

# *Our Lady of Guadalupe R.C. Church*

7201 15th Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11228  
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## **Parish Ministry**

Monsignor Robert J. Romano, Pastor  
Rev. Anthony Raso, Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Andrew Soley, C.S.Sp., Parochial Vicar

## **Weekend Assistants**

Rev. Carlo Graziano (Italian)  
Rev. Martin Restrepo (Spanish)

## **Music Ministry**

Mr. Phil Nuzzo, Director of Music Ministry  
Mrs. Janet Cullen, Director of Youth Choir

## **Mass Schedule**

**Weekday:** Monday-Friday 7:30 & 8:30 AM  
**Saturday:** 8:30 AM, 5:30 PM Vigil  
7:00 PM (Spanish Mass)  
**Sunday:** 8:00 AM, 9:00 AM (Italian)  
10:30 AM, 12 Noon

## **Rectory Office Hours**

**Monday—Friday:** 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM, 2 PM - 5 PM  
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM  
**Saturday:** 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
**Sunday and Holidays:** Emergency calls only.

## **Devotions:** **Eucharistic Adoration**

Eucharistic Adoration daily in the St. Francis Chapel  
until 3:30 PM. No Benediction.

## **Miraculous Medal Novena**

Monday after 8:30 AM Mass  
Novena booklets and Miraculous Medals are available in  
the sacristy. Please see Sr. Ann Martin.

## **Marian Hour**

Rosary, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, devotion to  
the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of  
Mary, every Friday 2:00 PM in the Chapel.

## **Divine Mercy Devotion**

Friday at 3:00 PM in the Chapel

## **Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Academy**

Mrs. Muriel Wilkinson- Principal  
1514 72nd Street  
Brooklyn, NY 11228  
(718) 331-2070

## **Director of Operations/ Faith Formation**

Mrs. Marina Cassiliano  
(718) 331-4003  
Faithform.olg@aol.com  
Office Hours: By appointment only

## **Baptisms**

English - Second Sunday of month at 1:15 PM.  
Spanish - Every Third Saturday at 1:00 PM.

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 4:30 PM to 5:15 PM  
Anytime during Rectory Office Hours.

## **Marriages**

All couples must make arrangements at the Rectory at  
least six (6) months prior to the wedding date. Couples  
must attend in-home pre-cana. Please call the rectory to  
meet with a priest or deacon.

## **Sick and Shut-In**

The priests and extra-ordinary ministers of the Eucharist  
are available to bring the Sacraments to those unable to  
come to Mass. Please contact Rectory.

## **Parish Registration**

All parishioners should register at the rectory. If you are  
not registered, we cannot issue letters of testimony or  
sponsorship for a sacrament. Please notify us of change  
of address, even within the parish.

## **Prayer Group**

Wednesday (Bible Study) 7:00 PM Rectory Bsmt/Chapel

## **Youth Program**

Gary Cassiliano, President  
(718) 259-9566

**TODAY'S READINGS**

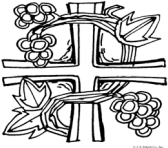
First Reading — I will fix a place for my people. I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance (2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16).  
 Psalm — For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 89).  
 Second Reading — To the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, be glory forever and ever (Romans 16:25-27).  
 Gospel — Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word (Luke 1:26-38).



MERRY CHRISTMAS

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent
- Monday: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
- Tuesday: St. Stephen; Kwanzaa begins
- Wednesday: St. John
- Thursday: The Holy Innocents
- Friday: Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Thomas Becket
- Saturday: Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord



**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**December 24, 2017**

*"The child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God."*

—Luke 1:35



**Sunday, December 24th—Christmas Eve**

- 8:00 am People of the Parish
- 9:00 am Salvatore Prano
- 10:30 am Tom Vilardo, In Loving Memory of Angelo & Angela Chiarelli, Nancy, Peter, Yolanda and Anthony Benvenuto, Dana Jean Ruiz O'Hara,
- 12:00 pm Deceased of Rapisarda, Torretta, and Zabbia Family
- 5:00 pm In Loving Memory of My Mother & Father, Antoinette B. & Antoinette F. Cianfione
- 7:00 pm Por el nino Jesus en Accion de Gracias Maribel & Carmila Morocho Romero
- 12:00 pm People of the Parish

