

# St. Columbkille Parish

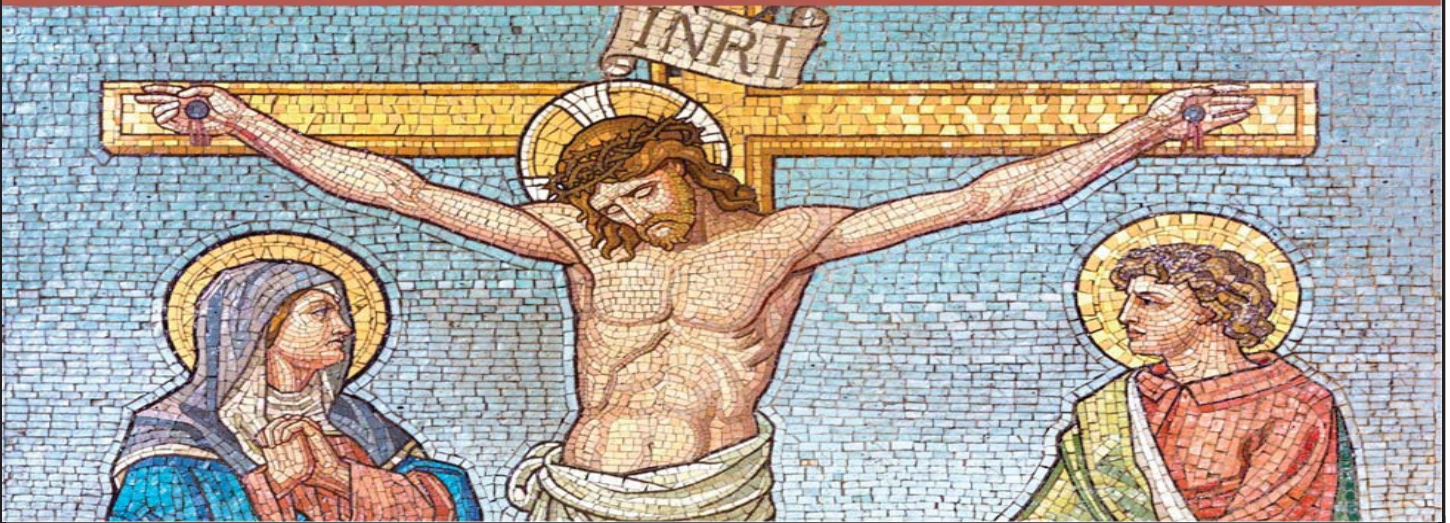
## March 29, 2026

Christ became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Phil 2:8

### PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

### DOMINGO DE RAMOS DE LA PASIÓN DEL SEÑOR

Cristo se humilló por nosotros y por obediencia aceptó incluso la muerte, y una muerte de cruz. Flp 2, 8



#### Mass Times & Information

##### Sunday Masses (Upper Church):

Saturday: 4pm

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12pm (Spanish), & 5pm

##### Daily Masses (Lower Church):

Weekdays (Mon-Sat): 7am

Friday: 7pm (Spanish)

##### Confessions (in English)

Saturday: 8:00-8:45am (Lower Church)

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm (Rectory Front Porch)

##### Eucharistic Adoration

Friday: 6:00-6:45pm (Spanish, Lower Church)

Saturday: 7:45-8:45am (Lower Church)

**Holy Day Masses:** *(See Inside Bulletin)*

**Parish Office Hours:** *(See Inside Bulletin)*

#### Parish Staff & Contact

##### Clergy

Very Rev. Richard W. Fitzgerald, V.F., Pastor

Rev. Steven Restrepo, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Alexander Millar, Priest in Residence

Rev. Tuan (Matthew) Nguyen, Priest in Residence

Rev. Mr. Daniel Mascarenhas, S.J., Transitional Deacon

##### Staff

Patricia McShane, Parish Secretary

Andrew Scanlon, Coordinator of Liturgical Music

Roberto Mendez, Director of Faith Formation

William Healey, Business Manager

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**School:** 617-254-3110



*"We are Saint Columbkille Parish, a community of faith celebrating Christ's presence in us through the Eucharist, the other sacraments and the preaching of the word of God. To be true to the Gospel we must live our faith every day, responding to our call to holiness by caring for, encouraging and strengthening each other."*

If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to the priests after Mass. We would love to know you and serve you. To register in our parish online: Please visit [brightoncatholic.org](http://brightoncatholic.org).

