

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,

The crisis in the church, the crisis of leadership, the crisis of honesty and truth, threatens to divide us, how unfortunate. A truly painful situation has been made worse by a letter which seems to be lacking in truth written by the former Nuncio or Ambassador of the Vatican to the United States, and suddenly, Pope Francis has become the subject of all criticism, criticism about Cardinal McCarrick, who became the Archbishop of Washington in 2002, appointed by Pope John Paul II. He was removed from that Office by Pope Benedict XVI, 5 years later, shortly after his 75th birthday. McCarrick was living in retirement, and had been very apparent at Catholic functions until Pope Francis received the recent credible allegations of abuse against him. Francis then immediately sent McCarrick to a life of prayer and penance.

In my lifetime there have been seven Popes. In that period of time, there were always some who saw the reigning Pope as too progressive or not progressive enough. There have always been differences of opinion, but there has always been respect for the Office of the Holy Father. When the Cardinals gather in Conclave, they pray that the Spirit might direct and guide their actions, and usually the one who occupies the Office of the Servant of the Servants of God, as Pope, has been respected, not always agreed with but always respected. John Paul II had to be aware of improprieties in the life of Marcial Maciel, notorious founder of the Legionaries of Christ, and Cardinal McCarrick. It appears to me that Joseph Ratzinger (Benedict XVI) had to have been aware of these matters prior to his election. My question is why didn't Ratzinger resign his position if John Paul II was not dealing with these matters at that time? Presently people say that John Paul was sick, but he wasn't when McCarrick was made Bishop of Metuchen in 1981, Archbishop of Newark in 1986, and it appears that during these periods of time, prior to his appointment as Archbishop of Washington in 2000, problems were apparent and ignored, just as in the case of the head of the Legionaries of Christ. To Pope Benedict's credit, immediately after his election as Pontiff, he consigned Father Maciel to a life of prayer and penance and accepted McCarrick's retirement as Archbishop of Washington, rather unusual for that position. While there was a public announcement regarding Father Maciel, there was none such when Benedict retired McCarrick. Obviously he was not told to live a life of prayer and penance.

The cultural wars of the United States have effected so terribly the Church- we have to pray, that even though we might disagree we can learn to be Christians, respecting one another, our differences, seeing the other not as the enemy. What a painful moment, but then again the Church, as

Rolheiser says, is Christ hung between two thieves. Read that little prayer again from Coretto that I quoted several times this summer. Here is an example of how sin abounds, but as St. Paul says, where sin abounds, grace can abound all the more.

To deal with this crisis I have arranged with Jay Pinkerton, a psychotherapist, to schedule a meeting after the English Masses on the weekend of September 29 and 30 for any who would like to come, that together we might discuss this matter. I hope you will arrange your schedule so you can take part and then, together, we can decide if there is need for anything further. Let us not lose heart, let us keep the Church in prayer, let us pray for the Holy Father, the Bishop of Rome, and that all the Bishops might be guided by the promptings of the Spirit of God, that they might trust in the presence of God, and, together, with all the People of God, work to make the Church that much more the Body of Christ in the world.

On a happier note, **Monday is Labor Day- here in the Parish there will only be one Mass celebrated at 12:10 PM. Church will be open from 7am-3pm. The Rectory will be open from 9am-2pm.** Monday is also the Feast of St. Gregory the Great, and here we must praise God for how this Parish family has been enriched by those members who knew such pain as their beloved church was closed last year. Later in the month we will have a major celebration in Gregory's honor because some always find themselves far-away or on the beach on his feast each year.

This Tuesday at 7:30pm in the Rectory there will be the Baptismal Preparation Program for parents who wish to present their child for Baptism during September or in the future. Both parents are expected to attend, Godparents are invited if able. On Wednesday, September 5th at 7:00pm the Parish Pastoral Council will meet, and on Thursday, September 6th School opens! Friday is the First Friday of the month with Eucharistic Adoration after the mid-day Mass. Saturday, September 8th is the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Please keep Caroline Sliney, Principal of Blessed Sacrament School, Megan Gonzales, the head of our Upper School, and Nicholas Fargione, the head of our Lower School, and indeed all Faculty and Staff in your prayers. Pary, too, for Tina Silvestro and all of our Sunday School Catechists and Volunteers as they begin their new year of Religious Education. Please register for Religious Education if you have not yet done so, and remember, Sunday Mass is an obligation along with working towards greater Social Justice.

