

Church of St. Ephrem

929 Bay Ridge Parkway ♦ Brooklyn, New York 11228

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St. Ephrem Catholic Church Dyker Heights

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June 2, 2024

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



Abbreviated Bulletin—For Full Copy
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Rectory Office

929 Bay Ridge Parkway
718-833-1010
Fax 718-921-5232

Faith Formation Center

Side Entrance of St. Ephrem Convent (off Bay Ridge Parkway)
718-745-7486
FaithFormation@stephremparish-brooklyn.org

St. Ephrem Catholic Academy

924 74th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11228 ♦ 718-833-1440 ♦ www.stephremcatholicacademy.org

Schedule of Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, and 11:00 AM
Weekdays Monday through Friday 7:00 AM & 8:45 AM
Saturday 8:45 AM

Rectory Office Hours

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 AM—12 Noon
1:00 PM—5:00 PM
Friday: 9:00 AM—12 Noon
1:00 PM—4:00 PM
Saturday **No Office Hours**
Sunday **No Office Hours**

Parish Registration

All are welcomed and invited to register at the Parish Office and participate in our parish or via parish website above. Please let us know you are here so that we may serve you better. If you are not registered, we may not be able to provide you with letters or Sponsor Certificates.

Devotions

Miraculous Medal Novena, Mondays following the 8:45 AM Mass
Recitation of the Rosary at 8:15 AM before weekly morning Mass.
Divine Mercy Chaplet every Friday following the 8:45 AM Mass
First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following the 8:45 AM Mass and Benediction at 12:00 Noon.

Baptism

Parents should call the rectory to make an appointment. Please note that there are no baptisms during the season of Lent.

Marriage

The Sacrament of Marriage requires a time of serious spiritual preparation. Couples should make arrangements for their marriage at least six months before the date of the wedding by making an appointment with a priest or deacon. Please log on to www.bqpre-cana.org for complete information about marriage preparation in the Diocese.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 3:30–4:30 PM.
By appointment for all other times.

Anointing of the Sick/Communion

To make arrangements for communion to be brought to any parishioner who is seriously ill or confined to the house, or if they wish to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. To see a particular Staff Member, please call for an appointment.

Our Mission Statement

We, the parish family of St. Ephrem, baptized into the life of Jesus Christ and nourished by the Word and the Eucharist, strive to be a welcoming and responsive Roman Catholic faith community. Together we are committed to put our faith into action by: Responding to the spiritual and physical needs of the community through service and charity.

Reaching out to those who are searching for a faith community, including the young and those seeking to re-ignite their relationship with God. Reaching out to all without distinction.

Passing on our faith and traditions through teaching by word and example. Connecting to where people are on their faith journey.

Actively participating in the worship, sacrament and devotional life of the church.



**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Corpus Christi**

June 2, 2024
“This is my body. This is my blood.”
Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26

Dear Parishioners:

“While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, ‘Take it; this is my body.’”

Today’s gospel gives us an account of the institution of the Eucharist. The pattern established here continues at every Mass; we take bread, bless it, and share it. We recall all of Jesus’ incredible gifts, the Eucharist, the Holy Spirit, his very death, and resurrection. Through him we are given abundant life that cannot be destroyed by death. In the light of all these plentiful gifts we do well to remember that the word Eucharist means “thanksgiving.” Giving is the very nature of God; it is what God does and what God is. It is a response of gratitude that God asks of us, and we offer it in the celebration of the Eucharist.

In this weekend’s Responsorial Psalm, we sing in thanksgiving for the gift of our redemption in Christ. We promise to be faithful servants, taking the cup of salvation in the same way Christ did: as blood to be poured out for others. As we share in Christ’s Body and Blood, we surrender ourselves to be more like Christ: bread and wine for our broken world today.

Christ’s body and blood serve as fuel so that we might go out and live into our God-given callings with energy and spirit. The grace broken and poured at the altar extends out into the world. Strengthened by Christ’s body and blood, we will enjoy the fullness of everlasting life with Christ.

May this solemnity inspire us to examine our lives to see where we are being called to pour out ourselves in service and self-sacrifice.

