

Saint John the Evangelist-Saint Rocco Roman Catholic Parish

Staff

Rev. Kevin P. Cavalluzzi, D.Min., *Pastor*
Rev. Dr. Belén González y Pérez, *Associate Priest*
Rev. Terrence M. Curry, SJ, *In Residence*
Awilda Rosado, *Coordinator of Religious Education*
Ana Alexander, *Secretary*

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9:00am - 4:00pm

HORAS DE LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL

Lunes - Jueves
9:00am - 4:00pm

CONFESSIONS/CONFESIONES

Saturday 4:30pm - 5:00pm

Sábado 4:30pm - 5:00pm

MARRIAGES / MATRIMONIOS

Arrangements should be made with a Priest
at least 6 months prior to the wedding date.

Arreglos deben ser hechos con el
sacerdote al menos 6 meses antes de
la fecha del matrimonio.

BAPTISMS / BAUTISMOS

Please bring your child's Birth Certificate to the
Rectory to make arrangements for Baptism. We do
not schedule Baptisms on Saturdays

Por favor traiga el certificado de nacimiento
de su hijo a la Rectoría para hacer
los arreglos del bautismo. No programamos
Bautismos el día Sábado

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
LA SAGRADA FAMILIA DE JESÚS, MARÍA Y JOSÉ
DECEMBER 31, 2023



MASS SCHEDULE

<u>Saturday</u>	English	5:30 p.m.
<u>Sunday</u>	English	8:45 a.m.
	Spanish	10:00 a.m.
<u>Monday - Thursday</u>	English	8:30 a.m.
<u>Friday</u>	Spanish	7:30 p.m.

HORARIO DE LAS MISAS

<u>Sábado</u>	en Inglés
<u>Domingo</u>	en Inglés
	en Español
<u>Lunes—Jueves</u>	en Inglés
<u>Viernes</u>	en Español

Parish Office

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Website: www.stjohnstrocco-brooklyn.org
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SATURDAY DECEMBER 30TH

1 Jn 2:12-17/Lk 2:36-40

5:30pm - Josephine McNally †

SUNDAY DECEMBER 31ST

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

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Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40 or, in Year B, Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

8:45am - Pat & Barbara Alfarano †
 Fred & Elaine Adami †
Requested by Patrick Alfarano

10:00am - Luis Cruz †

MONDAY JANUARY 1ST

Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

10:00am - The Solemnity of Holy Mary
 Mother of God (in English)

2:00pm - La Solemnidad de Santa María
 Madre de Dios (en Español)

TUESDAY JANUARY 2ND

1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28

8:30am - Joan Flynn †

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 3RD

1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Jn 1:29-34

8:30am - Purgatorial Mass

Hector Molina †

Requested by His Brothers

Jesús Cruz †; Isabel Mendez †; Hector Cruz †; Gladys Merigris †; Antonio Cruz †; Eva Muñoz; Carlos Sanchez

Requested by Carmen Romero

Ricardo Romero †; Irene Torres †

Requested by José Romero

José & Miriam Galarza †

Requested by Awilda Rosado

Francisco Antonio Reyes †

Requested by The Family

Howard Alexander †

Requested by Ana Alexander

THURSDAY JANUARY 4TH

1 Jn 3:7-10/Jnn 1:35-42

8:30am - Edward Joseph O'Brien †

FRIDAY JANUARY 5TH

1 Jn 4:11-21/Jn 1:43-51

7:30pm - Margarita Sanchez †



**Please pray for the homebound, the
 elderly, those who are alone,
 and the sick:**

Especialy for Liza & Lisette Ferreiro, Amanda Lara, Irma & Joe Rutyna, Estela Polanco, Jeanette DePinto, Genobeva Nieves, Brígida Ríos, Reina Tapia, Lucille Toto, John Toto, Dulcinia Ayala, Maria Eugenia Tapia, Alejandro Contla, John & Lucile Carpenito, Frank Tranofali, Miriam Acevedo, Millie Delgado, Orazio & Maria DeGregrio, Alberto Gonzalez, Yolanda Figueroa, Gladys Alarcon, Kris Figueroa, William Figueroa, Nora Diaz, Tina Barrett, Rene Lara, Ann Riccardi, Rocco Osso, Julie Opra, Carmen Reyes, Lillian Figueroa, Tom Loughlin, George Rivera, Aracelia Hernandez, Joyce Lafata, Lydia Carril, Bonnie Rodriguez, John Niedzielski, Julia Tarantino, Jesús & Armina Ferreiro, Michelle Flores, John Vasquez, Ramona Martinez, Vinny Ioviero, Cynthia Ryan, Josie Mchorter, José Isabel Guerra, Anthony Lafata, Omar Cruz, Delia Rivera and Rosina Lanzo Finelli.

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE
SOLEMNITY OF
HOLY MARY MOTHER OF GOD—
JANUARY 1ST**

- 10:00 AM Mass in English
- 2:00 PM Mass in Spanish
- **PLEASE NOTE:** There will be no 8:30 a.m. mass on January 1st.