As always, pray for peace.

Father Duffell

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos;

La crisis en la iglesia, la crisis del liderazgo, la crisis de honestidad y verdad, amenaza con dividirnos. Una situación verdaderamente dolorosa se ha hecho peor por una carta que parece carecer de verdad escrita por un ex Nuncio o Embajador del Vaticano en los Estados Unidos, y de repente, el Papa Francisco se ha convertido en el tema de todas las críticas sobre el Cardenal McCarrick, quien fuera Arzobispo de Washington en 2002, nombrado por el Papa Juan Pablo II. 5 años mas tarde al cumplir 75 años fue retirado de esa Oficina por el Papa Benedicto XVI. McCarrick vivía retirado, y siempre estuvo presente en las funciones católicas hasta que el Papa Francisco recibió recientemente acusaciones creíbles de abusos en su contra. Luego, Francisco envió inmediatamente a McCarrick a una vida de oración y penitencia.

En mi vida han habido siete Papas. En ese período de tiempo, siempre hubo algunos que vieron al Papa reinante como demasiado progresivo o no suficientemente progresivo. Siempre han habido diferencias de opinión, pero siempre ha habido respeto por la Oficina del Santo Padre. Cuando los Cardenales se reúnen en el Cónclave, rezan para que el Espíritu pueda dirigir y guiar sus acciones, y generalmente el que ocupa el Oficio del Siervo de los Siervos de Dios, como Papa, ha sido respetado, no siempre se estuvo de acuerdo con sus opiniones, pero fue siempre respetado. Juan Pablo II tuvo que estar consciente de las incorrecciones en la vida de Marcial Maciel, famoso fundador de los Legionarios de Cristo y el Cardenal McCarrick. Me parece que obviamente Joseph Ratzinger (Benedicto XVI) tenía que haber tenido conocimiento antes de su elección. Mi pregunta es: ¿por qué Ratzinger no renunció a su cargo si Juan Pablo II no se ocupaba de estos asuntos en ese momento? En la actualidad, la gente dice que Juan Pablo estaba enfermo, pero no lo estaba cuando McCarrick fue nombrado obispo de Metuchen en 1981, arzobispo de Newark en 1986, y parece que tampoco durante estos períodos antes de su nombramiento como arzobispo de Washington en 2000, los problemas fueron ignorados, como en el caso del jefe de los Legionarios de Cristo. Para crédito del Papa Benedicto, inmediatamente después de su elección como Pontífice, consignó al padre Maciel a una vida de oración y penitencia y aceptó la jubilación de McCarrick como Arzobispo de Washington, algo bastante inusual para ese puesto. Si bien hubo un anuncio público sobre el padre Maciel, no hubo ninguno cuando Benedicto retiró a McCarrick. Obviamente, no le dijeron que viviera una vida de oración y penitencia.

Las guerras culturales de los Estados Unidos han afectado tan terriblemente a la Iglesia; tenemos que orar, que aunque podamos estar en desacuerdo, podemos aprender a ser cristianos, respetándonos unos a otros, viendo al otro no como el enemigo. Qué momento tan doloroso, pero luego la Iglesia, como dice Rolheiser, es Cristo colgado entre dos ladrones. Lee esa pequeña oración otra vez de Coretto que cité varias veces este verano. Aquí hay un ejemplo de cómo abunda el pecado, pero como dice San Pablo, donde abunda el pecado, la gracia puede abundar aún más.

Para lidiar con esta crisis, he arreglado con Jay Pinkerton, un psicoterapeuta, programar una reunión después de las Misas en inglés el fin de semana del 29 y 30 de septiembre para cualquiera que quiera venir, para que juntos podamos discutir este asunto. Espero que organicen su agenda para que pueda participar y luego, juntos, podemos decidir si hay necesidad de algo más. No nos desanimemos, mantengamos la Iglesia en oración, recemos por el Santo Padre, el Obispo de Roma, y que todos los Obispos se guíen por las impresiones del Espíritu de Dios. Que puedan confiar en su presencia, y que juntos, con todo el Pueblo de Dios, trabajen para hacer de la Iglesia el Cuerpo de Cristo en el mundo.

