

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

Arrangements must be made at the Rectory. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics. Parents, and also godparents when possible, must attend the Pre-Baptismal conference which is held on the 1st Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm in the rectory.

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.

PARISH BOUNDARIES:

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

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.

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.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:

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

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.

Spanish Programs Website: www.nygente.com

Sunday School Website: www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org

PARISH NEWS

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

A joyous Pentecost to all!

Pentecost, the birthday of the Church, the day when the Church calls upon God to send forth his Spirit and renew the face of the earth. Here in the Parish we seek to reignite the spirit of Blessed Sacrament. Our Parish Planning Committee seeks our opinions to help plan for the future of the Parish. I hope that you will be open to completing the survey offered today as we pray, "Spirit of the living God fall afresh on us."

Friday, May 20, is one month since the death of Msgr. O'Connor. To close our time of mourning, we will celebrate a special Month's Mind Mass at 5:30pm this Friday followed by a reception in the rectory.

We have been blessed since September to enjoy the presence of newly ordained Jesuit Fr. Dennis Baker. Fr. Baker has completed his studies at Columbia and will shortly become Director of Xavier High School in Chuuk, in the Federated States of Micronesia. You can stay in touch with Fr. Baker through email at dennisbaker@jesuits.net. Perhaps he will invite us to visit. *Ad majorem Dei gloriam!*

Please pray for those being confirmed today. Bishop John O'Hara, the Episcopal Vicar of this area will lead our prayer.

Tomorrow we reenter Ordinary Time once more. After the joy of Pentecost, the Apostles and disciples stand commissioned by Jesus with a task that will ultimately transform the world. The one who they first thought was Messiah exclusively for the Jews has proven to be God for all! He sends them beyond the boundaries of their own community, asking nothing less than that they make disciples of all nations. If we today flinch with hesitation about being called out of our comfort zone by Pope Francis to share the Good News, we need only think of this astonishing history and all those who have gone before us in faith.

Pray for peace in this Year of Mercy.

Fr. Duffell



COLLECTION

A word of thanks for your generous response to the needs of the parish. Last Sunday \$10,388 was received in the offertory baskets at Mass and \$3,859 was received through parish pay... for a total Sunday offering of \$14,247. A second offering of \$410 was collected to support our Soup Kitchen.

In addition, \$1,362 was collected on Ascension Thursday. Again, thank you for your generosity.

BLESSED SACRAMENT GAY FELLOWSHIP

Please join us for a formational meeting of Blessed Sacrament's Gay Fellowship on Sunday, May 22, after the 5:30PM mass in the rectory dining room. The meeting will be from 6:45PM-8PM to meet one another and to discuss the future direction of the Group. Refreshments will be served.

Should you have any questions, please call John Gasdaska #[646-345-7350](tel:646-345-7350) or James Palazza #[646-456-8878](tel:646-456-8878). See you then!

SHARE YOUR VOICE: TAKE OUR PARISH SURVEY

Whether you are a long-standing parishioner or newcomer, you are invited to share your voice and help plan the future direction of our church by participating in a Parish Survey.

All parishioners are encouraged to complete the Parish Survey to assist Blessed Sacrament in its long-term planning. The results will be used to develop a pastoral plan and vision to better serve parishioners and our community.

Beginning May 14, the survey, which consists of multiple-choice and open-ended questions, will be distributed during all Masses in both English and Spanish. Parishioners are encouraged to complete the survey before the end of Mass for collection by Parish volunteers. The survey will also be available online at www.blessedsacramentnyc.org/survey

Please complete the online survey and return paper surveys to the rectory by May 31.

For more information, contact Caitlin Marcoux at caitlin.kelly.marcoux@gmail.com or 412.737.3421.

AMORIS LAETITIA COURSE

The Pope's latest document is groundbreaking, and indeed, controversial. The print version will be available the first week of May. Fr. Michael Holleran will be offering a Saturday morning course to explain, interpret and discuss the document.

