“Queen of Peace is a parish of many cultures, living one Catholic faith, united to glorify God, and striving to provide a spiritual home for the members of our diverse community.”

Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Hardiman, - Pastor
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Emergency Sick Calls Anytime

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In addition to our Parish Office, the rectory is also home to the Priests of the parish. Please respect their home by calling in advance to make an appointment with a priest or deacon

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, Pray for us

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:30AM & 11:00AM

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE
8:30 AM Monday - Saturday
Mass in Spanish every Friday

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS
Monday to Friday:
9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM
1:00PM TO 4:00PM
Office closed Saturday & Sunday

LEGION OF MARY
Tuesday 10:30AM
Parish Center

EVENING HOURS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

BAPTISMS In English at 2pm on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Baptisms in Spanish on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 2:00pm. Please call the Rectory to register.

PENANCE Confessions are heard each Saturday 4:00- 4:45. Confessions anytime by appointment.

MARRIAGES Arrangements should be made at least (9) months in advance. Please call the Rectory for an appointment with a Priest/Deacon

CARE OF THE SICK Communion is regularly brought to the sick by our Eucharistic Ministers, Deacons and Priests. Please let us know when a parishioner is unable to come to church due to serious illness or age. Anointing of the sick is celebrated on the first Saturday of each month during the 8:30 Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 9AM-Noon First Friday 9AM - Noon concludes with Midday Prayer & Novena

March 1, 2020
A Message from the Pastor

Quadragesima Sunday, fortieth in Latin and that number is not mathematical but biblical and so it is symbolic. Forty days and nights of rain mean a whole lot of water. Forty years of wandering in the desert make the people of Israel grateful when they finally reach the Promised Land. Jesus, we are told, fasted for forty days and at the end of that time was tested by Satan. Our forty days of Lent brings us temptations every day…did I eat meat last Friday, Ooops, I forgot Lent started! Did I skip up on my Lenten acts of penance…Ooops! Did I neglect the poor in my almsgiving? Did I forget my other Lenten resolutions? Good news! Today is a day to start over again!

Today is the beginning of March (Is it a Lion or a Lamb this year?) Friday is the First Friday of the month so we will have all day adoration of the Blessed Sacrament concluding with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 3pm. On Saturday, as is our custom on the First Saturday, we will celebrate the Anointing of the Sick during the Noon Mass.

St. John Henry Cardinal Newman wrote: “God has created me to perform a definite service. He has given me a certain task which he has not given to any other. I have my mission—perhaps I may never know it in this life, but it will be told to me in the next. In some way I am necessary for His purposes, as necessary in my own place as an archangel in his. If, in truth, I fail, He can raise up another as He can make from stones children of Abraham. Nevertheless, I have a role in this great work: I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for nothing. I shall do good, I shall do His work, I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of the truth in my own place, without realizing it, if only I keep His commandments and serve Him in my calling.”

I am so deeply grateful to those of you who participated in the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal. I am also truly heartened by those of you who have fulfilled your pledges already and to those who are still making payments in the Generations of Faith Campaign. Today we begin to consider the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal. Our goal is $20,748 and if everyone pitches in, we will be able to attain it and more. Once we arrive at our goal, every dollar over goal comes back to Queen of Peace. (Last year we fell came in over goal by $2,550 and will soon receive a check in that amount from Bishop DiMarzio.) Please begin now to prayerfully consider what your pledge will be this year. You probably have already received material from Bishop DiMarzio as have I; I have made my pledge already so I invite you to join me in supporting the important works of the diocese.

Our Lady, Undoer of Knots, Pray for us! MJH

Readings for the week of March 1, 2020

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9 Mt 4:1-11
Monday: Lv 19:1-2 Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11 Mt 6:6-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10 Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16 Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28 Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19 Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a Mt 17:1-9

Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, “All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me.”

At this, Jesus said to him, “Get away, Satan!”

—Mt 4:9-11

March 1, 2020

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Is God calling you or someone you know to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? email: vocations@diobrook.org.

Marian Anthem For the Lenten Season

Ave Regina Caelorum

Ave Regina caelorum,
Ave Domina Angelorum:
Salve radix, salve porta,
Ex qua mundo lux est orta:
Gaude Virgo, gloriosa,
Super omnes speciosa,
Vale o valde decora,
Et pro nobis Christum exora.

English translation:

Hail, queen of heaven,
Hail lady of the angels.
Hail, root, hail gate,
From which the light of the world was born.
Rejoice, glorious Virgin,
Fairest above all.
Fare thee well, most beautiful one,
And plead for us to Christ.

St. John’s University Speech and Hearing Center is offering FREE HEARING AID HELP through May 4th, 2020. This FREE service is available for anyone who has a hearing aid and may be experiencing some difficulty caring for it or using it. Please call 718.990.6480 to schedule an appointment. The Center is located at 15211 Union Turnpike, really just down the block. From us.

