

# Church of the Blessed Sacrament Manhattan

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## **MASSES:**

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday evening at 5:30 PM  
Sunday: 8:30AM, 10:00AM (Family Mass)  
11:15AM (Spanish), 12:30PM & 5:30PM (Young Adult Choir)  
WEEKDAYS: 7:30 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:30 PM  
SATURDAYS: 7:30 AM, 12:10 PM  
SPANISH WKDAY MASS: Every Other Wednesday of the month  
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 1<sup>st</sup> 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. First Communion and Confirmation require a two year program.

*Sunday School Website:* [www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org](http://www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org)

**PARISH NEWS**

Dear parishioners and friends,

Yesterday, 10-18-17, Pope Francis greeted a delegation from “Religions for Peace”.....I thought I should share his words with you and the challenge they offer as more and more people (today it was reported at 72%) of our nation fear the coming of war....

“Peace remains an urgent task in today’s world, where so many peoples are scarred by war and conflict. Peace is both a divine gift and a human achievement. This is why believers of all religions are called to implore peace and to intercede for it. All men and women of good will, particularly those in positions of responsibility, are summoned to work for peace with their hearts, minds and hands. For peace has to be “crafted”. In this effort, peacemaking and the pursuit of justice go together.

The religions, with their spiritual and moral resources, have a specific and unique role to play in building peace. They cannot be neutral, much less ambiguous, where peace is concerned.

Those who engage in acts of violence, or try to justify them in the name of religion, gravely offend God, who is peace and the source of peace, and has left in human beings a reflection of his wisdom, power and beauty.

I express my esteem and appreciation for the work of “Religions for Peace”. You provide a valuable service to both religion and peace, for the religions are bound by their very nature to promote peace through justice, fraternity, disarmament and care for creation.

There is a need for a common and cooperative effort on the part of the religions in promoting an integral ecology. The Bible helps us in this regard by reminding us of the Creator, who “saw all that he had made, and it was very good” (Gen 1:31). The religions have the wherewithal to further a moral covenant that can promote respect for the dignity of the human person and care for creation.

Thanks be to God, in various parts of the world we have any number of good examples of the power of interreligious cooperation to oppose violent conflicts, to advance sustainable development and to protect the earth. Let us continue along this path! We trust in the Almighty’s help and in the good will of believers and so many others.

May God bless you and make your commitment to peace bear rich fruit!”

November 2nd, All Souls Day, is fast approaching.....we need the names of those whom you wish to be remembered at the Masses on All Soul’s Day and throughout the month of November.

Please complete the All Souls card in today’s bulletin....most important PLEASE put your family name on the suggested line....The cards will be collected in alphabetical order and placed in the sanctuary throughout the month of November.....I ask please that you not fold them (thank you). If you could make a donation, it would be most helpful and again, thank you.

Thanks to all who came to hear Fr. Meninger speak last Monday evening. About 125 people were, no doubt, enriched by Father’s words and insight, and this weekend we look forward to his workshops downstairs. Also thanks to those who came out to support Wednesday evening’s concert organized by Alessandro and Arts at Blessed Sacrament. About 90 people participated, and I would really encourage us all to take a look at the concert schedule to see what of the diverse and exciting programming might suit us, and how we might support this great initiative.

On Wednesday of this week, The Parish Pastoral Council will meet in the rectory at 7 pm.....Thank you so very much to those who serve on the Council.

Please pray for peace,

Father Duffell

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Please Join Us for a talk by Sonia Ingram  
“How to Responsibly Divest from Banks  
Funding Fossil Fuel Production and Distribution”  
Tuesday, Oct. 24, 6:45 PM,  
**Taking place in the Rectory.**

Sonia Ingram is a founding member of the Beloved Earth Community and volunteer with 350 NYC, the local affiliate of 350.org, a global grassroots network of groups in over 188 countries working to solve the climate crisis. Sonia’s presentation will share valuable research on bank-financed fossil fuel developments such as the Dakota Access pipeline, as well as stories of recent divestment successes. She will also share tools available for searching out socially responsible banks.

Founder of Permanent Solutions, LLC, Sonia partners with the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company to offer retirement and green investment services. She received a Master’s degree from Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government and the Graduate School of Design and also attended the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.

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**OCTOBER GAY FELLOWSHIP MEETING**

Please join us after the 5:30PM Mass this Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, for our monthly Gay Fellowship meeting. The meeting will be held on the 2nd floor of the rectory from 6:45PM-8:00PM. The group is a safe and comfortable place to share and meet other LGBT Catholics. All parishioners are welcome. For more information, please call John Gasdaska at 646-345-7350 or Chris Williams at 304-377-1252.