Next weekend, Sunday, June 9th, the Feast of St. Ephrem, we will have a Mass of Thanksgiving at the 11:00 am Mass in Honor of the Sisters of St. Ephrem Convent and Fr. Nicholas Colalella. The Sisters have been part of our community for many years and Fr. Colalella, has been with us from February. Please join us for this celebration of their ministry among us and the impact that their ministry has had on our lives. Following the Mass, there will be Light Refreshments in the Msgr. Kain Hall. Please R.S.V.P. by calling the Rectory.

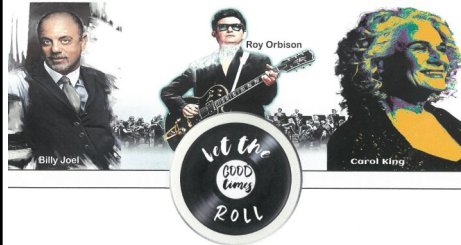
In the Good Shepherd,



Fr. Victor Ashiagbor

We welcome back Fr. Victor from Ghana! Fr. Victor has been with us in the summer for many years and is no stranger. I am sure you will join me in giving him a great big welcome “home” to St. Ephrem.

Fr. Victor will remain with us until September!



Friendship Club

**Wednesday,
June 19th**

11:30 am – 3:30 pm

Bus Departs from St. Ephrem Church at 10:30 am Sharp.

Li Greci’s Staaten, Staten Island, New York
\$90.00 per person (Includes Ticket & Bus Service)
No Refunds

1 Hour Open Bar & Wine Hour, Complete Luncheon

RSVP By June 12th

Frank (347) 267-3644



Sacred Heart of Jesus Novena
May 30 through June 7th

Following the
8:45 a.m. Mass



Sisters of
St. Joseph
Uniting all in
God’s love
BRENTWOOD, NY

*Please join us for a
Mass of Thanksgiving
In Honor of the
Sisters of St. Ephrem Convent
and*

Fr. Nicholas Colalella

Sunday, June 9, 2024

at 11:00 a.m.

Followed by

Light Refreshments

in the Msgr. Kain Hall.

Please RSVP by June 3rd by calling the Rectory.



ACADEMY NEWS

WHAT'S NEW AT ST. EPHREM'S

HYDROPONICS LAB

Our hydroponics lab provides our middle schoolers with real hands-on opportunities to cultivate agriculture in a different way.



DIGITAL ARTS

Junior High School students are given classes in Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator programs. They learn to manipulate and create images and storyboards.

NATIONAL JR. HONORS SOCIETY

Through commitment to leadership, St. Ephrem offers a Jr. National Honor's Society to students who exemplify leadership, charity and academics

DIOCESAN NEWS



Diocesan WEDDING ANNIVERSARY Mass

All couples regardless of the anniversary year are invited to renew their vows.

Bring your family to witness your exchange of vows and the continued commitment to one another.

Special recognition will be given to couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, and 75th Anniversary.

All registered couples will receive a personalized certificate and those couples in attendance will have their picture taken with Bishop Brennan.

Bishop Brennan will celebrate Saturday, September 28, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.

*St. Thomas Aquinas Church
1550 Hendrickson Street
Brooklyn, NY 11234*

To register & pay the \$35 fee per couple
By September 15th
Email: precana@diobrook.org



St. Ephrem Home Academy Association Presents Texas Hold'em Outing



Friday, June 7, 2024
Registration will start @ 6pm
Game starts @ 7pm

Event will be held in school cafeteria

924 74th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11228

\$100.00 Buy-In
\$50 Unlimited re-buys

\$25.00 for non-poker players

Food and drinks will be served

Any questions, please call or message
Angelo Manganiello
718-288-3476

Congratulations

Rev. Luis Marquez



Through the Imposition of Hands & the Invocation of the Holy Spirit

Bishop Brennan
Bishop of Brooklyn



Will Ordain to the Priesthood
Reverend Luis Marquez

Saturday, June 1, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.
The Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph

It will be broadcast on NET TV

Reverend Luis Marquez, spent his 2023 pastoral summer at St. Ephrem as a Deacon. Let us continue to pray for Fr. Luis Marquez and his three classmates, who will all be Ordained to serve the people of the Diocese of Brooklyn



St. Ephrem Parish Faith Formation News! Classes Continue Each Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.

