

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholíc Church

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

We hope you have felt at home in our church this weekend. Please feel free to join us as often as possible, you are most welcome.

January 28, 2024 | 718-229-5929 | www.olbs-queens.org | secretary@olbs-queens.org



Monday—Friday: 7am & 9am, Saturday 9am Public Holidays: 9am only WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday: Vigil 5pm | Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12 noon LIVESTREAM: Mon-Sat 9am | Sat 5pm & Sun 10am Holy Days: As Announced in Bulletin/Website Sacrament Info: See inside Church open weekdays until 4pm

All are welcome!

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Sacraments and Prayer

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays: Begins after 9am Mass and ends at 10:30am.

Baptism: During pregnancy, approach any priest or deacon after Mass for a special blessing of the child in the womb. Soon after birth, call the secretary to arrange an interview with a staff member and details on STARTING POINT, our parent enrichment program.

Confession / Reconciliation: Confessions will be heard on Saturdays from 4pm to 4:45pm, or by appointment with one of the priests.

Marriage: Soon after engagement, approach any priest or deacon after Mass for the special blessing of an engaged couple. Call the secretary at least six months prior to the desired wedding date to begin BETTER TOGETHER, our couple's enrichment program.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the rectory to arrange for a priest to celebrate this sacrament due to serious illness, a planned medical procedure, or advanced age. **Communion of the Sick:** The clergy and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion attend to the homebound sick. Please call Jane at 718-762-2252 or the secretary to arrange temporary or long-term coverage.

We are served by:

Rev. Robert J. Whelan, Pastor Ext. 124 frbob@olbs-queens.org Rev. Nathaniel Ajuluchukwu, Parochial Vicar Ext. 118 frnathaniel@olbs-queens.org Mrs. Joan Kane, OLBS Catholic Academy Principal 34-45 202 Street, Bavside, NY 11361-1152 (718) 229-4434 Office www.olbsacademy.org Mrs. Jeannine Iocco, Coordinator of Religious Education (718) 225-6179 religioused@olbs-queens.org Mrs. Jean Marie Kessel, Secretary **Deacon Ernesto Avallone** deaconernesto@olbs-queens.org **Deacon William J. Molloy** deaconbill@olbs-queens.org Mrs. Kathleen Giuliano, Youth Ministry kgiuliano@olbs-queens.org Mr. Michael Martinka, Director of Music Ext. 117 mmartinka@olbs-queens.org Mrs. Marsha Quilang, Administrative Assistant Ext. 110 secretary@olbs-queens.org bookkeeper@olbs-queens.org **Receptionist, Daily Volunteers** During Office Hours, Ext. 111 In Residence, Rev. Bryan J. Carney (Flushing Hospital Chaplain) Ext. 120

Jan/Feb 2024



	Sa – 27th 9am 5pm	In Thanksgiving (Betty Boroughs) Helen Lavelle (Wall Family) James Wall (Wall Family) Gina Pappas (Nancy & Peter Gentile)			
	Su– 28th 8am 10am 12pm	Orlando Abreu (Fr. Bob) For the People of our Parish Peggy Buckley (Siobhan Eberle)			
	M – 29th 7am 9am	Marie Bernhard (Joyce & Terry Sheridan) Gina Pappas (Murphy & Fuller Fam)			
	T - 30th 7am 9am	Patricia M Brennan (Fr. Bob) Maryalis Adams (Nancy & Peter Gentile)			
	W - 31st 7am 9am	Marie Bernhard (Johnaline & Vivienne O'Donner) Anne Tuley (Sr. Margaret Tuley)			
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	F–2nd 7am 9am	Maria & Tony Verbanac (Maria Trpic) Regina Pappas (Dorothy & Bill Molloy)			
	Sa – 3rd 9am 5pm	Ivan Trpic (Maria Trpic) For Members of Our Purgatorial Society			
	Su– 4th 8am 10am 12pm	Available For the People of our Parish Anna M. Brust (Catherine Brust) Mary & Carmine DelBasso (Sanja Pazin) Genoveffa Liubicich (Angelo Liubicic Regina Pappas (Ray & Eileen Caffrey)			
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that they may be raised to eternal life

Charles Annibale, Anthony Della Croce, James Richard O'Connor and ALL who have died.

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION FOR ADULTS -RCIA - For information contact Deacon William Molloy - deaconbill@olbs-queens.org

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From the Pastor's Desk....



