

# 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,

This week, on Tuesday the 25th of July, we celebrate the 32nd anniversary of the death of Father Edward McKaharay, a boy of this parish, who returned as the pastor. He died all too early, please remember him in your prayer.

I must say, your prayer is truly effective! Remember all my laments last week, and my request that you pray that the tabernacle would be restored.....and that the Building Department would finally come to inspect and approve the new chair lift? Well on Monday morning the tabernacle WAS restored.....and on Tuesday, the Buildings Department Official arrived, conducted the inspection, and approved the lift! Keep those prayers coming.....and thank you!

Tuesday is the Feast of St. James the Apostle. He is called “the Greater” because he followed Jesus before the other disciple with the same name, James the Less, whose feast we celebrate on May 3rd (The Feast of Philip and James).

While summertime is often quiet at the parish, this summer various members of the Pastoral Planning Committee continue to meet, implementing some of the many wonderful ideas to come out of the parish survey. These words from Pope Francis’ homily at the Cathedral of St. Peter & Paul in Philadelphia remind me of all that is happening here these days.

**“One of the great challenges facing the Church in this generation is to foster in all the faithful a sense of personal responsibility for the Church’s mission, and to enable them to fulfill that responsibility as missionary disciples, as a leaven of the Gospel in our world. This will require creativity in adapting to changed situations, carrying forward the legacy of the past not primarily by maintaining our structures and institutions, which have served us well, but above all by being open to the possibilities which the Spirit opens up to us and communicating the joy of the Gospel, daily and in every season of our life.**

**We know that the future of the Church in a rapidly changing society will call, and even now calls, for a much more active engagement on the part of the laity. The Church in the United States has always devoted immense effort to the work of catechesis and education. Our challenge today is to build on those solid foundations and to foster a sense of collaboration and shared responsibility in planning for the future of our parishes and institutions. This does not mean relinquishing the spiritual authority with which we have been entrusted; rather, it means discerning and employing wisely the manifold gifts which the Spirit pours out upon the Church. In a particular way, it means valuing the immense contribution which women, lay and religious, have made and continue to make, to the life of our communities.”**

I hope you might consider some way in which you can better enrich the parish community.....please pray about it, and please pray for peace.

Father Duffell

**PASTORAL PLAN IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE**

WHO WE ARE: A diverse community of believers in Jesus’ love

WHAT WE BELIEVE: All are welcome here

WHERE WE ARE GOING: A journey of discipleship

HOW WE GET THERE: A shared direction of Priorities:

ENRICH WORSHIP, INVITE AND EVANGELIZE, DEEPEN DISCIPLESHIP AND INSPIRE STEWARDSHIP

Blessed Sacrament’s Pastoral Plan was developed in 2016 as a result of feedback provided by parishioners through a survey and open meetings. A volunteer committee of 40 parishioners has been working since January to implement our Pastoral Plan. A detailed update of the committee’s progress including a request for additional volunteers is available at the back of the church. Please pick up a copy.

If you are interested in volunteering, we could use help in the following areas:

- 1) Organizing the Prayers of the Faithful and Offertory Gifts procession
- 2) Organizing Greeters and Ushers
- 3) Evaluating and raising awareness of opportunities for teens
- 4) Coordinating with activities and events in other parishes
- 5) Developing digital and social media communications

To volunteer or for more information, contact Pia at [pferrario2@icloud.com](mailto:pferrario2@icloud.com)

## **NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES**

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos;

El martes día 25 de julio conmemoramos el fallecimiento del Sacerdote Edward McKaharay, criado en este vecindario y quien luego volvió llegando a ser nuestro Pastor. Murió muy joven y les pido rezar por el.

Debo admitir que las plegarias son realmente efectivas! Recuerdan que les pedí la semana pasada rezar por que el tabernáculo fuera restaurado...y que el Departamento de Edificios finalmente viniera a inspeccionar el "HandiLift"? Pues el lunes por la mañana el Tabernáculo fue restaurado, y el martes llego un oficial del Departamento de Edificios, condujo la inspección y ya podemos usar el "HandLift".

El martes celebramos la Fiesta del Apóstol Santiago. Se le llama "el Mas Grande" pues siguió a Jesus antes que otro discípulo de igual nombre, Santiago el Menor, y cuya fiesta se celebra el 3 de mayo (Fiesta de Santos Felipe y Santiago).