Need to Register? Go to:
<https://stephremparish-brooklyn.org/faith-formation-news/>



Proximate Preparation for Confirmation

All gatherings take place in
Saint Ephrem Catholic Academy Cafeteria
Sundays 9:30 a.m.—10:45 a.m.

September 15th Session IV
October 6th Session V

All should be attending mass every weekend

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION FOR 2024-2025 APRIL 21ST through JUNE 23RD



Before June 23rd:
One Child: \$130
Two + Children: \$180

Before June 23rd:
One Child: \$160
Two + Children: \$210

Registration is On-Line! Go to:
<https://stephremparish-brooklyn.org/faith-formation-news/>

Then click on: **Faith Formation Registration (Side Bar)**

You must complete Registration Form and submit it at the end.
Payment can be made online by clicking on "Giving" then
Faith Formation Registration Fees then One Time Payment
and enter amount to pay and complete the form.

Children's Faith Formation Classes are Grades 1 through 8.
As per Diocesan Policy, it is the expectation that children attend
every year. You wouldn't skip Math Class for a year, please
don't skip growing in faith.

Registering early helps us plan and purchase material for the New Year!

PARISH AND ACADEMY HAPPENINGS

St. Anthony of Padua Relics

The Saint of Miracles Among Us



The two holy Relics of St. Anthony of Padua will visit the Archdiocese of New York as well as the dioceses of Brooklyn and Paterson from Saturday, June 8th to Sunday, June 16th. The two first-class Relics will be accompanied by Fathers Alesandro Ratti and Mario Conte, two Franciscan friars from the Pontifical Basilica of St. Anthony in Padua, Italy. The two Relics on tour are fragments of St. Anthony's Facial Skin and his Floating Rib.



Mass and Veneration of the Relics

Wednesday, June 12th

St. Ephrem Church

8:45 a.m. Mass

Veneration of the Relics till 12 noon.

7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass of St. Anthony

Veneration of the Relics:

*30 minutes prior to Mass and 1 hour after Mass.
St. Anthony Blessed Bread will be distributed.*

St. Anthony of Padua Prayer

Almighty God, You have given St. Anthony to your people as an outstanding preacher and a ready helper in time of need. With his assistance may we follow the Gospel of Christ and know the help of your grace in every difficulty. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



The O.C.I.A. (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Adults needing both Eucharist
(Communion) and Confirmation or if
interested in becoming Catholic can
also reach out to S. Mary Ann at
Faithformation@stephremparish-brooklyn.org

Mass Intentions for the week of June 2, 2024

8:45 AM Mass, the Saturday 5:00 PM Mass and the Sunday, 11:00 AM Mass are being live streamed through our parish website. Please share and join us!

Saturday, June 1st

8:45 AM Palma Gervasi
 5:00 PM For the People of St. Ephrem
 Leonard J. Dimino
 Concetto (Jack) Amatore
 Nicholas & George DiPretoro
 Gustave Holecki
 John James
 Gus Holsky
 Judy Chiarchiaro
 Michael J. Mazzarella
 For the Intentions of Adele Cassese

Sunday, June 2nd

8:00 AM Florence & Benjamin Nigro
 11:00 AM Salvatore Bonfiglio

Monday, June 3rd

7:00 AM For All Souls
 8:45 AM Vincenza Iannizzi

Tuesday, June 4th

7:00 AM Thomas O'Kane
 8:45 AM Catherine Ketelsen

Wednesday, June 5th

7:00 AM For All Souls
 8:45 AM James & Kathleen Ryan (60th Wedding Anniversary)

Thursday, June 6th

7:00 AM Nancy S. D'Amato
 8:45 AM In Celebration of Nicola & Theresa Cavallaro's 25th Wedding Anniversary

Friday, June 7th

7:00 AM For All Souls
 8:45 AM Lucy & Edwin McGuirk

Saturday, June 8th

8:45 AM Rosalia Adamo
 5:00 PM For the People of St. Ephrem
 Leonard J. Dimino
 Gilbert Bonilla
 Domenica DeVito
 Judy Chiarchiaro
 John DeSena

Sunday, June 9th

8:00 AM Lorraine F. Marciano
 11:00 AM Gerlanda & Rosario Carluzzo &
 Maria Taibi



Feast of St. Ephrem—June 9th
 St. Ephrem Pray for Us!

