Saint Pancras Parish Community
Building Our Future Together Since 1904
January 5, 2020
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Pancras Parish, established in 1904, is a Roman Catholic Parish of the Diocese of Brooklyn. We are a people of diverse cultures, needs, and gifts who come together as part of the Body of Christ to live and share the Gospel message of Jesus.

We value family life and our participation together in worship, education and spiritual growth, service to human needs and social life.

We seek to:
- Become a more welcoming and caring community, communicating new ideas integrated with traditional values.
- Promote harmony, reconciliation and healing among our members.
- Form a more enthusiastic faith-filled community.
- Establish responsible stewardship of our time, talents and resources.
- Embrace the Kingdom of God while on our mutual spiritual journey to eternal life with Jesus.

In the security of God’s unconditional love and empowered by the Resurrection, we will achieve these goals through the wisdom of the Gospel and with the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Parish Staff
Pastor ~ Rev. Francis J. Hughes
Parochial Vicar ~ Rev. Wladyslaw Kubrak
Director of Music ~ Mr. Thomas Fierro
Secretary ~ Miss Rose Marie Fitzsimons

Rectory
72-22 68th Street, Glendale, NY 11385
Telephone: 718-821-2323, Fax: 718-417-8021
Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 am - 12:30 pm & 2:00 pm - 8:00 pm

School of Religion
Director ~ Mr. Juan C. Perez
Telephone: 718-497-0590
Office Hours:
Monday & Thursday 9 am - 5:00 pm
Tuesday & Wednesday 11 am - 8:30 pm

Visit us on the web: www.stpancras-queens.org
We Celebrate...

**Sunday Mass**
4:30 pm - Saturday Vigil
8:00 am, 9:30 am (Polish), 11:00 am

**Weekday Mass**
8:30 am - Monday - Saturday

**Holy Day Mass**
As announced in bulletin and at Sunday Mass

**The Sacrament of Baptism**
Baptism will take place on the 4th Sunday of the month at 1:00 pm. Parents **must** register at the parish office. An Instructional Class for parents is held on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:30 pm in the Church. Parents **must be registered members** of the parish and present the child’s birth certificate to register for Baptism.

**Chrzest w języku polskim w kazda pierwsza niedziele miesiaca o godzinie 13:00.**
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**The Sacrament of Penance**
3:30 to 4:15 pm - Saturday or by appointment

**The Sacrament of Marriage**
Couples must make arrangements with one of the Priests at least six months prior to making any other arrangements. Please log on to [www.pre-cana.org](http://www.pre-cana.org) for complete information about marriage preparation in our Diocese.

**The Sacrament of Anointing the Sick**
Administered upon request following the 8:30 am Mass on Saturday. Please call no later than 3 pm Friday afternoon to make arrangements.

**Prayer Opportunities**

**The Rosary:** Reflects on the important events in the life of Jesus and His Mother, Mary. Please pray the rosary privately or with the parishioners each morning following 8:30 am Mass.

**Novenas to OL Miraculous Medal & St. Anne:**
The Novenas to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal & St. Anne are prayed each Monday morning at 8:15 am before 8:30 am Mass.

**Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction:** Each First Friday of the month from October through June following morning mass.

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**Mass For Intentions The Week**

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

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**PRIESTS’ MASS SCHEDULE**

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Dear Padre

What do we know about the Three Kings?

Your question reminds us how much human tradition has embellished some of the events described in sacred Scripture. Historically, the name Magi designates members of an ancient Near Eastern priestly caste. In Matthew’s Gospel, they are presented as noble wise men and astrologers.

The number three has long been associated with the Magi. However, the Gospel narratives never mention their number (though they did offer three gifts—gold, frankincense, and myrrh). Saint Matthew is also silent about their names. However, in the eighth century, Western traditions began calling them Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. Other Christian traditions use different names.

Though their gifts indicate they were from South Arabia, it’s doubtful that they represented particular nations or the major racial families. At the very least, the Magi represent the Gentile peoples coming from afar to find the true God in Jesus Christ. This contrasts with King Herod and Israel. Both neglected this manifestation of God’s presence in their midst.

Astrology permeated ancient cultures, so it isn’t strange that astrologers appear in the Bible. The Church responded by “Christianizing” aspects of astrology. For example, the Church deliberately called Christ the “Sun of Justice,” thus replacing the pagan god Sol with one true God. In the fourth century, the Church placed the celebration of Christ’s Nativity on December 25, the birthday of the sun. We emphasize Jesus as the Light of the World and celebrate his feast every week on Sunday.

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Good News!

Epiphany of the Lord  Isaiah 60:1–6; Ephesians 3:2–3a, 5–6; Matthew 2:1–12

“Go back where you came from!” What if the Magi heard this when they came to the house where the Child was, and they heeded that deriding message? The “signs of the times” that they read told them a king had been born. They might not have known exactly where to look, but they knew what they were looking for, and they recognized that king when they found him. These righteous men were not Israelites, yet God revealed this great mystery to them. Furthermore, there is no indication that they eventually became Israelites. Rather, “they departed for their country” (Matthew 2:12). God really does not play favorites.

Then how are we to understand the claim of being God’s Chosen People, whether ancient Israelites or the Christian community? What’s the point of being chosen if you are not the favorite? While acknowledging God’s special love for his Chosen People, both Isaiah and Paul answer this question. The prophet claims that “nations will walk by your light, kings by the radiance of your dawning” (Isaiah 60:3), and Paul says “the stewardship of God’s grace…was given to me for your benefit” (Ephesians 3:2). In other words, some have been chosen by God to bring the light of God’s love to others.