***Arts at Blessed Sacrament concerts this week:***

***Sunday Curiositeas***

***Max Tan, Violinist***

***Artist Diploma Candidate at The Juilliard School***

***October 22nd, 2:30 – 3:30PM***

***Blessed Sacrament Salon (2nd Floor in the Rectory)***

*Our weekly concert series “Curiositeas” offers a place where performers and audience members can connect through casual concerts of music collaboration and personal story.*

## NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Estimados Feligreses y Amigos,

Ayer, 10-18-17, el Papa Francisco saludó a una delegación de "Religiones por la Paz" ..... Pensé que debería compartir sus palabras con ustedes y el desafío que ofrecen a medida que más y más personas (al día de hoy 72%) de nuestra nación temen la llegada de una guerra ...

"La paz sigue siendo una tarea urgente en el mundo de hoy, donde tantos pueblos están marcados por la guerra y el conflicto. La paz es tanto un regalo divino como un logro humano. Esta es la razón por la cual los creyentes de todas las religiones están llamados a implorar la paz y a interceder por ella. Todos los hombres y mujeres de buena voluntad, particularmente aquellos en puestos de responsabilidad, son convocados a trabajar por la paz con sus corazones, mentes y sus manos. Porque la paz tiene que ser "hecha a mano". En este esfuerzo, el establecimiento de la paz y la búsqueda de la justicia van de la mano.

Las religiones, con sus recursos espirituales y morales, tienen un papel específico y único que desempeñar en que alcancemos la paz. No pueden ser neutrales, ni mucho menos ambiguos, en lo que se refiere a la paz.

Aquellos que se involucran en actos de violencia o intentan justificarlos en nombre de la religión, ofenden gravemente a Dios, que es la paz y la fuente de la paz, y ha dejado en los seres humanos un reflejo de su sabiduría, poder y belleza.

Expreso mi estima y aprecio por el trabajo de "Religiones por la Paz". Brinda un valioso servicio tanto a la religión como a la paz, ya que las religiones están obligadas por su propia naturaleza a promover la paz a través de la justicia, la fraternidad, el desarme y el cuidado de la creación.

Es necesario un esfuerzo común y cooperativo por parte de las religiones para promover una ecología integral. La Biblia nos ayuda en este sentido recordándonos al Creador, que "vio todo lo que había hecho, y fue muy bueno" (Gen 1:31). Las religiones tienen los medios para convocar un pacto moral que pueda promover el respeto por la dignidad de los humanos y el cuidado de la creación.

Gracias a Dios, en varias partes del mundo tenemos muchos buenos ejemplos del poder de cooperación interreligiosa para oponernos a los conflictos violentos, para avanzar en el desarrollo sostenible y para proteger la tierra. ¡Continuemos por este camino! Confiamos en la ayuda del Todopoderoso y en la buena voluntad de los creyentes y tantos otros.

¡Que Dios los bendiga y haga que su compromiso con la paz dé fruto! "

El 2 de noviembre, el Día de Todos los Difuntos, se acerca rápidamente ... necesitamos los nombres de aquellos a quienes desean que se les recuerde en las Misas de ese día y durante todo el mes de noviembre.

Completen la tarjeta "All Souls" que aparece en el boletín de hoy ... lo más importante POR FAVOR es poner su apellido en la línea

sugerida ... Las tarjetas se recogerán en orden alfabético y se colocarán en el santuario durante todo el mes de noviembre ... Les pido por favor que no las doblen (gracias). Sería muy útil si pudieran hacer una donación. Y nuevamente, gracias.

Gracias a todos los que vinieron a escuchar al Padre Meninger el lunes por la noche. Unas 125 personas fueron, sin duda alguna, enriquecidas por las palabras y la visión de este sacerdote, y este fin de semana esperamos con interés sus talleres en la planta baja. También gracias a aquellos que vinieron a apoyar el concierto del miércoles en la noche organizado por Alessandro y Las Artes en la Iglesia del Santísimo Sacramento. Alrededor de 90 personas participaron, y realmente les animo a echar un vistazo al calendario de conciertos para ver cual de la variada y emocionante programación les vendría bien, y cómo podríamos apoyar esta gran iniciativa.

El miércoles de esta semana, el Consejo Pastoral de la Parroquia se reunirá en la rectoría a las 7 pm ... Nuestro agradecimiento a los que sirven en el Consejo.

Continuemos rezando por la paz.

Padre Duffell.

