

Saint Lucy's Parish

BRONX, NEW YORK



I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE.

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 8:00am (Italian), 9:00am (English)
5:30pm (Albanian), 7:00pm (English)

Sunday: 8:00am (Italian),
9:00am (Spanish - Auditorium)
9:15am, 10:30am, 12 noon (English),
1:15pm (Spanish)

Weekdays: 8:00am (Italian), 9:00am (English),
Thursdays: 7:00pm (Spanish)

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Saturday 9:30am - 12pm
& **First Friday of the Month** after the 7:30pm Holy Mass

CONFESSION: Saturdays 3:00- 4:00pm & 6:30pm-7:00pm

VOCATIONS

Is God calling you to the priesthood or religious life? Speak to one of our priests or call the Archdiocese Vocations Office at (914) 968-1340.

BAPTISMS/WEDDINGS

Please make arrangements with a Parish Priest at the rectory office at least six months in advance.

EMERGENCY/SICK CALLS

If you know a sick parishioner who is in the hospital, nursing home or homebound, kindly let us know. Please call the Rectory at any time, day or night.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Every family in the parish is asked to register at the parish office. If you have changed your address or family information, please inform the Parish Office.

Pastor

Rev. Nikolin Pergjini

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Louis J. Anderson

Sunday Associates

Rev. Msgr. Frederick J. Becker

Director of Music

Dr. Peter Mutarelli

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Monday thru Saturday - 9:00am to 5:00pm

Sunday - 9:00am to 4:30pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: 718-882-0710 x19

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Mrs. Angela LeClerc, Coordinator

ST. LUCY'S SCHOOL: 718-882-2203

830 Mace Avenue Bronx, NY 10467

Mrs. Stefanini, Principal

ST. LUCY'S GIFT SHOP: 718-882-0710

Open every day, 10:00am-5:00pm,

Closed for half hour lunch 12-12:30pm

SCALA SANTA

Open 11AM - 4PM Saturday & Sunday, weather permitting

GROTTO - LOURDES OF AMERICA

Open every day, morning to evening, weather permitting

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - JANUARY 13, 2013

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday– Jan. 14th: Weekday (First Week in Ordinary Time)

8:00am Rrok Marku
9:00am Jerry Girardi

Tuesday– Jan. 15th: Weekday

8:00am Pietro Spina & Maria Ferrarelli
9:00am Mark & Mrika Prekpalaj

Wednesday– Jan. 16th: Weekday

8:00am Tring Marashja
9:00am Deda Shkrelja

Thursday– Jan. 17th: Saint Anthony, Abbot

8:00am Prene Paloka
9:00am Luigi Bozza
7:00pm Memorial Mass

Friday– Jan. 18th: Weekday

8:00am Nue Kola
9:00am Dila Shkrelja

Saturday– Jan. 19th: Weekday

8:00am Antonio & Luisa Reda
9:00am Dila Rudovic
5:30pm Simon Prekpalaj
7:00pm Alice Angrasani

Sunday– Jan. 20th: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Luigi & Paolina Reda
9:00am Ana Nune & Jerado Rodriguez
9:15am For All Parishioners of St. Lucy’s Parish;
Living & Deceased
10:30am Special Intention
12:00pm Bernard Hidalgo Sr.
1:15pm Maria De Jesus & Rufo Patino

✠ **In Memoriam** ✠

The St. Joseph Candle burns this week in Memory of
Michael Bulic

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The Blue Candle burns this week for
Employment for the Unemployed

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Please remember in your prayers the parishioners,
friends, relatives and benefactors who recently died:

Mrs. Valeria Claire
May she rest in Peace. Amen.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) or *Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11*.

Psalm — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) or *Psalm 104*.

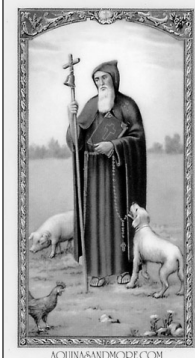
Second Reading — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) or *Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7*.

Gospel — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

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LIVES OF THE SAINTS

SAINT ANTHONY (251-356)



This feast in honor of Anthony, who died in the desert of Egypt at the age of 105, has been celebrated on January 17 since the beginning of the fifth century in the Syriac, Coptic and Byzantine liturgies. In the West, however, his cult began only in the ninth century, and in Rome in the eleventh and twelfth centuries.