El lunes es Día del Trabajo. Solo celebraremos una Misa a las 12:10 PM. La iglesia estará abierta de 7 a.m. a 3 p.m. La rectoría estará abierta de 9 a.m. a 2 p.m. El lunes es también la fiesta de San Gregorio Magno, y aquí debemos alabar a Dios por la forma en que esta familia parroquial se ha enriquecido con aquellos miembros que conocieron el dolor que su amada iglesia fuera cerrada el año pasado. Más adelante

tendremos una gran celebración en honor de San Gregory porque algunos siempre se encuentran lejos o en la playa en su fiesta cada año.

Este martes a las 7:30 p.m. en la Rectoría, tenemos el Programa de preparación bautismal para los padres que deseen presentar a sus hijos para el bautismo durante septiembre o en el futuro. Se espera que ambos padres asistan, y se invita a los padrinos si pueden. El miércoles, 5 de septiembre a las 7:00 p.m. se reunirá el Consejo Pastoral Parroquial, y el jueves 6 de septiembre ¡se abrirá la escuela! El viernes es el primer viernes del mes con la Adoración Eucarística después de la Misa de mediodía. El sábado 8 de septiembre es la Fiesta de la Natividad de la Santísima Virgen María.

Por favor, mantengan a Caroline Sliney, Directora de la Escuela del Santísimo Sacramento, a Megan Gonzales, la directora de nuestra Escuela Superior, y a Nicholas Fargione, el director de nuestra Escuela Inferior, y de hecho a todos los Profesores y Personal en sus oraciones. Oren también por Tina Silvestro y todos nuestros Catequistas y Voluntarios de la Escuela Dominical que comienzan su nuevo año de Educación Religiosa. Por favor registrense si aun no lo han hecho, para la Educación Religiosa, y recuerden, la Misa Dominical es una obligación junto con el trabajo hacia la Justicia Social.

Como siempre les pido rezar por la paz.

Padre Duffell

LA QUEJA DE DIOS

Un grupo de fariseos de Galilea se acerca a Jesús en actitud crítica. No vienen solos. Les acompañan algunos escribas venidos de Jerusalén, preocupados sin duda por defender la ortodoxia de los sencillos campesinos de las aldeas. La actuación de Jesús es peligrosa. Conviene corregirla.

Han observado que, en algunos aspectos, sus discípulos no siguen la tradición de los mayores. Aunque hablan del comportamiento de los discípulos, su pregunta se dirige a Jesús, pues saben que es él quien les ha enseñado a vivir con aquella libertad sorprendente. ¿Por qué?

Jesús les responde con unas palabras del profeta Isaías que iluminan muy bien su mensaje y su actuación. Estas palabras con las que Jesús se identifica totalmente hemos de escucharlas con atención, pues tocan algo muy fundamental de nuestra religión. Según el profeta, esta es la queja Dios.

"Este pueblo me honra con los labios, pero su corazón está lejos de mí". Este es siempre el riesgo de toda religión: dar culto a Dios con los labios, repitiendo fórmulas, recitando salmos, pronunciando palabras hermosas, mientras nuestro corazón "está lejos de él". Sin embargo, el culto que agrada a Dios nace del corazón, de la adhesión interior, de ese centro íntimo de la persona de donde nacen nuestras decisiones y proyectos.

Cuando nuestro corazón está lejos de Dios, nuestro culto queda sin contenido. Le falta la vida, la escucha sincera de la Palabra de Dios, el amor al hermano. La religión se convierte en algo exterior que se practica por costumbre, pero en la que faltan los frutos de una vida fiel a Dios.

La doctrina que enseñan son preceptos humanos. En toda religión hay tradiciones que son "humanas". Normas, costumbres, devociones que han nacido para vivir la religiosidad en una determinada cultura. Pueden hacer mucho bien. Pero hacen mucho daño cuando nos distraen y alejan de lo que Dios espera de nosotros. Nunca han de tener la primacía.

Al terminar la cita del profeta Isaías, Jesús resume su pensamiento con unas palabras muy graves: "Vosotros dejáis de lado el mandamiento de Dios para aferraros a la tradición de los hombres". Cuando nos aferramos ciegamente a tradiciones humanas, corremos el riesgo de olvidar el mandato del amor y desviarnos del seguimiento a Jesús, Palabra encarnada de Dios. En la religión cristiana, lo primero es siempre Jesús y su llamada al amor. Solo después vienen nuestras tradiciones humanas, por muy importantes que nos puedan parecer. No hemos de olvidar nunca lo esencial.

