

# FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 4TH 2024

## First Reading

Job 7:1-4,6-7

Job laments his sufferings and his life.

## Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 147:1-6

A song of praise for the Lord's goodness to the lowly.

## Second Reading

1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23

Paul explains the conditions under which he preaches the gospel and the reasons why he will not accept financial help from the Corinthians.

## Gospel Reading

Mark 1:29-39

Jesus cures Simon's mother-in-law and many others as well.

## Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples—they act as intermediaries between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to his disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places.

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons, and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of [prayer](#) in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives.

## Bible Verse for the Week

“In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’” [Acts 20:35](#)

## Pro Sanctity

You are invited to join Pro Sanctity

**When:** Monday nights for the Rosary and today's Gospel reflection

Thursday nights for Sunday's scripture readings and reflections

**Why:** To pray, learn and share

**How:** Call 3392073069 on Mondays and/or Thursdays ALL ARE WELCOME!

## Prayer for Vocations

Lord of the Harvest, we petition you as you have instructed us to ask for more laborers to serve in the vineyard of Your Church. You have told us that the harvest is rich and laborers are few and we experience this great need in the face of the challenge of the New Evangelization we ask the Holy Spirit to inspire young men and women to seriously consider vocations for the priesthood and religious life. Help all of us to be effective instruments to encourage and support those whom you are calling to serve and lead the Church of Brooklyn and Queens in the future. Lord, you told the Apostles to put out into the deep. We ask for the grace and courage to accept your call as we pray and work for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

Every First, and Third Sunday, of the month after each mass Fellowship is followed in the Parish Center all are welcomed

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## Weekend Masses in the Canarsie Cluster Parishes:

### Our Lady of Miracles

(E. 86<sup>th</sup> St. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)

10:30 AM (Eng.)

12:30 PM (French/Creole)

### Holy Family

(Rockaway Pkwy. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:00 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:00 AM (Eng.)

9:15 AM (Creole)

11:15 AM (Eng.)

12:45 PM (Eng.)

### St. Jude

(Seaview Ave. & Canarsie Rd.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)

10:30 AM (Family)

12:30 PM (Bi-Lingual)

1<sup>st</sup> Sun ... Eng/French/Creole

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## Please Pray for ALL Our Sick In Our Parish

Gino Pizzuti, Raymond Abruzzese Deryck Ming, Maureen Ming, Dorthea C Hogarth, Marie Kernizan, Ann Bethany, Sue Vales, Rose-marie Campanilla, Rosamund Gilkes, Dexter Stiell, Joseph Esposito, Tyra Plaisimond

*We will keep names on the sick list for three weeks.*

### Our Parish needs your Weekly Support

	TIME	People
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Saturday	5:30 PM	Eng	46
Sunday	8:30 AM	Eng	125
Sunday	10:30 AM	Eng	60
Sunday	12:30 PM	French/Kreyol	173

### Weather: Sunny Day

Our weekly goal is \$4850.00

This Weeks Total was \$4,710.00

Previous Week \$3,800.00

Your generosity is greatly appreciated

Second Collection

## Coming Up This Week



### Monday: February 5

8:30 AM Mass

### Tuesday: February 6

8:30 AM Mass

### Wednesday: February 7

8:30 AM Mass

### Thursday: February 8

8:30 AM Mass

### Friday: February 9

8:30 AM Mass

### Saturday: February 10

8:30 AM Mass & 5:30 PM Mass

### Sunday: February 11

8:30 AM Mass & 10:30 AM Mass English

12:30 PM Mass French/Kreyol

### Our Lady of Miracles Rectory Office Hours

Monday 10AM-5PM, Tuesday 10AM-5PM,

Wednesday 10AM-5PM, Thursday 10AM-5PM,

Friday 10AM-5PM, Saturday Closed, Sunday Closed

Our Lady of Miracles Rectory office is now open from Monday-Friday 10AM-5PM

### Saturday February 3

8:30 AM In Memory of all deceased OLM Parishioners by OLM

5:30 PM Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles by OLM

### Sunday February 4

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Angelica Kenscoff by Her Mom & Dad

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving for Lucette by Lucette

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles by Letecia Casipe

10:30 AM 4 Year Anniversary In Heaven for Albertina Calderon by Cheryl Ramdeen Hacksaw

10:30 AM In Memory of Claudius Ollivierre by Cheryl Ramdeen Hacksaw

12:30 PM In Thanksgiving for Our Lady of Miracles by OLM

### Monday February 5

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Deborah Ann Jaffier by Mom & Family

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Arnold Bonair by Auntie Ann & Family

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Lynda Buckerin by Ann & Family

8:30 AM In Loving Memory of Bernadette Williams by Susan

### Tuesday February 6

8:30 AM In Memory of all deceased OLM Parishioners by OLM

### Wednesday February 7

8:30 AM Birthday In Heaven for Wendell Gomes by Mom & Family

### Thursday February 8

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Vania Pluviose by Marie Massenat

### Friday February 9

8:30 AM In Memory of all deceased OLM Parishioners by OLM

### Saturday February 10

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### Every Friday During lent

Ash Wednesday Masses will be at 8:30 AM Noon Service & 7:30 PM Mass

Stations of The Cross In English 6PM & Creole 7PM

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Pope Francis's Reflection for Sunday February 4th 2024  
Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

*Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!*

This **Sunday**, [**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time year B**] we contemplate Jesus as the Lord who **“heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds”** (Responsorial Psalm)

The Gospel (Mk 1:29–39) narrates us how Jesus, after preaching the Gospel, **cured many sick people of their illnesses**. Then he woke up early in the morning to pray. The Evangelist tells us the people were seeking for Him: **“Everyone is here looking for you.”** And from there, Jesus went to the nearby villages preaching and driving out demons, for this is the reason why He came into the world: to save us, to cure us, to heal us.