The life of Anthony was written by St. Athanasius shortly after the death of this saintly hermit. Not only did it make St. Anthony known, but it contributed to the conversion of many individuals, including St. Augustine and St. Martin. The widespread cult of St. Anthony is due in great measure to the fact that the “unbloody martyrdom” of his long life became a model and exemplar of the Christian’s journey to God.

At the age of twenty, Anthony, an orphan, took to heart the words that were read in his church: “If you seek perfection, go, sell your possessions, and give to the poor. You will then have treasure in heaven” (Mt 19:21). Anthony immediately sold all his goods and contributed the money to the education of his young sister and other virgins. He then embraced the ascetical life and had to endure terrifying struggles with the Devil and violent temptations of the flesh. He later retired to live among the tombs in the cemetery, which was always considered the habitat of the Devil (Mk 5:2-5). There the diabolical assaults continued and the Devil often appeared to him in terrifying forms. But Anthony was also consoled by a vision of the Lord.

Anthony’s next move was to the desert, to fight the devil in his own stronghold, and once again he emerged victorious. By this time his manner of life had attracted so many followers that he was considered the father of the monastic life. Meanwhile, Anthony had developed an intense desire for martyrdom, so he left his seclusion and went to Alexandria, where the Christians were being persecuted. He was spared, however, so he returned to an even more remote part of the desert.

His seclusion was interrupted again in 312, where he returned to Alexandria to combat the Arian heresy, after which he resumed his solitary life in the desert, where he died in 356.

Saints of the Roman Calendar



We thank you for your generosity.
Please remember the parish of St.
Lucy in your estate plan by
including a bequest in your will.
St. Lucy, pray for our benefactors
living and deceased. Amen.



YEAR OF FAITH 2012-2013

This Sunday is a wonderful occasion on which we might reflect on the meaning of our Baptism. This sacramental event so crucial for our spiritual journey is sometimes misunderstood by others even those in our own faith community.

As in the case of all the sacraments when we receive them has only a preliminary significance. Their effects assist us in a life-giving way that can be momentous. For example, when a couple weds, the graces available are to form and strengthen their relationship each and every day for as long as they both live. When a man is called to Holy Orders, the graces continually flow as he ministers to saints and sinners. In the case of Baptism, when parents present their child or an adult approaches the sacramental rite, the permanent effect is not only the removal of original sin or any actual sin but the initiation of an eternal relationship with the Trinity and the Church.

With this in mind, the reforms of Paul VI in regards to the sacrament are notable. In the introduction of the rite he states, in union with Vatican II, the paramount importance of parents. He goes so far as to say that pastors must have the moral assurance that the children will be led by example in the faith by them or the celebration of the sacrament must be postponed. Godparents are to assist in this function in a confirming role. (Because of this it must be recognized by both that this is not a societal nicety to share merely because of family or friendly connections but is a spiritual responsibility of great import.) In the rite it is the parents who speak for their child and many times during it they are questioned and reminded that it is their role to witness personally to the faith and it is through their eyes as the “first church” that their children will meet the Lord, understand His teachings, and follow His way. It is most moving to hear the words of blessing at the conclusion of the rite calling upon the Trinity to encourage mothers and fathers in the unity of faith they share with their children and upon the whole congregation to realize that it takes a Church to raise a Catholic. As we rejoice in the beginning of the public ministry of Christ, let us renounce evil, reconfirm our faith in the Trinity of Persons, and be one with the faith community and her teachings.

Reverend Brian McWeeney



AÑO DE LA FE 2012-2013

Este domingo es una maravillosa ocasión en la cual podemos reflexionar en el significado de nuestro Bautismo. Este evento sacramental es muy crucial para nuestro camino espiritual, el cual, muchas veces mal entendido por otros, incluso por aquellos que son de nuestra comunidad de fe. Así como en el caso de los otros sacramentos cuando los recibimos tienen solo un significado preliminar o inicial. Sus efectos nos asisten en la vida dándonos solo algo momentáneo por ejemplo, cuando una pareja de matrimonio, están disponibles todas las gracias para formalizar y fortalecerles su relación de cada uno de ellos cada día como a lo largo de toda su vida matrimonial. Cuando un hombre es llamado a las Sagradas Ordenes, las gracias fluyen constantemente tanto así como ejerce su ministerio entre santos y pecadores. En el caso del bautismo cuando los padres presentan a su niño, ó a un adulto que se acerca al rito sacramental, el efecto es permanente, en el cual no solo remueve el pecado original o cualquier pecado actual, sino que es el inicio de una relación eterna con la Santísima Trinidad y la Iglesia.