When: May 14th, 28th, and June 4th, from 10:30am to noon,
Where: The Merton Center of Notre Dame's Church (405 W 114th Street, NY, NY)

The evening will include distinguished panelists from the **Franciscan Action Network, the Global Catholic Climate Movement, ROAR – Religious Organizations Along the River, and the Justice & Peace Office of the Archdiocese of NY.**

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos;

Un jubiloso Pentecostés a todos.

Pentecostés, día en que nace la Iglesia, el día cuando Ella pide a Dios enviarnos su Espíritu y renovar la tierra. Aquí en nuestra Parroquia buscamos revivir el espíritu de Blessed Sacrament. Hoy pedimos que el Espíritu del Dios viviente llegue hasta nosotros. Y con este deseo, el grupo de “Parish Planning” estará distribuyendo después de la Homilia un formulario en el cual pedimos la opinión de nuestros feligreses y su ayuda en planear el futuro de la Parroquia. Les pido considerar sus respuestas con mucho cuidado. Espero completaran esta encuesta mientras rogamos: “Espíritu del Dios Viviente venga a nosotros.”

El viernes 20 de mayo se cumple un mes del fallecimiento de Msgr. O’Connor. Para cerrar nuestro periodo de duelo celebraremos a las 5:30pm una Misa especial en su memoria y después una recepción en la Rectoría.

Desde el mes de septiembre hemos tenido el privilegio de tener entre nosotros al recién ordenado sacerdote Jesuita Padre Dennis Baker. Padre Baker ha finalizado sus estudios en la Universidad de Columbia y pronto será el Director de la Xavier High School en Chuuk en el Estado Federal de Micronesia. Si desean mantener contacto con el Padre Baker pueden hacerlo a través de su e-mail: dennisbaker@jesuits.net. Tal vez nos invite a visitarlo. *Ad majorem Dei gloriam!*

Les pido recordar en sus plegarias aquellos que hoy recibirán el Sacramento de la Confirmación. El Obispo John O’Hara, Vicario Episcopal para nuestra área, conducirá esta ceremonia. La Misa de Confirmación será celebrada hoy las 2:30pm. Están todos invitados.

Mañana comenzamos de nuevo el Tiempo Ordinario. Después del jubilo de Pentecostés, Jesus encargo a los Apóstoles y discípulos la tarea que transformaría al mundo. Aquel que ellos al principio pensaron era el Mesias exclusivamente de los hebreos, resulto ser el Dios de todos. Los envía mas allá de sus fronteras pidiéndoles solamente convertir naciones en discípulos. Si hoy titubeamos cuando el Papa Francisco nos pide salir de nuestra zona de comodidad y compartir las Buenas Nuevas (“Good News”), solo necesitamos pensar en la extraordinaria historia de aquellos que nos precedieron con su fe.

En este Año de la Misericordia, recemos por la Paz.

Padre Duffell.



Saturday Evening, May 14th

5:30 Carmelina Irizarry +

Sunday, May 15th

8:30 Marilyn Carter +, Ray Riordan +
 10:00 Thomas McAnulty +
 11:15 Dr. Ramon Miguel Suarez Benitez +
 12:30 Mick Cushnahan +
 5:30 Bill Gaskaska +

Monday, May 16th

7:30 All Souls
 12:10 Living and deceased members of the Lord Family
 5:30 Anne Duffell +

Tuesday, May 17th

7:30 Natividad Enriquez +
 12:10 Intention of Martha Montalvo
 5:30 Mary Bergen +

Wednesday, May 18th

7:30
 12:10 Frank Runco +
 5:30 Mary C. O’ Donnell +

Thursday, May 19th

7:30 Cecilia O’ Toole +
 12:10 Dominic Pate +
 5:30 Margaret Sullivan, Joan and Brian Fitzgerald +

Friday, May 20th

7:30 John H. Kaufman, Sr.
 12:10 Msgr. Robert O’ Connor + and Msgr. Toohy +
 5:30 Msgr. Robert O’ Connor +

Saturday, May 21th

7:30 Elvia Pineda +
 12:10 Norah O’ Brien +

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet May 25, 6:30 to 8:00. We will be reading the Pulitzer Prize winning novel "Gilead" by Marilynne Robinson. It's a novel whose core theme is intergenerational conflict, but also a meditation on how even the simplest life, the small circumstances and events of our lives, can be touched by grace and wonder.

