

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 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. First Communion and Confirmation require a two year program.

Sunday School Website: www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org

PARISH NEWS

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

More and more we hear about scandal that rocks our Church and my question as Pastor is how do we respond? What should we do? Is the opportunity for a group discussion something that we would welcome? Apart from ourselves, who would be helpful in discussing such disturbing realities?

What do you think? What should we do? How should we respond to this terrible situation that once again rears its head in the Church, abuse of power by individuals and leaders who should have done things differently? Perhaps there is a need for us to come together to discuss.

Monday and Tuesday we celebrate the Feasts of St. Monica and her son St. Augustine. Monica kept a strong faith in God in the circumstances of an unfaithful husband, Patricius, who struggled with drinking too much, and her promiscuous son, Augustine. Monica prayed and fasted often for their conversion. Patricius eventually become a Christian and a more loving husband, while Augustine would only find his path to Christ after meeting the famed Bishop of Milan, Ambrose. Monica is an example of devotion to God and family throughout the many challenges of life. Augustine is an example of someone consumed by the search for truth, which carried him to many different philosophies until he eventually discovered Christ. Both Saints remind us that it is often through other people that we are brought closer to truth and love.

Wednesday marks the memorial of the Passion of St. John the Baptist, the great forerunner of the Lord. While there is much to focus on in John's life, today's Feast recalls, specifically, his passion and death. John's death surrounds obedience to the Law of God, which King Herod had violated through his marriage to his brother's widow Herodius. John could not remain silent as the King of God's chosen people failed in his observance of the Law. Each week we come and hear the Word of God proclaimed, are filled with the grace of the Sacrament, and are challenged to open ourselves more and more to the New Law, the Holy Spirit, now dwelling in us. John's voice echoes in our hearts today challenging us to examine our lives in light of the Gospel.

Pray for peace.

Father Duffell

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos,

Cada vez escuchamos más sobre el escándalo que afecta a nuestra Iglesia y mi pregunta como Pastor es ¿cómo respondemos? ¿Qué debemos hacer? ¿Es la oportunidad para una discusión grupal algo a que daríamos la bienvenida? Aparte de nosotros mismos, ¿quién sería útil para discutir esas realidades perturbadoras?

¿Qué piensas? ¿Qué debemos hacer? ¿Cómo deberíamos responder a esta terrible situación que una vez más afecta la Iglesia, abuso de poder por parte de individuos y líderes que deberían haber hecho las cosas de manera diferente? Tal vez existe la necesidad de reunirnos para discutirlo.

Lunes y martes celebramos las Fiestas de Santa Mónica y su hijo San Agustín. Mónica mantuvo una fuerte fe en Dios bajo las circunstancias de un esposo infiel, Patricius, quien tuvo problemas por beber demasiado, y su promiscuo hijo, Agustín. Monica oró y ayunó a menudo por su conversión. Patricius eventualmente se convertiría al cristianismo y en un esposo más amoroso, mientras que Agustín solo encontraría su camino a Cristo después de conocer a Ambrosio, afamado obispo de Milán. Mónica es un ejemplo de devoción a Dios y a la familia a través de los muchos desafíos de la vida. Agustín es un ejemplo de alguien consumido por la búsqueda de la verdad, que lo llevó a muchas filosofías diferentes hasta que finalmente descubrió a Cristo. Ambos Santos nos recuerdan que a menudo, y a través de otras personas, nos acercamos más a la verdad y al amor.

El miércoles se conmemora la Pasión de San Juan Bautista, el gran precursor del Señor. Si bien hay mucho en lo que centrarse en la vida de Juan, la fiesta de hoy nos recuerda, específicamente, su pasión y muerte. La muerte de Juan rodea la obediencia a la Ley de Dios, que el rey Herodes había violado a través de su matrimonio con Herodius, la viuda de su hermano. Juan no pudo permanecer en silencio cuando el pueblo elegido por Dios falló en su observancia de la Ley. Cada semana venimos y escuchamos la Palabra de Dios, estamos llenos de la gracia del Sacramento, y tenemos el desafío de abrirnos más y más a la Nueva Ley, el Espíritu Santo, que ahora mora en nosotros. La voz de Juan se hace eco hoy en nuestros corazones desafiándonos a examinar nuestras vidas a la luz del Evangelio.

Como siempre les pido orar por la paz.

Padre Duffell.



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CENTERING PRAYER GROUP

The Monday night Centering Prayer Group will resume their meetings on September at 6:45pm.
Contact person: Mary Jebara 973-714-1409

Join Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center at Church of the Holy Family on Friday, September 7, 2018 for a powerful morning presentation on our Catholic faith. Best-selling author and renowned biblical scholar Scott Hahn will go deeper into the meaning of Scripture in the Church and our lives today.

Go deeper in your faith—register for this powerful event today!

<https://stpaulcenter.com/product/new-york-city/>

Questions call the St. Paul Center at 740-264-9535

PALS (PREGNANCY AFTER LOSS) MEET UP GROUP NEW YORK NY

Want to find other moms who are going through the emotional journey of pregnancy after loss? Are you in need of a community that meets in person and seems like old friends that you can talk to about the grief and the joys that come with being pregnant again after your other baby died? Then join a local PALS (Pregnancy After Loss Support) Meet-Up.

