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.
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. Przypominamy iz rodzice Proszacy o chrzest swojego dziecka powinni byc zarejestrowanymi parafianami sw. Pankracego.

**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 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**

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary**

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<td>February 24, 2020</td>
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<td>Mathias Fink (Joann)</td>
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<td>February 25, 2020</td>
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<td>John P. Frosina (Mom &amp; Dad)</td>
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**ASH WEDNESDAY**

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<td>Adam Barthalt (J. MorscherFamily)</td>
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<td>All the People of the Parish</td>
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<td>Maria Da Silva (Gil Family)</td>
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**PRIESTS’ MASS SCHEDULE**

- **Saturday/Sobota**
  - February/Luty 29, 2020
    - 4:30 pm Fr. James King

- **Sunday/Niedziela**
  - March/Marzec 1, 2020
    - 8:00 am Fr. Francis Hughes
    - 9:30 am Fr. Wladyslaw Kubrak
    - 11:00 am Fr. Wladyslaw Kubrak
Dear Parishioners,

Wednesday of this week, February 26, is Ash Wednesday, and the start of the Holy Season of Lent. Traditionally, Lent was a time of preparation for those who would become Catholic through Baptism at the Easter Vigil. The candidates would spend the days of Lent in deep prayer, study and doing acts of penance. Those who were already Catholic would show their solidarity, as a faith community, with the candidates by undertaking their own prayer, study and penance. In the restored Catechumenate process of the R.C.I.A., we again have the sense of journeying with those who move toward becoming full members of the church. During this last stage of their preparation, during Lent, let us pray for, and with, all those in our parish and our diocese who will be joining us as fellow Catholics this Easter.

The ashes which will be placed on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday are best understood according to the age and reasoning ability of those who receive them. For adults, it is easy to accept the reminder that “...we are dust, and unto dust we shall return.” It is just as clear for the ashes to be a reminder that we have agreed to set out at the start of Lent by accepting to do Penance, and to “...turn away from sin and follow the teaching of Jesus.” For a young child, it is sufficient for them to see the ashes simply as a sign and reminder that we are Christians and join with our fellow believers in thinking and praying about the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross and his resurrection which we will celebrate at the end of Lent.

In order for us to make the most of the days of Lent, we are encouraged to PRAY, FAST, and SACRIFICE. If we choose to sacrifice by “giving up” something for Lent, may I suggest that it be replaced by making use of opportunities for prayer. Below are listed several extra opportunities that are available here at St. Pancras Parish.

- **Weekday Masses** - Monday to Saturday at 8:30 am
- **Praying the Rosary** - Each day following the 8:30 am Mass
- **Stations of the Cross** - Each Friday of Lent - English at 7:00 pm & Polish at 7:45 pm (March 6, March 13, 20, 27, April 3)
- **Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and St. Anne** - 8:15 am before Mass on each Monday and A **Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction** on the First Fridays (March 6 & April 3).
- **Reconciliation (Confession)** - Each Saturday from 3:30 to 4:15 pm.
- **Reconciliation Monday** - April 6, 3:00 - 9:00 pm
- **Additional time for prayer** - Each day our church is open until noon for visits and private prayer.

Please note the following Lenten Regulations:

**ABSTINANCE** — The church requires all the faithful, 14 years of age and older, to abstain totally from meat on Ash Wednesday and **ALL the Fridays of Lent**

**FASTING** — All the faithful, between the ages of 18 and 59, are also bound to observe the fasting regulation 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 in the course of 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 indul, in the United States, the time period for fulfilling this precept has been extended to include the period beginning the First Sunday of Lent (March 1) to Trinity Sunday (June 7).
**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 Tesoriere, Janet Seminara, Elena Barcelona, Frank Crifasi, Tom Hegyi, Mary Duffy, Jeannette Vilardi, Ann Winkler Jackson, Caterina Aprea, Virginia Wasnieski, Raffaella Cifaldi, and Maryann Salvato

**Our Deceased:** Giovanna Ferrara, Theresa Arcuri Finlay, Eileen Hoffmann

**Perpetual Prayer Guild:** Ed Herzog

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

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

**March 1, 2020**

**First Sunday of Lent**

- **First Reading:** Genesis 2: 7-9, 3:1-7
- **Second Reading:** Romans 5: 12-19
- **Gospel Reading:** Matthew 4:1-11

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**2019 CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

Any parishioner who would like a copy of their 2019 Contribution Report should call the Rectory at 718-821-2323, or you may include a note with your Sunday envelope. Please indicate if you want the report mailed or if you will pick it up at the Rectory. A report will not be sent automatically. Thank you for your cooperation.

