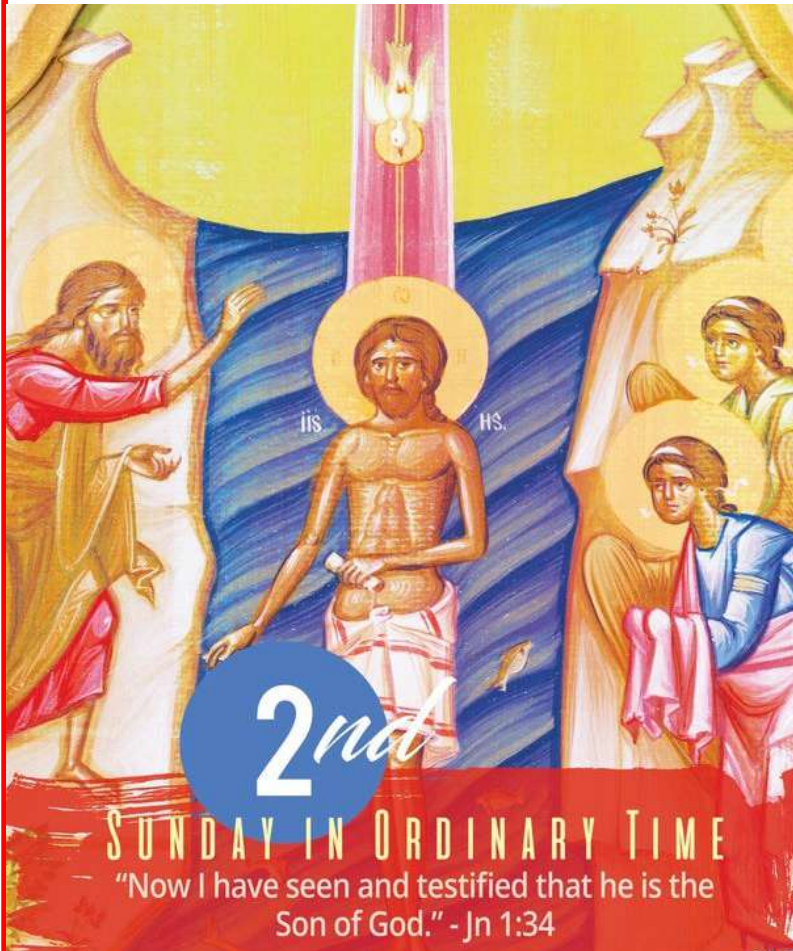


OUR LADY OF GRACE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

100-05 159TH AVENUE, HOWARD BEACH, NY 11414



January 15, 2023

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Rev. Marc Swartvagher, Pastor
Mr. Alexander Breviario, Parish Deacon
Mr. Antonio Gordon, Parish Deacon
Mr. Eusebius Eze, Transitional Deacon

PARISH OFFICE LOCATED AT:

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Monday through Friday from 9 am - 5 pm
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OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

**Sunday: 5:00 pm (Saturday Vigil),
8:00 am, 10:00 am (live streamed) 12 noon**
Weekday Masses Monday to Saturday: 8:30 am

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays from 11:00 - 12 Noon and by appointment.

BAPTISMS: Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment to arrange the Baptism.

MARRIAGE: Engaged couples must call the Rectory for an appointment at least SIX months prior to scheduling a wedding date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Anyone who expects to be hospitalized may come for an Anointing of the Sick after the 8:30 am Mass on Saturdays. If it is an emergency, please call the Rectory.

To make a Gift to the Parish or
to Sign up for Weekly "Recurring Gift" Donations
Go to: www.olghb.org and Select: Donate Now
Choose the Fund "Weekly Contributions 1st Collection"
or Text amount to 718-550-2292
If needed, you may register for an Account.

Our Lady of Grace

WORLD YOUTH DAY



Brunch



Suggestions for donated new items to be used as raffle prizes:

- Empty gift baskets
- Gift Certificates to restaurants, salons, stores, etc.
- Electronics
- Tickets to sporting events, shows etc.
- Vacation items, overnight stays, luggage, beach items, etc.
- Costume jewelry
- Handbags, pocketbooks, wallets
- Clothing accessories
- Sports Memorabilia
- Children's games, toys
- China serving pieces, vases, etc.
- Cookware, countertop items
- Artwork, wall decorations
- Candle jars

