

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR

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CHAPEL OF THE SACRED HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY

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Serving the Murray Hill and Kips Bay Communities

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – November 28, 2021

Sunday Masses

5:00 p.m. (Our Saviour) – *Saturday Vigil*
8:00 a.m. (Sacred Hearts)
10:00 a.m. (Our Saviour)
12:00 Noon (Sacred Hearts) – *Live streamed via YouTube*
3:00 p.m. (Sacred Hearts) – *Korean-English bilingual*
5:00 p.m. (Our Saviour)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday from 8:15–11:50 a.m. (Our Saviour)

Daily Masses

7:45 a.m. (Our Saviour) – *Monday through Friday*
12:00 Noon (Our Saviour) – *Monday through Friday*
5:15 p.m. (Sacred Hearts) – *Monday through Friday*

Confessions

Mon., Wed., Fri.: 11:40–11:55 a.m. (Our Saviour)
Tues. & Thurs.: 7:20–7:40 a.m. (Our Saviour)
Thurs.: 4:45–5:10 p.m. (Sacred Hearts)
Sat.: 4:30–4:45 p.m. (Our Saviour)

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, November 28 – *First Sunday of Advent*

5:00 p.m. Joseph Trudo +
8:00 a.m. *All Parishioners, Living and Deceased*
10:00 a.m. Doreen Murphy Scoh +
12:00 p.m. Ivan “Johnny” Ivanac +
5:00 p.m. Pauline Horan +

Monday, November 29

7:45 a.m. CCNY / SJU *
12:00 p.m. Ada Cuervo +
5:15 p.m. Msgr. Robert L. Stern (L)

Tuesday, November 30 – *St. Andrew, Apostle*

7:45 a.m. CCNY / SJU *
12:00 p.m. Jose S. Memije +
5:15 p.m. CCNY / SJU *

Wednesday, December 1

7:45 a.m. CCNY / SJU *
12:00 p.m. Daniel Podvesker +
5:15 p.m. Cathy M. Doyle (L)

Thursday, December 2

7:45 a.m. Frank Voci +
12:00 p.m. Diane Kernick +
5:15 p.m. CCNY / SJU*

Friday, December 3 – *St. Francis Xavier*

7:45 a.m. Christopher M. Benson +
12:00 p.m. Pacita Yuson +
5:15 p.m. Fr. Kenneth Murphy +

Saturday, December 4 – *St. John Damascene, Priest, Doctor of the Church*

5:00 p.m. Ricardo Restrepo +

* CCNY / SJU = *Children and Youth Served by Catholic Charities and the Benefactors of St. Joseph's Union*

From Msgr. Sullivan: A Report to the Parish

Only a few days after Thanksgiving do we celebrate the First Sunday of Advent and begin a new Church year.

First, I would like to say a word of thanks to you for your support during the past year. I am most grateful.

I thought it would be good to mention a few items at this time. There is more that could be mentioned, so do not consider this an exhaustive report. The order is somewhat random also.

Mass Attendance: We are about 75% of the pre-COVID Mass attendance. This seems to be a little better than other parishes in Manhattan. I thank you who have returned to worshipping in person. I encourage more of you to do so. And I ask and encourage you to reach out to your family, friends, and neighbors to encourage them to pray with us at Sunday Mass. This is the central act of worship for Catholics - we are enriched when we pray together. These days people do not feel bound to go to the nearest neighborhood Church. Please feel free to invite people from wherever to make Our Saviour their Sunday place of worship.

Worship and Music: We are sad that Paul Murray is leaving us, and we are excited he will be beginning his preparation to become a priest with the Oratory in York, England. We pray for him, and ask he do the same for us. I am pleased that Paul has assisted us to find a highly qualified successor. Buck McDaniel will begin as our Director of Music and Organist during the weekend of January 8, 2022, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. We welcome him and are confident he will continue the parish's fine tradition, and perhaps even add a few elements.

