



Church of the Blessed Sacrament Manhattan

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CHURCH: 152 West 71st Street, New York, N.Y. 10023

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MASSES:

SUNDAY Masses: Sat. evening at 5:30 PM

Sunday: 8:30, 10:00 (Family Mass)

11:15 (Spanish), 12:30 (choir) & 5:30 PM

WEEKDAYS: 7:30 AM; 12:10 PM; 5:30 PM

SATURDAYS: 7:30 AM, 12:10 PM

HOLY DAYS & EVES. OF HOLY DAYS: As Announced.

BAPTISM:

Third Sunday of the Month. Arrangements must be made at the Rectory at least two weeks in advance. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics. Parents, and also godparents when possible, must meet with the priest for a Conference before Baptism.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday afternoons 4:30 to 5:15 pm, and anytime at the Rectory.

MARRIAGES:

Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance at the rectory to ensure the date and the hour desired. The Nuptial Mass is the ordinary form of celebrating Christian marriage, and should be strongly considered when making Wedding plans. Attendance at the Pre-Cana Conferences, or the equivalent, is required by the Archbishop.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:

Mondays, before the 12:10 Mass and before the 5:30 pm Mass.

Website: www.blessedsacramentnyc.org

Spanish Programs Website: www.nygente.com

Sunday School Website: www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org

FATIMA DEVOTIONS:

The Rosary is said daily after the 12:10 pm Mass. Friday from 6-7 pm there is a holy hour.

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

First Friday - Exposition: 12:35 pm.

Adoration: All day; Benediction: 5:15 PM.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

We welcome new parishioners, and invite them to register at the Rectory. The registration is our only means of certifying anyone as a member of our parish. If you move to another Parish, or change your address within the Parish, please notify us.

BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL

Our School is located at 147 West 70th Street. For information about the school, please call 212-724-7561.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS:

Classes in Religion for Catholic children/teenagers, Pre-kindergarten -High School take place on Sundays. The Family Mass begins at 10:00 a.m. in the Church followed by class instruction in the school.

Ongoing religious education is important for the religious development of your children. A child must have at least one year of religious instruction before enrolling in the First Communion or Confirmation class.

PARISH BOUNDARIES:

Central Park West to the Hudson River, from the South side of 77th Street down to the North side of 65th Street.



Saturday Eve	November 7th
5:30	Clemente and Carmela Veltri
Sunday	November 8th
8:30	Michela Barone +
10:00	Carmen Flood +
11:00	Josefa Grillo +
12:30	Sara Pena +
5:30	Intentions of Thomas Middelhoff
Monday	November 9th
7:30	The Donovan and Smyth families (Living and Deceased)
12:10	The Murray Family (Living and Deceased)
5:30	Sr. Mariana Del Signore and Donna de Solis+
Tuesday	November 10th
7:30	People of the Parish
12:10	Emily, Diana and Sandra Rodriguez +
5:30	Intentions of Thomas Middelhoff
Wednesday	November 11th
7:30	Emma Libunao +
12:10	John C. Ras +
5:30	Dolores Errity
Thursday	November 12th
7:30	Elizabeth Ford +
12:10	Brendan Fitzmaurice +
5:30	Catherine Lord and the Hamilton family +
Friday	November 13th
7:30	Anthony Boglia +
12:10	Patricia Breen-Bond +
5:30	Intentions of Thomas Middelhoff
Saturday	November 14th
7:30	Patrick Henaghan +
12.10	McCarthy, O'Brien & Donovan Families
5:30	Giuseppe and Rosa Ianni +

CONCERT FOR SYRIA AND MIDDLE EAST REFUGEES—An Interfaith Evening of Hope

Millions of displaced families need our support. Join us on **Saturday, November 7th at 7:00pm** in Blessed Sacrament Church. Ticket donation is \$25 Adults, \$10 Children under 12 (100% of proceeds will go to Catholic Relief Services). Featuring: Dr. Gregory D’Agostino, Organ Soloist, Seraphim, a NY/NJ Choir, Gabriel Aydin, Syriac Music Soloist and Highbridge Voices, a South Bronx children’s chorus. Robert Long, Conductor. Reception following performance. Pick up a flyer for more information or purchase tickets at the church entrance this weekend. **Let’s do something together as we share an evening of music and hope with our neighbors of all faith communities.**

A VOLUNTEER OR VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR SAINTHOOD INQUIRY: Transcriber with Experience

The Dorothy Day Guild is looking for someone with experience doing simultaneous or recorded transcription to transcribe eyewitness testimony at the Archdiocesan Inquiry on the life of Dorothy Day. Interviews will be 4-5 hours long and conducted at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 1011 First Avenue, spread over the next year. Please contact **George.Horton@archny.org** or 212-371-1011 ext. 2480 for more details.



VETERAN'S DAY

Wednesday, November 11th is Veteran's Day. **The Rectory will be closed.**

Originally this day was celebrated as Armistice day. It marked the end of World War I, which ended on Nov. 11, 1917 at 11am. Unfortunately, we fight on. So we remember all of our war dead in prayer.