LISBON 2023

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2023

BEGINNING AT

10 AM MASS AT OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH

100-05 159 AVE, HOWARD BEACH, NY

BRUNCH FOLLOWING 12-4 PM AT ROMA VIEW CATERING

160-05 CROSS BAY BLVD., HOWARD BEACH, NY

INCLUDES FULL BRUNCH BUFFET • OMELETTE & CARVING STATIONS

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GOLD PAGE: \$250 - FULL PAGE: \$150 - HALF-PAGE: \$100

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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CONTACT STEVEN ERIQUEZ | 917-836-4985

NAME _____ CELL _____

ADDRESS (TICKETS WILL BE MAILED) _____

QUANTITY (PLEASE INDICATE ADULT/ CHILD/ TEEN) _____

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January 15, 2023

Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 15, 2023
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6 1 Cor 1:1-3 Jn 1:29-34 (64)

Vigil Mass Celebrated on Saturday, January 14 at 5 pm:

5:00 pm: **Greg Bobka** by Joseph & Mary Maglio

5:00 pm: **Carmine Estremo** by Marilyn, Lou & Family

5:00 pm: **Joseph Passante** by Jeanie Bernardo

5:00 pm: **Christopher Pantaleo** by Jennie & Gaspar Polizzi

5:00 pm: **People of the Parish**

8:00 am: **Giovanni Santoro** by Santina & Franco Emanuele

10:00 am: **Gaetano Greco** by Children

12 Noon: **Salvatore Casa** (1st Anniversary in Heaven)
by wife, Grace

Monday, January 16, 2023

Heb 5:1-10 Mk 2:18-22 (311)

8:30 am: **Fannie Vocile** by Vocile Family

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

St. Anthony Abbot

Heb 6:10-20 Mk 2:23-28 (312)

8:30 am: **Christian Bekmessian** by Lucrezia Benincasa

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Begins

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17 Mk 3:1-6 (313)

8:30 am: **Josephine & Salvatore Rapisardi** by
Anthony Rapisardi

Thursday, January 19, 2023

Heb 7:25-8:6 Mk 3:7-12 (314)

8:30 am: **Vern Hunt** by Pat & Theresa Connolly

Friday, January 20, 2023

St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

Heb 8:6-13 Mk 3:13-19 (315)

8:30 am: **Halina Malaczynska** by Jolanta Malaczynska
& Family

Saturday, January 21, 2023

St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

Heb 9:2-3, 11-14 Mk 3:20-21 (316)

8:30 am: **Joseph W. Carl III** (Birthday) by Mary Anne Carl

Sunday, January 22, 2023
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecumenical Sunday

Is 8:2-9:3 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17 (67)

Vigil Mass Celebrated on Saturday, January 21 at 5 pm:

5:00 pm: **Domenico Ameruoso** by his Wife

5:00 pm: **Teodor Malec** by Jolanta Malaczynska & Family

5:00 pm: **William Segur** by Jeanie Bernardo

5:00 pm: **Olga Haines** by Family

5:00 pm: **People of the Parish**

8:00 am: **Santa Infanti** by Infanti & Emanuele Family

10:00 am: **Peter Monteleone Sr.** by Peter C. Monteleone

12 Noon: **Antonio Freitas & Diamantina Viera** by Maria

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Memorial Gifts

The Bread and Wine are offered this week

In Memory of

Angela Breviaro

by Joseph & Vanessa Guzzo



In Loving Memory

Recently Deceased:

Joseph E. Brady

Leonard J. Menna



Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of their souls
and the consolation of faith for their families.

Purgatorial Society

January 2023—January 2024

Raymond Lynch

by Joseph & Mary Maglio



Michael Walsh

by Steve & Sue Misuraca

February 2023-February 2024

John Stewart, Sr.

by Joann, Steve & Michael

We Pray

PRAYERS AND INTENTIONS



If you would like to add a name to our prayer
list, please see our website or leave a message
at the office.

**Jack & Vicky Ackerly, Camille Arena, Salvatore Arena,
Bob Acosta, Vincenzo Bartolomeo, Gail Blanc,
Thomas Butler, Lois Conley, Ann Contino,
Barbara DiLeo, Stella Freed, Maureen Giuffrida,
Robin Julian, Kathleen Krieg, Nico Libretti,
Larry McGowen, Jereann McGuire, Rosalie Mendolia,
Tom O'Shea, Elly & Gary Panzl, Gary Parascondola,
Allison Petrenas, Anthony Picarella,
Toby Sanseverino, Rolf Stahl, Celeste Ventre**

**Monday is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, a federal
holiday. The parish office will be closed.**

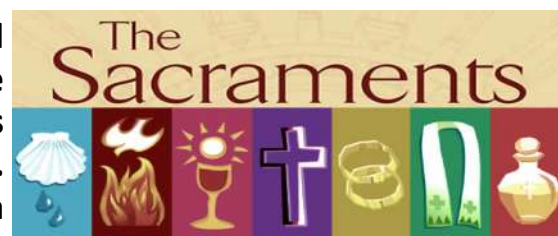


"I have decided to stick with
love, for I know that love is
ultimately the only answer to
mankind's problems."