Parish Think-Tank: About 15 parishioners have participated in 4 Zoom meetings/conversations about parish life over the past year. They have provided good insights, ideas, and support for some of the activities and ministries we have begun. From this group, Bill Buckley and Susannah Lawrence will serve as new Parish Trustees, taking the place of Leilani Siri and Tom Travers, who have generously extended their terms

In your prayers, please remember Dominick and Diane Bianco, Maria Fasulo, Beatriz Hannan, Joan Lanaro, Susannah Stein, and Rick Warner, who are ill.

to provide for a smooth transition. I hope we will continue this group and invite even further participation in various ways.

Young Adult Professionals: One encouraging aspect of the post-COVID re-starting of in-person Mass attendance is the increased number of young adult professionals who are worshipping at Our Saviour. In early November, Virginia Hill invited young professionals to gather after the 5:00 p.m. Sunday Mass. About thirty young professionals accepted the invitation, got to know each other, and expressed interest in getting more involved in the life of the parish. We hope to foster this participation.

Club 33 Senior Outreach: Toward the other end of the age spectrum are those who have long been members of our parish and neighborhood. Club 33, adjacent to the Chapel of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, has been a source of support and gathering. A few of our parishioners have been working with Dorothy and Msgr. Sakano to grow membership and do further outreach. Some seniors may be isolated in their apartments; they should not be overlooked and might welcome outreach.

Finances: Our parishioners are generous. Thank you. Many stretch to support the parish. We need that support, ask that it continue, and, if possible, increase. Not only do we need to maintain (and as necessary, repair) two worship spaces – Church and Chapel, but we also need to support the various ministries to sustain and build parish life. I encourage you to use the online giving system, WeShare, which can be found on the parish website.

Business Matters: Tom Travers has been working as Business Manager of the parish for over a year now and is doing a great job. He brings years of experience in managing a hotel and invaluable dedication as a longtime faithful member of the parish. How he serves our parish goes far beyond the traditional “business manager.” There is a lot for him to handle: facility use, maintenance and repairs, paying bills, revenue monitoring, and all those items that come up unplanned and need to be dealt with.

Lay Pastoral Ministry Associate: In October, Virginia Hill joined our staff. What a blessing she has been these past few months, already making a positive impact. Several of these are mentioned in this report. Her presence at the door of the Church and Chapel for Sunday Masses is an important presence, and an opportunity to engage parishioners. Do not hesitate to speak with her.

Sant’Egidio Community and Outreach to our Neighbors and Friends without Homes: For the past few months the community has been using the undercroft of the Church as a place to begin their Tuesday evening outreach to provide food to their homeless friends in the neighborhood. I am pleased that several of our parishioners, including young professionals have joined in this outreach ministry. As all of us are aware, too many of our brothers and sisters continue to make the streets and sidewalks of our neighborhood their homes. This is one way to outreach. I would hope that as a parish we might find additional ways to reach out and engage in solidarity those without homes. *Commonweal* magazine recently published a very fine interview on the Sant’Egidio community.

Parish Office: Generally, the Parish Office is open Monday through Friday during regular business hours. It is capably staffed by Maria Rivera, our Office Manager. Please feel free to contact her and leave any messages. The office e-mail is listed on the parish website, oursaviournyc.org. Thanks to two of our parishioners who have been working to upgrade the website and spearheaded our recent efforts to increase parish registration.

A Welcoming Parish: Over the past six months, I am pleased that our parish facilities have more use and we have welcomed several groups. The Consulates and Embassies to the United Nations have held meetings in the Undercroft. We celebrated a Memorial Mass for deceased homeless individuals. Regularly, there are 12-step programs that meet here. On December 11th we will host a Catholic Charities volunteer family shopping day for individuals in need who will receive Christmas gifts. The Young Professionals groups of Bigs/Littles Mentoring NY will hold their Fall Gala Event on December 4th in the undercroft. We want to be a welcoming community to the Murray Hill and Kips Bay neighborhoods.

I hope that everybody had a wonderful Thanksgiving celebration and wish you all a blessed start to the Advent season.