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION HAS REOPENED.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** began on Sunday, September 10. Religious instruction is held in the school from 11:00 -12:15. Registration packets are posted on the Sunday School website or can be picked up at the rectory. ([blessedsacramentsundayschool.org](http://blessedsacramentsundayschool.org))

PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL THE COMPLETED FORMS BACK!!! Please send by postal mail or drop off completed forms with a \$150 check per family at the rectory office.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sunday School teachers and Assistants are needed to serve in this important Parish Ministry. Volunteers who work with children follow a screening process as required by the Archdiocese. Please call or email Tina Silvestro for more information. 212-877-3111 or [tina@blessedsacramentsundayschool.org](mailto:tina@blessedsacramentsundayschool.org).

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### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA is the process designed by the Church for adults to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion. The goals are to give a complete overview of Catholic teaching and practice and to begin to deepen a Christian spiritual life centered in the Sunday Scripture readings. The sacraments are received at the Easter Vigil Mass.

Inquiry discussions for adults began on Monday, September 25 at 6:30 pm. If you (or anyone you know) are interested in learning more about our program or registering, please call Tina Silvestro at 212-877-3111.

*Sponsors are needed for adults who are preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation. You must be Baptized, Confirmed, and regularly receive Communion. You will be needed to assist someone as s/he prepares for the Sacraments and present her/him for the Rites of Christian Initiation. Please call or email Tina Silvestro for more information: [212-877-3111/tina.blessedsacramentnyc@yahoo.com](mailto:212-877-3111/tina.blessedsacramentnyc@yahoo.com)*



FORMED.org is a website that you log into with a parish access code that allows you to view this great Catholic material, such as movies, E-books, audio talks, Bible studies, and more. All you need to do is enter code 7W62F7 upon registering.

**Nightfever NYC is coming back to St Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday November 18, 2017.** On this night, Nightfever NYC will be hosting this night of praise, worship and reconciliation at Saint Patrick's Cathedral (50<sup>th</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue). We will have the opportunity to pray before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament as well as light candles to honor Our Lord. The evening of music and prayer will start at 7pm and end at 9pm. Confessions will be heard throughout the night. Come and be a part of this night, where the Cathedral will be have its doors open to all New Yorkers so they can come, pray, and love the Lord. For more information, email us at [nightfevernyc@gmail.com](mailto:nightfevernyc@gmail.com).

**SEEKING P/T BOOKKEEPER**

Downey Side, a local adoption agency located in the Church Blessed Sacrament, is seeking a student majoring in Accounting for a part time position. Must be familiar with Quickbooks. Responsibilities include bank reconciliation, accounts payable/ receivable and billing. Heavy lifting is also required. Please send your resumes to [kfrinkdowneside@gmail.com](mailto:kfrinkdowneside@gmail.com)

ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN THE COMMUNITY OF SAINT LUKE PARISH FOR AN AUTUMN DAY OF REFLECTION ON THE SPIRITUAL MASTERPIECE OF PRIEST and SCIENTIST, FATHER PIERRE TEILHARD DE CHARDIN, SJ. Kathleen Deignan, CND, will guide us through these spiritual exercises composed "for those who love the World..."

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2017 at 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM  
 The Community Room of St Luke Church  
 84 Long Lots Road, Westport, Ct  
 Registration required at [jfennells@aol.com](mailto:jfennells@aol.com) or call st Luke at 2032277245  
 Gratis but Goodwill offering appreciated  
 Lunch and coffee provided and everyone welcome !

**THEATER OF LIGHT INC PRESENTS:**

Three "Acts" of Grace a compilation of 3 original plays:  
 \*THE ART OF TEA by Daniel Damiano,  
 \*MORE HUMAN by Emily Snyder Play,  
 \*A HIT'S A HIT by Colette Silvestri

FREE PERFORMANCES @ The Blessed Sacrament Theater  
 Reserve free seats @: <http://bpt.me/3084171>

Saturday October 28 (3:00 to 4:00), Sunday October 29 (5:00 to 6:00),  
 Saturday November 4 (3:00 to 4:00), Saturday November 11 (3:00 to 4:00),  
 Sunday November 12 (3:00 to 4:00)

**CATHOLIC FAMILIES GROUP**

Please join our Blessed Sacrament Catholic Families Group! We offer a range of events to help each other in raising our children as Catholics and becoming better in our own practice of the faith. We also host a monthly moms' group. Sign up at [www.meetup.com/NYC-Catholic-Families/](http://www.meetup.com/NYC-Catholic-Families/) - free to join and events are free.