Martin Luther King Jr.
August 16, 1967

Our Lenten Journey

You are invited to join us on a Lenten journey that will help deepen your relationship with Jesus and with the Church. This journey will focus on the seven sacraments of salvation and how they move us to holiness. For those of you who attended Catholicism 101, this is a continuation of that series.



Each session will begin with an examination of scripture and a guided reflection on its meaning for today. The main teaching for the evening will focus on either the Sacraments and Liturgy of the Church, the moral and social justice teachings or the practical way the Church teaches us to pray. The session ends with an opportunity for the group to pray for our daily needs and intentions.

Catholicism 201: The Seven Sacraments of Salvation and How They Move Us to Holiness

1. *The Waters of Baptism*
2. *The Eucharistic Sacrifice*
3. *Confirmation and Mature Discipleship*
4. *Where is God in my Marriage?*
5. *The Healing Touch of Jesus*
6. *Is it Reconciliation, Penance or Confession?*
7. *Where do I Stand in the Order of Salvation?*

The journey begins on Tuesday, February 7th from 6-7:30 pm and will continue on Tuesday evenings through the month of March. We will meet in the church. Please use the side entrance.

If you would like to join us, please leave your name and number on the white notepads located in the vestibules of the church or leave your contact information with the Parish Office.

We thank everyone who contributed to the beauty of our church this Christmas season!
The following intentions were not included on the previous lists:

In Memory

Janet Kucinkas by *Kenneth Kucinkas*

Alberto Blanco, Haydee Blanco, Maria & Antonio Micelotta, Irene D'Ellera by *Blanco Family*

Corcoran, Keller & Jablonski Families by *Eleanor Corcoran*

In Thanksgiving

M/M Angelo Figueroa

M/M Pasquale Capone

FRATERNITAS

This group is intended for Middle School Students. They meet one Saturday a month to join in prayer, catechesis, sports and sacraments. Meetings take place at Cathedral preparatory School in Elmhurst, Queens. **The next meeting is January 21st.**

If you know a student who is interested in attending or if you would like more information, please contact Fr. Christopher Bethge, Vocation Director at 718-827-2454

The following are the dates for the next meetings:

- Saturday, February 11, 2023
- Saturday, March 25, 2023
- Saturday, April 22, 2023
- Saturday, May 20, 2023
- Saturday, June 17, 2023

FB: [Vocations Brooklyn Diocese](#)

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brooklynpriests.org

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Call us at: 718-827-2454



Our Lady of Grace Ministry of Care & Service

158-10 101 Street, Howard Beach NY 11414
718-845-6635

**The Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays
from 10:30 am - Noon**

Please call only during hours of operation.

Please do not leave a message.

Non-perishable food and monetary donations or
gift cards can be dropped off at the parish office

Monday through Friday from 9am - 5pm.

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The Ministry of Care & Service would like to
acknowledge the following donations:

**In Honor of
Ann Marie Sinisgalli**
(Anonymously)

**In Memory of
Ellen DiRe**
by Patrino Family



The Ursuline Sisters of Tildonk announced the passing of **Sr. Mary James Fox** on December 28th, 2022. Born in Brooklyn to James and Helen, Mary Joan Fox was baptized in Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Brooklyn. When she was 17 years old, she entered the congregation of the Ursuline Sisters of Tildonk in Blue Point. Soon after professing her perpetual vows six years later, Sr. Mary James embarked on a 26-year ministry in education. She taught at Our Lady of Grace (Howard Beach, NY), Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Ozone Park, NY), St. William the Abbot (Seaford, NY) and Our Lady Star of the Sea (Stamford, CT), where she also served as Principal. Her last teaching position was at Holy Family High School (Huntington, NY) where she was an instrumental member of the Math Department from 1968 to 1979. Known for her superior mathematical abilities, Sr. James' ministry turned to bookkeeping, serving for 24-years at Our Lady of Mercy (Hicksville, NY) and another seven years at Our Lady of Hope (Middle Village, NY). Following her official retirement, Sr. James continued to serve in the Ursuline's Business Office, proving to be an invaluable resource. Sister earned a bachelor's degree from St. John's University and a master's degrees from St. John's University and Randolph-Macon College. In addition to the Ursuline Sisters and Associates of Tildonk, Sr. James is survived by her sister, Helen Fox Brown, and seven nieces and nephews, 14 grandnieces and grandnephews, and six great-grandnieces and great-grandnephews. At the time of her death, Sr. James Fox had been an Ursuline Sister for 72 years. Her funeral was held on January 4th in Blue Point.