The feast of the Epiphany celebrates two important realities—the revelation of God to all people and the responsibility to reveal that astounding mystery to others. The Magi personify both realities. They were men of another faith tradition to whom God revealed the mystery of the Incarnation, and they returned home and probably proclaimed to others the wonder of that mystery.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA
PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**We Pray For...**

**Our Sick:** Joseph Scarfo, Bella Brunetti, Sharon & Barney Magro, Eleanor Eveline, Kathleen Eveline, Monica Giglietto, George Nolde, Sylvia & Robert Nolde, Manuel Fernandez, Ryder Chevalley, Sharon Yankow, Noah Seranno, Mike Humenik, Barbara Frankel, Loretta Heuser, Anissa Johnson, William & Donna Nolde, Thomas Yankow, Lina Marino, Russel Singleman, Paula Boettcher, Rose Tesoriero, Janet Seminara, Giovanna Ferrara, Elena Barcelona, Frank Crifasi, and Tom Hegyi

**Our Deceased:**

**Perpetual Prayer Guild:**

**Our Military:** Please let us lift up our prayers for our brave men and women who fight for our

**We Prepare For...Next Sunday:**

**January 12, 2020**

*The Baptism of the Lord*

**First Reading:** Isaiah 42: 1 - 4, 6 - 7

**Second Reading:** Acts 10: 34 - 38

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 3: 13 - 17

**WINTER WONDERLAND GALA DINNER DANCE**

On Saturday, February 1, 2020 from 7 to 11 pm, *Notre Dame Catholic Academy* at Our Lady of the Miraculous Parish is hosting a gala to celebrate the communities of our parishes. Parishioners and Alumni from OLMM, Saint Aloysius, and Saint Pancras parishes are invited to participate. To be included in the mailing list, please email: almni@notredamecatholicacademy.net

**Save the Date**

**VOCATION CORNER**

*The Epiphany of the Lord - January 5, 2020*

“God chose us before the world began to be holy.”

God has chosen each person in Christ for a particular vocation. If He may be calling you to be holy through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

Think about it, pray over it, and contact our Vocation Committee (718-821-2323), or email us at www.stpancras-queens.org. The rewards are heavenly!

**CHILDREN’S CHOIR**

We invite all boys and girls, in grade 2 and up, from our Parish and Religious Education Program to join or rejoin the Youth Choir at Saint Pancras. The next rehearsal will be on Thursday, January 9, 2020, from 3 to 4 pm in the Church. The children will next sing on Sunday, February 2, 2020 at the 11:00 am Mass. If any child from the parish would like to join the choir, please see Mr. Fierro, our organist, after Mass or come to a rehearsal.

**CUB SCOUTS**

The Cub Scouts will meet Wednesday, January 8, at 6:30 pm in Pfeifer Hall. Scouting is a great way for your child to learn skills which will carry on into adulthood. *Bring your son to a meeting!*

**The Altar Bread, Wine and Candles**

**this week in Memory of Rosemary Rueckher at the Request of Tina & Frank Kotnik.**

**The Church Bells**

will ring this week in Memory of Herbert Schager at the Request of Family.

**Pink Envelope -- 2nd Collection:**

Next weekend, January 11 & 12, we will have our monthly 2nd collection using the pink “Maintenance and Repair” envelope. Please be generous. Your continued generosity is very much appreciated!
BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP
The Bereavement Support Group will meet Wednesday, January 8, 2020, at 10 am in the Rectory Basement Meeting Room.
This support group is open to anyone in our community who has suffered the loss of a loved one.
If you would like further information, please call:
Ann Winkler at 917-860-7634 or Marie Cifaldi at 718-497-3893.

OVER 50 CLUB
The next meeting of the Over 50 Club is Friday, January 10, 2020 from 1 to 4 pm in Pfeifer Hall.
Call Mary at 718-821-4339 for information.
Our Christmas Party will be held at this meeting. If you have not reserved your ticket, please contact Mary to join the celebration!
Enjoy the fun! Bring a friend! New Members are always Welcome!

SAINT PANCRAS SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Religious Education Classes are held as follows:
♦ Grades 1 to 5, on Tuesday, January 7 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.
♦ Grades 6 to 8 on Wednesday, January 8 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.
The doors to Pfeifer Hall will open at 6:15 pm for assembly. Please bring your child(ren) on time, so classes may begin promptly at 6:30 pm. Thank you for your cooperation.
If you have any questions, please call Mr. Perez at 718-497-0590.
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The Campaign Team would like to thank all the families who have pledged to make this campaign a success. Currently we are at 74% of pledged amount.

Our parish could receive more than $400,000 back if all pledges made are completed. We plan to use the funds we receive to make needed repairs to our school roof, in anticipation of the lease of the building. It is not too late to donate to the Campaign. Your help is needed for us achieve success.

To make a pledge or for more information, please contact us at the rectory, call 718-821-2323.

Thank you again for your ongoing support!

Take another look at Catholic education

Open House for prospective families
Monday, January 13, 2020
from 9:30 to 11:00 AM.
View a Power Point presentation,
Refreshments served,
Tours of grades Nursery to 7.

 Seats available for 2020–21 at:
Sacred Heart Catholic Academy of Glendale
84-05 78th Avenue, Glendale, NY 11385

Contact us at 718.456.6636