Con esto en mente, las reformas del Papa Paulo VI en relación a los sacramentos son notables. En la introducción del rito él pronuncia diciendo que: en unión con el Vaticano II, de la gran importancia que tienen los padres. Él va mucho más allá para decir a los pastores que tienen el deber moral de anunciar que los niños han de ser guiados por el ejemplo de la fe de los padres o de lo contrario la celebración del sacramento debe ser pospuesta. Los padrinos están llamados a asistir, confirmando su rol en esta acción sacramental. (Debido a que estas responsabilidades deben ser reconocidas por ambas partes, ya que esto no es algo bonito de un acto social o para compartir únicamente porque son familias o porque son amistades, sino que todo esto es una responsabilidad de gran importancia.) En el rito, son los padres los que hablan por sus hijos y muchas veces en ese momento se les pregunta o se les recuerda cual es su rol de ser testigos personales de la fe y que a través de sus ojos, sus hijos ven a la “Primera Iglesia” en el cual sus hijos puedan unirse al Señor, entendiendo Su enseñanza y siguiendo Su camino. Es muy emocionante cuando escuchamos las palabras de la bendición en la conclusión del rito del bautismo en que invocamos a la Santísima Trinidad para animar a los padres y a las madres en la unidad de la fe que comparten con sus niños y sobre toda la congregación para realizar lo vivido como Iglesia y crecer como católicos.

Así como nos regocijamos en el comienzo del ministerio público de Jesucristo, renunciemos al pecado, reconfirmemos nuestra fe en la Trinidad de las Tres Personas y siendo uno en la fe de la comunidad y sus enseñanzas.

Reverend Brian McWeeney



Friday, January 25th

Our parish will attend the march. Please join us in the fight to protect and respect the dignity of human life, from conception to natural death. We as marchers will bring our prayers and the pro-life message to our nation's capitol. **Morning Holy Mass at 6am in the Church before the bus departs at 6:45am from our Church. We will return around 10pm. Bus fee: \$40 for adults and \$20 for students.** Donations are also accepted to cover student fee. To make reservations please come to the rectory with bus fee by January 16th. For more information, please contact the rectory at 718-882-0710.

The March for Life in Washington D.C. began as a grassroots response of pro-lifers nationwide to Roe v. Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion throughout the 9 months of a woman's pregnancy. Each year, inspired by the Holy Spirit's gift of Reverence, Catholics and all people of good will come together to pray and publicly intercede on behalf of the unborn, their parents, families, our communities, our nation and its leaders - that this prayerful presence may open hearts, minds, souls to the fullness of the Gospel of Life in our lives and laws.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has declared that in all the dioceses of the United States of America, January 22nd shall be observed as a particular day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life.

The Mass "For Peace and Justice" (no. 22 of the "Masses for Various Needs") should be celebrated with violet vestments as an appropriate liturgical observance for this day. (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 373)

Today the priest has a choice between several different readings. He may preach on the Readings of the Day, or one of the sets of readings from the Mass for Peace and Justice.

It has truly evolved into a Pilgrimage of intercessory prayer and public witness for all those victimized by the 1973 Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion; and for the conversion of those who misguidedly perpetuate it. Young and old from all walks of life and from every part of the country rally together and march down Constitution Ave., stopping at legislative offices along route and ending at the steps of the Supreme Court.

Over the years, several additional pro-life conferences, pro-life vigils, and Masses have come to surround the main event of the March itself in DC., spread throughout the days preceding the actual March, including special events for youth, young adults, and college students.



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY
Sunday, February 10, 2013
 St. Patrick's Cathedral, 10:15 a.m. Mass

Worldwide Marriage Encounter and the Family Life/Respect Life Office
 Cordially invite you, your family and friends to celebrate **World Marriage Day 2013**

World Marriage Day is an annual event honoring the vocation of marriage and family. This celebration affirms the life-long, sacramental commitment of husbands and wives, and gives witness to the positive im-pact of their vocation on their families, communities, the Church and our Nation! The Longest Married Couple in the Archdiocese of NY will be honored. Reception immediately following at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Meeting Rooms, 51st & Madison Avenue. Seating is limited. RSVP (646) 794-3190.

ST. LUCY'S PARISH/SCHOOL
4TH ANNUAL DINNER DANCE
FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH, 2013

We will be honoring Carmela Mascia, Edith Ocasio, Magdalena Cruz,
 Ines Trucchi, Rifka Royal, Teodoro Mota and Monsignor Frederick Becker

Tickets are now available.

