

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, February 19, 2018

NOON Thanksgiving to Our Lord

TUESDAY, February 20, 2018

6:30am Nancy Kastner

NOON Mary Tiernan

WEDNESDAY, February 21, 2018

6:30am Nancy Lopez

NOON Patricia & John Mirabella (L)

THURSDAY, February 22, 2018

6:30am Thomas Ferguson, Jean Cipolla & John Flanagan

NOON Msgr. John Brown

FRIDAY, February 23, 2018

NOON Nora & William Whiteley

SATURDAY, February 24, 2018

8:30am Audrey Ryan

5:30pm John & Patricia Falconite

SUNDAY, February 25, 2018

8:00am People of the parish, Purgatorial Society, Anthony Mistretta Jr. (B)

11:30am Intentions of the Celebrant

5:30pm Faustina, Joy & Faith

Sick: Rosaline Peiters, Annette Petti, Ann Dormody, Jean Chenet, Rosemary Podesta, Louis Cardiello, Anthony Boffa, Ellen Lahane, Julien Dolisca, Frank Incorvaia, Patricia Watson, Ingrid Velinskie, Grace Lipani, Carissa D'Alba, Kimberly Palmo, Edwin Walsh, Dorothy Lasher, Dr. Vijay Anand, Carol Melo, Antoinette Casconi, Dimona Galli, Alexander Elias, Baby Charles Richardson, Edie Neumann, Michael Serrone, Carol Perrone, Lisa Cullen, Jessica Termini, Frank Etienne

For those who died—

Those in the Armed Services—in these difficult times, let us lift up in prayer for our brave men and women who fight for our freedom all over the world. May God bless them and keep them safe not only during this holiday season but always.

ROSARY SOCIETY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Rosary Society of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish runs a trip to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City on the FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH. The bus leaves from in front of the Church (1550 Hendrickson Street, between Flatlands Avenue & Avenue P) at 8:30am. The cost of this is \$40.00, which includes a bagel for breakfast and a \$30.00 bonus from the Casino. The next trip is scheduled for Thursday, **March 1, 2018** For further details or to sign up for the trip, please call Noreen at (718) 253-7824.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

If you know a parishioner who is unable to attend mass on the weekend, or are unable to attend yourself, please contact Fr. Clifford at 718-253-4404. Fr. Clifford will arrange a visit and then assign an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to visit on a regular basis. Homebound parishioners are very grateful to be able to receive communion in their homes. Please keep our homebound members in your prayers

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Looking for a volunteer to work the SUMMA gift shop . Please contact :
Joe Costillo for details (718) 377-1293

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**St. Thomas Aquinas
Bereavement Group**

The death of a love one can be the most stressful event in a person's life. A wide array of emotions can be experienced, such as sadness, anger, anxiety, guilt, and despair. There is no right way and wrong way to grieve. Each person experiences grief in his or her own way, partly because of the relationship with the person who died. St. Thomas Aquinas Invite you to set aside and hour of your time for yourself sharing the suffering that accompanies grieving.

We meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month. For more information contact Fr. Kieran 718-253-



**HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT OF
BEING AN ALTAR SERVER?
ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH
NEEDS YOU!**

The program is open to children in the 3rd Grade and up. Training sessions are held in the church on Sunday's after the 11:30AM Mass. If you are interested, please fill out the information below, have your parents sign it, give it to Fr. Dwayne or bring it with you to the first practice. Training will begin on Sunday, February 11, 2018. We look forward to seeing you there.

OFFICE HOURS

Please be aware of the rectory office hours:

**Monday—Thursday
9am-12pm & 1pm-8pm**

Friday- 9am- 12pm

Saturday & Sunday -9am-2pm

Please conduct all parish business during these office hours only

St. Thomas Aquinas Church Lent 2018

Daily Holy Hour after the Noon Mass

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday

During Lent at 7:00pm in Church

Friday, February 23rd -Led by Holy
Name Society

Friday, March 2nd – Led By Deacon Lou-
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Friday, March 9th -Led by Rosary Socie-
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Friday, March 16th –Led by Youth
Group/Lenten Soup Supper

Friday, March 23rd-Multi-Lingual Sta-
tion

LENTON BIBLE STUDY

Beginning Tuesdays

February 20, 7:00pm

with Fr. Clifford

&

Thursday Prayer Group

7:30pm with Fr. Kieran

SAVE THE DATES

Saturday, March 3rd, 2018-Memorial Mass
for Msgr. Brown-10:30AM

Saturday, March 10th, 2018-St. Patrick/St.
Joseph Party-7PM

Saturday, April 7– Trip to the Divine Mercy
Shrine

CHOIR NEWS

The Choirs are now preparing for Holy Week and the Lenten and Easter seasons. If anyone is interested in joining and singing with the Children's Choir, Hand Bell Choir, Adult Choir or Contemporary Choir for these holy seasons, please see Mr. Jim Millen, Director of Music, at the organ, after any of the weekend Masses.

“With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God.”

– *Colossians 3:16*



LENTON REGULATIONS 2018

Abstinence - All the faithful who have reached 14 years of age are required to abstain totally from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting - All the faithful between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may also be taken on two other occasions during the day.

Easter Duty - After they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, all the faithful are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season, unless for a good reason it is fulfilled at another time of the year. By special indult, in the United States, the time period for fulfilling this precept has been extended to include the period beginning the First Sunday of Lent (February 18, 2018) to the celebration of Pentecost (May 20, 2018).**Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord** - Since March 25th is Palm Sunday, the Solemnity of the Annunciation, normally assigned to this date, is transferred to Monday, April 9, 2018.

The Solemnity of Saint Joseph - The solemnity of Saint Joseph should be observed with proper solemnity even though it falls within the season of Lent.

Reconciliation Monday - This year our diocese will once again celebrate Reconciliation Monday on March 26, 2018, which is the Monday of Holy Week. As in the past, we hope this will be a wonderful opportunity for the faithful to participate in this great Sacrament of Healing. After having reached the age of discretion, members of the faithful are bound to confess once a year grave sins which have not already been absolved

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BRIAN GEWIRTZ MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Brian Gewirtz was a 20 year old Marine Park resident with a disability found in Marine Park Golf course in April 2015. A 501c3 nonprofit foundation has been started focusing on disability awareness.

Please join us for a Card Party
at

Knights of Columbus, Baron De Kalb
3000 Emmons Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11235

For more info please call 1-646-239-1693