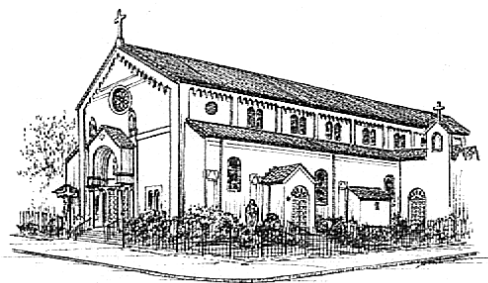


Our Lady of Guadalupe R.C. Church

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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

Mr. Nicholas Troiani - 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 — You will be given this sign: the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel (Isaiah 7:10-14).
 Psalm — Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory (Psalm 24).
 Second Reading — God has called us to belong to Jesus Christ (Romans 1:1-7).
 Gospel — The son born of Mary shall be called Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. He shall be Emmanuel, "God is with us" (Matthew 1:18-24).



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent
 Tuesday: St. Peter Canisius;
 Winter Solstice
 Thursday: St. John of Kanty
 Friday: The Vigil of Christmas
 Saturday: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)



Fourth Sunday in Advent
December 18, 2016
*"They shall name him Emmanuel, which means "God is with us."
 —Matthew 1:23*



Sunday, December 18
 8:00 am People of the Parish
 9:00 am Rosa, Giuseppe and Giovanni Rotondi
 10:30 am Joseph Idone, Giuseppa Covello, Matteo Natoli, Clemente Miceli, Angelo and Angela Chiarelli, Angela Vacirca, Teresa Cain, Antonio Carnevale
 12:00 pm Alice and Francis DeCarlo
Monday, December 19
 7:30 am Marie Merola (7th year Anniversary)
 8:30 am Domenick Dispenza & Rosemarie Iacampo
Tuesday, December 20
 7:30 am Alberto & Filomena Gambale
 8:30 am In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Guadalupe
Wednesday, December 21
 7:30 am Ida & Nina Gambale
 8:30 am Fortunata & Michaelangelo Attardo & Domenico Pinello
Thursday, December 22
 7:30 am Fausta Gambale
 8:30 am Hugo Sbordone
Friday, December 23
 7:30 am Joseph Merola (94th Birthday Blessing)
 8:30 am Antoinette LoCascio
Saturday, December 24
 8:30 am Sue O'Connor
 5:30 pm Antoinette F. Cianflone & Anthony B. Cianflone
 7:00 pm For the prosperity of The Lema Galan Family on the Nativity of the Lord



12:00 am
Sunday, December 25
 8:00 am People of the Parish
 9:00 am Salvatore Prano
 10:30am Iacoviello Family, Giuseppe Aprilino, Marie Genduso, Angelo & Angela Chiarelli, Nancy, Peter, Giolanda & Anthony Benvenuto, Maria & Angelo Lovaglio, Cristina Russo, Cathy & Bill Smoltino & Pat Ferrara, Dana Jean Ruiz O'Hara, Beatrice Rennetti, Rosa Pasquale, Jennie & Joseph DeGirolamo
 12:00 pm Anna & Michael & Marie Fiore, Giglio & Frank



Anthony Bruno
 Isabella Freed
 Madeline Montenegro
 Marie DePaolo
 JP Cerulli
 Martha Krukis
 Ann Maldari
 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
 Gregory Rapisarda
 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
 Angela Azzinaro
 Dolores Sciulla
 Orazio Arrabito
 Regine Gambale
 A. Jencsik
 Marisa Schievello
 Rita Schievello
 Maria Concetta
 Conte Bedissi
 Marie Lombardo
 Joseph Montenegro
 Vincent LaBella
 Ritchie Carpenito
 Megan Beard
 Anthony Colombo
 Leonard Klein

Pauline Burgio
 Vincent Zito
 Robyn Z.
 Giovanni Toribio
 Fanny Colucci
 Frances Guardino
 Anita Turco
 Jimmy Ventimiglia
 Roseann Claimont (Health)
 Mathew Cerulli
 Josephine Coracci
 Julia Bruzese
 Antoinetta Orlando
 James Leung
 Gaileo Trillo



Weekly Collections

Our Parish Goal for the weekly offerings is \$9,000.
 The Collection of December 11th totaled \$3,987.00

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.