As Christians, we too are called to preach, evangelise, and cure the sick of body and soul, even if most of the time, we have to go against the current brought about not only by a hostile and pagan environment, but also by our own disordered passions. However, in spite of our failures, our defects, our limitations, and even our sins, we should remember what St. Paul said in the 2nd Reading: **“woe to me if I do not preach it!”** God still counts on each one of us to be an instrument of his mercy, love and salvation.

United with Christ through prayer and most especially in the Holy Eucharist, may we joyfully bear fruits of apostolate and evangelization for the salvation of the world (cf. Prayer after Communion).

## **2. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted (Ps 146).**

At some point in our life we shall be all beset by problems whether they be health, financial, marriage, family, social, and/or of spiritual type. And during these dark moments of pain, anguish and suffering, we seek consolation, liberation, light and peace.

Today's liturgy encourages us to direct ourselves to Our Lord, who **heals the brokenhearted and binds our wounds**, instead of giving into despair and sadness. However, for this to occur, firm and tangible faith is necessary so as to have recourse to God and call on Him who is **all good and rich in mercy**, and who never abandons His own.

We all have a profound need not only for Christ's help, healing, peace, but above all, for redemption. This need is rooted in our own weak and limited condition which is always threatened by the mystery of sin, pain and suffering.

This is an enigma, which only in the light of the Christian faith finds its exact and salvific interpretation. A rationalist conception of life only increases the pain and anguish of man and, even, can lead him to despair.

On the contrary, the Church teaches us, as she does today in her liturgy, to consider the problem of pain in the light of divine revelation. Vatican II says:



## *Scriptures For The Week*

**Monday February 5**

*1 Kgs 8:1-7; 9-13 Mk 6:53-56(329)*

**Tuesday February 6**

*1 Kgs 8:22-23; 27-30 Mk 7:1-13(330)*

**Wednesday February 7**

*1 Kgs 10:1-10 Mk 7:14-23(331)*

**Thursday February 8**

*1 Kgs 11:4-13 Mk 7:24-30(332)*

**Friday February 9**

*1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19 Mk 7:31-37(333)*

**Saturday February 10**

*1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34 Mk 8:1-10(334)*

## **Our Lady of Trust Catholic Academy**

up coming events

Open House for Pre-3, Pre – K4 & Pre K  
9:00 to 11 AM

For more information call 718-241-6633

## **Record of PARISH contributions**

If you use our church envelopes and need to have a record of your contributions to Our Lady of Miracles Church for the past year(2022) for income tax purposes, please contact the rectory during office hours or send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to

Our Lady of Miracles Church, 757 East 86th street, Brooklyn, New York 11236. We will be happy to forward the information to you.

**Due to the Corona Virus we will not be serving the Precious Blood we will let you know when we will be serving the precious blood.**

**Haitian Prayer group meet every Monday night at 7:00 Pm in the church. All are welcomed**

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## Office Of Faith Formation News

Happy New Year 2024 to everyone. We welcome back all students to religious ed classes which resumed on January 7th. Calendars for January through May 2024 were issued on January 7th. If you didn't get it please obtain one from the Faith Formation Office.

**Adults** who are interested in learning more about Catholic Faith, please contact Sr Francesca at 718-649-1006

### Our office Days and Hours

Tuesday: 9:30AM-4:00PM

Friday: 9:30AM-4:00 PM

Email: dre101163@diobrook.org

All children beginning the first grade in Public or Catholic school must register their child for the 2 year communion preparation program. After communion all public school children must register for on-going classes till the 7th grade at which time all Public and Catholic school children must register for the 2 year confirmation preparation program.

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## **Exposition of Blessed Sacrament**

Every Friday, from 9:30 AM till 12:00 Noon, we have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and Benediction. We are looking for people to sit in church while the Blessed Sacrament is on the altar. Please come to the rectory to put your name down for an hour or two.

*The only time we will not have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is if we have a funeral*

## **Annual Catholic Appeal 2023 CATHOLIC APPEAL PRAYER**

Loving Father, through Baptism you have made us members of the Body of your Son and His Priestly People. You have enriched us with the outpouring of the gift of your Holy Spirit. You continue to make your Son present among us through the Sacrament of His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

We are ever grateful for what you do for us and we seek to respond by revealing your goodness through the witness of our lives.

Help us to nourish and support those members of the Body of Christ who are in need of our generous sharing of our time, talent and treasure.