Please contact Megan Brandow-Faller at PALSMetUpManhattan@gmail.com for more information.

SPIRIT IN ACTION GROUP

Spirit in Action is a group sponsored by the church of St. John the Baptist in New York City. It is a club for mature Catholics over 50 years of age who are interested in getting together for spiritual, cultural, and social activities. Members receive newsletters concerning upcoming events.



Saturday Evening, August 25th

5:30 Giovanni Ianni +

Sunday, August 26th

8:30 Margaret Stern +

10:00 Intentions of Louis Langree

11:15 Josefina de Noriega +

12:30 Charles Krauthammer +

5:30 Intentions of Christel & Thomas Middelhoff

Monday, August 27th

7:30 Intentions of Jack HENZES

12:10 Intentions of Augustine Waters

5:30 Intentions of Cristina Turco-Rivas

Tuesday, August 28th

7:30 Dr. Tomas S. Baquiran +

12:10 Leonidas Canlas +

5:30 Frank August Wandrey +

Wednesday, August 29th

7:30 People of the Parish

12:10 Grace Johnson +

5:30 Intentions of Christel & Thomas Middelhoff

Thursday, August 30th

7:30 Intentions of Sister Mary Pio Ferrario

12:10 Jeanne Cooke +

5:30 Michael Greene +

Friday, August 31st

7:30 Robert J. Ross +

12:10 Kevin P. Valente +

5:30 Intentions of Christel & Thomas Middelhoff

Saturday, September 1st

7:30

12:10 Leonor Orizondo +

Finance Committee Corner

Last Sunday \$5,772 was received in the offertory baskets at Mass and \$5,772 was received through WeShare, for a total of \$11,544. Thank you for so generously giving to our regular collection. The collection taken on the Assumption totaled \$1,915. Thank You.

Esquina Financiera

La suma de la colecta durante las Misas del domingo pasado fue \$5,772. Recibimos \$5,772 a través de WeShare para un total de \$11,544. Gracias por dar tan generosamente a nuestra colección regular. La colecta para la Asunción totalizo \$1,915.

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 WeShare?

Yes _____ No _____

What is WeShare?

WeShare, LPI's Online Giving Management System, allows Blessed Sacrament's parishioners to donate to our parish efficiently, effectively, and securely. It is an automated means for parishioners to support our church financially through one-time or recurring contributions.

Summer collections often drop significantly in our parish because of vacation travel, sports schedules and other activities that cause parishioners to attend Mass in other parishes. If you would like to make your giving easy and consistent this summer, please consider our electronic giving option. Currently 455 parish families are using this simple and secure way to make and track their parish giving. If you would like to learn more about this easy, safe and secure way of giving, please visit <http://blessedsacramentnyc.churchgiving.com> and click on Make a Donation or call 1800-950-9952.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN BEGINS SEPTEMBER 9

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE REGISTERED THEIR CHILDREN FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

IF YOU HAVE NOT REGISTERED YET THERE IS GOOD NEWS! WE ARE ABLE TO EXTEND THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE UNTIL FRIDAY, AUGUST 31. WE WILL CLOSE REGISTRATION SEPTEMBER 1- 10. REGISTRATION WILL OPEN AGAIN ON SEPTEMBER 10th AND BE ONGOING. YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO REGISTER ON THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS.

Registration Packets were emailed at the end of June to the parents of current students and posted on the Sunday School website (www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org).

Paper copies are available at the rectory. You must register your child each year. The Sunday School Fee is \$150 per family.

If your child is not a current student please email me at tina@blessedsacramentsundayschool.org so I can send you a packet via email or stop by the rectory to pick up a paper copy of the registration packet.

If you need additional information please call Tina Silvestro at 212-877-3111 or email the above address.

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. **It is open to adults who:**

- Have never been baptized; they would be preparing for all three sacraments.
- Were baptized in a non-Catholic Christian denomination who are interested in becoming Catholic; they would be preparing for Confirmation and First Communion.
- Were baptized Catholic but never received Confirmation and/or Communion; they would be preparing for the sacraments they have not yet received.

Inquiry discussions for adults will begin on Monday, September 24 at 6:30 pm. Please call Tina Silvestro at the parish office (212-877-3111) to register or seek information.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 25TH – MASS AT 5:30PM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 26TH - MASSES AT 8:30AM AND 12:30PM**

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GATHERING HYMN: Gather Us In #730

LITURGY OF THE WORD *Readings begin on page 249*

FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

PSALM RESPONSE: Psalm 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21

R:/ Taste and see; taste and see the goodness of the lord.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:21-32

GOSPEL READING: John 6:60-69

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST *Can be found on Page 14*

OFFERTORY HYMN: Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless #537

COMMUNION HYMN: I want to Walk as a Child of the Light #652

RECESSIONAL HYMN We Walk by Faith #682

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26TH, 2018 - MASS AT 5:30 PM

ENTRANCE HYMN: All Are Welcome #732

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21

R:/ Taste and see; taste and see the goodness of the lord.

OFFERTORY HYMN: The Summons #670

COMMUNION HYMN: Take and Eat #559

RECESSIONAL HYMN: I Am The Bread of Life #665