**Monday, December 25th— Christmas Day**

- 8:00 am In Loving Memory of Angelo and Angela Chiarelli
- 9:00 am Franca and Anthony Bellantoni, Giuseppe & Carmela Floccari
- 10:30 am Giuseppe Aprilino, Maria & Vito Ligotti, Jennie & Joseph Degirolamo, Maria and Angelo Lovaglio
- 12:00 pm Anna, Michael and Marie Fiore, Giglio & Frank

**Tuesday, December 26th**

- 8:30 am Christmas Novena

**Wednesday, December 27th**

- 7:30 am Christmas Novena
- 8:30 am Rosalia Abbate

**Thursday, December 28th**

- 7:30 am Christmas Novena
- 8:30 am Dominick, Antoinella and Paulette Oddo

**Friday, December 29th**

- 7:30 am Christmas Novena
- 8:30 am Angelo & Frank Ragosta

**Saturday, December 30th**

- 8:30 am Christmas Novena
- 5:30 pm Italia & Nunzio Mazzarella
- 7:00 pm In Loving Memory of Angelo & Angela Chiarelli

**Sunday, December 31st**

- 8:00 am People of the Parish
- 9:00 am Nicola Candido
- 10:30 am Mary Genduso, Giuseppe Randazzo, William Murawski In Loving Memory of Angelo & Angela Chiarelli
- 12:00 pm Louis A. Rivera
- 5:30 pm Carol Bhey and Archie Foresta
- 7:00 pm



**Weekly Collections**

**Our Parish Goal for the weekly offerings is \$9,000.**

**The Collection of December 17th totaled \$4,129.**

The money that is donated from our weekly collections is the only source of income to support our parish.

Our weekly expenses reflect the minimum needed for all the church's utilities, insurance fees, salaries, ongoing maintenance, repairs, and numerous other bills for operating expenses...as well as the increasing costs for the many, many parish programs, ministries and services we offer here at OLG



**If possible, if each of our parishioners could just increase your weekly contribution, BY ONE OR TWO DOLLARS it would greatly help offset the increasing costs faced by our church.**

We genuinely understand that these are difficult economic times and it's not easy for any family to sacrifice even more right now.

We want to assure you that every single penny donated goes right back into our church, the operations of our church and our parish programs.

Once again, thank you for your continuing generosity.

**Mass Intentions & Weekly Gifts Available**

Please stop by the rectory during office hours to inquire about available dates for honoring loved ones with mass intentions or weekly gifts in their memory.

**PLEASE PRAY for**

- Anthony Bruno
- Isabella Freed
- Madeline Montenegro
- JP Cerulli
- Martha Krukis
- Veronica Gibbons
- Gaetano Mastroianni
- Rocco Bellantoni
- Robert Provenzano
- Trezza Family
- Victoria Ricotta
- Vito Calaprice
- Vincent Laterra Jr.
- Carmela Acquaviva
- Joanne Eterno
- Vivian Franzitta
- Christopher Petrick
- Baby Sadie Olive
- Baby Rocco Morabito
- Baby Olivia
- Gabriella Ungro
- Carmen Costa
- Frances Armetta
- Giuseppe Fuda
- Jane LaBella
- Lucy Romano
- MaryAnn Gambale
- Joseph McClellan

- Erica Galletta
- Dolores Sciulla
- Orazio Arrabito
- Regine Gambale
- A. Jencsik
- Marisa Schievello
- Rita Schievello
- Maria Concetta
- Conte Bedissi
- Marie Lombardo
- Joseph Montenegro
- Vincent LaBella
- Ritchie Carpenito
- Vincent Zito
- Robyn Z.
- Giovanni Toribio
- Frances Guardino
- Anita Turco
- Gimmy Ventimiglia
- Roseann Claimont (Health)
- Mathew Cerulli
- Josephine Coracci
- Julia Bruzzese
- James Leung
- Mirta Heineman
- Joseph Dona
- Loretta Bentivegna

