

# Our Lady of Refuge R.C. Church

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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  
In Residence: Rev. Isaie Jean Louis

Bus. Administrator/Stewardship  
Coordinator: Ms. Joane Lawrence  
Parish Musician: Glenn Black

### 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 & 6:00PM English  
Domingo: 8:30AM Español  
Dimanche: 12:00PM Haitienne Kreyol  
Jueves: 7:30PM Español

### Baptism • Bautismo • Baptême

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

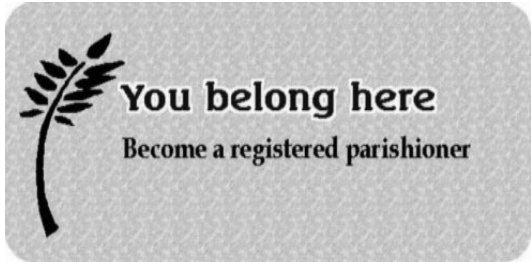
The Eucharist can be brought to the elderly and those  
who are homebound. Please call the rectory.





**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.



All parishioners are encouraged to 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.

**FIRST READING**  
**Jeremiah 23:1–6**  
 I will gather the remnant of my flock and appoint shepherds for them.

**SECOND READING**  
**Ephesians 2:13–18**  
 Christ is our peace who made both one.

**GOSPEL READING**  
**Mark 6:30–34**  
 . They were like sheep without a shepherd.

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*In the Gospel we hear today, Jesus invites his disciples to take a break and rest a while. He invites us to do the same today. As we rest our minds and bodies, let us listen to God’s word. Jeremiah tells his people that one day a king and shepherd will come to bring justice to the land. Paul writes that in Christ walls are broken down and peace established among all peoples. Jesus laments the directionless people massed on the shore. And so he began to teach. May we be eager learners.*

**\* 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**



Today’s readings remind us of how our God is compassionate and passionately loves us.

“Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the Lord.” Our First Reading from the prophet Jeremiah addresses false prophets who had misled God’s people away from the Lord. The Lord declares that He will restore His people by bringing back those who have gone astray and providing for them new shepherds so that they will “no longer fear and tremble.”

This reading portrays God’s infinite care and concern for our lives. We can see that God is the one who loved us first. Oftentimes, we are like the people who are blind to His goodness and enticed by sin — something we think will make us happy but does not. God is the one who constantly pursues us and gives us opportunities to say "yes" to Him. He wants to win us back, and ultimately, He will make us happy.

So, we must ask ourselves, who or what is blinding us or leading us away from our ultimate happiness? Stop for a moment and name that thing — money, status, a person, career, laziness, addiction, self-image, health, etc. — that could be leading you away from a full and happy relationship with God.

As Christian disciples, deep down we really know that our true happiness is God. So, what are we waiting for? Take the leap of faith and allow yourself to radically love God in return.

As we begin this new week, let us name the things in our lives that are robbing us of our ultimate happiness, work to let go of them and let us strive to make Jesus our true shepherd by seeking Him in our daily lives.

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

**Our Lady of Refuge Faith Formation  
2021-2022 Registration**

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

Who: New & Returning students:  
K, Grade 1 through High School

When: Weekdays starting July 20, 2021: Tuesday,  
Wednesday, Thursday 1-4pm

All Saturdays in August 2021 and Sep 11, 2021,  
10am–1pm

Sunday after Mass: August 8, 15, 22, 29, 2021  
September 5, 2021

Where: Rectory office (use Foster Ave entrance)  
Registration Fee

1 student	\$65
registration + \$15 for 1 student book =	\$80
2 students from the same family	\$125
registration + \$30 for 2 student books =	\$155
3 students from the same family	\$180
registration + \$45 for 3 student books =	\$225

4 students from the same family  
\$230 + book fee  
Sacrament Donations: Separate from registration fee

First Holy Communion \$75  
Other sacraments \$90

You may pay online by credit/debit card or electronic check, which will complete your registration and confirm your child's enrollment. You will receive an email receipt from Give Central confirming your registration and payment. Go to [olrbrooklyn.org](http://olrbrooklyn.org) – Religious Education. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact the program director,

Ms. Baptiste **718-974-5248 /**  
**OLR1087@gmail.com.**

**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.

### FEMA

As part of the Corona Virus Recovery Act, FEMA is offering relief for funeral expenses incurred as a result of a Covid related death.

