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Twenty—First Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 22, 2021

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St. Pascal Baylon

113th Ave and 199th St.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Eve 5pm

Sunday 10am

Monday to Friday: 9am

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Light Parish is a spirit filled Faith community nourished by the Eucharist.

Committed to be disciples of Christ, we reach out in good stewardship to the entire Parish and the community at large. We serve God and one another by the values we proclaim.



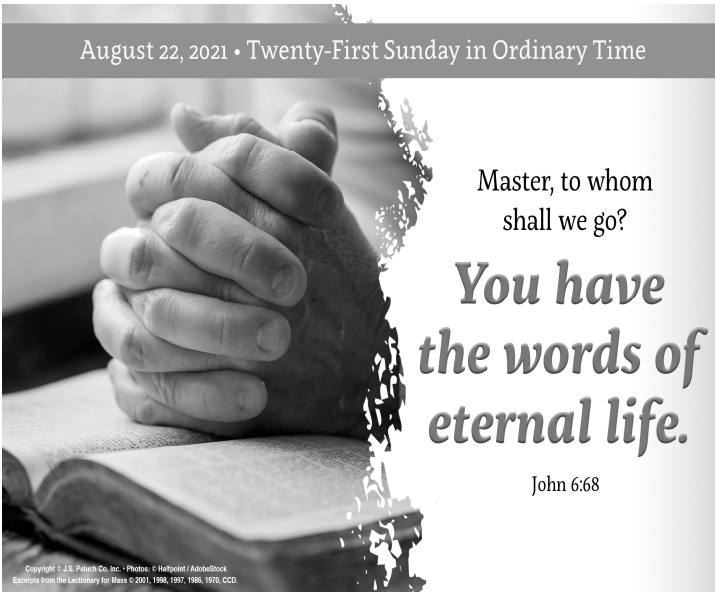
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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8am

Sunday 12noon

Monday to Saturday: 8am



Master, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

John 6:68

DECISIONS

There is an axiom that states, “Not to decide is to decide.” This saying was popular in the turbulent times of the Vietnam War. It urged us not to allow others to answer the moral questions raised by our nation’s involvement in that terrible conflict, but to decide for ourselves. Making such choices is never easy. Avoiding them is common. Jesus, for his part, was not only a gallant risk-taker, but a clear decision-maker. As he pursued the mission to which the Father called him, he continually decided for us and for the Father. He worked hard to lay out a scenario that would enable others to make similar choices. Never did he make decisions for others or force others into decisions, even decisions that had eternal ramifications. Jesus is inviting us to make such decisions today. We won’t be absolutely sure. What is sure, however, is the command that issues from God’s word: Take the risk. Decide!

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Joshua challenges the Israelites to serve either the Lord or other gods. They choose the Lord (Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b).

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — Paul reflects on how husbands and wives should reverence and love each other (Ephesians 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]).

Gospel — Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life (John 6:60-69).

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Mass Intentions for the Week

- 5:00 PM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light
- Saturday, August 21st**
- 8:00 AM **In Thanksgiving**
- 10:00 AM **In Loving Memory of Eddie Salomon & Andrea Dellabre Happy Birthday Rita Miro**
- 12:00 PM **In Thanksgiving**
- Monday, August 23rd**
- 8:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light
- 9:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light
- Tuesday, August 24th**
- 8:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light
- 9:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light
- Wednesday, August 25th**
- 8:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light
- 9:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light
- Thursday, August 26th**
- 8:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light
- 9:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light
- Friday, August 27th**
- 8:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light
- 9:00 AM Parishioners of Our Lady of Light

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Barbara Ricketts, Thaina Auguste, Viola Madden Beverly Stanton, Deana Roberts, Victor Enemuo Marjorie Smalls, Mabel Williams, Charmayne Roberts Vera Russell, Shirley Roller, Phyllis Fullerton Emelda Cathcart, Yvonne Hendricks, John Johnson. Sr., Gabriel Maitland, Julia Hodges Dorethea Callender, Xavier Auguste, Hollis Ford, Brenda Gibbs, Gemma LaRode, Gloria Wynter, Milrod Jones, Leon Hickenbottom, Marion Henry, Jeannette Coleman Alfred Ramirez, Albertha Brown, Leonora Best

Weekly Collections

Masses	#of Adults	#of Children	Collections	
08/16/21				
5:00 PM	25	2	\$159.00	
8:00 AM	81	22	\$1,000.00	
10:00AM	59	8	\$674.00	
12:00 PM	26	10	\$451.00	
Totals	191	42	\$2,284.00	

ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEWS

Children's Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation Registration

Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation classes are available for children and youth in grades K- 12. Please come in and register in the rectory, or email OLLightfaithed@gmail.com to request a registration form. Sunday School begins on September 13th. Registration must take place prior to Sept. 13th. Please call Lisa Sampson, DRE in the Faith Formation office at (718) 528-1220, ext 7. Office hours are as follows: 3:30 - 7 pm (Mon, Tues. Thurs. & Fri). & Sat 11 am - 2pm.