Padre D'Angelo Jimenez - Recursos bibliográficos A. Pagola

WOMEN'S GROUP

Ladies of Blessed Sacrament, we want to hear from you. On Tuesday September 18th from 7:00-9:00pm we are having a discussion group for female parishioners in the rectory. Come ready to share your concerns and your hopes for our Church and for our parish. Have your voice heard so that we may, together, find ways to better serve our Church in her time of need. Please reach out to Jackie (jbaligian67@gmail.com) or Elizabeth (eakubinski@gmail.com) with any questions in advance of the meeting. We look forward to seeing you there!

CENTERING PRAYER GROUP

The Monday night Centering Prayer Group will resume their meetings on September 10th at 6:45pm. Contact person: Mary Jebara 973-714-1409

SACRED MUSIC WORKSHOPS

Everyone Can Sing! Workshop for "non-singers"
 Saturday, September 15, 10am-12pm
 St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers

Reading Music 101
 Saturday, September 22, 10am-12pm
 St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers

Presenter: Dr. Jennifer Donelson, DMA, Professor of Music at St. Joseph's Seminary

Registration fee: \$10
 More information: nyliturgy.org/workshops
 Contact: liturgy@archny.org or 914.968.6200, x8177

The Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville, NY will host their Annual Dominican Gala on November 2, 2018. Please join us for cocktails, dinner & dancing at The Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury, NY. This year the Congregation is proud to honor Al Roker, NBC's Meteorologist, and S. Ave Clark, author and founder of the Heart to Heart Ministry in Bayside, NY.

Proceeds from the Gala support the ministries of the Sisters of St. Dominic. For more information about tickets or how you can support the event, please contact The Office of Advancement at (631) 842-6000 ext. 241 or advancement@amityop.org.

SOUP KITCHEN COLLETCION - THIS WEEKEND

Blessed Sacrament's Soup Kitchen meets every Sunday at 2PM on 70th Street. Staffed by many wonderful parish volunteers, the Soup Kitchen prepares delicious meals for locals in need.



Saturday Evening, September 1st

5:30 In Reparations for sinners and in Thanksgiving

Sunday, September 2nd

8:30 Edith Santaro +
 10:00 Natale Veltri +
 11:15 Virgen de Coromoto+
 12:30 Maria & Zareno Refalo +
 5:30 Intentions of Christel & Thomas Middelhoff

Monday, September 3rd – Labor Day

12:10 Intentions of Anne Jason on her Birthday and St. Gregory the Great

Tuesday, September 4th

7:30 James Crowley & Mary Riordan +
 12:10 Intentions of Helen, Jason & Raphael Morgan in thanksgiving
 5:30 Noima Foelderer +

Wednesday, September 5th

7:30 People of the Parish
 12:10 Clemente Scogna +
 5:30 Adela Elrick Applawhaite +
 7:00 Heriberto Rios Hernandez +

Thursday, September 6th

7:30
 12:10 Frank Kurtis Taubner +
 5:30 Intentions of Luisa Lombera

Friday, September 7th

7:30 Visitacion B. Maquiran +
 12:10 Carmen Melendez + 1 Year Anniversary
 5:30 All the Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, September 8th

7:30
 12:10 Stella & Leo Siemion +

Finance Committee Corner

Last Sunday \$6,799 was received in the offertory baskets at Mass and \$4,555 was received through WeShare, for a total of \$11,354. Thank you for so generously giving to our regular collection. The second collection to help support the families affected by the Kerala floods in India totaled \$2,681. Thank You.

Esquina Financiera

La suma de la colecta durante las Misas del domingo pasado fue \$6,799. Recibimos \$4,555 a través de WeShare para un total de \$11,354. Gracias por dar tan generosamente a nuestra colección regular. La segunda colecta para ayudar en las inundaciones en Kerala, India totalizo \$2,681. 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.

Weekly EM and Lector Schedule

Saturday, Sept. 1

5:30 pm	1st	Edward Wiese
	2nd	Mia Yabut Wiese
	POF	Vincent Gardino
		Edward Wiese, Mia Yabut Wiese, Amy Kathuria, Ginetta LaBlanca
	EM	