For the week of December 18th

Offertory Gifts (Bread & Wine)

In Loving Memory of **Giorgio Mazzafero**



As requested by **His wife, Maria Mazzafero**

Altar Candles (Set of two)

In Loving Memory of **Carmela Lombardi (grandma)**



As requested by **Camille Corbo**

In Loving Memory of **Mary Lombardi (Aunt)**



As requested by **Camille Corbo**

In Loving Memory of **Elvera Lombardi**



As requested by **Camille Corbo**



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 \$25.00 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.



*** Weekly Memorial Gifts ***

We have many Weekly Memorial Gifts available for 2016. 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.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Dear Parishioners,

The following dates and times will be our mass schedule for the Christmas season. Please also take note of the following Mass times for New Years Eve and New Years Day.

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass: Saturday, December 24th
5:00pm (English), 7:00pm (Spanish,) and Midnight Mass

Christmas day Masses: Sunday, December 25th
8:00am 9:00am (Italian,) 10:30am and 12:00 Noon

New Year's Eve Vigil Mass: Saturday, December 31st
5:30pm and 7:00pm (Spanish Mass)

New Year's Day Masses: Sunday, January 1st
8:00 am, 9:00 am 10:30 am and 12:00 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) _____

(Optional Information)

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Parish Registration Requirements for 2016 Tax Deductions

As we begin to head towards the end of the year, anyone wishing to claim his or her contributions to our church as an Income Tax deduction—and have it confirmed in writing by us—**MUST BE REGISTERED PARISHONERS.**

We cannot provide a statement of contributions for 2016 income tax purposes to anyone who is not registered and not using your weekly envelopes.

We cannot issue any letters in connection with sponsorship for Sacraments or give recommendations for, positions, schools, etc. We would, therefore, kindly ask all new parishioners and those current parishioners not registered with our church to stop by the rectory office and register their families at your earliest convenience.

It is extremely important that you register.

Spanish Mass for Our Lady of Clouds

Sunday January 1st 2017 at 2:00 pm

All are welcome to join the Solemn Mass and Procession in honor of the Blessed Virgin of the Cloud “Mother of the Absent Ecuadorian” Officiated by Bishop Sanchez.

After the Eucharist, we invite all the devotees for a

presentation of folk dances and many more activities.

A Special Prayer During This Christmas Season

Lord,

In this holy season of prayer and song and laughter, we praise you for the great wonders you have sent us:

for shining star and angel's song,
for infant's cry in lowly manger.

We praise you for the Word made flesh in a little Child. We behold his glory, and are bathed in its radiance.

Be with us as we sing the ironies of Christmas, the incomprehensible comprehended, the poetry made hard fact, the helpless Babe who cracks the world asunder. W

e kneel before you shepherds, innkeepers,
wise men.

Help us to rise bigger than we are.

Amen.





**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**

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**

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

Follow us on Twitter @OLGChurchBklyn

On Facebook—OurLadyOfGuadalupeChurchBrooklyn

And Instagram—olgchurchbrooklyn



**SPECIAL MIDNIGHT MASS MUSIC
ANOTHER PARISH TRADITION**



Continuing one of our very special Christmas traditions here at Our Lady of Guadalupe, parishioners attending Midnight Mass this Christmas Eve will be treated to a special presentation of beloved Christmas carols preceding the mass, as well as inspiring Christmas music during Midnight Mass.

We want to thank, Mr. Phil Nuzzo, Mrs. Janet Cullen and our Adult choir for their tireless efforts in bringing this beautiful music to our parish.

The music performed that evening is both spectacular and inspiring. Please try and make the time to enjoy this unique experience with the rest of our parish family.

It is truly one of the musical highlights of the year!

What a very special way to celebrate the birth of Our Lord.

We sincerely hope you choose to attend this very special Christmas Midnight Mass that has now become an Our Lady of Guadalupe Christmas tradition.

This special musical presentation will begin at 11:30pm.

Weekly Saint Quote:

“Better that only a few Catholics should be left, staunch and sincere in their religion, than that they should, remaining many, desire as it were, to be in collusion with the Church's enemies and in conformity with the open foes of our faith.”

— Saint Peter Canisius