



Church of the Blessed Sacrament Manhattan

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MASSES:

SUNDAY Masses: Sat. evening at 5:30 PM
Sunday: 8:30, 10:00 (Family Mass)
11:00 (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	May 9th
5:30	Catherine "Katie" Kelly +
Sunday	<May 10th
8:30	Frank Leocu +
10:00	Doris Loflus and Dolores Levine +
11:00	Lucila Rendon and Melida Velazquez +
12:30	Teddy Tucker +
5:30	Intention of Donna Wandrey
Monday	May 11th
7:30	Intention of Tommy McCarthy
12:10	Intention of Joanna Sadonska
5:30	Int. of Thomas Middelhoff (Happy Birthday)
Tuesday	May 12th
7:30	Eileen Dunne +
12:10	Veronica MacNeil +
5:30	Intention of Thomas Middelhoff
Wednesday	May 13th
7:30	Thanksgiving for Healing
12:10	Intention of Danuta Rutkowi
5:30	Intention of Thomas Middelhoff
Thursday	May 14th
7:30	Barbara Bratcher-Ott +
12:10	Intention of . Maria Lumen Christi Cruz
5:30	Gloria Robles and Gloria Suarez +
Friday	May 15th
7:30	Int. Josiefe, Angelica, ,Michelle, Trinette Lim
12:10	Intention of Donna de Solis
5:30	Intention of Thomas Middelhoff
Saturday	May 16th
7:30	Teresa Valentin +
12:10	Intention of First Communion Children
5:30	Carmelina Irizarry ++

PARISH NEWS

Dear Parishioners and Friends;

Happy Mother's Day!. We hope you are spending the day honoring, being honored or both! If not, perhaps a rosary to honor Mary instead. With that in mind, don't forget that we also have a Mom's support group here at Blessed Sacrament which meets every first Wednesday in the rectory at 7:00 p.m. While the majority of members are expecting or new moms, we welcome and encourage moms of children of all ages to attend as the wisdom of others is what makes the meetings so helpful. This group was born from our Families with Children group. Another addition we'd love to make to the family is a group for our parish and any Catholic fathers as well. They are holding their first meeting this Wednesday night, May 13 in the rectory at 8:00pm. For more information on all three groups , simply email: blessedsacramentfamilies@gmail.com

Our twice monthly Special Needs Mass allow families to pray together in a warm, supportive atmosphere. We welcome families with loved ones on the autism spectrum and other challenging behaviors, Our next Special Needs Mass is on May 17 at 4:00pm.

On May 16, we celebrate First Communion here in the parish. There will be two Masses, at 10:00am (for the School children) and 12:10pm (for the Sunday School children). Join us if you can, and please pray for these young members of our parish as they grow in the faith. And pray for peace.
Fr. Duffell

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos;

Feliz Dia de las Madres! No se olviden que tenemos aquí en Blessed Sacrament un grupo de apoyo a las madres el cual se reune en la Rectoria el primer miercoles de cada mes a las 7:00pm. La primera reunion tendra lugar el Miercoles, 13 de mayo Mientras que la mayoria de las que asisten son ya madres y las otras esperando serlo, le damos la bienvenida a madres con ninos de cierta edad, ya que la sabiduria de algunos es lo que hace estas reuniones tan especial. Este grupo surgio del "Families with Children Group". Otro grupo que nos gustaria formar en nuestra parroquia seria uno de apoyo a los padres. Para mas informacion sobre estos grupos, email: blessedsacramentfamilies@gmail.com

Dos veces al mes celebramos una Misa Especial para familias con seres queridos sufriendo de autismo y de otras conductas complicadas, Nuestra proxima Misa se celebrara el domingo 17 de mayo a las 4:00pm.