Dear Parishioners,

We all at times desire to be free from the anxieties of life, whether present concerns or those of the unknown future. Saint Paul writes to the Corinthians that he would like them to be free of this. Jesus has not left us and is in fact returning. His word among us remains powerful and those who trust in it find relief. The prophets spoke God's word to the people in the past, as Deuteronomy reminds us of this weekend. But in Jesus' time the crowds marveled that he spoke with authority, unlike any others. When Jesus speaks, God acts, for he himself is the divine word. Think about the many statements of Jesus and how they apply to you. They become powerful actions in you when received. Like the tormented man in the Gospel, we too can experience this healing and transformation. When Jesus speaks, God acts.

In Christ, Father Bob

Second Collection—Jan 27th/28th

All are asked to support the combined diocesan collection for churches in Need in Latin America. Eastern Europe and Africa this weekend. Your donation is greatly appreciated.

Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance

Saturday March 2, 2024 6:30 PM in the Auditorium Honorees: Sister Donna Smith Michael and Philomena Durkan Dan and Kathleen McGovern Francis McLoughlin Jeff Reinhart Tickets: \$65 Adults \$35 Children On sale after the Masses starting Feb 10--11 Music: By our own Shannon Breeze **Entertainment:** Ciara Greene School of Irish Step Dancing Raffle prize donations are requested: gift cards, Liquor, gift certificates Please call Betty 347-613-1303 or Eileen 718-358-1381

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Sunday Mass Presiders: Feb 3rd/4th

schedule is subject to change - (in parentheses will preach)

Sat,	2/3rd	5pm	Fr.	Ajuluchukwu
Sun,	2/4th	8am	Fr.	Whelan
		10am	Fr.	Whelan
		12pm	Fr.	Ajuluchukwu

STEWARDSHIP — A way of life **TITHING: God's plan for giving...**

2023 \$4,775 \$5,326 482

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 2024 Weekend Collection Faith Direct Attendance

\$ 4.308 \$ 5,151 422

OLBS PARISH CALENDAR Link: https://bit.ly/3QIdNdS





MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS Link: https://bit.ly/3FZF0np

PLEASE MAIL WEEKLY OFFERINGS **OR SIGN-UP FOR FAITH DIRECT**

It's so convenient, saving checks, time, mailings, and trips to the rectory. Now you can Text-To-Give from your smart phone! Simply text the word enroll to 929-429-4700. You can make a one-time gift or enter recurring gifts. It can be used also for Religious Education Fees, Mass Cards & other services and Catch-up Offerings. You can also continue to sign-up online at faithdirect.net using our parish code NY339, or call 866-507-8757.

2024 Announced Mass Book

Please send in your request to the rectory - Attention: Mary. Please be sure to include your phone, and address. Please also include your check payable to Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church with your request – the donation requested per Mass is still \$15. Any questions please call 718-229-5929. ext. 111

FAMILY BINGO IS BACK!

February 3, 2024 at 6pm in the OLBSCA Auditorium. Cost is \$15 per person. To register please mail bingo.olbscapa@gmail.com or scan the QR code. Send payment in cash or check to OLBSCA or rectory in an envelope marked Family Bingo with



your name & number of attendees. Or you can pay using Zelle OLBSAPATREASURER@gmail.com Enter Family Bingo, your name & number of attendees

PRAY FOR THE SICK

- Joan Callahan, Denis Carroll, Marie Felix, Mary McLoughlin, Neal O'Keefe, Anne Previdi, Michael Sottile, Genevieve Statelman, Maria Troina
- Sandra Ceslowitz, Nora Leddy, Betty McAleer, Joan Morgan, Mary Piccone, Liam Sheehan, Rae Dellino Pitto, Kate Robilotta, John Steingasser
- Robert Donohue, Patrick Kelly, Patty O'Sullivan, Michael McAleer, Nicoletta Nagle, Connie Sarno, Mary Vinson

PRAY FOR THE SICK

If you have a family member you wish to be prayed for, please let us know immediately and we will be happy to pray for them. The names will remain on the sick list for three weeks and thereafter repeated as 'requested. Please call the rectory at 718-229-5929 if someone is in the hospital, nursing home or at home and wishes a visit from a priest or parish minister.

