

# Our Lady of Refuge R.C. Church

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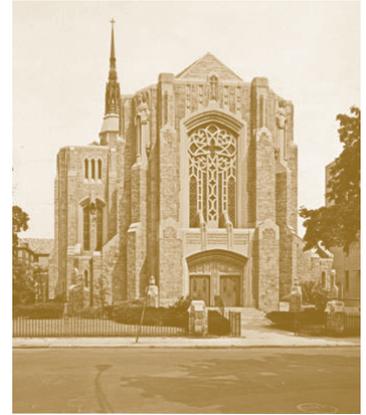
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## *Bienvenue • Welcome • Bienvenidos*

### **Parish Vision Statement**

TO GROW IN HOLINESS, TO WORSHIP GOD, AND TO SERVE  
THE WORLD.

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### **Pastoral Staff**

Administrator: Rev. Lucon Rigaud

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Alfredo Garcia

Rev. Michel Pierre Louis

Bus. Administrator/Stewardship

Coordinator: Ms. Joane Lawrence

Parish Musician: Glenn Balck

### **Office Hours • Horas de Oficina • Heure de Bureau**

Monday to Friday: 9:00AM – 5:00PM

(Closed 12:00PM – 1:00PM for lunch)

Saturday: 9:00AM – 2:00PM

Sunday: 9:00AM – 1:00PM

### **Faith Formation**

Religious Education for children

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of  
Adults) Director: Ms. Jennifer Baptiste

Phone: 718-974-5248

Email: [OLR1087@gmail.com](mailto:OLR1087@gmail.com)

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Suspended until further notice.

### **MASSES • MISAS • MESSES**

#### **Daily in the Chapel**

Monday - Saturday – 9:00AM

#### **Weekend in the Church**

Saturday: 5:30PM English

Sunday: 10:30AM

Domingo: 8:30AM Español

Dimanche: 12:00PM Haitienne Kreyol

Jueves: 7:30PM Español

### **Baptism • Bautismo • Bapteme**

Come into the rectory for information.

### **Confessions/Reconciliation**

Saturday, Samedi, Sabado 4:30PM or by  
appointment

### **Marriage • Matrimonio • Marriage**

Call 6 months in advance. Llame 6 meses antes de la  
fecha. Appelez 6 moisal' avance.

Log on to [www.pre-cana.org](http://www.pre-cana.org) for marriage  
preparation details.

### **Ministry to the Sick**

The Eucharist can be brought to the elderly and those  
who are homebound. Please call the rectory.





**Masses can be seen weekdays & Sunday on NETNY.TV on FIOS by Verizon 48 Optimum 30 Spectrum 97**

- **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** - Meetings are suspended until further notice.
- **NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS-** Meetings are suspended until further notice.

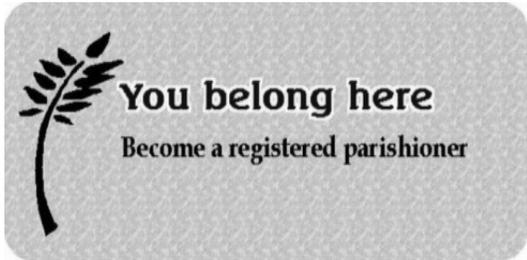
**FIRST READING**  
**Daniel 7:13-14**  
The dominion of the son of man is an everlasting dominion.

**SECOND READING**  
**Revelation 1:5-8**  
The ruler of the kings of the earth has made us into a kingdom, priests for his God and Father.

**GOSPEL READING**  
**John 18:33b-37**  
You say I am a king.

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*Throughout history Jesus Christ has been acknowledged as King. Even before he was born to Mary, Daniel prophesied that one like a Son of man would come from heaven to earth and be regarded as King and Lord. The author of Revelation calls him the faithful witness of the kingdom. In the Gospel we hear him witness to the kingdom in front of Pilate. That scene gives us an insight into his kingship, which is anchored in the truth, and to which he testified during his entire time on earth. Let us open our hearts to the truth, which continues to be revealed by Christ the King.*



register and to use their offering envelopes as a sign of commitment. If you are not registered we cannot issue testimonial letters in connection with sponsorship for the sacraments of Baptism, and Confirmation. We can give character references for positions, schools etc. only to those who have been registered for at least three months. Please register at the rectory office if you are new to the parish. Please also inform us of any change of address.

**\* IMPORTANT INFO \***

Our Lady of Refuge **Food Pantry** is open every Wednesday from 10am-1pm. The entrance will be on E 21<sup>st</sup> Street. We are asking all clients to wear a face mask and maintain 6 feet social distancing.

Parishioners are encouraged to give donations of cash, perishable and non-perishable food items and clean plastic shopping bags to support the program. Please call or stop by the Rectory office if you would like to donate.

**Pray for the Sick**



**If you are sick or you know someone who is, please notify the office in order to add this person on the list or if you know someone who is homebound and would like a visit from our Pastoral Care Team please contact the rectory office.**

## Stewardship Reflection



On this last Sunday of Ordinary Time for the liturgical year, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925, at a time when the world was experiencing a rise of secularism, materialism and individualism, and an increasing denial of Christ's existence and authority.

The hope was that the establishment of this feast would accomplish three goals: that nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, that leaders and nations would see that they are required to give respect to Christ, the King of kings, and that the faithful would be strengthened and encouraged by the reminder that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies.