**Parish Giving 3/22/2026**  
**Offertory: \$4,942**  
**Online Offertory: \$1,050**  
*(Amount needed to meet expenses: \$7,000.00)*

**March Monthly Maintenance:**  
**(To Date): \$3,132**

**SVDP: \$80**  
**SVDP On Line: \$55**

*Thank You for Your Generosity*

**Special Collections**  
**April 3 Holy Land Shrines**  
**Easter—Clergy Trust**

## Mass Intentions

- Sat, 3/28** 4pm Robert & Edna McGuiness, Robert & Silvia McGuiness, Michael, Victor, Richard & Jack McGuiness, Robert O'Loughlin, Albert & Winifred Aucoin, Mem.
- Sun, 3/29** 8am Sanjeev Selvarajah, 7th Ann.  
 10am *Pro Multis Intentionibus* – James Hyland, 42<sup>nd</sup> Ann., Michael Hyland, 1<sup>st</sup> Ann. Julia & John Hyland, Susan Hyland, Mem.; Rose & Thomas McShane, Mem.; Joseph & Mary McCrorey, Me  
 12pm *Pro Multis Intentionibus* –  
 5pm *Missa pro Populo*
- Mon, 3/30** 7am Clement Pinto, 2nd Ann.
- Tue, 3/31** 7am Cirila Usuriaga, 19th Ann.
- Wed, 4/1** 7am Special Intention
- Thurs, 4/2** 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Fri, 4/3** 12pm Stations (English)  
 6pm Commemoration & Living Stations (Spanish)
- Sat, 4/4** 7:30 pm Easter Vigil
- Sun, 4/5** 8am *Missa pro Populo*  
 10am *Pro Multis Intentionibus* –  
 12pm *Pro Multis Intentionibus* –

The 10 am and 12 pm Masses on Sundays are *Pro Multis Intentionibus* (for many intentions). So, multiple intentions will be celebrated together. If you want to request a Mass intention, please email/call the office.



**Thank you for your prayers and support!** In order to contribute to the parish, use our parish website: [www.brightoncatholic.org](http://www.brightoncatholic.org) and then click "Support" Or you can scan the QR code here.

**New Parish Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm; **Office Closed:** Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

**Donations were made in the month of March for the**  
 Hosts in loving memory of Patrick & Alice Hennessey by Their Grandchildren  
 Wine in loving memory of Rose & Thomas McShane by Their Grandchildren  
 Candles in loving memory of The Maguire & Larkin Families by Their Family

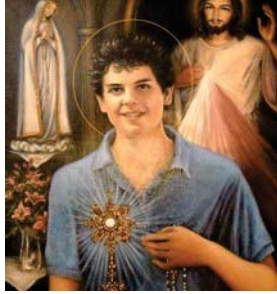
Please remember these people in your prayers.



**St. Vincent de Paul Society** meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month in the rectory. The next meeting will be **Tuesday, April 14th at 7:00 pm** in the rectory. New members are always welcome.



Thank You to all who made commitments to the appeal. Also Thank You to those who mailed in their Appeal Commitment. If you have not made a commitment, commitment envelopes may be found at the entrance of the church. You may place the envelopes in the collection basket or drop them off at the rectory.



**Eucharistic Miracles:** You are warmly invited to participate in a special program here at **St. Columbkille** as we prepare for **Corpus Christi 2026**.