Woman's Welcome Retreat III

"For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you. Plans to give you hope and a future" Jeremiah 29:11 On April 13-14, 2024 at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish Center; it would be a blessing if you join us on the Welcome Retreat. Take time for yourself to welcome God's Grace in your life. The Welcome Weekend is an incredible experience that will help you discover what's been missing from your life or what you can add to enrich your life. There is no overnight. Please sign up by 3/15/24. Questions please call: Sister Margaret Tuley 716 200 2488; Dorothy Molloy 718 224 5136; Kathy McNally 718 229 5562.

MOMMY & ME

Thursday, February 1, '24, 9:30am, OLBS Auditorium

Come sing with the Comm. Singers of Queens

The Community Singers of Queens is recruiting new members to sing in our Spring Concert on May 4, 2024. If you enjoy singing with others, can carry a tune and like learning a variety of good music we may be the group for you. Rehearsals have begun and are held on Mondays at 7:30pm right here at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church. If you have any questions, please feel free to call, Margaret Abel at (718) 840-8351.

PILGRIMAGE TO MOTHER ANGELICA EWTN & SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Birminham, Alabama - April 16-19, 2024 1,999.00 per person (double occupancy) Single Room \$2,299.00 ; (\$250.00 deposit per person) A & G Peace & Tours Inc. 718-423-5077

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Child Lures® Prevention Think First & Stay Safe®

This week in Religious Ed, the students in all grades will learn about child safety. The "Lures Prevention Program" has been in existence for 38 years and the curriculum is in place to prevent child and teen victimization. I have broken the lessons down by age group to provide the most age-appropriate information to our students. Their safety is our number one concern. The discussion will begin in the auditorium with a short guided video. The conversations will then continue in the classrooms where the children are invited and encouraged to ask questions and discuss the ways to stay safe from someone trying to lure them into a potentially dangerous situation. We want all of our students to be safe and happy in our school environment and in their home lives. This program helps them to best identify and articulate behaviors that make them feel unsafe and promotes healthy relationships that will help them to become the best versions of themselves!

- Jeannine Iocco



6th Annual Bayside Saint Patrick's Day Parade Dinner Dance

Grand Marshal Sean Lane

Chairman - NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade Aides To The Grand Marshal

Joseph Brosi, Dan Geoghan, Katie Madden, Colette McArdle, Deacon Bill Molloy, Kaitlyn Mooney, Peter Segrave, P.J. Smith, Martin Stein, Judge Joanne Watters

Friday February 9th 2024—7pm

Leonard's Palazzo 555 Northern Blvd. Great Neck, NY 11021 Tickets \$125 per person Includes Cocktail hour, Open Bar, Sit down Dinner and Live music by <u>The McLean Avenue Band</u> RSVP By January 31st 2024

<u>For Tickets and Information</u> Betty McLoughlin 718-352-2452 cell 347-613-1303 Mary McCauley 718-631-0552 cell 347-944-7164

Rosary Altar Society

All welcome to the RAS. Mass on 2/4/24 at 10 am and general meeting to follow in The Parish Center. There will be a guest speaker on Women's Health. Breakfast will be served.

OLBS Senior Club

We meet every Wednesday at 12 pm till 3pm in our Parish Center. Meet new friends & play games, Bingo, 50-50 (pokeno, sevens, poker, rummikub, nokrummy). Call Dom at 917-509-6827 or 718-631-3905

St. Mother Theresa Workshop

St. Mother Teresa Workshop will be meeting every Wednesday. The group will meet every from 9:30-11:30 AM in the Parish Center. We knit, crochet, and sew for those in need. No experience necessary to join. Basic instruction will be provided.

Do you have Prayer Petitions? Join us Wednesday's for the Rosary!

Recitation by Zoom app or call in every Wednesday at 7:30pm. Phone number is 646-558-8656 Prompt is ID 832 6419 5478; Next prompt is pass code 90. For Zoom ID and passcode the same Any difficulties call Kathy 917 561 8805 as I will be ready to assist. Please join us in prayer for your special intentions. We are blessed to pray The Rosary weekly as you will be blessed to join us. Praying the Rosary is a special Grace!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

We conclude the video/discussion series, **PRESENCE:** The Mystery of the Eucharist, this Thursday, February 1st, at 7:00 P.M., with a special bonus video by Dr. Tim Gray. Dr. Gray is the president of the Augustine Institute, and a well-known scripture scholar and Catholic speaker. All are welcome!

CENTERING PRAYER Be still & know that I am God!" Ps. 46:10.