- Romilda Raso
- Connie Pennachio
- Miosotis Garcia
- Christian Dibasi
- Anthony Pignatello
- Theresa DeChiaro
- Alicia Bejarano
- Rosa Sainea
- Lucy Sottile
- Frances Ligotti
- Annette La Terra
- Eileen Sullivan
- Pat LoBianco
- Maria Sanvenero
- Grace Sferrazza
- Dr. Richard Romeo
- Phillip LoPinto

**For the week of December 24th**

**Offertory Gifts (Bread & Wine)**

*In Loving Memory of Carmela, Antonio & Charles Sferrazza*

**Altar Candles (set of 2)**

*In Loving Memory of Rocky, Maggie, Sissy, & Nicky Mormando* *As requested by Carmela Mormando*

*In Loving Memory of Michael Esposito* *As requested by Esposito & DiNapoli family*

**Sanctuary Lamps: (Church)**

*In Loving Memory of Italia & Nunzio Mazzarella* *As requested by Barbara Mazzarella*

**Altar Flowers (2 baskets)**

*In Loving Memory of Italia & Nunzio Mazzarella* *As requested by Barbara Mazzarella*

**\* Weekly Memorial Gifts \***

We have many Weekly Memorial Gifts available. Please consider memorializing a loved one by purchasing any of these gifts that we have available:

**Bread & Wine (\$25.00), Altar Flowers (\$50.00 per basket), the Sanctuary Lamp (\$25.00) or Altar Candles (\$25.00 for a set of two).**

It is a lovely way to honor someone's memory, please stop by the rectory during office hours to purchase a gift.



**A Christmas Prayer**



Jesus,  
the Light of the World,  
as we celebrate your birth,  
May we begin to see the world in the light of the understanding you give us.  
As you chose the lowly, the outcasts, and the poor to receive the greatest news the world had ever known, so may we worship you in meekness of heart.

May we also remember our brothers and sisters less fortunate than ourselves in this season of giving.

*Amen.*



MERRY CHRISTMAS &  
A BLESSED NEW YEAR FROM  
OUR (PARISH) FAMILY TO YOURS!

May YOU BE FILLED WITH JOY, LOVE AND PEACE  
DURING THIS BEAUTIFUL SEASON!!



**It's The Season Mass Schedule!**



**Christmas Eve— Sunday, December 24th**

8:00 AM  
9:00 AM Italian  
10:30 AM  
12:00 Noon  
5:00 PM  
7:00 PM Spanish  
12:00 AM Midnight

**Christmas Day— Monday, December 25th**

8:00 AM  
9:00 AM Italian  
10:30 AM  
12:00 PM Noon

**New Year's Eve— Sunday, December 31st**

8:00 AM  
9:00 AM Italian  
10:30 AM  
12:00 Noon  
5:30 PM  
7:00 PM Spanish

**New Year's Day— Monday, January 1st**

8:00 AM  
9:00 AM Italian  
10:30 AM  
12:00 PM Noon



**Parish Registration**  
**Why You Need To Register**

To all of our parishioners who are still not registered, we respectfully ask that you take just a minute to use the form below and register now. Also, to those parishioners who, for whatever reason, cannot attend mass with us every week, we also ask that you please register with us. You are still part of our parish family and we welcome you. In order to fully participate in our parish, to be always informed about our parish and all of the many, many services and programs we provide, of all the support services available, of all of the events planned—you need to be registered.

Also, if you are not registered and you are not using your weekly envelopes, we cannot issue any letters in connection with sponsorship for the Sacraments, we cannot give recommendations for positions, schools, etc. and we also cannot provide letters or documentation confirming your charitable weekly donations in the prior tax years.

It is extremely important that you register with our church. It is as simple as filling out one of the WELCOME ENVELOPES in the back of the church or by simply using the form below and giving it to an usher, dropping in a collection basket or by stopping in the rectory office at your earliest convenience.

*You can now also register on our parish website.*

**Become a Registered Parishioner**

*If you would like to be registered as a parishioner, please fill out the form below and return it to our church offices or place in one of the collection baskets or boxes. Please print clearly.*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
TELEPHONE NUMBER(S): (home) \_\_\_\_\_  
(cell) \_\_\_\_\_ and/or (work) \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

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## The Fourth Sunday of Advent

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### Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mexico!

