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**
*Until further notice, Masses will be offered PRIVATELY*

**Weekday Mass**
*Until further notice, Masses will be offered PRIVATELY*

**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. Przypomina- my 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](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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**CONFESSOR’S SCHEDULE**

**GRAFIK SPOWIEDNIKOW**

Saturday/Sobota, June/Czerwiec 15, 2019
*Call to make an appointment for Confessions at the rectory*

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**PRIESTS’ MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday/Sobota, June/Czerwiec 6, 2020
Mass will be offered privately

Sunday/Niedziela, June/Czerwiec 6, 2020
Mass will be offered privately
Dear Padre

May 31, 2020

I look forward to every Pentecost Sunday, when I am renewed in God’s spirit. Recently I read an article that said the Holy Spirit is a she. Is the Holy Spirit female?

The third person of the Trinity is the Holy Spirit. The word spirit is a translation of the Hebrew word ruah, which can mean “breath,” “air,” or “wind.” This is the wind that God first sent to create the world, it is the breath that God breathed into Adam and Eve, and it is the tongues of fire that the apostles experienced on the first Pentecost.

In Hebrew, the word used for the Holy Spirit is feminine. In Greek, the word used is neuter, and in Latin, the word used is masculine. Not surprisingly, this caused a few problems for the early Church, which included many Hebrew, Greek, and Latin speakers. In areas where Hebrew or another Semitic language, such as Syriac, was spoken, the Holy Spirit was thought of as feminine, and so images of the Holy Spirit as mother were common. These various images of the Holy Spirit were openly expressed until about the fourth century, when Latin took over as the dominant language in the West.

We believe that in the life of the Trinity, God the Creator begets the Son. The expression of the love between God and the Son is the Holy Spirit. Perhaps we shouldn’t think of the Holy Spirit as being either gender. Saint John describes the Holy Spirit as being God’s love (see 1 John 4:7–13).

On this Pentecost and always, I wish you God’s Spirit of love.

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

As he did on Pentecost, the Lord wants to work one of the greatest miracles we can experience; he wants to turn your hands, my hands, our hands, into signs of reconciliation, of communion, of creation. He wants your hands to continue building the world of today. And he wants to build that world with you.

—PRAYER VIGIL WITH YOUNG PEOPLE, JULY 30, 2016

REGISTRATION FOR NEXT YEAR (2020-2021)

Registration for the new CCD school year (Sept. 2020 to May, 2021) has begun. This year we will not have “IN PERSON” Registration. All families have received an email explaining the process for this year. All children in the program this year will be automatically registered for next year. Parents with children who will be new to the Program can complete the Registration Form online. (Available on the parish website.) All families will be able to pay the fees on line. Please register as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please call Mr. Perez at 718-497-0590.
**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**We Pray For...**


**Our Deceased:**

**Perpetual Prayer Guild:**

**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:**

**June 7, 2020 - Trinity Sunday**

First Reading: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9
Second Reading: 2 Cor 13:11-13
Gospel Reading: Jn 3:16-18

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**HELP OUT OUR ADVERTISERS**

Our Sunday bulletin is an important way for us to communicate with you, especially during these days of the Coronavirus pandemic. It might be the only way that we can reach some of you. Every bulletin that you receive is paid for through the generosity of the businesses that you see advertised on the back cover. Most of these advertisers are members of our local community, and many belong to our parish. We urge you to think of them when you decide to have a meal or other item delivered to your door. Tell the business owners that you appreciate their support of our parish through their advertisements in the bulletin. This is one small way that we can work within our own community to weather the challenges that we face. Together we can help each other make it through.

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**VOCATION CORNER**

**Pentecost Sunday – May 31, 2020**

“There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit.” Is the Lord inviting you to share your gifts as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? 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](http://www.stpancras-queens.org)

The rewards are heavenly!

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**The Altar Bread, Wine & Candles**

for the week of May 31 are offered In Memory of The Knoll, Lucchese, Miceli & Rocco Families at the Request of Gloria

**The Sanctuary Lamps**

are lit for the week of May 31 In Memory of Martha Killian at the Request of Her Family

**The Altar Flowers**

for the week of May 31 are offered In Memory of Martha Killian at the Request of Her Family

**The Church Bells**

will ring for the week of May 31 In Memory of Martha Killian at the Request of Her Family
PLAN FOR THE REOPENING OF OUR CHURCH

FROM THE GUIDELINES ISSUED BY THE DIOCESE

The REOPENING of our church will happen gradually and by stages:

- **Stage 1**: Opening of Churches for private prayer and devotion, Funerals, Baptisms and Weddings (beginning on May 26, this coming Tuesday). We are directed by the Bishop to allow private prayer and devotion for just a few hours. **Our church will be open Mondays to Saturdays ONLY, from 9:30 AM to 12:00 Noon.** After the church reopens for private prayer and devotion, the full reopening for liturgical celebrations will begin **after the order for allowing large gatherings has been given by government authorities.** This is important because of the danger of gathered crowds and the possible spread of the virus.