Beginning on **Thursday, April 23rd at 7:00 PM in the Lower Church**, we will offer a series of **six sessions on Eucharistic Miracles and the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist**. During these sessions we will reflect on Scripture, learn about

**Saint Carlo Acutis**, and explore Eucharistic miracles documented in his exhibition.

The sessions will take place on **Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:00 PM**.



**Easter Collection:** Our Easter Offertory collection each year benefits the Clergy Trust which cares for the health, well-being, and retirement needs of all active and senior diocesan priests. These parish collections are crucial for them to continue their mission. Your generosity to this collection is deeply appreciated.

**Grand Annual Total: \$99,240 toward a goal of \$100,000.00**

**Prayers are requested:**

for those who are ill; for vocations to the Priesthood and to the Consecrated Life; for married couples and for families; for those serving in the military especially STAFF SGT. Aaron Souza (USAF), PFC Timothy C. Barry (USA), 2nd LT Megan Monteiro (USAF), Chaplain MAJ Jeffrey A. Ballou (USAF), Chaplain CAPT James W. Longe (USAF), L/CPL Gavin Sheehan (USMC), STAFF SGT Pedro Santana (USA), PVT Michael Stapleton (USA), PFC Mark Crowell (USMC), PFC Shawn Crowell (USMC), SEAMAN Gage Gunnels (USN), SR. MASTER SGT. Brian Bowler (USAF), LT Brendan Breen (USN PILOT), 2NDLT Will Kiley (USA), 2NDLT Tim Kiley (USA), CORPSMAN Cameron Broome (USN), LANCE CPL Thomas Kelly (USMC); SGT John Murphy (USMC); SPC Brian M. Wu (USA); and for the souls of Anna Pecci and the deceased members of our parish, our families and our benefactors.

**Sacramental Preparation**

**Baptism of Infants/Children**

First Sunday of the month is in English. Please email/call the office.

**Baptism/First Communion/ Confirmation**

Adults and children 7 and older who would like to receive these sacraments or be received into the Church should email/call the office.

**Marriage**

Couples planning marriage should make arrangements at least **SIX MONTHS** prior to the wedding date.

**Young Adult Commission**

To stay informed about YAC events please see the links below:

*YAC WHATSAPP GROUP QR CODE*



To sign up for the newsletter or to email Young Adult Commission please visit: <https://www.brightoncatholic.org/young-adults>

## Young Adult Commission Gatherings

### Weekly Bible Study & Social - Sundays at 6 PM

We'll have weekly Bible Study in the rectory after the 5 PM Mass. Join for discussion and fellowship!

*If you'd like to lead the discussion, please reach out to Greg or Bridget or email*

[youngadultcommissionst.columb@gmail.com](mailto:youngadultcommissionst.columb@gmail.com).

### Save the Dates! - April Events

#### Theology on Tap - April Date TBD

Let us know what topic you're interested in hearing about!



**Catholic Daughters  
of the Americas®**

The Catholic Daughters will meet on Thursday, April 9th at 7:00 pm in the Presentation School Foundation Community Center. We will have a speaker from the Pro Life Office of the Archdiocese. We will also be collecting the baby shower items from the cancelled meeting in January. All women are welcome.

## Holy Week Schedule

### Palm Sunday

**Saturday**—4pm

**Sunday**— 8am, 10am, 12pm (with Palm Procession starting at Fatima Shrine at 10:30am), 5pm.

\*There is no 7am Mass on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

\*There is no 7:30am-9am confessions or holy hour on Holy Saturday.

**Holy Thursday:** Mass of the Last Supper at 7:30pm. (bilingual)

**Good Friday:** Stations of the Cross at 12pm (noon).

#### Commemoration of the Lord's Passion:

3:00pm in English

6:00pm in Spanish followed by live Stations of the Cross.

#### Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil):

\*No 4pm Mass

3:00pm Confessions

7:30pm Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

**Easter Sunday:** 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm (Spanish)

\*No 5pm Mass

## PALM SUNDAY

Increase the faith of those who place their hope in you, and graciously hear the prayers of those who call on you, O God, that we, who today hold high these branches in our minds and hearts to hail Christ in his triumph, may bear fruit for you by good works accomplished in him. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
R. Amen.



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¡Esperamos verles pronto!



# PALMS VS. PASSION

By Fr. Larry Rice

Each year at around this time, as Lent draws to a close, and Easter nears, Catholics everywhere look at their parish bulletins, missalettes, and publications, and wonder why the last Sunday in Lent is called "Passion Sunday" and not "Palm Sunday."

The formal designation changed in 1970; still, many people are much more accustomed to calling it "Palm Sunday."

The palms, of course, are a commemoration of the ancient custom of covering the path of an honored person as he passed by. In many parts of the Near East, this was among the highest honors, often reserved for royalty. All four of the Gospels speak of Jesus receiving this honor as he entered triumphantly into Jerusalem, days before his execution. In Matthew, Mark, and Luke, the crowds are said to have laid their cloaks in the street, as well as cut rushes. Only John's Gospel specifically mentions palm fronds.

It's the custom in Catholic churches to give people palms that are blessed at the

beginning of the liturgy and carried in procession at the start of the mass. It is many people's private custom to weave these palms into crosses or other shapes during the liturgy. I would like to believe that they're not doing this during my homily, but experience tells me they are.

Ultimately, the celebration of this day isn't about the palms, any more than the celebration of Christmas is about decorated evergreen trees. As the prayers and scripture readings make clear, the liturgy is really about Christ's passion-his willingness to suffer for our salvation and the forgiveness of our sins. By the end of the reading of the passion narrative, the palms seem sad and ironic, as the crowds who welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem would be transformed into the crowd shouting "Crucify him!" during his trial. Human fickleness and frailty are contrasted with Jesus' integrity and courage.

So, it makes sense to call it "Passion Sunday." Still, old customs and old terminology don't change easily.

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# BOSTON EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE

ST. COLUMBKILLE - TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026

*Take up your Cross and Follow Me*

## MONDAY, APRIL 6

9:30PM

### NIGHT PRAYER AT ST. COLUMBKILLE

- Procession from St. John's Seminary will conclude at St. Columbkille

10PM

### OVERNIGHT AND DAYTIME ADORATION

- Scan the QR code to sign up for an Adoration slot

## TUESDAY, APRIL 7

6PM

### ADORATION

- Confession
- Divine Mercy Chaplet

7PM

### BILINGUAL MASS

8PM

### EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

- Procession to St. Mary of the Assumption, Brookline

9:30PM

### NIGHT PRAYER AT ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION, BROOKLINE

- Overnight and daytime Adoration at St. Mary of the Assumption

Visit [BostonEucharisticCongress.org](http://BostonEucharisticCongress.org)  
for more details.



# PEREGRINACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA DE BOSTON

ST. COLUMBKILLE - MARTES, 7 DE ABRIL DE 2026

*Toma tu cruz y sígueme*

## LUNES, 6 DE ABRIL

9:30PM

### ORACIÓN DE LA NOCHE EN ST. COLUMBKILLE

- La procesión empezará en St. John's Seminary y terminará en St. Columbkille

10PM

### ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA

- Durante toda la noche y hasta el día siguiente
- Escanee el código QR para inscribirse en un turno de Adoración

## MARTES, 7 DE ABRIL

6PM

### ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA

- Confesiones
- Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia

7PM

### MISA BILINGUE

8PM

### PROCESIÓN EUCARÍSTICA

- Procesión hacia St. Mary of the Assumption, Brookline

9:30PM

### ORACIÓN DE LA NOCHE EN ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION, BROOKLINE

- Adoración Eucarística durante toda la noche y hasta el día siguiente en St. Mary of the Assumption

Visita [BostonEucharisticCongress.org](http://BostonEucharisticCongress.org)  
para más información.