MEMORIALS



Bread and Wine
 In Memory of
Ronan Patrick Keyes
Requested by Marge & Tony Russo



Flowers at the Blessed Mother Altar
In Loving Memory of
James & Kathleen Ryan
Requested by Their Loving Daughter



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH
Adoration following the 8:45 am Mass
In the event of a funeral,
Adoration begins after the funeral.
Benediction takes place at 12:00 Noon.

Brooklyn Deanery 9
Eucharistic Procession
Sunday, June 2, 2024



Please join us
as we celebrate
Corpus Christi for
Adoration,
Procession
and Benediction.
We will gather at
Our Lady of Guadalupe
Church
7201 15th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11228
at
12:15 p.m.

The Eucharistic Procession will proceed to
St. Bernadette's Church
8201 13th Avenue
Brooklyn, N.Y. 11228

Where we will conclude with Benediction.

Weather Permitting!



May 26, 2024 167 Envelopes \$6,118.00

We Share 15 Donors \$ 332.91

Attendance 535

Saturday 5:00 p.m. 125 Sunday 8:00 a.m. 135
 Sunday 11:00 a.m. 275

903 Families Registered and Receive Envelopes
If you are able to send in your weekly donation, enroll in the secure online donation through our Parish website it would be greatly appreciated.
 To learn more about ways to give, visit our parish website at: www.stephremparish-brooklyn.org
 Click on 'Giving' and follow prompts.

Thank you for your generosity to St. Ephrem Parish!

"Lord, grant me the strength to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference."
 Saint Francis of Assisi

St. Ephrem Centennial Campaign Our Church, Our Prayers, Our Legacy

As of	May 27, 2024
Parish Goal	\$1.25 Million
Number of Donors	249
Amount Pledged*	\$1,357,309.31
Paid to Date	\$1,291,732.32
Percent of Goal	120%

Thank You for your Generosity!

**Some pledges have been cancelled due to changing life circumstances.*

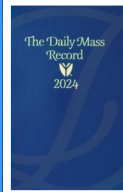
Saint Ephrem, pray for us!



PARISH & COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Mass Book
 July 1st—December 31st
 Is now open

Please contact the rectory to arrange for any Mass Intentions.



Hospitality Sunday

June 8th & 9th

Please join us following each Mass, for light refreshments at St. Ephrem Catholic Academy!


Renew old friendships & establish new ones!



Graduation Mass

Class of 2024
 St. Ephrem Catholic Academy
 Will join us at Mass
 Saturday, June 8th at 5:00 pm

God Bless the Class of 2024!



St. Ephrem Catholic Academy Summer Camp 2024

Ages 4-12 Campers must be 4 by the first day of camp
 Rates based on your summer schedule!



- *Air Conditioned Facility
- *Morning & Aftercare
- *Meal Plan
- *McKinley Park Trips
- *Arts & Crafts
- *Tennis Lessons
- *Special Rates for siblings
- *Trained Counselors

Serving the Dyker Heights & Bay Ridge Community!

Online Registration: summerfun@stephremschool.org
 (718) 833-1440
www.stephremschool.org

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Sign Up by scanning QR Code.
 Enter our Zip Code 11228
 click on St. Ephrem, follow prompts



Annual Catholic Appeal 2024

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Parish Goal: \$100,198.00
 Amount Pledged: \$74,205.00
 Amount Paid: \$54,518.00
 Donors 103

Select St. Ephrem

Donate and contribute to fulfill our Parish goals

Scan the Code
 Or text DONATE to 917-336-1255
 Or visit: annualcatholicappeal.org

