

ST. FORTUNATA RC CHURCH

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PARISH STAFF/PERSONAL DE LA PARROQUIA

Pastor/Párroco: Rev. Jose F. Herrera
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• Sundays/
9:00 a.m. (English)
12:00 Noon (English)
1:15 p.m. (English-Igbo)

• Monday to Friday /Lunes a Viernes:

8:00 a.m. (English)

• First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

8:00 a.m. (English) and 7:30 p.m. (Spanish)

• Saturday/

8:00 a.m. (English)
5:30 p.m. (Bilingual)

• Catholic Holy Days/

8:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. (bilingual)

HORARIO DE MISAS:

Domingos:

10:30 a.m. (Español)

Martes:

7:30 p.m. (Español)-Sótano

Sábado:

5:30 p.m. Misa Bilingüe

Días de Fiestas Católicas:

7:30 p.m. Misa Bilingüe

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Friday: 9:00 A.M. to 12:00PM and 2:00PM—6:00 P.M.

Saturday-Sunday: Closed

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated in English First Sunday of each month at 12:00 noon

Arrangements should be made one month prior to Baptism.

Children 7 years or older should register for Religion classes.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made with a Priest at least six months prior to wedding date. For Marriage Preparation Program / Information Log on to www.pre-cana.org

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Confessions)

Every Saturday at: 8:30 a. m. and 4:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD)

Please contact:

Director: Sister Norieta Tusi, C.S.JB.

Tel. 718-647-2632 EXT. 14

HORARIO DE LA OFICINA:

Lunes a Viernes: 9:00 A.M. to 12:00PM and 2:00PM—6:00 P.M.

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Los Bautizos en Español son celebrados el Tercer Domingo de cada mes a las 10:30 a.m.

Las Inscripciones deben hacerse con un mes de anticipación en la oficina. -Niños de 7 años en adelante deben registrarse en la catequesis para poder ser bautizados.

SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO

Los arreglos deben hacerse directamente con el sacerdote por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha del matrimonio. Para Cursillo Pre-Matrimonial www.pre-cana.org

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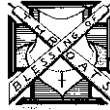
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Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time / Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Saturday, February 3rd / Sábado, 3 de Febrero

- 8:00 a.m.: Blessing of the Throats
Purgatorial Society
- 5:30 p.m.: Bendición de la Garganta
Rafael Antonio Rodriguez (17 Años de Fallecido), *Sus Hijos*



Sunday, February 4th / Domingo, 4 de Febrero

Second Collection: Religious Education

- 9:00 a.m.: In Thanksgiving for the Health of Gabriel Anderson, *The Anderson Family*
- 10:30 a.m.: 1) Isabel Lorenzo (10 Meses de Fallecida), *Sus Hijos*
2) Guillermo Rosario (D), *Su Viuda Marta*
3) Rafael Vanderpool (D), *Su Viuda Carmen*
4) Francisco Uceta, Anacaona Quevedo, Ramona Rosario y Jovino Santana, *Sus Familiares*
5) En Acción de Gracias al Corazón de Jesús, *Maria Oseguera*
- 12:00 p.m.: Maria Arenas (Repose of Her Soul), *The Greene Family*
- 1:15 p.m.: For The Special Intention of The Charismatic Prayer Group

Monday, February 5th / Lunes, 5 de Enero

- 8:00 a.m.: Special Intention for Knight of Columbus Manresa Council #2147, *Sr. Amelia*

Tuesday, February 6th / Martes, 6 de Febrero

- 8:00 a.m.: For God's Blessings and for the Health of Fanta Diallo, *Emmanuel Sacko*
- 7:30 p.m.: Misa y Reunión del Grupo Carismático en el Sótano de la Iglesia

Wednesday, February 7th / Miércoles 7 de Febrero

- 8:00 a.m.: _____

Thursday, February 8th / Jueves, 8 de Febrero

- 8:00 a.m.: 1) Ramón Antonio Sosa (1st Anniversary Remembrance), *Sr. Niky*
2) Birthday Thanksgiving for Charles Johnson, *His Mother*

Friday, February 9th / Viernes, 9 de Febrero

- 8:00 a.m.: Angela, Frank and Mary Danisi, *Pat Danisi*

Saturday, February 10th / Sábado, 10 de Febrero

- 8:00 a.m.: Purgatorial Society
- 5:30 p.m.: _____

Sunday, February 11th / Domingo, 11 de Febrero

Second Collection: Help Defray Expenses

- 9:00 a.m.: Lucky Omokaro (Remembrance), *Mary Okundaye*
- 10:30 a.m.: 1) Estevania Rivera (D), *Georgina Gaston*
2) Leonardo Grassotti, Andrea Cannizzaro and Vincenzo Scimeca (Ds), *Nancy Grassotti*
- 12:00 p.m.: For The Special Intentions of St. Fortunata Society
- 1:15 p.m.: _____

TODAY'S READINGS & REFLECTION

First Reading — Job experienced months of misery and troubled nights (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted (Psalm 147).