Requirements: Certificate of Baptism, (only if this is your child's 1st year of class and not baptized here at Our Lady of Light (St. Catherine of Sienna or St. Pascal Baylon Churches); a letter from previous parish, if transferring from another Catholic religious education program or Catholic Academy/School stating that your child attended and when. **Please note: Tuition must accompany registration form.**

RCIA Program for Adults (or Youth age 16+) Anyone interested in classes for Baptism, Communion, Confirmation or becoming Catholic is invited to attend the Rites of Christian Initiation class. Please call the religious education office at (718) 528-1220, ext 7.

2021-2022 Calendar

We would like the leader of each society to email the rectory your tentative schedule for September 2021-June 2022 if you are planning to meet in person using either the Church Hall or the Church.

The Activity Coordinating Committee

The Activity Coordinating Committee invites you to a Day at The Casino

Date: Saturday, October 9th bus depart 8:am SHARP
Cost: \$55 includes RT transportation, \$10 return for the Casino

If interested please contact: Alister Gillaume, 718.840.8142, Mary Lee, 516.379.4736 or Millicent Platts, 718.527.9165

Lectors

If you are interested in becoming a Lector, there is a Diocesan Workshop at St. Francis Prep on Saturday, October 9th from 9am to 3:30pm. Please contact the rectory to register 718-468-3511, ourladyoflightsa@gmail.com.

Annual Catholic Appeal

We thank all who have participated with a gift to the 2020 Appeal and ask that everyone prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2021 Catholic Appeal. As of 08/16/21 **\$66,335.00 has been pledged**. We have received **\$53,486.00** and **\$12,848.00** is still outstanding.

Thank you to everyone who made a pledge. If you have made a pledge for this year's Appeal please remember to fulfill your pledge by December 31st.

The work and services made possible through your donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal help people in Brooklyn and Queens in ways that no one parish can do alone. "WHOEVER SOWS SPARINGLY WILL ALSO REAP SPARINGLY AND WHOEVER SOWS BOUNTIFULLY WILL ALSO REAP BOUNTIFULLY"(2 Corinthians 9:16)

Dear Parents & Confirmands,

You are invited to join St. Pascal Baylon Youth Ministry. Our youth ministry exists to reach students, connect them with other Catholics in our Deanery and Diocese. Our program offers opportunities to help them grow in their faith and to challenge their growing to discover ministry and honor God with their lives. St. Pascal Baylon Youth Ministry will reconvene **on Sunday, October 10th, 2:00pm-3:30pm, virtually and is open to students in grades 8th through 12th grades.**

SPB Youth Ministry meets twice monthly on the 2nd and 4th Sundays. The structure consists of Prayers, Mental Health Check-In, Faith-based readings followed by discussions, small group activities, and games. Each faith-based teaching will run in a series, building off of one another, and geared towards deepening your child's relationship with Christ in order to fulfil His Great Commission "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." (Matthew 28:19).

Please email me or call the rectory with any questions. I look forward to this upcoming year and to see what the Lord has in store! Remember all teens are invited!
God bless,
Maxine Dinnall
SPB Youth Coordinator

Pilgrimage to Egypt, Jordan and the Holy Land

WALKING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF FAITH: PILGRIMAGE TO EGYPT, JORDAN AND THE HOLY LAND WITH FR. JEFFRY DILLON. February 18-27 (Egypt and Jordan) and the extension to Israel February 27-March 05,2022. For information please call (718) 529-0273 or email hlpilgrimage@aol.com

NEWS NOTES COMING SOON



August 22, 2021

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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*You have the words
of eternal life.*

John 6:68

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Sometimes in life we find ourselves at a crossroads, faced with an existential choice that will alter the course of our life. We are aware, at these moments, just how significant our choice will be and that there will be no going back.

In both the first reading and the Gospel we see such moments calling people to make such choices. Which god will the Israelites follow? Joshua, their leader after Moses, knows that the area around the Promised Land is occupied by other peoples, with other gods. Perhaps remembering how, after Moses had gone up Mount Sinai, the Israelites set up a golden calf to worship, Joshua worries that they may again be susceptible to such attractions. He is asking them for a commitment, and proclaims, "As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

CAN WE STAY WITH JESUS?