A pesar que el verano es muy tranquilo en nuestra parroquia, esta vez varios miembros del Comité de Planeamiento Pastoral continua reuniéndose e implementando varias de las ideas recopiladas en el survey. Las siguientes palabras del sermón del Papa Francisco en la Catedral de San Pedro Y San Pablo en Filadelfia me recuerdan lo que aquí sucede en estos días:

**"Uno de los grandes retos a los que se enfrenta la Iglesia en esta generación es fomentar en todos los fieles un sentido de responsabilidad personal por la misión de la Iglesia y hacer que cumplan esa responsabilidad como discípulos misioneros, como levadura del Evangelio en nuestro mundo . Esto requerirá creatividad para adaptarse a las situaciones cambiadas, llevando adelante el legado del pasado no principalmente manteniendo nuestras estructuras e instituciones que nos han servido bien, pero sobre todo abriéndose a las posibilidades que el Espíritu nos abre y nos comunica la alegría del Evangelio, todos los días y en cada época de nuestra vida.**

**Sabemos que el futuro de la Iglesia en una sociedad que cambia rápidamente llamará, e incluso ahora llama, a un compromiso mucho más activo por parte de los laicos. La Iglesia en los Estados Unidos siempre ha dedicado un inmenso esfuerzo a la catequesis y a la educación. Nuestro desafío hoy es construir sobre esos sólidos cimientos y fomentar un sentido de colaboración y responsabilidad compartida en la planificación para el futuro de nuestras parroquias e instituciones. Esto no significa renunciar a la autoridad espiritual con la que se nos ha confiado; Más bien, significa discernir y emplear sabiamente los múltiples dones que el Espíritu derrama sobre la Iglesia. En particular, significa valorar la inmensa contribución que la mujer, laica y religiosa ha hecho y continúa haciendo, a la vida de nuestras comunidades ".**

Espero que usted considere alguna manera en la cual pueda enriquecer mejor la comunidad parroquial ..... por favor ore por ella, y por favor ore por la paz.

Padre Duffell

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**My dear parishioners,**

**From July 17 to August 14 I will be on vacation, and looking forward for some rest and relaxation. When I look back at the many months that passed, I am reminded of how special the Church of the Blessed Sacrament is, Father John Duffell, the staff, and all the assistants who attend the Mass. Above all, however, is how appreciative I am of all the parishioners who have opened their hearts to me. I am eternally grateful and humbled by your friendship and hope to continue to serve your religious needs in the future. Thank you...and God bless.**

**Father D'Angelo Jimenez**



**SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION DUE AUGUST 1!**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR SEPTEMBER 2017** will begin on Sunday, September 10. Religious instruction is held in the school from 11:00 -12:15.

Re-registration forms have been emailed to current students and posted on the Sunday School website. Students must register each year. For students who will be new to the program please send your email to: [tina@blessedsacramentsundayschool.org](mailto:tina@blessedsacramentsundayschool.org) or pick up a packet at the rectory or go to the Sunday school website: [blessedsacramentsundayschool.org](http://blessedsacramentsundayschool.org)

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).

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

Thinking of becoming a Catholic? Are you Catholic but have not received Communion or Confirmation? Inquiry discussions for adults will begin on Monday, September 25 at 6:30 pm. Please call Tina Silvestro at the parish office (212-877-3111) to register or seek information.

**LOVE & RESPONSIBILITY SERIES**

The Young Adult Outreach Program is excited to announce Love and Responsibility in NYC, returning to Immaculate Conception’s Outdoor Garden (414 East 14th Street, New York, NY)! Join world-renowned speakers who are flying in from across the country to discuss all things “relationship”. We are hosting a live concert EACH WEEK following the discussion with wine! EVENT IS FREE! For more information, visit our website at [www.catholicnyc.com](http://www.catholicnyc.com)

**July 25** – “Men, Women & the Mystery of Love” featuring Dr. Edward Sri; *concert with Steve Rees*

**August 1** – “It’s Complicated: Relationships & Emotional Virtue” featuring Sarah Swafford; *concert with Marie Miller*

**CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOL CONFERENCE – JULY 28 & 29**

The IHM New York Homeschool Conference will be held at Ramapo College – Student Center, 505 Ramapo Valley Road, in Mahwah, New Jersey, on Friday, July 28th (12:00pm – 6:00pm) and on Saturday, July 29th (9:30am – 3:30pm). This is the perfect event for those who are curious and want to discover more about Catholic homeschooling.

Admission is free and pre-registration is not required. For more information, please visit [www.ihmconference.org](http://www.ihmconference.org) or email: [info@ihmconference.org](mailto:info@ihmconference.org).