Sincerely,
Msgr. Kevin Sullivan

You are invited to join an **Advent Series** on Wednesday evenings, December 1st and December 15th, from 6:30–7:30 p.m. Kathleen Ullmann will lead the participants as they explore aspects of “Waiting for the Lord” through reflection and shared discussion. Both sessions will be held on Zoom. Please e-mail Virginia Hill, vhill@oursaviournyc.org by 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 30th to obtain the Zoom link. If you are unable to join the sessions, they will be recorded for later viewing and reflection.

There will be a special Mass for the **Vigil of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Tuesday December 7 at 5:30 p.m.**, at the Chapel of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. The Mass will be followed by a short concert, presented by a schola (small choir), directed by Paul Murray, during which we will formally bless and dedicate the new organ. This will provide an opportunity to wish Paul well, as he will shortly begin his preparation for the priesthood as a member of the Oratory in York, England. Please join us on December 7.

Missalettes: While we are not able to put Missalettes back in the pews out of concern for the transmission of Covid-19, we are providing parishioners the option of **purchasing a missalette** for the 2022 liturgical year, which begins **this Sunday**. These missalettes are available from the Parish Office and the Chapel Office for a donation of \$10 (*cash or check*).

The Pope’s Prayer Intention for December: *For Catechists.* Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Parish Registration



To facilitate communication and the growth of our parish, we want to ensure that we have your current contact information. Please take a minute to complete the registration form. Thank you to all who have already done this.

Sunday Bulletin and Readings for Mass



The **33 Club** has provided seniors in the Kips Bay/Murray Hill Community with the many support services necessary to enrich their lives, both spiritually and socially. The 33 Club is a non-profit, self-supported organization committed to the well-being and betterment of the community and its senior members through services, education, recreation, and socialization. This year we will be celebrating our **50th Christmas Anniversary Sale** in our Center at 323 East 33rd Street, next to the Chapel of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. You are invited to come, shop, and support the seniors in your community. Jewelry, glassware, dishes, collectibles, Christmas gifts, handbags, men's, women's, and children's items, miscellaneous items are some the many goods for sale. There will also be items handmade by the seniors.

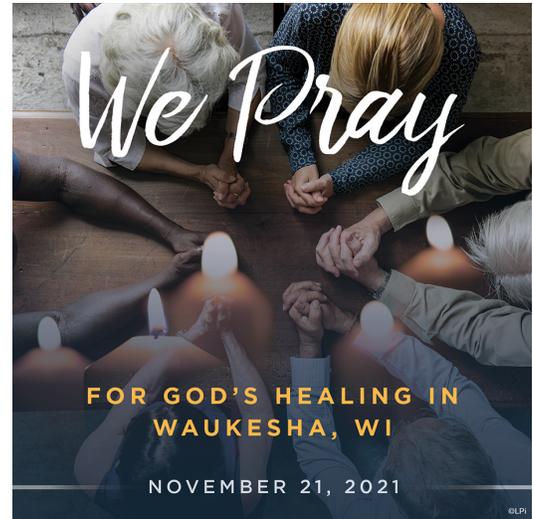
During the Christmas sale you can also purchase raffle tickets with a chance to win dinners and lunches at local restaurants and wine and gift baskets. The Christmas sale takes place on **Friday, December 3rd and Saturday, December 4th from 11:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. and on Sunday, December 5th from 11:00–3:00 p.m.** Raffle tickets are also on sale at the Parish Office.

Volunteers are needed to help with the Christmas Sale. If you can volunteer, please e-mail Dorothy at dorothy@33clubforsrs.org or Virginia Hill at vhill@oursaviournyc.org.

Welcome, Buck McDaniel: As Msgr. Sullivan noted in his letter above, we are delighted to welcome Buck McDaniel as our new Director of Music and Organist, succeeding Paul Murray in early January. Buck is coming to us from St. Edward the Martyr Church in East Harlem. Born in Mississippi, he has given recitals across the United States including Heinz Memorial Chapel (Pittsburgh), St. John's Church (Greenwich Village), Trinity Cathedral (Cleveland), and the Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle (Jackson, Mississippi). During his time as Organist and Director of Music at the Historic St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Cleveland, the choir was invited to perform at the 2018 Evangelism Matters Conference, a national convening of the Episcopal Church with Presiding Bishop

Michael B. Curry. Other notable performances with the St. Andrew Choir include Cleveland Public Theatre's annual Underground Railroad commemoration, Station Hope. As Director of Music for the Wilma Ruth Combs Chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians, he conducted a diocesan choir in multiple liturgies throughout the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio.

