunes a viernes.

Inscripciones para el programa del próximo año escolar se están actualizando al presente. Favor de pasar por la Oficina Parroquial para recoger la registración o para más información.

Campaña Católica Anual Del 2024 Unidos en Comunión Unidos en Caridad

La meta de nuestra Iglesia Asunción es \$51,617. Después de sobrepasar nuestra meta, recibiremos 100% de los fondos recaudados por encima de esta cifra directamente para nuestra parroquia. Estamos aceptando donaciones para este año.

Oremos por el éxito de la Campaña Católica Anual en nuestra parroquia y diócesis este año, para que el Espíritu Santo nos mueva en la fe a unir nuestras oraciones con nuestro apoyo financiero para hacer las buenas obras de Cristo, incluyendo el apoyo a la vida y la vida familiar.

Haga su donación hoy en Annual Catholic Appeal.org o envié un texto con las siglas ACA al 917-336-1255.

Para donar en línea: https://catholicfoundationbq.org/ annualcatholic-appeal/ Envié su cheque directamente a: Annual Catholic Appeal, Diocese of Brooklyn P.O. Box 310 Kensington, CT 06037-0310.

Recuerden que cualquier cantidad será aceptada. Gracias.

Misa de Aniversario de Bodas

Misa de aniversario de bodas será celebrada el sábado 28 de septiembre a las 11:30 AM en la iglesia de San Thomas Aquinas, 1550 Hendrickson Street, Brooklyn, NY 11234. Todos los matrimonios casados en la iglesia católica están invitados a renovar sus votos. Traigan a su familia. Honores en especial a parejas celebrando sus 25, 50 o 75 aniversario de matrimonio. Si están interesados en asistir favor de ponerse en contacto con la Oficina Parroquial.

	AYER GROUPS & DEVOTIONS
Monday:	Miraculous Medal Novena Mondays @ 8:30 AM
Tuesday:	Spanish Prayer Group @ 7:00 PM
Wednesday:	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena @ 8:30 AM Novena Mass
Friday:	Holy Hour / Exposition & Benediction 1 st Friday (@, 8:30 AM Mass
	Our Lady of Fatima Most Sacred Heart of Jesus & Black Nazarene 1 st Friday – Angelus Rosary Novena to Our Lady of Fatima @ 6:00 PM & Mass @ 7:00 PM
	Divine Mercy Devotion Prayer Group & Choir 4 th Friday 7:30 PM - 10:00 PM (Lower Church)
Saturday:	2000 Hail Mary 1 st Saturday @ 9:30 AM
	Lady of Mary Mediatrix of all Grace 2 nd Saturday @ 9:30 AM
	God the Father of All Mankind Devotion Prayer Group 3 rd Saturday @ 4:00 PM Novena (Church) followed by the 5:00 PM Mass
	Divine Mercy Devotion Prayer Group 4 th Saturday @ 4:00 PM Novena (Church) followed by the 5:00 PM Mass
	El Shaddai 2 nd , 3 rd and 4 th Saturday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (Lower Church)
Sunday:	Ascension Parish Rosary Society 1 st Sunday @10:00 AM
	Religious Education Children's Choir 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th and if applicable 5 th Sunday @ 11:15 AM-12:30 PM
th -	CFC Christian Life Program* 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , and if applicable 5 th Sunday @ 2:00 to 5:00 PM (Lower Church)
4 th Sunc	day of the month @ 3:00 to 6:00 PM (Lower Church)
	Rosary Making Ministry To request supplies and/or pick up rosaries, please email: marie_panas@msn.com
	VENTS / NEWS & UPDATES
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Faith Formation Program: Parents or guardians can now register their children for next year's classes in the Religious Education Program. Registration forms must be completed for each child before classes begin. Classes will start in September. Please register early.

Volunteers needed: Our parish is in need of volunteers for the Religious Education Program. If interested please call the rectory office.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration: The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary celebration will take place on Saturday, September 28, 2024 at 11:30 AM at St. Thomas Aquinas Church located at 1550 Hendrickson Street, Brooklyn, NY 11234. All couples married in the Catholic Church are invited to attend with their families. Special recognition will be given to couples who are celebrating their 25th, 50th, and 75th Anniversary. If interested in attending please contact the Rectory Office.

Saint's Corner:

St. Camillus de Lellis July 18

"Logos" are symbols that represent companies, groups and products. One of the most familiar logos around the world is the "red cross." It represents health service and care. The first person to wear a red cross as an emblem of someone who cares for the sick is St. Camillus de Lellis.

Camillus was born in 1550 in Italy. He came from a military family. He had been addicted to gambling that kept him in poverty. To pay his debts, he would fight in local wars that pervaded Italy in those days as a mercenary. One day he was seriously wounded and was brought to a hospital in Rome where he received horrible care.

His terrible experience at the hospital opened the door to his real vocation. Camillus decided to do what he could to improve medical care for others. He gave up gambling and decided to fill the gap in his life by caring for the sick. He started a group of men who would tend to people's medical needs. Their insignia was a habit with a bold red cross on it. Camillus was later ordained to the priesthood and his group became a religious congregation the Congregation of the Servants of the Sick, later called the "Camillians."

Their symbol of a red cross on their habit became the remote beginning of the formal institution of the "red cross" at the Geneva Convention in 1800's as the symbol for international health care workers (the red crescent was later added for Islamic countries).

Camillus de Lellis died at the age of sixty-four and was named patron saint of health care workers, nurses and hospital personnel.

There are lessons we can get from the life of St. Camillus. His own terrible hospital experience did not make him bitter but gave him the resolve to do something to assure that others would not undergo the same negligent treatment. He also sought to treat the entire person - body and spirit. The emphasis he gave to physical health was matched by care for their soul and spirit. As a priest, he could tend to their spiritual care as well as their physical condition.

NEW TO OUR PARISH? WELCOME! PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

New parishioners are to register in the Parish. Please notify the Parish
Office of any changes in address or phone number.
Name

Address

Phone: _____

Email

____I wish to receive a registration form

- ____I have an address change
- ____I am moving out of the Parish

Please cut out and return to Parish office or drop in the collection basket. Thank you.



Sunday Gospel Activities



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