You can call (844) 684-6333 Monday to Friday 8am to 8pm

You are required to have a death certificate listing Covid as a cause and receipts for expenses. More information is available on FEMA sites.



### SUMMER

As we enter into the summer months and temperatures continue to increase, we would like to kindly remind you to be mindful of your attire to mass. We ask that you refrain from wearing articles of clothing that might be considered too revealing or inappropriate.

During the Summer months, we know that many of our parishioners will be going away on vacation. We are asking that you don't forget to bring your weekly offering envelopes before you go!



### 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal



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### PARISH MASSES LIVE STREAMING

All masses are live streamed for those who are unable to attend in person due to the pandemic. Our mass schedule is as follows:

5:30pm English Mass  
Sunday

8:30am Spanish Mass  
10:30am English Mass  
12:00pm Haitian Mass  
6:00pm English Mass  
Thursday

7:30pm Spanish Mass

Special Feast Days will be 7:30pm Trilingual

To view our live stream you can visit our website at [www.olrbrooklyn.org](http://www.olrbrooklyn.org) or you can visit our facebook page. You do not need to have an account with facebook since our page is public. Please remember to click the donate button or give central link to contribute to the parish.

**OUR LADY OF REFUGE–SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JULY 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2021**



**Saturday – July 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2021**

**5:30pm** – For the people enrolled in our Memorial Society.  
 - Repose of the soul of Rose Francine Bony as requested by Yolande and Yvette

**Sunday – July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**8:30am** – For the people of the Parish  
**10:30am** – For the people of the Parish  
 - In memory of Maryse Volcy by Michelle St. Vil and Family  
**12:00pm** –Thanksgiving to God for Jemmyly Leroy as requested  
 by Claudette Vague  
 - Thanksgiving to God and blessings for Pierre Aimée as requested by his mother Marie Claire Aimée  
 - Thanksgiving to God and Our Lady of Perpetual Help and God as requested by Neltar Lespinasse  
 - In Memory of Raymonde and Fortilia St. Eustache as requested by Bernice St. Eustache

**Monday-July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**9:00am**– In thanksgiving to St Marguerete as requested by Aanee Duealil  
 - Birthday Blessings for Leonide Paul  
 - In thanksgiving to St Marguerite as requested by Jude K. Marguente Vangine  
 - Birthday Blessings for Aidan Lawrence as requested by his wife Joane

**Tuesday– July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021**

**9:00am** – For the people of the Parish

**Wednesday –July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021**

**9:00am**– Special Grace for Rachel and Rafael Zila

**Thursday – July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**9:00am**– For the people of the Parish

**7:30pm**– For those suffering from poor health

**Friday – July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**9:00am** – In memory of Beloney Calont and Michael Pierre as requested by Michele St. Vil

**Saturday – July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**9:00am** – For the people of the Parish

**Mass Attendance 7-11-21**

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>5:30 PM</b>	37	2	39
<b>8:30 AM</b>	124	28	152
<b>10:30 AM</b>	78	7	85
<b>12:00 PM</b>	90	10	100

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OFFERING ON SUNDAY**

**July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**\$5,132.00**



**In compliance with the CDC guidelines, temperature checks will be done at the entrances of the church before all masses.**

**Coronavirus Update**

**DAILY MASS & WEEKEND MASS HAVE RESUMED AT 100% CAPACITY WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES. ALL PARISH EVENTS AND GROUP MEETINGS ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. MORE INFORMATION WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN THE NEAR FUTURE.**

**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**

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