We make this prayer through Christ our High Priest and Lord. AMEN

***Annual Catholic Appeal 2023 Goal at Our Lady of Miracles R.C is \$35,000***

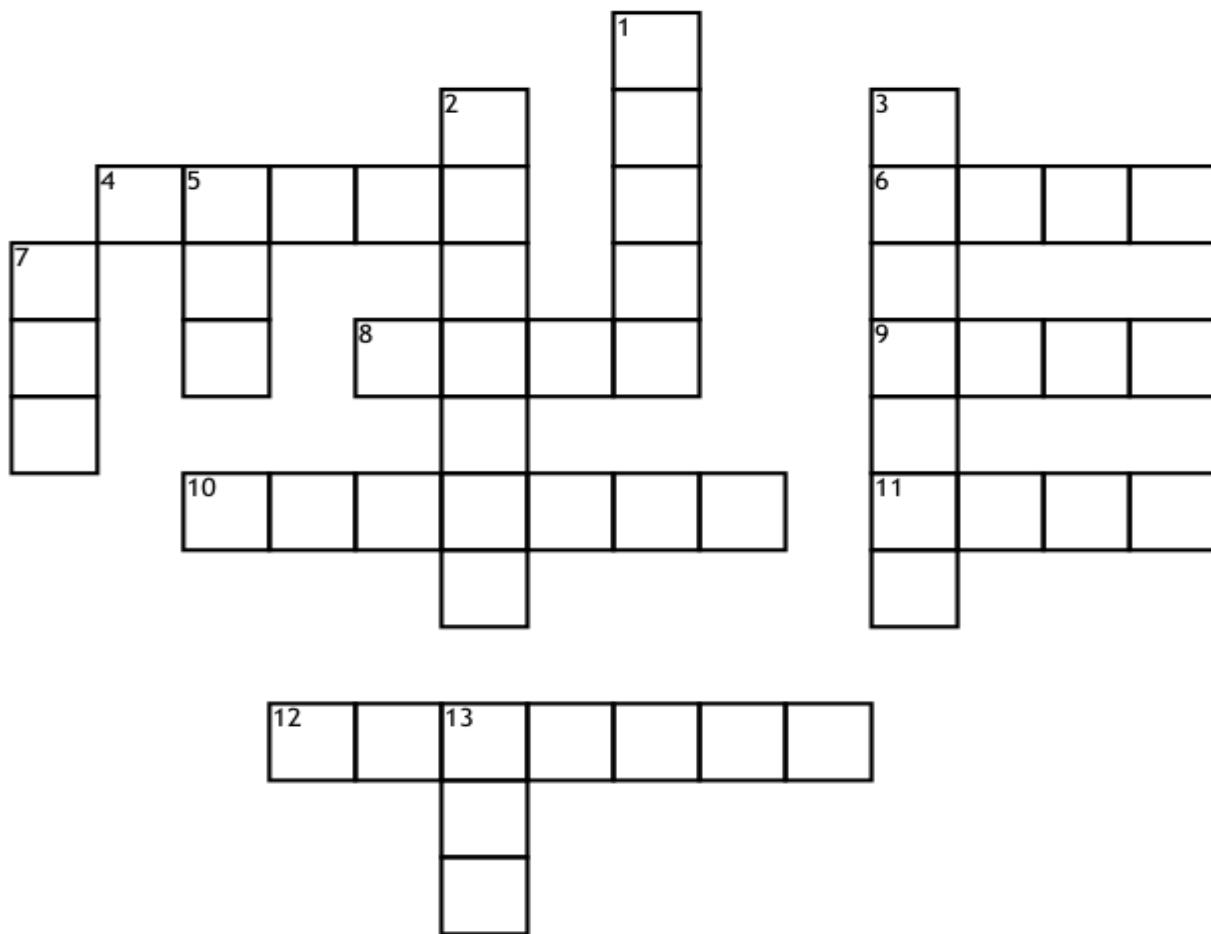
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God bless you!

**PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE WHEN YOU ARE ENTERING THE CHURCH. THIS IS QUITE DISTRACTING TO THE PRIEST AND OTHER PARISHIONERS THANK YOU.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# The First Sin



**Across**

4. Because Adam and Eve disobeyed God sin and \_\_\_\_\_ came into the world.

6. Eve was made from one of Adam's \_\_\_\_\_.

8. The tree of \_\_\_\_\_ was planted in the middle of the garden.

9. The first man's name was \_\_\_\_\_?

10. We find the story of Adam and Eve in which book of the Bible?

11. The Lord God planted a tree in \_\_\_\_\_.

12. Sadly Adma and Eve decided to \_\_\_\_\_ God.

**Down**

1. What fruit did Adam and Eve eat?

2. God gave Adam and Eve the ability to make \_\_\_\_\_.

3. God \_\_\_\_\_ man and put him in a beautiful garden.

5. God created a wife for Adam and called her \_\_\_\_\_.

7. When Adam and Eve realized they were naked they made clothes from \_\_\_\_\_ leaves.

13. Adam and Eve were created perfect and without \_\_\_\_\_.