# SALMOS VS. PASIÓN

POR EL PADRE LARRY RICE

Todos los años, alrededor de estas fechas, cuando nos acercamos al final de la Cuaresma y está por llegar la Pascua, los católicos en todas partes leen los boletines, misales y publicaciones de su parroquia y se preguntan por qué al último domingo de Cuaresma se le llama "Domingo de la Pasión" y no "Domingo de Ramos". La designación formal fue cambiada en 1970; pero todavía muchas personas están más acostumbradas a llamarle "Domingo de Ramos".

Los ramos, por supuesto, son la conmemoración de la antigua costumbre de cubrir el camino de la persona a quien se honraba cuando ella pasaba por ese camino. En muchas regiones del Cercano Oriente, este era uno de los más grandes honores, a menudo reservado para la realeza. En los cuatro Evangelios vemos que Jesús recibió ese honor al hacer su entrada triunfal en Jerusalén, días antes de su ejecución. En Mateo, Marcos y Lucas, encontramos que las multitudes tiraron sus mantos en el camino y cortaban ramas. Solo en el Evangelio de Juan se menciona específicamente a los ramos de palma.

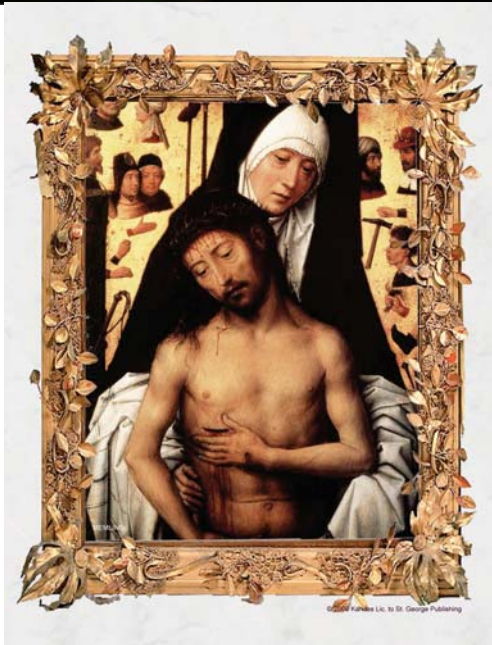
En las Iglesias católicas, es costumbre entregar a los fieles las palmas que fueron

bendecidas al inicio de la liturgia y llevadas en procesión al inicio de la Misa. Entre las costumbres privadas de las personas está entretejer estas palmas en forma de cruz y de otras formas durante la liturgia. Yo quisiera creer que las personas no están haciendo esto durante mi homilía pero mi experiencia me dice que sí lo hacen.


Al final, la celebración de este día no se trata de las palmas, al igual que la Navidad no se trata de árboles decorados con luces de colores. Como lo muestran claramente las oraciones y las Escrituras, la liturgia es realmente acerca de la pasión de Cristo-su disposición a sufrir por nuestra salvación y por el perdón de nuestros pecados. Al final de la lectura de la narración de la pasión, las palmas parecen algo triste e irónico, ya que las multitudes que recibieron a Jesús en Jerusalén se fueron transformando en esas multitudes que, durante su juicio, gritaban "¡Crucifíqueno!". La inconstancia y la fragilidad humana contrastan con la integridad y el coraje de Jesús.

Así que tiene sentido que le llamemos "Domingo de la Pasión". Pero las viejas costumbres y la antigua terminología no cambian fácilmente.