Sunday, Sept.2

8:30 am	1st	Damian Begley
	2nd	James Palazza
	POF	Tom Caffrey
		Hugh Regan, Vivian Villaluz, Damian Begley, James Palazza, Tom Caffrey
	EM	
10:00 am	1st	Joan Tedeschi
	2nd	Joan Tedeschi
	POF	Shirley Rodriguez
		Joan Tedeschi, Judy Braun, Shirley Rodriguez, Patricia Caffrey, Julie Tom
	EM	
11:15 am	1st	Chely Depablos
	2nd	Rosario Flores
	POF	Cindy Ochoa
	EM	Oscar Henk, Fernando Bueno, Peter Diggins
12:30 pm	1st	Jack Going
	2nd	Anita Pearl
	POF	Wendy Pineda
		Ed Casey, Wendy Pineda, Raul Garcia-Moncada, Lola Gordon, Lidia Stempfen, Els Alvarez, Jack Going
	EM	
5:30 pm	1st	Kimberley Orman
	2nd	Anita Faherty
	POF	Paula Djabbarah
	EM	Matthew Sitman, Rebecca Painter, Kimberley Orman, Paula Djabbarah, Adrian Gonzalez, John Fox, Joyce Polistena

Celebrants for the Weekend of September 8th & 9th

Sat.	5:30pm	Father Dat Tran
Sun.	8:30am	Msgr. Crimmins
	10:00am	Father Duffell
	11:15am	Father Jimenez
	12:30pm	Father O'Shea
	5:30pm	Father Duffell

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN BEGINS
SEPTEMBER 9**

REGISTRATION FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL IS NOW CLOSED AND WILL REOPEN ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 (the day after the 1st day of class). REGISTRATION FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED UNTIL SEPTEMBER 10.

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 also 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.

DOWNEY SIDE AGENCY

Downey Side Adoption Agency is seeking families interested in adoption. Fr. Paul Engel ofm Cap is the Director of the agency that places older children from 7- 17 years old with permanent families. All are welcome to schedule a free orientation meeting to learn more about adoption by calling 212-714-2200. Learn more about adopting an older child and Downey Side at www.downeyside.org

In observance of The Season of Creation, Corpus Christi Church presents Sr. Elizabeth A. Johnson, C SJ , Distinguished Professor of Theology (ret.) at Fordham University and a former president of the Catholic Theological Society of America.

She is author of many books, including *Abounding in Kindness: Writings for the People of God*, *Ask the Beasts: Darwin and the God of Love*, *She Who Is* (winner of the Grawemeyer Award in Religion), *Quest for the Living God*, and *Consider Jesus*, among other titles.

She will speak on her new book, *Creation and the Cross: The Mercy of God for a Planet in Peril*, in which she asks how we can extend the core Christian belief in the redemption and salvation in Jesus to include all created beings.

Corpus Christi Church, 529 West 121 Street, Manhattan. Sunday September 16, 2:00-4:00 pm.

Info: (212) 666-9350. Email: cchristinyc@gmail.com. Free.

UPCOMING MOVIE AT BLESSED SACRAMENT

Date & Time: Sunday, September 16, 2PM to 5PM

Film: **Imitation of Life** starring Lana Turner, 2hrs. 5 min. long

Place: Blessed Sacrament Theater

Cost: **FREE!** Please invite your neighbors & friends.

Synopsis: Living behind the false masks society often demands because being who you truly are is not perceived as “good enough” or “acceptable”, soon falls apart, leaving a feeling of being exposed as a fraud and worthless. The discovery of the true self is a hard but firm road that leads to the building of relationship with one’s self and others.

Doors open at 2PM. The movie will begin promptly at 2:30PM.

The elevator at the school on 70th Street will be available from 2-2:30PM and when the movie is over, from 4:40-5:15PM.

After the movie, there will be an opportunity to gather in the hall to discuss the implied and overt themes in the movie and how those themes affect our bringing about Equality and Dignity for everyone.

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST – MASS AT 5:30PM
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND - MASSES AT 8:30AM AND 12:30PM

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GATHERING HYMN: All Are Welcome #732

LITURGY OF THE WORD *Readings begin on page 251*

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

PSALM RESPONSE: Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5

R:/ The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

SECOND READING: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

GOSPEL READING: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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

OFFERTORY HYMN: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling #686

COMMUNION HYMN: Gift of Finest Wheat #556

RECESSIONAL HYMN Thine Be the Glory #493

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND, 2018 - MASS AT 5:30 PM

ENTRANCE HYMN: All Are Welcome #732

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5

R:/ The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

OFFERTORY HYMN: Lord Whose Love in Humble Service #776

COMMUNION HYMN: Christ Be Our Light #777

RECESSIONAL HYMN: Lead Me, Guide Me #654