

First Reading

Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a,10ab

The sign of God's salvation will be a woman clothed with the sun.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 45:10-12,16

The queen takes her place next to God.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:20-27

Christ has redeemed Adam's sin.

Gospel Reading

Luke 1:39-56

Mary greets Elizabeth and sings God's praise.

Background on the Gospel Reading



Today's feast celebrates Mary's Assumption into heaven. It is one of three feasts of Mary that are Holy Days of Obligation for Catholics in the United States. January 1 is the feast of Mary, the Mother of God, and December 8 is the feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. The assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven has long been held as an important Catholic belief. The belief was not defined as dogma, however, until 1950 by Pope Pius XII. The dogma teaches that Mary, who was without sin, was taken, body and soul, into the glory of heaven.

The Gospel for this holy day recalls Mary's actions after the announcement of Jesus' birth by the Angel Gabriel. Mary goes to visit her cousin Elizabeth who is also with child. Elizabeth greets Mary with full recognition of the roles they and their unborn children will play in God's plan for salvation. Mary responds to Elizabeth's greeting with her song of praise, the Magnificat. Both women recall and echo God's history of showing favor upon the people of Israel. Mary's Magnificat, in particular, echoes the song of praise offered by Hannah, the mother of Samuel.

The Gospel for this day reminds us that Mary's Assumption into heaven is best understood with regard for the full spectrum of Catholic beliefs about the person of Christ and the person of Mary. Only Mary, who was born without stain of original sin—the Immaculate Conception—could give birth to Christ, who is fully God and fully human. This is called the Immaculate Conception. Because of Mary's role in God's plan of salvation, she does not suffer from the effects of sin, which are death and decay. Mary is the first to receive the fullness of the redemption that her son has won for all of humanity. The Church, therefore, recognizes Mary as the sign of the salvation promised to all.

Today's Gospel highlights Mary's faith. Mary's faith enabled her to recognize the work of God in her people's history and in her own life. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to all. Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan of salvation.

Jesus has demolished all boundary expectations. It is not social definitions such as class, religion, gender, or ethnicity that determines who is our neighbor. A neighbor is a person who acts with compassion toward another. The point becomes not who deserves to be loved as I love myself, but that I become a person who treats everyone with compassion.

When Jesus asks the lawyer who was the neighbor in the story, the lawyer can't bring himself to say it was the Samaritan. All he says is that it was "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus' response was similar to that of the first discussion: "Go and do likewise." The lawyer, and we, know what is right. The key is to do it.

Pro Sanctity

BIBLE SHARING: PRO SANCTITY MOVEMENT MEETS EVERY THURSDAY AT 7:00 PM IN THE SIMONETTI CENTER: 741 E. 86TH ST STARTS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2020 ALL ARE WELCOME. FOR INFO CALL 718-649-0324 or 917-873-1707

Prayer for Vocations

Lord of the Harvest, we petition you as you have instructed us to ask for more laborers to serve in the vineyard of Your Church. You have told us that the harvest is rich and laborers are few and we experience this great need in the face of the challenge of the New Evangelization we ask the Holy Spirit to inspire young men and women to seriously consider vocations for the priesthood and religious life. Help all of us to be effective instruments to encourage and support those whom you are calling to serve and lead the Church of Brooklyn and Queens in the future. Lord, you told the Apostles to put out into the deep. We ask for the grace and courage to accept your call as we pray and work for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. We ask

Every First, and Third Sunday, of the month after each mass Fellowship is followed in the Parish Center all are welcomed

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Weekend Masses in the Canarsie Cluster Parishes:

Our Lady of Miracles

(E. 86th St. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)
Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)
10:30 AM (Eng.)
12:30 PM (French/Creole)

Holy Family

(Rockaway Pkwy. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:00 PM (Eng.)
Sun. 8:00 AM (Eng.)
9:15 AM (Creole)
11:15 AM (Eng.)

St. Jude

(Seaview Ave. & Canarsie Rd.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)
Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)
10:30 AM (Family)
12:30 PM (Bi-Lingual)

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AUGUST 15TH 2021



Please Pray for ALL Our Sick In Our Parish

Jadranka Knezevic, Frantz Darius, Marie Yvonne Darius, Melanie Peter, Donna Ann Burris, Angelia Agbi, Maureen Ming, Libera Kenai, Beryl Whyte

We will keep names on the sick list for three weeks. After that time, the family should call the rectory

Our Parish needs your Weekly Support TIME People

Saturday	5:30 PM	Eng	90
Sunday	8:30 AM	Eng	95
Sunday	10:30 AM	Eng	90
Sunday	12:30 PM	French/Kreyol	125

Weather: Sunny Day

Our weekly goal is \$4850.00
This Weeks Total was \$3,500.00
Previous Week \$4,100.00
Your generosity is greatly appreciated
Second Collection