Second Reading — I have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

Gospel — Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).

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TIRELESS DISCIPLESHIP

The stories we've been hearing these weeks come from the very first chapter of Mark, and they show us the public ministry of Jesus in its infancy. Today's account shows some of the strain or adjustment of his new life of preaching the reign of God, healing the sick, and casting out demons. Notice that after sunset, when darkness ended the workday, people brought the sick and possessed to Jesus. The following day he rose before dawn to get away by himself to pray, but to no avail. Simon Peter and the others don't just look for him, they pursue him, filled with the fervor that his ministry has incited. With the self-sacrificing example he gave until the end of his earthly life, he tells his followers that this is his whole purpose. Through Mark, he is also telling the early church, and he is telling us, that this is our purpose, our vocation: to be tireless in our pursuit of proclaiming the Good News, and in bringing the healing, reconciling touch of Christ to the world.

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REFLEXION Y LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Job declara que la vida en la tierra es monótona, miserable y triste (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

Salmo — Alaben al Señor, que sana los corazones quebrantados (Salmo 147 [146]).

Segunda lectura — Pablo dice que no tienen otra alternativa sino la de predicar el Evangelio (1 Corintios 9:16-19, 22-23).

Evangelio — Después de sanar a muchos enfermos, Jesús predica la Buena Nueva (Marcos 1:29-39).

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DISCÍPULOS INCANSABLES

Los relatos que hemos oído estas semanas provienen del primer capítulo de san Marcos y nos muestran el ministerio público de Jesús en sus comienzos. El relato de hoy muestra parte de la tensión y los cambios de su nueva vida que consistía en predicar el Reino de Dios, curar a los enfermos y expulsar a los demonios. Observa que después del atardecer, cuando caía el sol y terminaba la jornada laboral, las personas llevaban a los enfermos y poseídos a Jesús. Al día siguiente se levantó antes del amanecer para retirarse sólo a rezar, pero no tuvo suerte. Simón Pedro y los demás no solo lo buscan, sino que lo persiguen con el fervor que su ministerio ha incitado. Con la misma entrega ejemplar que demostró hasta el final de su vida en la tierra, les dice a sus seguidores que éste es su propósito. Por medio de Marcos, también le dice a la nueva iglesia y nos dice a nosotros que éste es nuestro propósito, nuestra vocación: ser incansables en nuestra lucha por proclamar la Buena Nueva y llevar el toque curador y reconciliador de Cristo al mundo.

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Weekly Offering Report for January 28, 2018

We are a Tithing Community following God's Plan for Giving. The key to understanding how God wants us to give to the Church is found in 1 Corinthians 16:2, "On the first day of the week [Sunday] each of you should set aside whatever you can afford," In return for the Lord's generosity. In the last week our people returned to his Church the

Following:

First Collection: \$2,937.-

Second Collection/Diocesan: \$427.- Children's collection: \$169.-

"Our weekly offering is one way of saying: we belong to the Lord... and one another. What Does YOUR weekly offering Say? Pray for His guidance THEN renew your commitment to Tithing".

In Loving Memory



Please pray for the repose of the Souls of our Recently Deceased Parishioners: **Inez Rodriguez & Greta Faye Robertson** Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. **May their souls and the souls of All the faithful departed**, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

CALENDAR OF SOCIETIES / GROUPS / MINISTRY

The African Community Of St. Fortunata

Prayer Meeting: Last Friday of every month at 6:30pm in the Church

& African English Mass at 7:30 pm in the Church.

General Meeting: Last Sunday of every month After 9:00a.m.

Mass In the Church basement. **Contact Information and Application.** President: Patrick Okundaye: (718)869-6637.

Public Relation Officer: Steve Onyia: (347)223-9139

Bible Study Class: Coordinator: Sr. Amelia & Fr. Anthony

Meeting every Tuesday in the Rectory Basement 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

Catechism for Igbo Community Children:

Every Sunday at 12:00 noon in the Church Basement.

CWO: First Sunday of every Month at 2:30 p.m. in the Church Basement.

Charismatic Prayer Group: Coordinator: Solomon Mbagwu

Meetings every Saturday in the church Basement at 6:30 pm.

Choir: Practice on Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. "English"

Igbo Community of St. Fortunata:

Coordinator: Chucks Okolo

Meeting second Sunday of every month, in the Church Basement at 2:30 P.M. →

Knight s of Columbus: Coordinator: Evans Anuforoh

Meetings First and Third Friday of the month at 8:00 p.m. in the Church Basement.

Liturgy Group: Coordinator: Winnie Obi

Meetings by convocation every three months.