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**St. Col's Junior Youth Group Gatherings:**  
**Every Third Sunday of the Month**  
**Sunday, April 19th — Domingo 19 de abril**



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## **Semana Santa**

### **Domingo de Ramos (el 29 de marzo)**

La procesión comienza a las 10:30am desde el Santuario de Fátima hacia la parroquia para la Misa de 12pm

### **Jueves Santo (el 2 de abril)**

7:30pm - La Cena del Señor (**bilingüe**)

*\*Adoración después de la Misa hasta la medianoche*

### **Viernes Santo (el 3 de abril)**

6:00pm - Celebración de la Pasión del Señor

7:30pm - Vía Crucis (en vivo)

### **Sábado Santo (el 4 de abril)**

3:00pm - Confesiones

7:30pm - La Vigilia Pascual (**bilingüe**)

*\*No habrá Misa a las 7:00am el Jueves, Viernes ni el Sábado Santo. No habrá hora santa ni confesiones Viernes Santo a las 6pm. No habrá hora santa ni confesiones el Sábado Santo de 7:45am-8:45am.*

### **Domingo de Pascua (el 5 de abril)**

8am (ingles), 10am (ingles) y 12pm (**español**)

*\*No habrá misa de 5pm*

## **Horario y Información**

### **Bienvenido a la Parroquia San Columbkille**

Si usted es nuevo en nuestra parroquia, preséntese a los sacerdotes después de la Misa. Nos encantaría conocerlo y servirle. Para registrarse en nuestra parroquia en línea: visite [brightoncatholic.org](http://brightoncatholic.org). Luego, haga clic en "ABOUT" => "Parish Registration"

### **Misa Diaria**

Lunes a Sábado (*inglés*): 7am

Viernes (*español*): 7pm

### **Misa Dominical**

Sábado (vigilia): 4pm,

Domingo: 8am, 10am,

**12pm (español)**, 5pm

### **Horario de Oficina**

Lunes 9:00am - 2:00pm

Martes 9:00am - 2:00pm

Miércoles 9:00am - 4:00pm

Jueves 9:00am - 12:30pm

**Viernes Cerrado**

### **Intención para la Misa en español**

Si usted quiere su intención en la Misa de español por favor comuníquese con: Blanca Ocampo al **617-620-5200**. La donación sugerida para la iglesia es de \$10 por cada intención.

### **Puede comunicarse con el Padre**

**Steven Restrepo** marcando su numero de oficina y dejando su mensaje de voz al: **781-779-5011** o por correo electrónico: [frsteven@brightoncatholic.org](mailto:frsteven@brightoncatholic.org)



### Adoración Eucarística

*En la iglesia de abajo*

Los Viernes 6:00-6:45pm

Los Sábados 7:45-8:45am

### Confesiones (en español)

*En la iglesia de abajo*

Los Viernes 6:00-6:45pm



**Lo que se ha recogido** para el sistema de la calefacción y del aire acondicionado de la iglesia es: \$441,373.00. **Meta: \$450,000.00**

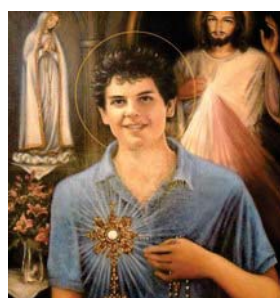
**La Gran Colecta Anual** - Cada año ésta es la colecta más grande e importante. Pueden donar por medio del código QR. Hemos recogido **\$99,240.00.**

**Meta: \$100,000.00**



**Viernes durante la cuaresma:** Entre el 20 de febrero y el 27 de marzo habrá Hora Santa, confesiones y la Santa Misa en español, como regularmente tenemos. Después de la Misa, rezaremos el Vía Crucis y luego tendremos un breve compartir en comunidad. Todos están cordialmente invitados a participar, rezar y compartir en comunidad.

**Oración de Comunión Espiritual:** Jesús mío, creo que estás realmente presente en el Santísimo Sacramento del Altar. Te amo sobre todas las cosas y deseo ardientemente recibirte en mi alma. Pero, como ahora no puedo recibirte sacramentalmente, por lo menos, ven espiritualmente a mi corazón. Te abrazo como si ya estuvieras allí y me uno completamente a Ti. Nunca permitas que me separe de Ti. Amén.