El 16 de mayo celebraremos el Sacramento de la Primera Comunion. Habran 2 Misas, una a las 10:00am (para los ninos de nuestra escuela) y la otra a las 12:10 (para los ninos del "Sunday School") Roguemos que estos nuevos miembros de nuestra parroquia crezcan en la fe. Y rueguen por la Paz.
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BOOK CLUB



Our next Book Club will be held on May 27th, 6:30 to 8:00pm, when we will be reading Maya Angelou's "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings." A book with a powerful theme of racism and oppression, it also raises important questions of how do we experience God's love in suffering and rejection and how important is faith in a world where innocence is threatened by prejudice and sometimes hatred. Definitely a timely subject given recent events.



**The Pascal Candle burns in memory of
Wayne Dankert
Remember him in your prayers**

COLLECTION

Thank you so very much for your generosity in the collection last Sunday. We gathered \$9,600 in the first collection and also received \$2,175 through ParishPay for a total of \$11,775.-. Additional offerings toward the Easter collection were received for a total of \$60,548. A second collection will be gathered today to help our sisters and brothers suffering in Nepal as a result of the earthquake.

THE NEW YORK CATHOLIC BIBLE SUMMIT 2015

*Hear the word of God with Reverence. Proclaim it
with Faith*

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of "Dei Verbum"
The Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation

**CUMBRE CATOLICA BIBLICA DE NUEVA YORK
2015**

*Escuchen la Palabra de Dios con reverencia y
Proclamenla con Fe*

Celebrando el 50 aniversario de "Dei Verbum"
La Constitucion Dogmatica sobre la Divina Revelacion
Saturday, June 20, 2015, New York Catholic Center
**A day of talks, panel discussions and exhibits to increase
your knowledge and appreciation of scripture.**
For more information: www.nyfaithinformation.org

RALLY FOR DECENT AFFORDABLE HOUSING

When: Thursday, May 14th at 5:00pm
Where: Foley Square (corner of Centre St and Woth St.
**We will meet on the steps of Blessed Sacrament Church
at 152 West 71st Street, at 4:15pm.**
**And then travel together by subway to Foley Square,
where we will join a city-wide rally and march across
the Brooklyn Bridge.**

Together with faith communities and tenant advocates from across the city, Blessed Sacrament parishioners will rally to raise awareness about New York's housing crisis. New York rent laws are set to expire on June 15th, putting over 1 million rent-dstabilized homes at risk. We will call on Albany to renew and strengthen the rent laws, and to help provide decent, affordable housing to all New Yorkers. For more information, contact the Blessed Sacrament Social Action Committee at lmayvill@gmail.com or (208) 610.1783.

LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, May 9th

5:30

1st	Todd Reppert
2nd	Carolyn McZinc
POF	Ingrid Leacock
EM's	Carolyn McZinc, Tom Caffrey, Cathie Lenz, Ginetta LaBianca, Ellen Murphy, Cabrina Carnevale, Loretta Edmonds,

Sunday, May 10th

8:30

1st	John Hunt
2nd	John Hunt
POF	Damian Begley
EMs	James Palazza, Louella White, Vivian Villaluz, John Hunt, Damian Begley

10:00

1st	Mary Bradley
2nd	Shirley Rodriguez
POF	Kamila Palka
EMs	Joan Tedeschi, Nancy Kearney, Andrew Fitzsimmons, Michael Berrigan, Judy Braun, Mary Bradley, Dayana Montesdeoca

12:30

1st	Adam Llorens
2nd	Adam Llorens
POF	Megan Mitchell
EMs	Elsa Alvarez, Thomas Alexander, Adam Llorens, Megan Mitchell, Lidia Stempien

5:30

1st	Elsa Mancera
2nd	Rebecca Painter
POF	Elizabeth Heilman Brooke Murray
EML	Tiffany Raidy, Rebecca Painter, Elizabeth Heilman Brooke Murray, Mark Murphy, Thomas Davis, Patricia Alvarez de Fallon, Rob Porrell

FOOD FOR FAMILIES

JUST A REMINDER; NEXT WEEKEND is our monthly non-perishable grocery collection for FOOD FOR FAMILIES. *(In order to provide the highest quality service to those who seek our help, we may only accept freshly bought, unopened non-perishable items. If this is not convenient, we also accept monetary donations).*



Next Sunday too, there will be a collection for those who would wish to support the Parish Soup Kitchen.