To join please call the rectory.

Youth Group of St. Fortunata: *Youth Minister:*

Sister Niky. Coordinator: George

Meetings every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the Rectory Basement.

Calendario de Reuniones de Grupos y Eventos

Apostolado Guadalupano: Coordinadora Sra. González

Un sábado al mes a la 4:00 p.m. En el Sótano de la oficina.

Coro Hispano: Director: Eddie

Para integrarse al coro llame a la oficina.

Cursillo de Cristiandad: Reunión todos los domingos en el sótano de la Iglesia a las 11:30 a.m.

Equipo de Liturgia: Coordinadora: Carmen Pérez reuniones cada tres meses. Por convocatoria. Para unirse llame a la Rectoría.

Grupo Juvenil:

Reuniones todos los domingos en el sótano de la rectoría

Renovación Carismática: Coordinadora: Carmen Pérez

Reunión todos los martes a las 7:00 p.m. y Misa a las 7:30 p.m.

Legión de María: Coordinadora, Matilde. Reunión todos los Miércoles a las 7:00 p.m.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Day for Consecrated Life; Boy Scouting Sunday

Monday: St. Agatha
Tuesday: St. Paul Miki and Companions

Thursday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita; International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking

Saturday: St. Scholastica

From the Desk of the Pastor...

Del Escritorio del Párroco...

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Queridos Hermanas y Hermanos en el Señor:

"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. He tells the number of the stars, he calls each by name." The first month of the year is already gone. Nothing remains static; we are exposed to situations beyond our control. Although our intentions may have been good, the results are sometimes adverse which result in disappointment, additional suffering and pain, such as the illness of a dear one, misunderstandings that generate prejudices and well-meaning but unwanted advice from others. What to do? Turn to God and trust only in Him; He is the one who calls us by name, does not abandon us and heals us. When faith is not alienated from life, then the experiences and changes that take place are clearly seen as learning experiences by which we grow in wisdom over the years.



He
healed
many

"El sana los corazones destrozados, venda sus heridas, cuenta el número de las estrellas, a cada una la llama por su nombre". Se nos ha ido ya el primer mes del año, nada permanece estático, estamos expuestos a situaciones ajenas a nuestra voluntad, las intenciones han sido buenas, los resultados adversos, eso nos causa contrariedad, otras sufrimiento y dolor, como la enfermedad de un ser querido; los malos entendidos que generan prejuicios y conceptos antojadizos respecto a los otros, ¿qué hacer? Agarrarnos de Dios y confiar sólo en El; y es quien nos conoce con nombre propio y no nos abandona y nos sana.

Cuando nuestra fe no la divorciamos de la vida entonces los cambios suceden y podemos ver con claridad que lo vivido fue lección para adquirir experiencia, que con el paso de los años nos visite así la sabiduría.

February reminds us that the Society of Saint Fortunata will be visiting us which brings renewed encouragement to continue moving ahead steadfastly. Welcome everyone, and Father Vincent Micelli. They will be here at the 12:00 noon Mass, this Sunday, February 11th.

Febrero nos evoca la visita de la Sociedad de Santa Fortunata, que su presencia sea como siempre un aliciente para nuestra parroquia para seguir caminando con pie firme. Sean bienvenidos todos, lo mismo al padre Vincent Micelli. Ellos vendrán el domingo 11 de febrero a la Misa de 12:00 del mediodía.

We regret that we were not able to advance the work of the wheelchair lift. The original planned site for the lift is not possible because of underground electric and gas connections. Therefore, the lift will be placed on the other side of the entrance. Because of the low temperature we cannot yet transfer the bushes and trees which would not survive. Therefore, this project will be delayed. Let's be patient and wait until next month. Thanks for your understanding.

Lamentamos que no podemos adelantar los trabajos del mini ascensor para sillas de ruedas, por el mal tiempo donde se pensaba levantar no es posible por una serie de conexiones que impiden su ejecución, ahora lo vamos a hacer al otro lado pero no podemos trasplantar los arbustos y árbol por las temperaturas bajas, de hacerlo morirían. Tengamos paciencia, esperemos al próximo mes. Gracias por su comprensión.

Also, February brings with it the Lenten season, another gift from the Church – a time to review our personal and community life. We only grow as a community if we celebrate life in community, share our common achievements and failures, worship God and make Him the center of our community. May this Lent enable us to come closer to this community spirit.

Este mes de Febrero inauguraremos también la Cuaresma, otro regalo de la Iglesia para hacer revisión de vida personal y comunitaria. Solamente crecemos en comunidad, celebramos la vida en comunidad, compartimos nuestros logros y fracasos en comunidad, adoramos y hacemos de Dios nuestro eje en comunidad. Que esta Cuaresma nos acerque más a este espíritu comunitario.