The Glenn Mohr Chorale will be here at Queen of Peace for a presentation of an original theatre piece for singers and actors—A Passion Play presented through drama and song.

IT IS FINISHED

A Passion Play for the Lenten Season

Live the final hours of Our Lord’s Passion, as seen through the eyes of Pontius Pilate, Dismas the Good Thief, Judas, and Veronica.

Sunday March 15 at 3pm

The Prayer Corner

Hear, O Lord, the prayers we offer from contrite hearts. Have pity on us as we acknowledge our sins. Lead us back to the way of holiness. Protect us now and always from the wounds of sin. May we ever keep safe in all its fullness the gift Your Love once gave us and Your Mercy now restores.

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Lent at Queen of Peace

Bi-lingual (English-Spanish) Stations of the Cross every Friday at 6.30pm.

Stations of the Cross Sundays following the 11am Mass and Weekdays following the 8.30 Mass on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Confessions will be heard following the 8.30am Mass on Thursdays until 10am and from 3pm to 4.45pm on Saturday.

Monsignor Hardiman will be offering a series of presentations on The Psalms on Saturday mornings at 10am in the Parish Center (Convent Basement) and repeated on Sunday mornings at 9:45am in the CHURCH BASEMENT.

St. Francis Prep Honor Roll
Nicholas Napoli and Megan Wilson from Queen of Peace have received an average of 90% or above and have received Honor Roll status at The Prep! Congratulations!

Annual Catholic Appeal 2020
Thank you for your participation in the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal! Your generosity brought us to goal and $2,550 beyond! Our goal for the 2020 Appeal is $20,748 please be as generous as you can!

Prayers for the Sick and those in the US Military

We would be happy to include those family and friends who are ill or who are currently serving on active duty in the US Armed Forces here in the Parish Bulletin. Please call the rectory with the names of the sick and the name, service branch, and rank of those you wish to have remembered in the prayers of the parishioners. The sick will remain on the list for three weeks and can be renewed.

Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn Gives Back

For each car, truck, or van running or not the associated Vincentian Charities will give back to your parish $75/ $200 per vehicle. Please call (718) 491-2525 SVDPAU-TO-BROOKLYNQUEENS.ORG

Census Day is April 1, 2020

Catholic Charities, Brooklyn and Queens has been selected to work on the New York City Census 2020. They will assist in getting all our residents to be counted and to ensure that our communities are accurately represented in Congress and the allotment of federal government funds for needed services such as, education, housing, social services, and aid for seniors, etc.

Did Sneaky Lent Catch You?
Has Lent done it again! Did Lent sneak up on you?! If you haven’t yet made a plan for LENT do it NOW!

- Pray about how you will spend these 40 days! Prayer, fasting, and alms giving; what will these next six weeks be like for you?!

The Great Hour of Divine Mercy

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What The Numbers Show About Pornography

The research studies, primarily by the Barna Group and Covenant Eyes, reveal that initial exposure to porn begins in childhood and progresses. Access to porn is increasingly easy due to the wide variety of formats now available, such as the internet, DVDs, cable television, and more. Let’s look at some data to see the scope and effects of porn in society and the church.

1. Over **40 million Americans** are regular visitors to porn sites. The average visit lasts 6 minutes and 29 seconds
2. There are around **42 million porn websites**, which totals around 370 million pages of porn.
3. The porn industry’s **annual revenue** is more than the NFL, NBA, and MLB combined. It is also more than the combined revenues of ABC, CBS, and NBC.
4. **47% of families** in the United States reported that pornography is a problem in their home.
5. Pornography use increases the marital infidelity rate by **more than 300%**.
6. **Eleven** is the average age that a child is first exposed to porn, and 94% of children will see porn by the age of 14.
7. **56% of American divorces** involve one party having an “obsessive interest” in pornographic websites.
8. **70% of Christian youth pastors** report that they have had at least one teen come to them for help in dealing with pornography in the past 12 months.
9. **68% of church-going men** and over **50% of pastors** view porn on a regular basis. Of young Christian adults 18-24 years old, 76% actively search for porn.
10. **59% of pastors** said that married men seek their help for porn use.
11. **33% of women** aged 25-and-under search for porn at least once per month.
12. Only 13% of self identified Christian women say they never watch porn – **87% of Christian women** have watched porn.
13. **55% of married men** and 25% of married women say they watch porn at least once a month.
14. **57% of pastors** say porn addiction is the most damaging issue in their congregation. And 69% say porn has adversely impacted the church.
15. **Only 7% of pastors say their church has a program to help people struggling with pornography.**
16. **CHECK OUT CovenantEyes.com for more information**