**Saturday Evening, October 21st**

5:30 Alberto Mendoza, Sr. +

**Sunday, October 22nd**

8:30 John Simpson +  
 10:00 Maddalena Gardino +  
 11:15 Jose Molina +  
 12:30 Rosa Loja +  
 5:30 Intentions of Thomas Middelhoff

**Monday, October 23rd**

7:30 Fernando Pando +  
 12:10 Victoria Rivera Poventud +  
 5:30 Sr. Marina del Signore +

**Tuesday, October 24th**

7:30 Donna de Solis +  
 12:10 Winston & Carolyn Hill +  
 5:30 Donna de Solis +

**Wednesday, October 25th**

7:30 Donna de Solis +  
 12:10 People of the Parish  
 5:30 Marta & Karol Bogaczyk +  
 7:00 Mercedes Rodriguez +

**Thursday, October 26th**

7:30 Robert Fortunato +  
 12:10 Margaret McNeal +  
 5:30 Marie Bookhop +

**Friday, October 27th**

7:30 Reuben Tupas +  
 12:10 Alicia Izquierdo +  
 5:30 Intentions of Thomas Middelhoff

**Saturday, October 28th**

7:30 The Decker & Carroll Families +  
 12:10 Intentions of Loretta Pinto

**October 22<sup>nd</sup> - Second Collection**

World Mission Sunday. In 1926 Pope Pius XI instituted Mission Sunday for the whole Church. The Mission Sunday collection is always taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. That day is celebrated as the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity so Christians the world over will recognize their common responsibility with regard to the evangelization of the world. (From the USCCB)

**Finance Committee Corner**

Last Sunday \$7,756 was received in the offertory baskets at Mass and \$3,977 was received through WeShare, for a total of \$11,733. Thank you for so generously giving to our regular collection.

**Esquina Financiera**

La suma de la colecta durante las Misas del domingo pasado fue \$7,756. Recibimos \$3,977 a través de WeShare para un total de \$11,733. Gracias por dar tan generosamente a nuestra colección regular.





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)*

**Children** \_\_\_\_\_

**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** \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank you for your participation in ParishPay. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Please note that ParishPay has recently been bought over by Liturgical Publications. ParishPay's online giving platform has been transferred to Liturgical Publication's WeShare platform.*

*To log on to your account please visit Blessed Sacrament's website and click on the "Donate Online" button on the top right corner.*

*You will be redirected to our WeShare page where you will be asked to verify your account or sign up if you are a new member.*

*If you run into any issues accessing your account, please contact Customer Service at 1-800-950-9952, Option One.*

*Thank you again for your help and for your commitment to our parish. We appreciate everything that you do for our community.*

**Weekly EM and Lector Schedule**

**Saturday, Oct. 21**

5:30 pm	1st	Clare Buck
	2nd	Rebecca Painter
	POF	Matt Hilderbrandt
	EM	Deacon Scott, Mia Yabut Wiese, Clare Buck, Ben Ventura, Matt Hilderbrandt

**Sunday, Oct. 22**

8:30 am	1st	Eileen Simpson
	2nd	John Hunt
	POF	Tom Caffrey
	EM	Deacon Scott, Vivian Villaluz, Eileen Simpson, John Hunt, Tom Caffrey
10:00 am	1st	Sandy Chippas
	2nd	Andrew Fitzsimmons
	POF	Joan Tedeschi
	EM	Andrew Jenkins, Andrew Fitzsimmons, Sandy Chippas, Joan Tedeschi, Judy Braun, Patricia Caffrey, Shirley Rodriguez
11:15 am	1st	Glenda Luzuriaga
	2nd	Liliana Sagbaicela
	POF	Lucytania Bruno
	EM	Junior Santiago, Lourdes Lopez, Cindy Ochoa
12:30 pm	1st	Ingrid Leacock
	2nd	Mark Murphy
	POF	Charlene Morris
	EM	Thomas Alexander, Wendy Pineda, Elsa Alvarez, Lidia Stempien, Raul Garcia-Moncada, Christina Elefante, Mark Murphy
5:30 pm	1st	Maria LaMagna
	2nd	Kimberly Orman
	POF	Roscoe Orman
	EM	Roscoe Orman, Rob Porell, Joyce Polistena, Elizabeth Occhipinti, Adriana Gonzalez, Maria LaMagna, Kimberly Orman

**ALL ARE WELCOME! FREE COMPLETE SCREENING OF CLASSIC DEKALOG FILM SERIES**

This acclaimed film series raises the great moral questions embedded in real life, often lived out in difficult circumstances. In his ten hour-long films, the late and legendary director and co-writer Krzysztof Kieslowski explores the theme and challenge of each Commandment through characters living in a typical Soviet-era housing complex.

Come join us October 25<sup>th</sup> from 7:30pm – 9:00pm for this thought provoking series and for a discussion after each film.

**PRESENTED BY: REBECCA M. PAINTER**  
 Email: [dr.rmpainter@gmail.com](mailto:dr.rmpainter@gmail.com)

*Visit our website for complete schedule.*