Weekly EM and Lector Schedule

Saturday, May 14

5:30 1st Vincent Gardino
 2nd Maria LaMagna
 POF Vincent Gardino
 EM John Gibbons, Joe Tessitore, Maria LaMagna, Ginetta LaBianca, Manuela Marino

Sunday, May 15

8:30 1st Ray Riordan
 2nd Ray Riordan
 POF Mary Steffany
 EM Terry Naglack, Hugh Regan, Vivian Villaluz, Ray Riordan, Mary Steffany

10:00 1st Gabriel Keane
 2nd Shirley Rodriguez
 POF Mary Bradley
 EM Andrew Jenkins, Eddie Litton, Elisse LoPresti, Shirley Rodriguez, Judy Braun, Andrew Fitzsimmons, Nellie Gonzalez-Arce

12:30 1st Loretta Edmonds
 2nd Loretta Edmonds
 POF Anita Pearl
 EM Elsa Alvarez, Francesca DiPaola, Raul Garcia-Moncada, Carlos Sosa, Lidia Stempien

5:30 1st Mark Murphy
 2nd Elizabeth Heilman Brooke Murray
 POF John Gasdaska
 EM John Gasdaska, Elisa Dragu, John Miller, Ellen Koneck, Allison Oliver Miller, Mark Murphy, Rob Porell

LECTOR AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

Wednesday, May 25, 6:30 - 8:00 PM in the Church

We are in need of more lectors to minister the Word and Eucharistic ministers. If you have a love for Scripture and would like to serve as a lector or would like to administer Communion to your fellow parishioners as a Eucharistic minister, please come to the training session. All training will be held in the Church. No need to RSVP. Email Kimberley LaMarque Orman (kimberley.lamarque@gmail.com) or Brian Fallon (fallon.brianp@gmail.com) with any questions.



If you have not registered in the parish and attend our mass regularly, please fill the following form out and return it to the Rectory office. *All information will be kept confidential*

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

Date _____

Your Name _____

Your Spouses Name _____

(Only if BOTH are Registering)

Address _____

Apt. # _____ **City** _____ **State** _____

Zip _____ **Telephone** _____

Email _____

Your Occupation _____

Your Spouses Occupation _____

How should we address you? (Check One)

Mr. & Mrs. _____ **Mr.** _____ **Mrs.** _____ **Ms.** _____

Would you like to receive weekly offering envelopes?

Yes _____ **No** _____

If not, would you like us to sign you up for ParishPay?

Yes _____ **No** _____

PARISH PAY

Parish pay will collect monthly contribution from your checking, savings or credit card account and send it to the parish. There is no cost to you to participate in the program. You may log onto www.parishpay.com or call 1866-727-4741 ext.1 to sign up.