This feast is needed more than ever for all people and for us especially, as Christian stewards. It reminds us of three vital truths. First, even when it seems the world is spinning out of control, we need not fear because we have a King of kings who is very much in charge and who is loving, merciful and just. Second, if Christ is king of all, then He is also king of me, personally. I am not "lord" of my time, talents, and treasure. He is. I am a servant of the King and a steward of His gifts to me. Third, as His disciple, I am called to imitate my King. Christ's kingship is characterized by humble service, by emptying Himself for the good of others, The Scriptures tell us He went about doing good and He says of Himself, "I came not to be served but to serve." How can I live in any other way than as a humble servant like my King?

[www.catholicsteward.com](http://www.catholicsteward.com)

## Our Lady of Refuge Faith Formation

### BAPTISM

Parents planning to have a child under 7 years of age baptized must first come to the rectory office during the hours of 1-4:00pm, *Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday* to fill out an initial application. Registration should take place approximately one month prior to Baptism. Children over 7 years of age must be registered in our Religious Education program.

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### Religious Education/Faith Formation for 2021-2022

in person Registration begins

What to bring to registration

Original and copy of Baptism Certificate

If child 7 years and older is not baptized (original and copy of Birth Certificate)

First Holy Communion Certificate if child has already received First Communion

Registration Fee

Registration fee \$65

Sacrament donation is not included.

Who: New & Returning students:

K, Grade 1 through High School

When: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 1-4pm

Sunday 12-1pm

Where: Rectory office (use Foster Ave entrance)

If you have any questions or need assistance please contact the program director,

Ms. Baptiste 718-974-5248 / [OLR1087@gmail.com](mailto:OLR1087@gmail.com).

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### RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Are you interested in exploring the richness of the Catholic faith through prayer, liturgical experiences, and scripture study? The RCIA is meant specifically for adults 18 years of age and older and is a way to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.

The RCIA program also provides an opportunity for baptized Catholics to complete their religious journey by receiving sacraments not received.

Call: 718-974-5248 to make an appointment.

Email: [OLRefuge.rcia21@gmail.com](mailto:OLRefuge.rcia21@gmail.com)

**Altar Servers**

Are you a child who has received First Holy Communion and looking for a way to actively participate at Mass? If yes, become an altar server. Altar servers provide an important service to our parish community during Mass by assisting the Priest. For more information, children and parents, please attend our practice on Saturday, December 4th, 2021 at 3:30pm in the Church.



**2021 Annual Catholic Appeal**



*Catholic Youth Ministry Initiative, Catholic Charities; Hospital, College and Prison Chaplains; and Diocesan Vocations Office, Catholic Migration Services; Office of Faith Formation; Bishop Mugavero Residence for infirmed clergy; Futures in Education Scholarship Foundation*

Our parish goal is \$50,715. We are asking for everyone to participate in this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. For more information please contact the office.

All those who have made a pledge, please remember to send in your payments. Thank you!

**Interfaith Coalition: Book Club**

All are invited to participate in the next meeting of the Interfaith Coalition book club. It will take place on zoom on Monday, Dec. 13 at 7:00 p.m.

The group will discuss 1000 Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini, a story of family and friendship in Afghanistan. You can purchase the book online or in the bookstores, or you can borrow it in person or online from the Brooklyn Public Library. Please contact Yvette Pomeranz (yphomecrest@yahoo.com) or Sr. Celia (celia.deutsch@gmail.com) for the zoom link.



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Help Spread the Word to help those in need!  
**Please Visit Us at [svdpauto-brooklynqueens.org](http://svdpauto-brooklynqueens.org)**

**Wine & Bread Donation**

The Wine and Bread being offered for the month of November has been donated by Greta Morain, in memory of all peoples deceased in Christ.





**Saturday –November 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2021**  
**5:30pm** – For the people enrolled in our Memorial Society

**Sunday – November 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2021**  
**8:30am** –For the people of the Parish  
**10:30am**-In loving memory of Mathilda Phipps as requested by Bobby & Yanick  
**12:00pm**- Birthday Blessings for Carmel Pierre

**Monday–November 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2021**  
**9:00am**–For those suffering from job loss

**Tuesday– November 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2021**  
**9:00am** – In thanksgiving to God and birthday blessings for Dominique Lubin as requested by Michele St. Vil and family

**Wednesday –November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
**9:00am**– For the people of the Parish

**Thursday – November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
**10:30am**- In thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity and Blessed Mother as requested by Michele St. Vil and family

**Friday – November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
**9:00am** – For the people of the Parish

**Saturday – November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
**9:00am** – For the people of the Parish

**Mass Attendance 11-14-21**

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
5:30 PM	50	6	56
8:30 AM	152	11	163
10:30 AM	110	8	118
12:00 PM	93	7	100

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP  
 OFFERING ON SUNDAY  
 November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
 \$5,306.00

**Our Lady of Refuge  
 ON LINE GIVING**

We encourage everyone to continue using online giving if you cannot attend mass. You can simply follow the steps below.

**You can register immediately for on-line giving:**

Go to <https://givecentral.org/olrefuge>

Enter your personal information and your credit card. You can even choose to have it sent every week, or as often as you like.

*For those who do not have e-mail*, you can make **one-time donations on a smart phone:**

**Text the number: 917-451-6141**

**Text the keyword SUNDAY** for a Sunday offering

Text **QUICK**

All donations will go directly to Our Lady of Refuge's Bank Account, and you will be identified. Your parish envelope number will be credited.

**Thanksgiving Day Mass**

Our annual Thanksgiving Day mass will be celebrated on **Thursday, November 25, 2021 at 10:00am** in the church. The mass will be live streamed.



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**Dear Parishioner...** Is there a restaurant on the bulletin you like? Is there a home improvement project you've been putting off? Have you been thinking about finding a new doctor? Have you been thinking about selling your house? Do you need answers to a few legal questions? Is there a tree in your yard that needs attention?

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