BETHLEHEM HANDICRAFTS

Bethlehem Handicrafts is a Catholic group from Bethlehem, the Holy Land. They are going to visit our church the weekend of **November 14th/15th** to display handmade olivewood religious articles carved by Christian carvers in Bethlehem. What a wonderful gift idea!

WOMEN’S GROUP MEETING—Sunday Nov. 8 at 4:00pm

Blessed Sacrament is excited to announce the next meeting of our parish Women’s Group. **Exclusively this month, we will have a special guest speaker! Discussion will center around historical women in the Catholic faith and their role in the development of the Church.** We’ll also be planning our Christmas/December meeting, organizing our group outing to the Nutcracker, and more! All ages are welcome to attend and grow together in faith. Please join us at 4:00pm today, upstairs in the rectory for delicious snacks, coffee, wine, and lively conversation!



BOOK CLUB

Our next Book Club will be held on Nov. 19, 6:30-8-00pm. We will be reading a biography of Pope Francis, “The Great Reformer” by Austen Ivereigh. The New York Times calls it the best biography of the Pope in English to date. Cardinal Dolan demonstrates that the key to understanding Francis begins above all by recognizing his unflinching faith in the love and mercy of Jesus. Because of the size of the book, we will be reading the first half, chapters one through five this time and the remainder of the book at the following meeting.



COLLECTION

Thank you so very much for your generous response to the needs of the parish. Our collection last Sunday was \$8,858. \$3,353 was received through ParishPay for a total of \$12,211.

ABC of Catholic Relief Services. This week: CRS/West Bank

CRS supports strong leadership by the US Government to seek a comprehensive peace agreement in The Holy Land. With a viable state for the Palestinian and a secure state for Israel, CRS long-running work continues to respond to humanitarian situations in the West Bank, Gaza, and Jerusalem. Next week: CRSXtra Effort. For more info visit www.crs.org.

PAX CHRISTI METRO NEW YORK

Sunday's readings introduce us to two widows who are as impoverished as is humanly possible. One is in the verge of starvation; the other gives "her whole livelihood." How could they do that, and is that what God is asking of us? To answer the first question, we might consider that the widow of Zarepath might have given out of despair; she believed she was going to die anyway. She might have given because of her lowly status, her duty to Elijah as one higher than she. Or she might have given out of deep trust in God and unrestrained generosity. The widow at the temple might have given for similar reasons. Whatever the reason, Jesus laments the discrepancy between the giving of the poor and the wealthy. So, is the message to us to give all that we have or might it be to do all we can to reduce the discrepancy? Catholic Social Teaching instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first. How can we do a much better job of that? What can we give that is not only monetary, but also a giving of our talents? The world needs both.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

On the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month we have Bereavement Support Groups - General Bereavement at 5:30 p.m. and Perinatal Loss (for individuals and couples who have lost a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth or newborn death) at 6:30 p.m. Both groups will meet in the Rectory on December 5th. For more information, please call the Rectory at 212-877-3111. No registration is required. There is no fee.

PATH TO THE STILL CENTER

This Thursday meditation group welcomes new and old members. We meet every week at 5:30pm in the Rectory. We are following the teachings of Dom John Main, OSB and Father Lawrence Freeman, OSB, Director of the World Community for Christian meditation. Each meeting contains a thirty-minute silent meditation. No fee. For further info please call Mary Orth-Pallavicini at 212-877-3111.

LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS



Saturday, November 7th

5:30

1st	Jerry Becker
2nd	Roscoe Orman
POF	Kimberley LaMarque Orman
EM's	Kimberley LaMarque Orman, Roscoe Orman, Jerry Becker, Ginetta LaBianca, Steve Whelan

Sunday, November 8th

8:30

1st	Ray Riordan
2nd	Ray Riordan
POF	Brendan Contant
EMs	John Simpson, Hugh Regan, Eileen Simpson, Ray Riordan, Brendan Contant

10:00

1st	Anna Piazza
2nd	Jillian McDonald
POF	Gabriel Keane
EMs	Joan Tedeschi, Andrew Fitzsimmons, Philippa Cooper, Mary Bradley, Mike Berrigan, Judy Braun, Anna-Sophia Leone

12:30

1st	Megan Mitchell
2nd	Megan Mitchell
POF	Ingrid Leacock
EMs	Elsa Alvarez, Raul Garcia-Mpncada, Ingrid Leacock, Megan Mitchell, Lidia Stempien

5:30

1st	Kathleen LaMagna
2nd	Ann O'Connell
POF	Richelle Keira Go
EMs	Kathleen LaMagna, Maria LaMagna, Rob Porell, Helena Maria Lim, Joyce Polistena, Kevin Mesckell, Kate Furlong

ENCOUNTER HIM—NIGHT FEVER NY CITY

Friday, November 20, 2015. 7:00-9:00PM

Music + Adoration + Reconciliation
St. Patrick's Cathedral—East 50th St. and 5th Avenue
E-mail: nightfevernyc@gmail.com

"It is important that we let ourselves encounter the Lord, He always seeks us, He is always near us."
Pope Francis.

SOUP KITCHEN

Today we have the collection for our Soup Kitchen. Each Sunday our volunteers prepare lunch for 75—100 people. Your donation of money and theirs of time and talent make this possible. We are truly grateful as are those who are fed.