Buck is an accomplished composer and his works have been performed internationally in venues ranging from the Belfast Pipeworks Festival (Ireland), the Tanglewood Music Festival (USA), and Lincoln Cathedral (UK). Earlier this season, his chamber work *Memory Ground*, commissioned by The Greenwood Cemetery in Brooklyn in commemoration of the 20th anniversary of 9/11, was featured in *The New York Times*, *Time Out New York*, and WNYC. Welcome, Buck!



Meditation for the First Sunday of Advent: In Advent, the liturgy frequently repeats and assures us, as if to overcome our natural diffidence, that God "comes": he comes to be with us in every situation of ours, he comes to dwell among us, to live with us and within us; he comes to fill the gaps that divide and separate us; he comes to reconcile us with him and with one another. He comes into human history to knock at the door of every man and every woman of good will, to bring to individuals, families, and peoples the gifts of brotherhood, harmony and peace. This is why Advent is par excellence the season of hope in which believers of Christ are invited to remain in watchful and active waiting, nourished by prayer and by the effective commitment to love. — Pope Benedict XVI

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve – December 24th

4:00 p.m. Sacred Hearts

6:00 p.m. Our Saviour

Christmas Carols will be sung fifteen minutes before the Christmas Eve Masses.

Christmas Day – December 25

8:00 a.m. Sacred Hearts

10:00 a.m. Our Saviour

12:00 p.m. Sacred Hearts

No evening Mass on Christmas Day.

Important: Please take this newsletter away with you. Do not leave it in the pew or return it to the literature tables.

THE ORDER OF MASS

Introit

cf. Psalm 25 (24):1-3

*To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.*

Hymn at the Procession

1. Lo! he comes, with clouds descend - ing,
2. Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold him,
3. Those dear to - kens of his pas - sion
4. Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee,

once for our sal - va - tion slain; _____
robed in dread - ful ma - jes - ty; _____
still his daz - zling bo - dy bears, _____
high on thine e - ter - nal throne; _____

Thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing
Those who set at nought and sold him,
Cause of end - less ex - ul - ta - tion
Sa - viour, take the pow'r and glo - ry;

swell the tri - umph of his train: _____
pierced, and nailed him to the tree, _____
to his ran - somed wor - ship - ers; _____
claim the king - dom for thine own: _____

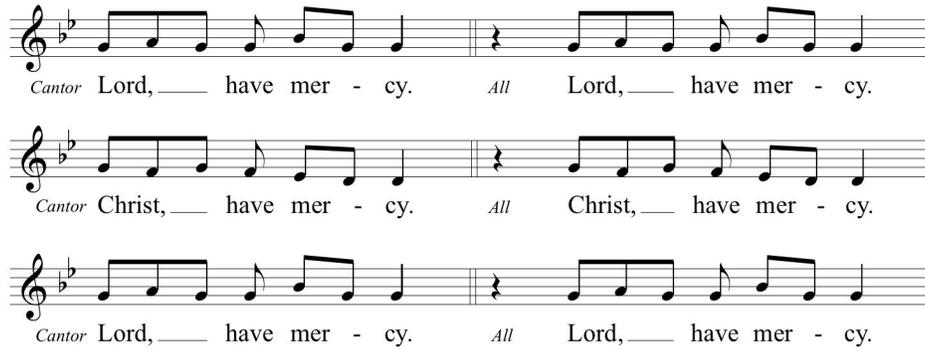
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
Deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly
With what rap - ture, with what rap - ture, with what
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
rap - ture, gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)
Tune: HELMSLEY, Augustine Arne (1710-1778).