The people who were frenetically following Jesus, crossing the lake twice to pursue him, eating the bread he miraculously provided, are now puzzled by Jesus proclaiming himself as "the

bread of life," and they are incredulous. They can go with him no farther, so they gradually drift away. The Twelve, however, stay with Jesus. What else could they do? Who else offers such a profound vision of human life? Peter expresses it well: "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

Not all of our life's crossroads involve our faith, but some do. Perhaps there is someone in your parish who chose to become Catholic and is now alienated from their family; someone who is unhappy with a new pastor and wondering about looking for a different parish; someone who was especially distressed by the clergy sex abuse and prayed long and hard before deciding that she needed her parish to get through it. There may be many in your parish facing such choices, and they need our support and our prayers. In the meantime, we can hope that someday they will again experience Jesus as the Holy One of God, offering them words of eternal life.

Today's Readings: Jos 24:1–2a, 15–17, 18b; Ps 34:2–3, 16–17, 18–19, 20–21; Eph 5:21–32 [2a, 25–32]; Jn 6:60–69

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IMPORTANT PARISH REMINDERS

The Sacrament of Baptism for Infants

Parents may contact the parish office to arrange for the baptism of their child at least one month in advance. Infant Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of the month at one of our weekend masses. Parents must be registered in Our Lady of Light or the parish they attend and participate in a Baptismal Preparation class.

Religious Education for Children and Youth:

Location and Times: Our Parish Faith Formation program takes place on Sunday mornings, online this year. For more information, please contact Lisa Sampson, Director of Faith Formation, at 718 528-1220 or email at ollightfaithed@gmail.com.

Ages and Requirements: Our program welcomes children and youth who are three years old through High School. We accept and prepare children and youth who have not received the Sacraments.

Parental Responsibilities: Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, reminds us in his new General Directory for Catechesis that those being catechized can live their life in a simple and spontaneous way. We are called to accompany each other on a journey toward Christ, with parents/guardians taking the lead for their children. In addition to having an active participation in the faith formation of their children, Parents or Guardians are also expected to attend Mass with their children and to attend parental preparations for Sacraments.

Reception of Sacraments for School Aged Children: Parents who would like for their child to receive the Sacraments must register them in our parish Sacramental Preparation Program. Our Program requires that children attend and prepare for two complete and consecutive academic years prior to the reception of each Sacrament. The Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion is received beginning in grade 2 and up. The Sacrament of Confirmation requires attendance and preparation in our 2 year Confirmation Sacramental Preparation program. Confirmation preparation begins in grades 7 & 8. For each of the Sacraments, there is an extra fee, to cover the costs of the ceremonies. For more information, please contact, Lisa Sampson Director of Religious Education.

Reception of Sacraments for Adults (RCIA): Our Parish offers the RCIA program for those, ages 16 years and older, who are interested in becoming Catholic. It is also for those who have been baptized and in need of receiving the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation. The Rite of Christian Initiation program is offered year- round and is also available for children ages 8 and older through the Rite of Christian Initiation Adapted for Children program. Please contact Lisa Sampson, Director of Faith Formation to register or for more information.

Continuing Faith Formation for Adults: Our parish provides opportunities for lifelong faith formation through small faith sharing groups and bible studies. Please check our website, bulletin or contact the Faith Formation Office for more information.

The Sacrament of Marriage

Since Catholic marriage requires a time of preparation, arrangements should begin at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding to allow for the Marriage Preparation Program. Registered, participating and contributing parishioners, not a third party, may contact the parish office to begin the process.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

If you are entering a hospital for surgery, experiencing a prolonged or serious illness, or are very weak due to advancement of age, call the parish office to arrange for the Sacraments of reconciliation, communion and anointing at home. We can also arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to continue to visit you with the Blessed Sacrament. We are here to serve you, please call.

Funerals

The family member or friend handling the funeral arrangements are asked to contact the pastor to arrange a consolation visit from one of the Priests. He will help you with any questions you may have with planning the Wake and Funeral Mass. The Parish wishes to be with you at this moment of need, all other arrangements involving the church must be initiated by the funeral director. Strict adherence to the Roman Catholic Ritual for Funerals will be followed in all parish involved activities..

Proof of Parish Participation

References and proof of parish residency for both civil and reli-

**Welcome
New
Members**



To all our Visitors: We hope you felt at home at the Feast of our Lord with your brothers & sister in Christ. We pray you will join us again! Letters proving membership for reference, referrals, recommendations or for any other reason, will only be provided to registered parishioners. **If we don't know you, we can't vouch for you!**

REGISTRATION

Registration is important in the event you may need testimonial letters, for baptism/confirmation sponsorships, wedding plans etc.! If we don't know you, we can't vouch for you! **Please register TODAY! Thank you!**

Name _____ Envelopes: Yes _____ No _____

Address _____ Apt.# _____ City _____ Zip code _____

Telephone # _____

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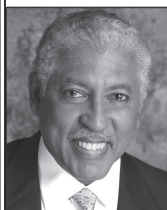
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