This year the Solemnity is **NOT** a Holy Day of Obligation.

**LA CELEBRACIÓN DE LA
SOLEMNIDAD DE SANTA MARIA
MADRE DE DIOS—
1RO DE ENERO**

- 10:00 AM Misa en Inglés
- 2:00 PM Misa en Español
- **TENGA EN CUENTA:** No habrá misa a las 8:30 a.m. el 1ro de Enero.

Este año la Solemnidad **NO** es un Día Santo de Obligación.

**2024
Catholic Calendars**

There are 2024 Catholic Calendars available in the vestibule of the Church. The calendars are available in English and Spanish. A special thanks to Gerard Lockwood from Lockwood Funeral Home and to Leone Funeral Home for sponsoring our Parish Calendars for 2024.

**Calendarios Católicos
2024**

Ya tenemos los Calendarios Católicos 2024 disponibles en el ventíbulo de la Iglesia. Los calendarios están disponibles en Inglés y Español. Un agradecimiento especial a Gerard Lockwood de la Funeraria Lockwood y a la Funeraria Leone por patrocinar nuestros Calendarios Parroquiales de 2024.

An Announcement from the Pastor about the Saturday 5:30 PM Mass

December 3, 2023

Dear Friends in Christ:

Our bishop, the Most Reverend Robert Brennan, wrote a letter to the clergy, staffs and parishioners of the parishes of our diocese on November 3, 2023. This letter was inserted into our parish bulletin on the weekend of November 4th – 5th and published in the bulletin on the weekend of November 11th – 12th. In his letter, the bishop explains that in 2017, Mass attendance in our Diocese was reported at an average of 205,502 per weekend. In 2022, the average was reported 124,031. This is a decrease of nearly 40 percent in Mass attendance in our diocese in the last 5 years. Thus, many parishes throughout the diocese with large capacity churches are witnessing a significantly reduced Mass attendance. Also, due to a high number of priest retirements and deaths in recent years, there are fewer priests serving in our 175 parishes.

In light of these realities, the bishop is asking pastors to review and evaluate their Mass schedules, and where prudent, reduce the number of weekend Masses by a least one or maybe more Masses, depending on the number of people attending and the capacity of the church.

Since my arrival at Saint John the Evangelist– Saint Rocco four years ago, of growing concern to me has been our 5:30 PM Saturday Vigil Mass. The attendance at this Mass has dwindled to 5 to 8 people per weekend. One evening during the summer no one attended the Mass. I celebrated the Mass this past weekend and the total attendance was 2 persons. The collection for this Mass rarely exceeds \$50.00. The expense of opening, lighting and heating the church far exceeds the collection. In addition, when I am unavailable to celebrate the Mass, there is the added expense of bringing in a priest.

In light of all these factors, good stewardship of parish's resources has necessitated that I make the difficult decision to discontinue the Saturday, 5:30 PM Vigil Mass effective January 1, 2024. I pray that this decision does not cause anyone undue hardship. I also pray that those parishioners who attend the 5:30 PM will consider joining us for the 8:45 AM Mass on Sundays.

I thank you in advance for your understanding, and please be assured of my desire to continue to effectively serve the pastoral needs of our parish.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Kevin P. Cavalluzzi, D.Min
Pastor



EL GRUPO CARISMATICO CATOLICO
UN NUEVO AMOR

TE INVITA A SU GRUPO DE ORACIÓN
TODOS LOS LUNES DE 7:00PM-9:30PM
 EN NUESTRA PARROQUIA
SAN JUAN EVANGELISTA • SAN ROCCO
 250 21ST. STREET BROOKLYN, NY 11215
INFORMACIÓN 646-242-3238

The Catholic Charismatic Group
A New Love

Invite you to their Prayer Group every Monday from 7:00pm-9:30pm in our Church at 250 21st Street, Brooklyn, NY 11215.

For information please call
 646-242-3238.

The event is in spanish



We still have Mass Intentions available for both weekday AND weekend celebrations of Eucharist. Please consider having a Mass celebrated for a loved one or family member—either living or deceased. We are ALL in need of prayers, and there is no greater prayer than the celebration of the Eucharist. Each Mass Intention is only \$15.00. If you are interested in having a Mass celebrated in memory of a deceased loved one, or in honor of someone who is living, please call Ana at the Rectory and she will be more than happy to assist you.



Todavía tenemos intenciones de Misas disponibles para las celebraciones de la Eucaristía entre semana y los fines de semana. Considere celebrar una Misa por un ser querido o un miembro de su familia, ya sea vivo o fallecido. TODOS tenemos necesidad de oraciones, y no hay mayor oración que la celebración de la Eucaristía. Cada intención de Misa cuesta sólo \$15.00. Si está interesado en que se celebre una Misa en memoria de un ser querido fallecido, o en honor de alguien que vive, llame a Ana a la Rectoría y ella estará encantada en ayudarlo.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2023
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