Kyrie

Theodore Marier (1912–2001)



Cantor Lord, ___ have mer - cy. *All* Lord, ___ have mer - cy.

Cantor Christ, ___ have mer - cy. *All* Christ, ___ have mer - cy.

Cantor Lord, ___ have mer - cy. *All* Lord, ___ have mer - cy.

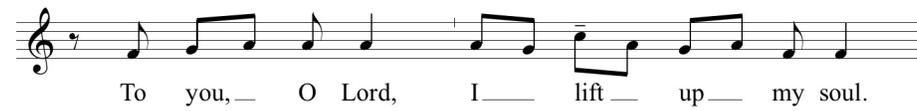
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First Reading

Jeremiah 33:14–16

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 25 (24):4–5, 8–9, 10, 14
Theodore Marier



To you, ___ O Lord, I ___ lift ___ up ___ my soul.

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Second Reading

I Thessalonians 3:12–4:2

Gospel Acclamation

Theodore Marier



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, ___ al - le - lu - ia.

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Gospel

Luke 21:25–28, 34–36

At the Offertory (10:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon)

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c.1525–1594)

I look from afar: and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth.

Go ye out to meet him and say:

Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?

High and low, rich and poor, one with another, Go ye out to meet him and say:

Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep,

Tell us, art thou he that should come?

Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people, Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

I look from afar: and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth.

Go ye out to meet him and say:

Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?

Aspiciens a longe, Matins Responsory for Advent

At the Offertory, Hymn



1. Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; Show the glo - ry
 2. Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the Spir - it
 3. Won-drous birth! O won-drous child Of the Vir - gin
 4. God Cre - a - tor is his source, Back to God he
 5. Now your low - ly man - ger bright Hal - lows night with



of the Son! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,
 of our God Was the word of God made flesh—
 un - de - filed! Might - y God and man in one,
 runs his course, Down to death and hell de - scends,
 new-born light; Let no night this light sub - due,



That our Lord chose such a birth.
 Wo - man's off - spring, pure and fresh.
 Ea - ger now his race to run!
 God's high throne he re - as - cends.
 Let our faith shine ev - er new.

Text: *Veni, Redemptor gentium*; ascr. to St. Ambrose, 340-397; tr. sts. 1-3a, William Reynolds, 1812-1876; sts. 3b-5, Martin L. Seltz, 1909-1967, alt.
 Tune: NUN KOMM DER HEIDEN HEILAND, 77 77; *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, Wittenberg, 1524

Sanctus

Theodore Marier

Cantor All

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. —

Cantor All

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Ho - san - na in — the high - est.

Cantor All

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in — the high - est.

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Mystery of Faith

Chant

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,

we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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Amen

Chant

A - men, a - men, a - men.

Agnus Dei

Theodore Marier



Cantor *All*
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *All*
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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Communion

Psalm 85 (84):3

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

Motet (at 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 Noon)

Canite tuba in Sion

Francisco Guerrero (1528–1599)

*Canite tuba in Sion quia prope est dies Domini.
Ecce venit ad salvandum nos:
erunt prava in directa et aspera in vias planas:
veni Domine et noli tardare.*

Sound the trumpet in Zion, for the day of the Lord is nigh.
Behold, he comes to save us.
The crooked shall be made straight and the rough ways plain.
Come Lord, and do not delay.

Hymn



1. Come, O long ex - spect - ed Je - sus,
2. Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion,
3. Born your peo - ple to de - liv - er;
4. By your own e - ter - nal Spir - it

Born to set your peo - ple free; From our fears and
You, the hope of all the earth, Dear de - sire of
Born a child and yet a king! Born to reign in
Rule in all our hearts a - lone; By your all suf -

sins re - lease us; Free us from cap - tiv - i - ty.
ev - 'ry na - tion, Come, and save us by your birth.
us for ev - er, Now your grac - ious king - dom bring.
fi - cient mer - it Raise us to your glo - rious throne.

Text: Haggai 2:7; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.
Tune: STUTTGART, 8 7 8 7; Christian F. Witt, 1660-1716; adapt. by Henry J. Gauntlett, 1805-1876