Blessings,

Bendiciones,

Father José Francisco Herrera,
Server of all

P. José Francisco Herrera,
Servidor de todos

SCHEDULE Ash Wednesday **2-14-2018**

Distribution of Ashes

Service: 7:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.
Mass: 8:00 a.m.; 12:00 noon;



Horario del Miércoles de Ceniza **2-14-18**

Distribución de las Cenizas
Servicio: 7:00 a.m. y 3:00 p.m.
Misa: 8:00 a.m.; 12:00 noon
& 7:30 p.m.

Free Tax Preparation & Filing

New York City Department of Consumer Affairs, Grow Brooklyn, and Single Stop on an absolutely FREE tax preparation and filing workshop at Brooklyn Borough Hall, available to those with an income of under \$60,000 (with dependents) or under \$34,000 (single).

An appointment is necessary. Please read the flyer on the Bulletin Board in the lobby of the church for select dates and times starting on Friday, January 26th to Monday, April 16th. To make an appointment call 347-682-5606.

Preparación de Impuestos Gratis

El Departamento de Asuntos del Consumidor de la Ciudad de Nueva York, Grow Brooklyn, y Single Stop están ofreciendo preparación de impuestos absolutamente GRATUITO en Brooklyn Borough Hall, disponible para aquellos con un ingreso de menos de \$ 60,000 (con dependientes) o menos de \$ 34,000 (individual). Solo tiene que hacer una cita.

Por favor, lea el volante en la pizarra de la entrada de la Iglesia para los horarios y fecha que comienzan del viernes 26 de enero al lunes 16 de abril. Para hacer una cita, llame al 347-682-5606.

Congresswoman Yvette Clarke presents:

Citizenship Drive 2018 CITIZENSHIP/NATURALIZATION WORKSHOP.

The Citizenship Drive will be held on **Saturday, February 10th, 2018** from 10am-2pm at Nazareth Regional High School. Constituents will have the opportunity to talk to experienced immigration professionals and find immigration related resources. Eligible constituents will also have the opportunity to complete an application for citizenship.

Many people may qualify for citizenship application fee waivers!!!

If you have any questions feel free to call 718-287-1142 or email District Representative, Reginald Belon at Reginald.Belon@mail.house.gov.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF SOUL, BODY OR SPIRIT / *POR FAVOR ORE POR LOS ENFERMOS*

We kindly request your prayers for the following persons. May God grant them healing and strength/
Oremos por nuestros Enfermos para que el Señor les dé la Salud de Alma y Cuerpo.



Ronnie Gonzalez, Jesse Laughton, Mavis Meyers, Donna Matthews, Ana Julia Diaz, Tyler Stover, Iris Ramirez, James Leung, Jose Vazquez, Carmen Vanderpool, Catherine Henry, Dionisio Rodriguez, Nancy Leon, Jesus De Leon, Jacki Reeves, Freney Bayd, Deacon Okafor Uzoigwe, Germain Charles, Pauline Alexander, Veronica Henry, Alvira Waldron, James Luong, Sylvia Brown, Angel Baez, Rosalina Carrion, Andre Clarke, Fanny Obi, Darwin Williams, Mary Basile, Jocelyne Mills.

**Welcome
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Members**



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Miembros

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Correction _____ or New Membership _____

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Miembros

Si usted desea estar oficialmente registrado/a como miembro en la lista de nuestra parroquia llene este formulario y échelo en la canasta de las colectas, de esa forma quedará inscrito en la parroquia y podrá recibir los sobres para las ofrendas semanales.

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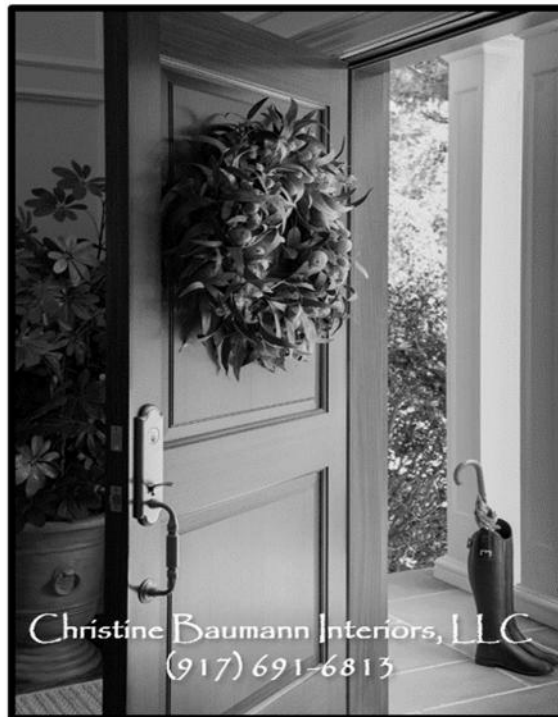
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