**Milagros Eucarísticos:** Todos están cordialmente invitados a participar en un programa especial que estaremos ofreciendo aquí en St. Columbkille mientras nos preparamos para **Corpus Christi 2026.**

A partir del **jueves 23 de abril a las 7:00 p.m. en la Iglesia de abajo**, tendremos una serie de **seis sesiones sobre los Milagros Eucarísticos y la Presencia Real de Jesús en la Eucaristía.** Durante el programa refle-

xionaremos sobre la Sagrada Escritura, conoceremos la vida del **Santo Carlo Acutis**, y aprenderemos sobre los milagros eucarísticos documentados en su exposición.

Las sesiones serán los **jueves de 7:00 a 8:00 p.m.**, según el calendario del volante.

Por favor **tomen un volante al salir** e inviten a sus familiares y amigos. Esta es una hermosa oportunidad para profundizar en nuestra fe. Para mas informacion, contactar a Yariela Brandao, su email esta listado en la volante. Muchas gracias y que Dios los bendiga.

## Información (Cont.)

### Bautismo (menores de 7 años)

El primer domingo del mes, tenemos la clase de bautismo a las 10:30am en la casa cural. Tienen que asistir esta clase de preparación antes de bautizar a su hijo/a. El segundo domingo del mes después de la misa se hacen los bautismos. Para más información, favor de contactar a **Edvin Juárez** por WhatsApp al **617-416-3262.**

### Bautismo/Primera Comunión/Confirmación

Los adultos y los niños de 7 años en adelante que quieren recibir los sacramentos o quieren ser recibido en la iglesia católica, por favor de comunicarse con **Roberto Méndez:** [josemendez187@yahoo.com](mailto:josemendez187@yahoo.com) o **Noemy Méndez: 857- 636-8755.**

### Matrimonio

Las parejas tienen que hablar con el Padre Steven Restrepo por lo menos 6 meses antes de la fecha anticipada para la boda. También para

### Confesión y Unción de los enfermos

Puede comunicarse con el Padre Steven Restrepo al: **781-779-5011** o por correo electrónico: [frsteven@brightoncatholic.org](mailto:frsteven@brightoncatholic.org)

**La Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl (SVdP)** sirve a personas necesitadas en Brighton/Allston. Si usted necesita ayuda o quiere colaborar con este acto de caridad, por favor, llame a nuestra línea de ayuda: **781-779-4543.**

### Grupo de Oración de la Renovación Carismática:

El grupo de oración se reúne en la iglesia de abajo.

Miércoles: 6:00pm

Sábados: 5:30pm

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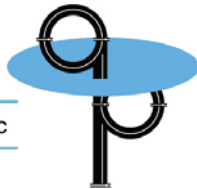
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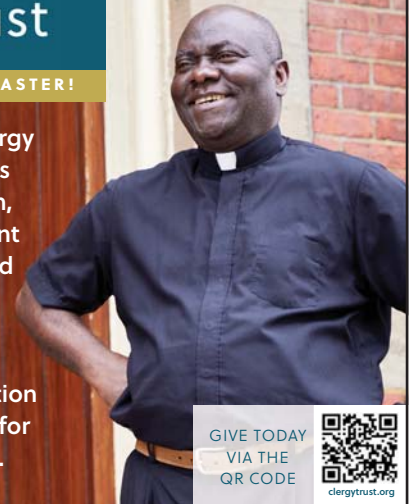


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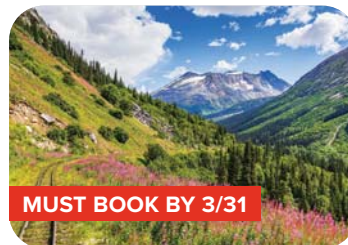


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