



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.



PARISH NOTES

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

November 2nd is the Feast of All Souls, this year a Sunday. In the bulletin today you will find a paper on which you are asked to list the names of those special to you, who have died. On the final line please place your family name. The cards will be placed in alphabetical order according to your family name and then placed in a special area in the sanctuary where you can come and pray. The shrine will be in place until Thanksgiving. Place your card in the envelope and drop it off at the rectory. If your means allow, a donation would be appreciated.

I will be absent from the parish much of this week, attending a Catholic Relief Services meeting in Baltimore.

Monday, October 20th is the Feast of Pope St. John XXIII. Pray to him for the Church and especially our parish.

Our construction manager is continuing to review the facade. They are reviewing whether to start doing repairs to the facade now, or waiting and doing a full renovation of the facade in the spring. There seems to be some question of weather. What are your thoughts?

Our finance council met this week. They are doing great work. I trust them and they will help us find solutions for we face some serious financial challenges.

This week the Vatican released its *relatio post disceptationem*. It's quite interesting, but it is only an outline, if you will, of further discussions. You can read it at Vatican.va. Again, let me know your thoughts.

This is Volunteer Sunday. Hopefully you have a special gift or talent you'd like to share for the good and the growth of our parish family.

Pray for peace.
Father Duffell

MISSION SUNDAY "MISSIONARIES OF FAITH"



Today is World Mission Sunday. We are called to this Eucharistic celebration – along with Catholics in every parish, chapel and church throughout the world – to fulfill the call we first heard at Baptism, the call to be missionaries, to share our faith.

On World Mission Sunday, we are called in a special way to be "missionaries of faith" through prayer and participation in the Eucharist, and by giving generously to the collection.

Let us pray especially at this Mass for all who long to hear the hope-filled, saving message of Jesus, and for the priests, religious and lay catechists in mission countries worldwide who offer them that "Good News". *The collection will be taken at all the masses*

SPIRIT SUNDAY, 10/26

All parishioners are welcome to join us for an informal social gathering on **Sunday 10/26 after the 5:30PM Mass**, in the rectory dining room. We will be having appetizers, "spirits", sodas, and desserts and all are encouraged and welcome to attend. For more information please call John Gasdaska at #646-345-7350. See you there!



Saturday Eve	October 18th
5:30	Melinda Reading +
Sunday	October 19th
8:30	Raymond Fr. Narral +
10:00	Dorotea Martins Ornella +
11:00	Felinda Solano +
12:30	Rose Fiordalisi +
5:30	Luis Toledo +
Monday	October 20th
7:30	Bernadette M. Philibert +
12:10	Sarah Hefelfinger +
5:30	Sean Quinlan +
Tuesday	October 21st
7:30	For the People of the Parish
12:10	Sarah Hefelfinger +
5:30	Sister Margaret Donnelly +
Wednesday	October 22nd
7:30	Fernando Pando +
12:10	Sarah Hefelfinger +
5:30	Barbara Brine +
Thursday	October 23rd
7:30	Ralph Alvarez +
12:10	Sarah Hefelfinger +
5:30	Jeanne Brunet +
Friday	October 24th
7:30	Intention of Victor Brewster
12:10	Rafael Granados +
5:30	Benjamin Homan +
Saturday	October 25th
7:30	Alfredo Placeres +
12:10	Catherine Moynihan +
5:30	Gerard Gould +

MAKING ALL THINGS NEW UPDATE

A Catholic New York article (Sept 18 p. 4) stated that Cardinal Dolan postponed announcing his decisions in the MATN initiative from early September to early November because of issues that require further study, and his trip to Rome to attend the Family Synod. Our parish MATN Core Team will keep you updated as we receive more information from the Archdiocese. Please keep us and the MATN process in your prayers.

FOOD FOR FAMILIES COLLECTION



This weekend (and the 3rd weekend of every month) is our non-perishable grocery collection for FOOD FOR FAMILIES. Shopping lists can be found on the table behind the last pew in the Church. Please put your donations in the boxes in front of the side altars. Many thanks from our parish community!

(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)

LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**Saturday Eve October 18th**

5:30 L Jerry Becker
EM Jerry Becker
EM Carolyn McZinc
EM Ellen Murphy

Sunday October 19th

8:30 L Esther Widjaja
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EM Dedy Sutjiawan
EM James Palazza

11:00 L Marina Che
EM Maite Marles
EM Junior Santiago
EM Sylvia Clark

12:30 L Audrey Strunc
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EM Theo Corbin
EM Bob Huber

5:30 L Elizabeth Occhipinti
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EM Louise Ulman
EM Jacquelyn White

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

MEETING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26th, AT 4 PM for current Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ministers to the Homebound, and anyone desiring to become one.