TODAY IN A VERY SPECIAL WAY WE REMEMBER THE MOTHERS OF THE PARISH

Blanca+	Katherine Dabish+	Mary E. Hanley+	Lena Melbourne+	Jean Salmieri+
Frances Adebahr+	Marie Davis+	Catherine Hennessy+	Nancy Molloy+	Theresa Sangermano+
Mrs. Vera Albrecht+	Mary Davis+	Anna Hennessy+	Ilia Montalvo+	Philomena Sangermano+
Anna Alongi+	Catherine De Carlo+	Herminia Hernandez+	Judy Morrow+	Rosalie Sangermano+
Ana Elvira Arana+	Amporo de Rico+	Carolyn Hill+	Anne Marie Moss+	Helen Sardos+
Eugenia Ballard+	Dorothy Delaney+	Colette E. Homan+	Mary Moultrie+	Nancy Scura+
Viola Barnes+	Marian Delaney+	Helen D. Homan+	Caroline Mountcastle+	Nellie Shields+
Mrs. Bernice Bartley+	Therese Diab+	Rosalind Hudson+	Josephine Murphy+	Barbara Siegre+
Mary Bavra+	Loretta Feryl DiFranco+	Iola Jacobs+	Antonia Nazario+	Stella Siemion+
Estelle Berry+	Gizella Dowd+	Jane Jacobus+	Geraine Nguyen+	Judith Simmons+
Eladia R. Bing+	Genia Dowling+	Martha Jalandoni+	Marie Nguyen+	Kathleen Simpson+
Alice Bissell+	Elaine Drew+	Angela Puig Jimenez+	Catherine M. O'Hehir+	Shirley Margaret Sisk+
Teresa Blonska+	Gema Duarte+	Cleotilde Jordan+	Lillian Occhiopinti+	Olga Sitavska+
Filomena Botti+	Anne Duffell+	Terri Jordan+	Jenny Occhipinti+	Iola V. Smalley+
Marie Bookhop+	Alice Duffell+	Frances Kaufman+	Cresencia Pacquing+	Guadalupe Sosa+
Beatrice Braun+	Hattie S. Dustin+	Mary Gallagher Kearney+	Mrs. Dorothy Passaro+	Lena Squeri+
Luisa Cacanindin+	Eleanor Echevarria+	Helen T. Kurtz+	Peggy Pena+	Ollie Stackhouse+
Jeanne Caffrey+	Manuela Elefante+	Anne Latham+	Ana America Perez-Espailat+	Angela Taggert+
Margaret Caffrey+	Amelia Elefante+	Shirley Lee+	Celeste Perez-Espailat+	Joan L. Tedeschi+
Jewel Campbell+	Sotera Elefante+	Mary Jane Levan+	Odulia Peña+	Carmela Tedeschi+
Dorotea Candeloza+	Damasa Enchautegui+	Shirley Leve+	Frances Polistena+	Antonia Tello+
Eleanor Carbone+	Mildred Fasulo+	Marjorie Levy+	Margaret Porcano+	Eulogia Torres+
Virginia Condron Casey+	Anita Feliciano+	Ruth Livingston+	Estefania Poventud+	Minh-Ham Truong+
Maria Castillo+	Angela Ferrario+	Ethel Livingston+	Elba Poventud+	Regina Turner+
Mary Chaney+	Alice Lagarde Ferrata+	Kathy Logli+	Irene B. Powell+	Pauline Uher+
Sylvia Cheltenham+	Demetria Fesalbon+	Carol Lynch+	May Lou Prewit+	Margaret Valentine+
Therese Chetty+	Barbara Gagliardi+	Dorotea Malata+	Florence Priazza+	Lola Dolores Vargas+
Helen Chippas+	Honora Gallagher+	Mary Martin+	Regina Quinn+	Iris Vargas+
Amelia Chmurak+	Juana Garcia+	Eleanor Marvel+	Melinda Reading+	Nery Viray+
Charlotte Collins+	Agnes Gaughan+	Frances Mason+	Winifred Riggs+	Clara Walker+
Pilar Colon+	Peggy A. Gibbons+	Katherine May+	Andrea Rivera+	Patricia Walker+
Olga Ferrata Croce+	Severe Gonzalez+	Lisa Mayer Regrial+	Teresa Rivera+	Sophia Wallace+
Antoinette Croce+	Kathryn Gordon+	Elizabeth Mayer Speckgoor+	Maria Soledad Rojas de Rico+	Pethornia Weekes+
Erlinda Cruz+	Argentina Griffith+	Bernadette McGuire+	Liceria Roque+	Catherine D. White+
Margie Cunneff+	Mary Guerin+	Lillian Meier+	Mary Ross+	Catherine Young Mayer-
Renee D'Alencon+	Agnes Guida+			