Coming Up This Week



Monday: August 16

8:30 AM Mass

Tuesday: August 17

8:30 AM Mass

Wednesday: August 18

8:30 AM Mass

Thursday: August 19

8:30 AM Mass

Friday: August 20

8:30 AM Mass

Saturday: August 21

8:30 AM Mass

Sunday: August 22

8:30 AM Mass & 10:30 AM Mass English

12:30 PM Mass French/Kreyol

Our Lady of Miracles Rectory Office Hours

Monday 10AM-5PM, Tuesday 10AM-5PM,

Wednesday Closed, Thursday 10AM-5PM,

Friday Closed, Saturday Closed, Sunday Closed

Saturday August 14

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Du Cap by Annelove Bernard & Family

8:30 AM In Memory of Natura SainRose by Family

8:30 AM Messe de requiem pour Lenio Levelt Jean by Family

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings in Heaven for Cristina Angelica Ignacio by her Father Crisanto Ignacio & Family

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings to Venette Fanfan by Venette Fanfan

5:30 PM For the repose of the soul of Albert Modeste by Felicity Modeste

5:30 PM For the repose of the soul of Norris Ferguson by Felicity Modeste

Sunday August 15

8:30 AM Birthday In Heaven for Michael Riti by Nina Riti

8:30 AM Happy Birthday to Tonia Kenscoff by her husband Joseph Kenscoff

8:30 AM In Memory of Jeanine Kenscoff by her son Joseph Kenscoff

8:30 AM In Memory of Lewis & Germain Johnson by their children & grandchildren

10:30 AM Thanksgiving for my 29 years in the United States by Letecia Casipe

10:30 AM Thanks to All The Saints by Evenise Casimir

10:30 AM Thanksgiving for The Blessed Virgin Mary by Cyriane Richard

10:30 AM Thanksgiving for The Egbunam Family by The Egbunam Family

12:30 PM Birthday Blessings to Jenjinhi Noel Jeune by his Mom Minouche Jean Louis

12:30 PM Messe de requiem pour Lenio Levelt Jean by Family

12:30 PM Messe d' Action de Grace pour Yanique Jean-Louis by Family

12:30 PM In Memory of Marcel Jean & Samson Jn Louis by Family

Monday August 16

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles by Rockefeller Robillard

8:30 AM Messe de requiem pour Lenio Levelt Jean by Family

Tuesday August 17

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving to All Saints for 1158 East 84th St by Annelove Bernard & Family

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Mrs Junie Desnarattes by Gladys Jean

Wednesday August 18

8:30 AM For the safety and protection of all people by OLM

Thursday August 19

8:30 AM In Memory of all deceased OLM parishioners by OLM

Friday August 20

8:30 AM For an increase to the priesthood by OLM

Saturday August 21

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles by Annelove Bernard & Family

8:30 AM In Memory of Roberte Jules by Jean Lorine

8:30 AM In Memory of Raynaud & Ester Hiverla Derose by The Derose Family

5:30 PM In Memory of all deceased OLM Parishioners by OLM



In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles by Letecia Casipe

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Pope Francis's Reflection for Sunday August 15th 2021 The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

In today's Gospel Reading, the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary Most Holy, the Holy Virgin prays with these words: "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour" (Lk 1:46-47). Let us look at the two verbs in this prayer: *magnifies* and *rejoices*. Two verbs: "magnifies" and "rejoices". We *rejoice* when something so wonderful happens that it is not enough to rejoice within, in our soul, but rather we wish to express our happiness with our whole body: thus we rejoice. Mary rejoices because of God. Who knows whether we too have ever rejoiced for the Lord? We rejoice over a successful result and over good news, but today Mary teaches us to rejoice in God. Why? Because he — God — does "great things" (v. 49).

The other verb: *to magnify* refers to great things. "My soul magnifies". To magnify. Indeed magnifying means to extol a reality for its greatness, for its beauty ... Mary exalts the Lord's greatness; she praises him saying that he is truly great. It is important to seek great things in life; otherwise one becomes bemused by many trivialities. Mary shows us that in order to live a happy life, we should put God in first place because he alone is great. How many times instead, we are distracted by things of little value: prejudice, resentment, rivalry, envy, illusions, superfluous material goods.... How much pettiness there is in life! We know this. Today Mary invites us to *raise our gaze* to the "great things" that the Lord carried out in her. The Lord does many great things in us too, in each of us. We must recognize them and rejoice, magnify God for these great things.

Today we are celebrating the "great things". Mary is assumed into heaven: small and humble, she is the first to receive the highest glory. She, a human creature, one of us, attains eternity in soul and body. And there she awaits us as a mother waits for her children to come home. Indeed the People of God invoke her as the *Gate of Heaven*. We are on a journey, pilgrims towards the home that is up there. Today we look to Mary and we see the finish line. We see that a creature was assumed into the Glory of the Risen Jesus Christ, and that creature could not have been but her, the Mother of the Saviour. We see that Mary, the new Eve, is in heaven, together with Christ, the New Adam; she is also there, and this gives us comfort and hope on our pilgrimage here below.