**Saturday Evening, July 22nd**

5:30 Elmer Alfonso Sacotto +

**Sunday, July 23rd**

8:30 Attilio Veltri +  
 10:00 Anthony Conrad +  
 11:15 Accion de Gracias  
 12:30 Dolores Melara +  
 5:30 Catherine Smith +

**Monday, July 24th**

7:30 Conrad Nocon +  
 12:10 Carole J. Russo +  
 5:30 Raymond Carozza +

**Tuesday, July 25th**

7:30 Cipriana Hurtado +  
 12:10 Donna de Solis +  
 5:30 Myrna Montalvo Aiello +

**Wednesday, July 26th**

7:30 Judy Agostino +  
 12:10 Anita Manalo +  
 5:30 Intentions of Thomas Middelhoff

**Thursday, July 27th**

7:30 People of the Parish  
 12:10 Miguel Angel Tejada Nuñez +  
 5:30 Health and Intentions of Dora Arco Mano +

**Friday, July 28th**

7:30  
 12:10 Intentions of Zoe Nguyen  
 5:30 Intentions of Thomas Middelhoff

**Saturday, July 29th**

7:30 John Fernandes +  
 12:10 Joseph Caseres III +

**Finance Committee Corner**

Last Sunday \$6,946 was received in the offertory baskets at Mass and \$4,317 was received through Parish Pay, for a total of \$11,263. Thank you for so generously giving to our regular collection. The second collection in support of our Soup Kitchen totaled \$2,279. Thank you!

**Esquina Financiera**

La suma de la colecta durante las Misas del domingo pasado fue \$6,946. Recibimos \$4,317 a través de ParishPay para un total de \$11,263. Gracias por dar tan generosamente a nuestra colección regular. La segunda colecta para nuestro comedor popular totalizo \$2,279. Gracias!



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

**What is Parish Pay?**

With ParishPay, it's simple to make online donations to Blessed Sacrament using a credit or debit card. Simply go online at [www.parishpay.com](http://www.parishpay.com) or call 1866-727-4741 ext.1 and--just like your monthly mortgage or other bills--the money will simply be debited from your account and go directly to Blessed Sacrament.

We will be starting a children's choir to sing at the 10:00 family mass for the summer. Beginning July 30, children who would like to sing for part of the mass can meet Rob and Hayden at the piano at 9:30 on Sunday mornings to learn some of the music to sing at the 10:00 Mass. As many of us travel during the summer, this will be an informal "come when you can" group, so feel free to sing any week your family is able. All that's required is a love for singing! Feel free to email Rob ([mcclimans@gmail.com](mailto:mcclimans@gmail.com)) with questions or we will see you on the 30th!

**Weekly EM and Lector Schedule**

**Saturday, July 22**

5:30 pm	1st	Mia Yabut Wiese
	2nd	Jennie Lynch
	POF	Vincent Gardino
	EM	Julie Grega, Ginetta LaBlanca, Jennie Lynch, Mia Yabut Wiese, Joe Tessitore

**Sunday, July 23**

8:30 am	1st	Thomas Caffre
	2nd	John Hunt
	POF	John Hunt
	EM	JoDell Sheilds, Vivian Villaluz, Thomas Caffrey, John Hunt, Terry Naglack
10:00 am	1st	Eddie Litton
	2nd	Eddie Litton
	POF	Mary Bradley
	EM	Eddie Litton, Judy Braun, Mary Bradley, Nellie Gonzalez-Arce, Peter Diggins
11:15 am	1st	Lucytania Bruno
	2nd	Lilliana Sagbaicela
	POF	Marina Che
	EM	Marina Che, Celia Navarro, Lourdes Lopez
12:30 pm	1st	Anita Pearl
	2nd	Ed Casey
	POF	Loretta Edmonds
	EM	Carlos Sosa, Ed Casey, Lidia Stempien, Wendy Pineda, Elsa Alvarez, Raul Garcia-Moncada
5:30 pm	1st	Clare Buck
	2nd	Matt Hilderbrandt
	POF	Kathleen LaMagna
	EM	Matt Hilderbrandt, Helena Maria Lim, Joe McKenna, Joyce Polistena, Clare Buck, Rebecca Painter, Kathleen LaMagna

**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.

**HAITIAN PRAYER GROUP**

All are welcome to attend our Charismatic Haitian Prayer Group. The group meets every Friday in the rectory from 7-9pm. Prayers are held in French, Creole and English.