"Through the practice of Centering Prayer - quieting my mind & heart by entering into silence & stillness -I consent to not only God's presence in my life but also to God's action in my life."

Come "rest in God" with us for a few minutes in church, in front of the tabernacle on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month. Meetings in February 2024: Feb. 7 & Feb. 21 at 3:20 -4:00pm



Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Academy shared by Sister Donna Smith, D.C.

"Our choices are at the heart of our ability to collaborate with God to create Holy Moments."

THIS WEEK'S HOLY MOMENT PROMPT IS

"Thank your parents and teachers for your Catholic education"

To receive a Catholic education is to receive a gift from God in our lives each and every day. Our Catholic faith guides us throughout our life's journey.

The mission of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Academy is to provide an inspiring and challenging educational experience that is college and career-ready and grounded in Catholic values. All that we endeavor to do reflects the development of the dignity of each individual person as a unique member of God's family.

Let's keep the Holy Momentum going!!

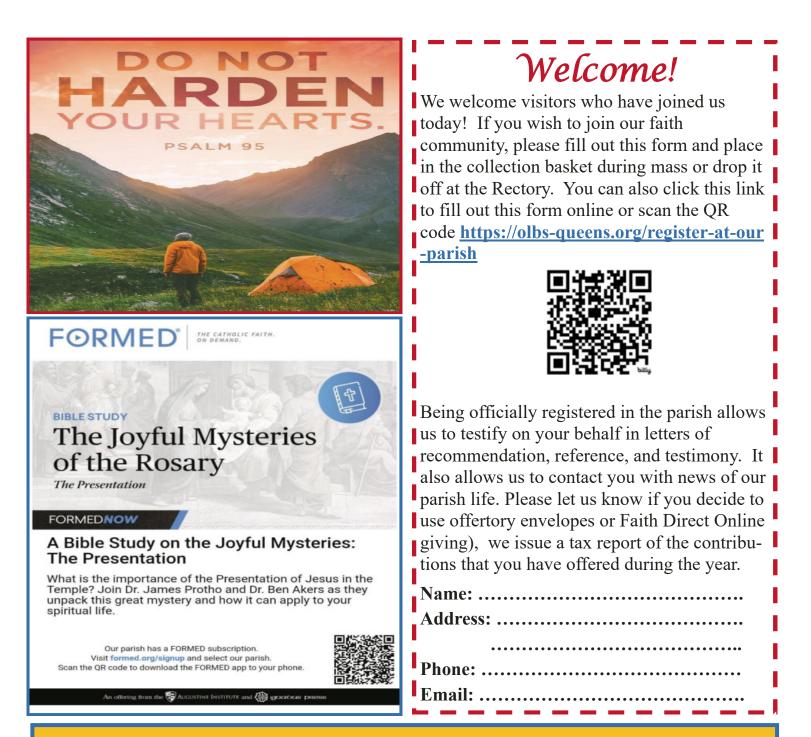
Enjoy your week and may you be blessed with many holy moments!!

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK INVITATION

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Academy on 203rd Street in Bayside is having an Open House this Sunday January 28th. A 10:00 AM Mass will be celebrated in the church to start Catholic Schools Week with refreshments and an open house at the Academy at the end of the Mass. Please join us and tour the school where a faith-based education is offered for 3K through the 8th grade. You can also call 718-229-4434 for more information or to schedule a tour for an alternate time. OLBSAcademy.org.

Parish Book Club

Please join us on Tuesday, January 30, 2024 at 7pm in the Parish Center below the church. Come prepared to discuss The Whole Town's Talking, by Fannie Flagg. Something strange is happening at this small Missouri town's cemetery which is anything but still. Meet Lordor Nordstrom, Katrina and their neighbors and descendants as they live, love, die and carry on in mysteriously surprising ways. Join us for great discussion, fellowship and friendship. Call Pat at 917 863-7857 if needed.



QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURES

First Reading:

Moses taught the Israelites that God would raise up a prophet like him to teach them the Lord's commands. But he also forewarned about false prophets. How can we avoid listening to false prophetic voices?

Second Reading:

Paul expresses his desire for the Corinthian believers to be free of anxiety so they can focus their attention and energies on Jesus. What distracts you from the Lord?

Gospel:

Mark informs us that early in Jesus's public ministry his "fame spread" quickly throughout Galilee because of his powerful deeds, such as the healing of the demon-possessed man in today's reading. Is there something or someone in your life that you pray Jesus would heal? ©LPi



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