- **Stage 2**: Limited Celebrations of Daily Mass (**No date has been set yet**). Before we reopen here at St. Pancras, we will be sanitizing the church. According to the CDC, the virus can only live on surfaces for a limited time (ranging from hours to days depending on the type of surface). Since our church has been closed for over two months, we will do this primarily as a precaution.

- **Stage 3**: Limited Celebrations of Sunday Mass (**No date has been set yet**)

- **Stage 4**: Celebration of First Holy Communion and Confirmation (**No date has been set yet**)

The dates of Stages 2, 3 and 4 will be announced at a later time.

REGARDING STAGE 1:

- When we reopen, you will notice changes that have been made and new procedures that **WILL HAVE TO BE FOLLOWED**:
- During the first stage, to more easily control access to church, only the center door will be opened for entrance into the church.
- During Stage 1, the church will be open for a limited time period each day. While your priests will still be offering masses privately each day, the hours when the church will be open **MUST NOT coincide with the time a Mass is celebrated in the church.**
- The church will be marked off with signs and tape to show areas that adhere to social distancing guidelines. **YOU WILL BE ASKED TO SIT ONLY IN THOSE AREAS.**
- Senior citizens, and others who may be more vulnerable, should use good judgement and be cautious about coming to church at this time. Those who are health-compromised **MUST** stay home. Anyone who feels sick in any way **MUST** stay home. You should take your temperatures before leaving home and should stay home if the temperature is over 100 degrees.
- Parishioners **must** wear masks or similar face coverings, which should be brought from home. No one will be allowed in church without a face covering.
- There will continue to be **NO** holy water in the fonts.
- Hymnals, missalettes and any other worship aids **WILL BE** removed from the pews and stored away.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at the entrance to church, but parishioners are to be encouraged to bring their own from home.
- Our restroom will be open and available, but used by one person at a time and cleaned regularly.
- Bulletins **will not be** distributed, nor should there be any literature available for people to take. Our bulletins will continue to be available on our parish website (www.stpancras-queens.org)
- There is to be no congregating of people (for example, gathering to say a Rosary as a group inside the church).
- During **Stage 1** of the reopening, there should not be more than ten (10) people in the church and there cannot be a group gathered.
- We respectfully ask you **NOT** to touch statues or other devotional objects in the church.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit. (1Cor 12:3b-13).

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).


PLAN FOR THE REOPENING OF OUR CHURCH (continued)

REGARDING STAGES 2 AND 3

• When we open for Sunday Masses, ushers WILL BE present at the doors to assure that social distancing rules are observed and to determine whether the church is getting too crowded. We will consider using the auditorium of our school, along with necessary social distancing, for the overflow while viewing Mass on a screen. Another option may be to add an extra Sunday mass or two.
• Ushers will not be taking a collection. Instead, we will have large baskets available for you to place your donation.
• For the foreseeable future, parishes may not schedule any events which will draw crowds and make social distancing difficult.

REGARDING FUNERALS:
Funeral services will be permitted, but are to be strictly limited to 10 people. The funeral service must be the Rite of Funeral Outside of Mass. Therefore, Holy Communion will not be distributed at these services. Persons attending the funeral must be seated using social distancing norms (Six [6] feet apart) except for members of the same household and everyone must wear a mask or face covering. Funerals services will begin with the casket in place in front of the sanctuary and with the participants seated. There is to be no procession into or out of the church.

REGARDING BAPTISMS:
In cases of genuine necessity, Baptisms will be allowed, with social distancing guidelines being enforced and limited to 10 or fewer participants. Baptisms can be celebrated only with prior consolation with the Office of the Chancellor.

REGARDING WEDDINGS:
Again, in cases of genuine necessity, Weddings will be permitted to take place with social distancing guidelines being enforced and, at first, limited to 10 or fewer participants. Weddings will be celebrated with the Rite of Marriage Outside of Mass. No Nuptial Masses will be celebrated at this time. Therefore, Holy Communion will not be distributed at this time. Weddings can be celebrated only with prior consultation with the Office of the Chancellor.

REGARDING ANOINTING OF THE SICK:
Anointings will be celebrated with the usual safety measures in place. Priests, as well as those attending to the sick person, will wear masks and gloves. Any guidelines that are in place in hospitals or other institutions must be respected. There are to be no celebrations of communal anointings in church.

REGARDING CONFESSIONS:
Confessions may take place with both the priest and penitent wearing masks and remaining at least six (6) feet distant from one another. A space other than a traditional confessional will be used. A larger space will be needed. No lines or groups will be allowed for confessions. Our usual times for confession will be resumed (Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:45 PM.) The sacrament will take place outdoors, in the space between the rectory and the church.

PENTECOST

Unless the eye catch fire,
God will not be seen.
Unless the ear catch fire,
God will not be heard.
Unless the tongue catch fire,
God will not be named.

—William Blake
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