Please contact Laura Gwin at 718-882-2203 ext. 18 or Madeline Marinaccio at 718-882-0710.

St. Lucy's Church/School's
50/50 Raffle

can be purchased at the Rectory, the School,
 the Gift Shop and after Sunday Masses.

50/50

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Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

DONATION \$25.00

Drawing to Be Held Friday, April 19, 2013
at the Parish Dinner Dance
PRIZE IS BASED ON AMOUNT OF TICKETS SOLD

WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday, January 14th

Guadalupano Group: 6pm - 9pm (Cafeteria)

Tuesday, January 15th

NA: 7pm - 8:30pm (School)

Wednesday, January 16th

Religious Education Class: 6:45pm - 8:15pm (School)

Spanish Prayer Group Mtg.: 7pm - 9pm (Center)

Thursday, January 17th

Guadalupano Group: 6pm - 9pm (Cafeteria)

Adult Choir Practice: 8pm (Church)

Friday, January 18th

Spanish Prayer Group Mtg.: 7pm-9:30pm-(Cafeteria)

Saturday, January 19th

Legion de Maria: 10:30am - 11:30am (Rectory)

Bible Study Class: 2pm- English / 4pm- Spanish (Rectory)

Spanish Choir Practice: 5pm-8pm (Auditorium)

NA: 7pm - 8:30pm (School)

Sunday, January 20th

Grupo Altagraciono de Santa Lucia: 9am-4pm (Cafeteria)

Religious Education Class: 10:15am - 11:45am (School)

Cursillistas: 11:30am-1:00pm (Rectory)

ST. LUCY'S SCHOOL
OPEN HOUSE/ REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2013/2014 school year will be held beginning Friday, February 1st. St. Lucy's School will be hosting an OPEN HOUSE on Tuesday, January 29th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and an evening OPEN HOUSE at 7:00 p.m. for anyone interested in seeing our school and some of the activities and programs that are offered...

State mandated age is required for admission. (ONLY ORIGINAL CERTIFICATES WILL BE ACCEPTED). You need to bring the following: birth certificate, baptismal certificates, sacramental certificates, report cards, state test scores, proof of address, records of immunization, parents social security cards, plus a non-refundable application fee of \$50.00.

Additional information may be obtained by calling the School Bursar/Registrar, Mrs. Gwin, Monday to Friday between 10:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at (718) 882-2203 ext. 18.

El Grupo de Oración: "Ríos De Agua Viva"- Te invita a compartir la palabra de Dios los viernes, de 7:30pm a 9:30pm en el centro: Y también llevar la palabra de Dios a su hogar para información llame a Terecita Carrion (718) 828-3529 o a Augustin Cardozo a 917-564-7049.

Una hora con Cristo, La Biblia es la palabra de Dios y es. Por lo tanto te invito a compartir en tu hogar la Santa Palabra. Llame a Margie S. Torres al 718-367-1042 o Juan Hernández (718) 882-0709.

La Peregrinación de La Virgen de Guadalupe

Todas las personas que deseen recibirla pueden hacerlo llamando Sra. Guadalupe Hernández (646) 620-8250 o Sra. Dulce Aldana (917) 716-4926.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING SICK WHO HAVE ASKED FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Linda-Sue Warren, Ingrid Arias, Aurora Cappello, Christian Mauser, Ana C. Williams, Michelina Revans, Vera Gjini, Rosetta DeMarco, Cianna Wingstel, Donna Bonhomme, Brendon Hermida, Frank Urello, Donata Urello, Luis Medina, Maria Soto, Robert Roman Jr., Rosa Martinez, Madison Rodriguez, Ralph Hermida, Linda Brucco, Anna Locicero, Sonia Williams, Pierina Porretta, Candida Silverio, Maximina Garcia, Ana Edith Castillo & Evarista Germosen, Juan Hernandez, Taylor Viapiana, Helena DeVonish, Carmen Gomez, Johanna Aranda, Charles Aranda, Angela Ingassia, Paul Keehan, Donna B., Dr. Margory Langer, Josie Badia, Jossie Mc Kenzie, and Joseph Esposito.

Let us Pray- for our men and women serving in Afghanistan and Iraq, especially for: **Jose Belen, Jeff Malen, Pablo Juan Hernandez, & Rolly Bourdierd**