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**VOCATION CORNER**

*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 23, 2020*

“Thus, should one regard us, as servants of Christ.” Are you being called to serve the Lord and others in the consecrated life or priesthood? 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!

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**The Church Bells**

will ring this week

**In Memory of**

John & Rosa Pospischil

at the request of Walter.

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**The Altar Bread, Wine and Candles**

this week are offered

**In Memory of**

Eleanor Kolin

at the request of Elizabeth Kolin.

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**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SAINT PANCras SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Religious Education Classes are held as follows:**

- ♦ Grades 1 to 5 meet Tuesday, February 25 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm
- ♦ Grades 6 to 8 meet Wednesday, February 26 from 6:30 - 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.
ST. JOSEPH & ST. PI10
PRAYER GROUP
LUNCHEON CELEBRATION

During our meeting March 7, 2020 we will be celebrating the Feast of St. Joseph.
As in past years we will have a Special Luncheon.
The cost of the luncheon is $25 for members and $30 for non-members and guests.
If you have not purchased your luncheon ticket(s), please contact Francesca at 718-366-6576.
All tickets must be reserved and paid before Wednesday, March 4, 2020.
Please join us for our celebration! We look forward to seeing you!

CUB SCOUTS
The Cub Scouts will next meet on Wednesday, February 26, at 6:45 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!

THANK YOU!
St. Pancras wishes to thank all our parishioners who made a donation this month to Sacred Heart’s Food Pantry.
Your support of their mission helps families in our neighborhood.
Your generosity is appreciated.

OVER 50 CLUB
The next meeting of the Over 50 Club is Friday, February 28, 2020 from 1 to 4 pm in Pfeifer Hall.
Call Mary at 718-821-4339 for information.
Enjoy the fun! Bring a friend.
New Members are always Welcome!

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP
The Bereavement Support Group will meet Wednesday, February 26, 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.

This week begins the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal.
We thank all who have participated with a gift to the 2019 Appeal and ask that everyone prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2020 Appeal.
The work and services made possible through your donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal help people in Brooklyn and Queens in ways that no one parish can alone.

Please remain assured that your gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal cannot be used in the settlement of abuse claims or for anything other than their intended purpose.

We encourage all to watch the brief 2020 ACA Video online at: CFBQ.org/ACAVideo
**Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass**  
**May 16, 2020**

Join the faithful from across the Diocese of Brooklyn on Saturday, May 16, 2020, to celebrate the vocation of the married life. The Diocese is sponsoring The Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at Mary’s Nativity Church  
46-02 Parsons Blvd  
Flushing, NY 11355 at 11AM.  
The celebrant will be Bishop Raymond Chappetto. All couples who have celebrated their marriages in the Catholic Church are invited to attend this Annual Mass. Special recognition will be given to couples who are celebrating their 25th, 50th and 75th Anniversary. All couples are invited to attend with their families. To register and for further details, please contact Martha Hernandez at 718-281-9540. A $35.00 fee per couple is collected to assist in covering photo costs and a reception after mass. Please make checks payable to the Diocese of Brooklyn. Mail payment to:  
**Secretariat for Evangelization and Catechesis**  
**Attn: Wedding Anniversary**  
**310 Prospect Park West**  
**Brooklyn, NY 11215**

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**Ash Wednesday**

Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving: these disciplines, prescribed by Jesus himself in the Sermon on the Mount, along with strict instructions not to flaunt them in public to win recognition and praise (Matthew 6:1-18), have been embraced by all the saints at the beginning of every Lent for almost two thousand years. But mention Lent, and many react with a grimace or slight shudder—even now, years after official obligations have been reduced to a minimum! No wonder the Eastern Rite’s “Lenten Announcement” sounds surprising: “Let us receive with joy, O faithful people, the divinely inspired announcement of Lent! The Lenten Spring shines forth! Begin the fast with joy! Let us fast from passions as well as food, taking pleasure in the good works of the Spirit, and accomplishing them in love!” Saint John Chrysostom, whose feast is September 13, elaborates: “Do you fast? Give proof by your works. If you see a poor person, take pity. An enemy, be reconciled. A friend gaining honor, don’t be jealous.” A positive approach! May the saints help us keep such a Lent!

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**Forgiveness**

People who cannot forgive others break the bridge over which they must pass if they are to reach heaven; for everyone has a need to be forgiven.

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**Strong Beliefs**

Strong beliefs win strong people and make them stronger.

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**Forgiving an Enemy**

Who has not forgiven an enemy has not yet tasted one of the most sublime enjoyments of life.

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**Repentance**

Of all human acts, repentance is the most divine. The greatest of all faults is to be conscious of none.