The feast of the Assumption of Mary is a call to each of us, especially those who are afflicted by doubt and sadness, and live with their gaze turned down, unable to raise their glance. Let us look up. Heaven is open. It does not inculcate fear. It is no longer distant because on the threshold of Heaven, a mother, our mother, is awaiting us. She loves us, she smiles at us and she thoughtfully assists us. Like every mother she wants the best for her children and she says to us: "You are precious in God's eyes; you were not made for the small satisfactions of the world, but rather for the great joy of heaven". Yes because God is joy, not boredom. God is joy. Let us allow Our Lady to take us by the hand. Each time that we hold the Rosary in our hands and pray to her, we are taking a step forward, towards the great destination of life.

Let us allow ourselves to be attracted by true beauty. Let us not be befuddled by the trivialities of life, but rather let us choose the greatness of Heaven. May the Holy Virgin, Gate of Heaven, help us daily to trustfully and joyfully look to where our true home is, where she is awaiting us like a mother.



Scriptures For The Week

Monday August 16

Jgs 2:11-19 Mt 19:16-22(419)

Tuesday August 17

Jgs 6:11-24a Mt 19:23-30(420)

Wednesday August 18

Jgs 9:6-15 Mt 20:1-16(421)

Thursday August 19

Jgs 11:29-39a Mt 22:1-14(422)

Friday August 20

Ru 1:1,3-6, 14b-16,22 Mt 22:34-40(423)

Saturday August 21

Ru 2:1-3,8-11;4:13-17 Mt 23:1-12(424)

Our Lady of Trust Catholic Academy

up coming events

Open House for Pre-3, Pre – K4 & Pre K
9:00 to 11 AM

For more information call 718-241-6633

Record of PARISH contributions

If you use our church envelopes and need to have a record of your contributions to Our Lady of Miracles Church for the past year(2020) for income tax purposes, please contact the rectory during office hours or send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to

Our Lady of Miracles Church, 757 East 86th street, Brooklyn, New York 11236. We will be happy to forward the information to you.

Due to the Corona Virus we will not be serving the Precious Blood we will let you know when we will be serving the precious blood.

Haitian Prayer group meet every Monday night at 7:00 Pm in the church. All are welcomed

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Office Of Faith Formation News

The Faith Formation Office will be closed in August. You can still register for September classes if you have not done so by completing early registration slips found in the back of the church, and leaving in the box provided. We will contact you in September.

Any Child who received Baptism and started 1st Grade in Public School or Catholic School must start First Communion Preparation. After Communion Public School Children must continue ongoing formation until they begin Confirmation preparation to be fully initiated Catholics. Catholic School children do not need

<u>For</u>	<u>Early</u> June to Aug 31st	<u>Regular</u> Sep 3rd-10th	<u>Late</u> Sep 12th– Oct 31st
1 Child	\$60	\$80	\$105
2 Children	\$100	\$140	\$165
3 or more	\$160	\$180	\$205

ongoing formation but must register for Confirmation preparation when they reach that level.

Payment Schedule for the upcoming 2021-2022 Registration Year

The days to call the Faith Formation Office is on Tuesday and Friday at this number **718-649-1006** Or by email at dre101163@diobrook.org

Our office Days and Hours

Tuesday: 10:00AM-4:30PM

Friday: 10:00AM-4:30 PM

OLM Spiritual Journey Program (OSJP)

Resumes in September

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday, from 9:30 AM till 12:00 Noon, we have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and Benediction. We are looking for people to sit in church while the Blessed Sacrament is on the altar. Please come to the rectory to put your name down for an hour or two.

The only time we will not have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is if we have a funeral

Annual Catholic Appeal 2021 CATHOLIC APPEAL PRAYER

Loving Father, through Baptism you have made us members of the Body of your Son and His Priestly People. You have enriched us with the outpouring of the gift of your Holy Spirit. You continue to make your Son present among us through the Sacrament of His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

We are ever grateful for what you do for us and we seek to respond by revealing your goodness through the witness of our lives.

Help us to nourish and support those members of the Body of Christ who are in need of our generous sharing of our time, talent and treasure.

We make this prayer through Christ our High Priest and Lord. AMEN

Annual Catholic Appeal 2021 goal at Our Lady of Miracles R.C is \$33,494

Thank for your generous support.

God bless you!

PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE WHEN YOU ARE ENTERING THE CHURCH. THIS IS QUITE DISTRACTING TO THE PRIEST AND OTHER PARISHIONERS THANK YOU.

You can donate to the parish by using our electronic giving page at <https://givecentral.org/olm-brooklyn> Or simply text the word SUDAY to 646-736-4700 or mail your envelopes to the rectory at 757 East 86TH St Brooklyn NY 11236