Stay connected with our Parish ministries, activities and mission by signing up to our social media sites:

For the latest news and to visit our

- o **Parish Web Page:** **Go to: www.olghb.org**
- o Find us on **Facebook:** **Go to: Our Lady of Grace Howard Beach**
- o To **Register for an account** with the Parish and to make **recurring weekly donations:**
Go to: www.olghb.org
Select: Give OnLine
Choose a Fund and select "Recurring Gift"
(If needed, register for an Account)
- o To get weekly updates of activities important notices, join our **"Flock":**
Go to: Flocknotes.Com or Text: OLGHB to 84576
- o Join our **FREE Catholic Evangelization service (FORMED)**
and enjoy over 4,000 videos, movies, talks and catechist material with your family:
Go to: www.formed.org
To register your name and e-mail:
Select: "I Belong to a Parish."
Enter: Our Lady of Grace at Howard Beach or 11414



**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Begins on Wednesday, January 18
and ends on Wednesday, January 25, 2023**

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU) has a history of over 100 years, in which Christians around the world have taken part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity. By annually observing the WPCU, Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper "that they all may be one ." (cf. John 17:21)

**God grant us the patience to work together,
bring us all together as a family.
Let us work together with understanding
and compassion in our hearts.
Let us not be rude or arrogant towards one another,
as we light the way to your heavenly kingdom.
Amen**

Annual March for Life Rally in Washington DC

A Diocesan bus will be leaving from 310 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn on Friday, January 20th at 6:30 am for anyone who is interested in participating in the rally. The cost is \$25pp. Parking on the street. Please contact: Christian Rada at 718-965-7300 X-5541



**Flame of Love Rosary is prayed
every MONDAY night in our church
from 7:30 - 8:30 pm.**

Please use the side entrance of the church.



**JOIN US FOR HOLY HOUR
with Praise & Worship Music
WEDNESDAYS at 7:30 pm.
The Holy Hour is also live streamed on our web-
site: olghb.org**



**The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed on
Friday mornings following the 8:30 Mass.**



**The Holy Rosary for Life
is prayed at noon on Saturdays.
Please use the side entrance of the church.**

**Our Lady of Grace Pastoral Center & Parish Office
158-10 101 Street
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**OFFICE HOURS
ARE MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 9 AM - 5 PM**

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Pastor Emeritus:

Rev. Anthony M. Rucando

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Rev. Mr. Antonio Gordon
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Shannon Connolly

Director of Religious Education:

Mrs. Allison Mestrandrea

Directors of Youth Ministries:

Steven and Gina Marie Eriquez

Coordinators of the Ministry of Care & Service

Mrs. Jeanie Ruvolo and Mrs. Kathy Pascarella

For Men and Women Seeking Healing from Divorce

"Surviving Divorce" will help you work through the emotional upheaval of separation and divorce; find personal healing and hope; discover a deeper understanding of God's love for you; gain wisdom and comfort from experts and others who share your experience; navigate new concerns like custody, court hearing and finances.

Participation is strictly confidential.

**Our Lady of Grace Community Room every other
Thursday from 7:30-9pm beginning January 26th:
1/26, 2/9, 2/23. 3/9, 3/23, 4/6, 4/20, 5/4, 5/18, 6/1**

For more information or to sign up, please call
Allison at 917-747-5577.

Our Lady of Grace Now Has a Blog !!!

Are you done learning about our Catholic faith? **Never!** Learning about our faith isn't supposed to end after Confirmation or adulthood. Our Lady of Grace now has a blog where you can find articles that educate, inform, and inspire your growth as a Catholic journeying toward sainthood. Learn something new. Learn something **deeper**. Explore the treasury of Catholic thought and doctrine. Visit blog.olghb.org on your computer or mobile device.

By the way, it's great material for a family trivia night!