Join us in the Rectory for fellowship and information on serving your parish in these vital ministries.

THE JOYJ INITIATIVE: HOMELESS OUTREACH

On our September 20 outreach, many volunteers distributed 75 comfort bags to our less fortunate brothers and sisters who live on the street. In addition to the 10am outreach, the Boy Scouts Troop 777 of NYC went out with the comfort bags at 12:30pm. Many thanks to the volunteers, Troop 777, and all the donors who made the outreach a great success!!

So far 249 volunteers have participated to the Homeless outreach at least one time. Many volunteers have participated several times!

The next Homeless Outreach is scheduled for November 22 at 10am. Please join us by sending an email to: mail@joyj.org or leaving your name and telephone number at the rectory.

COLLECTION: Our collection last Sunday was \$9,254 plus \$1,500 from those using ParishPay, bringing the total to \$10,754. We are grateful for your continued support.

**SPECIAL NEEDS MASS AT BLESSED SACRAMENT**

You're invited! Please join us *today at 4 p.m.* for a Special Needs Mass, welcoming families with loved ones on the autism spectrum and other challenging behaviors.

Next Mass is November 2nd, at 4 p.m. All families' members are

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos;

El domingo 2 de noviembre es el Día de los Difuntos. En el boletín de hoy encontrarán una tarjeta en la cual les pedimos escribir los nombres de seres queridos que ya no están con nosotros. En la última línea escriban el nombre de su familia. Las tarjetas estarán en orden alfabético y serán colocadas en una área especial del Santuario donde podrán venir y rezar. Este altar durará hasta el Día de Acción de Gracias. Coloquen sus tarjetas en el sobre y déjenlos en la rectoría. Si sus medios se lo permiten, apreciaremos una donación.

Estaré fuera de la Parroquia casi toda la semana asistiendo en Baltimore a una reunión del "Catholic Relief Services".

El lunes 20 de octubre es el día del Papa Juan XXIII. Roguémosle por la Iglesia y en especial por nuestra Parroquia.

Nuestro jefe de construcción continúa evaluando la fachada de la iglesia. No ha decidido aun si comenzar los trabajos ahora o hacer una renovación completa en la primavera. No sabemos como vendrá el invierno. Ustedes, que piensan?

El Consejo Financiero se reunió esta semana. Están trabajando muy bien y les tengo mucha confianza. Nos ayudaran a encontrar soluciones ya que enfrentamos desafíos financieros muy serios.

El Vaticano publico esta semana su "relatio post disceptationem." Es muy interesante pero solo es un indicio de aun más conversaciones. Pueden leerlo en Vatican.com y, como siempre, me gustaría escuchar sus opiniones.

Hoy es el Domingo de los Voluntarios. Esperamos que tengan algún talento especial que quieran compartir para el bien y crecimiento de nuestra Parroquia.

Roguemos por la Paz.
Fr. Duffell

DOMINGO MUNDIAL DE LAS MISIONES

El Domingo Mundial de las Misiones, que este año se celebra el día 19 de octubre, es un momento para unir todos los católicos del mundo durante la Misa y renovar nuestro compromiso bautismal a la vocación de ser misioneros. Así como oramos y respondemos a las parroquias locales de la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York, replicamos esa misma llamada a todas las parroquias y capillas alrededor del mundo. Más de 1,150 nuevas comunidades de fe en el Mundo en Desarrollo confían en su apoyo y su generosidad en este Domingo Mundial de las Misiones. Su apoyo generoso a las misiones, a través de la Sociedad de la Propagación de la Fe, llegara a aquellos que esperan recibir la "Buena Nueva," con el anhelo de experimentar el amor y la esperanza de Cristo.

COLECTA DE ALIMENTOS PARA FAMILIAS NECESITADAS

La semana que viene se hará la recogida mensual de alimentos no perecederos para el programa de "Alimentos para Familias Necesitadas". La lista de las cosas que pueden traer se encuentra en la mesa situada detrás del último banco de la Iglesia. Por favor, deposite su ofrenda en las cajas que se encuentran frente a los altares laterales del Sagrado Corazón y de la Sma. Virgen. Gracias por ayudar a que nuestra comunidad necesitada pueda alimentarse mejor a lo largo del año (*Por favor, no traigan alimentos abiertos o con fecha vencida.*)