Join us on a Diocesan Lenten Pilgrimage to  
**Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mexico**

Spiritual Director: Father Jorge Ortiz

**March 2nd– 8th, 2018**

For brochures and other info, contact  
*Regina Tours- (Lucille) at 1(800)-Catholics x208 or  
Lucille@groupist.com*

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### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP**

Catholic Charities hosts a bi-weekly support group at the Our Lady of Angels Human Service Center (336 73rd Street) that is open to individuals who take care of loved ones who are sick and/or elderly. Caregivers are invited to share, learn, and support one another in facing common joys and challenges. Meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 3:00 to 4:30 pm. For more information, please contact Ms. Bexabeth Gomez at (718) 680-6344 or [BEXABETH.GOMEZ@CCBQ.ORG](mailto:BEXABETH.GOMEZ@CCBQ.ORG)

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### Weekly Saint Quote:

*“Wait the end with joy. It is the end which characterizes everything and which tests a man's expectations.”*

— *Saint Thomas Becket*

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### **Academic Honorees from Our Parish at St. Edmund Preparatory High School!**

*Congratulations are in order to the following young ladies on achieving the Honor Roll at St. Edmund!*

Daniel Cutrone	10th Grade	Principal's List
Antonio Monetti	11th Grade	Principal's List
Michael Monetti	12th Grade	First Honors
Maria Trizzino	12th Grade	First Honors

*Congratulations and continued blessings in all of your academic work!*



Want your child to be curious, understand math, pray to God, and **LOVE** learning?

*We're saving a seat for you!*

Consider one of our many kindergarten programs at

**[dioceseofbrooklyn.org/schools/find-a-school](http://dioceseofbrooklyn.org/schools/find-a-school)**





**Members of the Armed Forces on  
Active Duty From  
Our Lady of Guadalupe**



*“Protect them as they protect us. Bless them for the selfless acts they perform for us. Bring them home safely to those who wait for them. Amen”*

**LCPL Michael Cala (2nd Tour in Afghanistan)  
Petty Officer (2nd Class) Stephen Ungro USS Ford Aircraft Carrier  
Sargent First Class Danon Weatherd (6th Tour in Afghanistan)**

Any family that has loved ones or friends serving in our Armed Forces, please submit their names, rank, service branch and deployment location to the rectory office. We would like to publish their names in a prayer list in our bulletin to thank them, to honor them and to keep them in our prayers.

**PARISH WEBSITE**

**Please visit our NEW website at:  
[www.olguadalupe-brooklyn.com](http://www.olguadalupe-brooklyn.com)**

**Don't forget to follow us on social media too!**

**Follow us on Twitter @OLGChurchBklyn**

**On Facebook—OurLadyOfGuadalupeChurchBrooklyn**

**And Instagram—olgchurchbrooklyn**

**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Gives Back**

For each car, truck, or van, running or not,  
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul  
will give back to our church \$50/\$100 per vehicle.  
Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or  
neighbor has an old or neglected vehicle  
in their driveway that they would like to dispose of.  
**Call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at (718) 491-2525.**



**Our Christmas Flower Club**

**Decorating our altar for Christmas  
has become over the years, one of our most  
special parish traditions.**



Last year, large numbers of people from all over the entire Diocese of Brooklyn made a special trip to come and see how beautifully decorated our altar was for Christmas. No church, and no altar was more beautifully decorated for Christmas than Our Lady of Guadalupe.

In celebration of the birth of the Infant Jesus on Christmas, our altar will be decorated with not only traditional Christmas trees and wreaths, but also with beautiful poinsettia plants.

Anyone willing to help us decorate our altar for Christmas can donate **\$30.00** for a beautiful poinsettia plant.

Your poinsettia plant can be donated in your name or in memory of a loved one no longer with us.

The name will be published in the bulletin and your special intentions will be remembered during the entire Christmas season at our Masses.

Please stop by the rectory to join our Christmas Flower Club and thank you, once again, for helping us make our altar the most beautiful in Brooklyn.

Your donations can be made in **cash, check or credit card.**

Also, envelopes are available in the rear of the Church.

