

# The Church of the Ascension

*in the City of New York*

The Reverend Daniel S. Kearney, *Pastor*

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*Serving the Upper West Side, Manhattan Valley,  
and Morningside Heights communities since 1895.*

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**13 APRIL / ABRIL 2025**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**DOMINGO DE RAMOS**

*ALL ARE WELCOME. / TODOS SON BIENVENIDOS.*

**See page 4 for the Holy Week Schedule**

## **SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

**5:30pm Vigil Bilingual / Bilingüe (Cantor and organ)**

**9:30am, 12:30pm Español (Coro)**

**11am English (Choir and organ)**

**6pm English (Cantor and Jazz trio)**

## **WEEKDAY SCHEDULE**

**12pm English**

**7pm Español**

## **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**10am – 7pm Weekdays / Entre semana**

**10am – 5:30pm Saturdays / sábados**

**8:30am – 6pm Sundays / domingos**

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### **ASSISTING CLERGY AND STAFF**

**The Reverend Daniel LeBlanc, OMI**  
**The Reverend Deacon Nelson Falcon**  
**Preston Smith, Director of Music**

**The Reverend Deacon Daniel Corniel**  
**Mary Santorello, Director of Faith Formation**  
**Cipriano Lantigua, Minister to Homebound**

**Lucas Gonzalez and Mireya Vilma, Facilities**  
**Millie Marte, Hospitality**

**Sareda Rodriguez (M-F), Jeffrey Salazar (M-F), Jose Velazquez (Weekend), Reception**

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Ascension,

Today we celebrate **Palm Sunday**, the day on which we commemorate Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem to accomplish His Paschal Mystery. Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week.

On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week, mass will be celebrated at 12:00 noon in English and at 7:00 PM in Spanish. The Easter Triduum begins this Thursday evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper. This sacred season spans three days and reaches its high point at the Easter Vigil. During these days, we celebrate the Last Supper, the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus. These events are the culmination of the entire liturgical year.

This Thursday is **Holy Thursday**. On this day, we celebrate the Last Supper, when Jesus instituted the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Holy Orders, and washed the feet of His disciples to give them an example of humble service. Only one Mass is permitted on Holy Thursday: the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper. We will celebrate a Bilingual Mass at 7:30 PM, which will include the Washing of the Feet. After Mass, the church will remain open for private adoration until midnight.

On **Good Friday**, no masses are celebrated. Instead, we commemorate the Passion and Death of Jesus. The liturgy includes readings (with the singing or reading of the Passion), Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion. We will have a celebration in English at 3:00 PM, and a celebration in Spanish at 5:00 PM. After the Spanish liturgy, we will hold a procession through the streets, recalling the Lord's journey to Calvary.

On **Holy Saturday**, mass is not celebrated during the day. The Church keeps vigil, awaiting the Resurrection. That evening we celebrate the **Easter Vigil**, which marks Jesus' triumph over death. This is the proper time for adults to receive the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. The Easter water and the Paschal Candle are also blessed. We will celebrate the Bilingual Easter Vigil at 8:00 PM. Remember, the events of Holy Week are not separate, but one great mystery. I encourage everyone to participate in each of these beautiful and meaningful celebrations.

On **Easter Sunday**, we will offer an additional mass in English. Masses will be celebrated as follows:

- English: 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM
- Spanish: 9:30 AM and 12:30 PM

Please note that there will be no 6:00 PM jazz mass on Easter Sunday.

We are once again asking each wage earner to consider making a monetary Easter gift of \$250–\$500, if you are able. We are deeply grateful for whatever you can give.

Finally, a reminder: Tomorrow, April 14, has been designated **Reconciliation Monday** by the Archdiocese of New York, the Diocese of Brooklyn, and the Diocese of Rockville Centre. **Confessions** will be heard from 3:00 to 7:00 PM.

I pray that this is a holy and grace-filled week for each and every one of you.

**Peace, Fr. Kearney**

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Queridos amigos y feligreses de la Ascensión,

Hoy celebramos el Domingo de Ramos, día en que conmemoramos la entrada triunfal de Cristo en Jerusalén para consumir su Misterio Pascual. El Domingo de Ramos marca el inicio de la Semana Santa.

El lunes, martes y miércoles de esta semana se celebrará la Misa a las 12:00 del mediodía en inglés y a las 7:00 PM en español.

El Triduo Pascual comienza este jueves por la noche con la Misa de la Cena del Señor. Este tiempo sagrado dura tres días y alcanza su punto culminante en la Vigilia Pascual. Durante estos días, celebramos la Última Cena, la Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección de Jesús. Estos eventos son la culminación de todo el año litúrgico.

Este jueves es Jueves Santo. En este día, celebramos la Última Cena, cuando Jesús instituyó los sacramentos de la Eucaristía y el Orden Sacerdotal, y lavó los pies de sus discípulos para darles un ejemplo de servicio humilde. Solo se permite una Misa el Jueves Santo: la Misa Vespertina de la Cena del Señor. Celebraremos una Misa bilingüe a las 19:30 h, que incluirá el Lavatorio de Pies. Después de la Misa, la iglesia permanecerá abierta para la adoración privada hasta la medianoche.

El Viernes Santo no se celebran Misas. En su lugar, conmemoramos la Pasión y Muerte de Jesús. La liturgia incluye lecturas (con canto o lectura de la Pasión), la Veneración de la Cruz y la Sagrada Comunión. Tendremos una celebración en inglés a las 3:00pm y una celebración en español a las 5:00 PM. Después de la liturgia en español, realizaremos una procesión por las calles, recordando el camino del Señor al Calvario.

El Sábado Santo no se celebra Misa durante el día. La Iglesia vela, esperando la Resurrección. Esa noche, celebramos la Vigilia Pascual, que marca el triunfo de Jesús sobre la muerte. Este es el momento propicio para que los adultos reciban los Sacramentos de Iniciación: Bautismo, Eucaristía y Confirmación. También se bendicen el agua de Pascua y el Cirio Pascual. Celebraremos la Vigilia Pascual Bilingüe a las 8:00 PM. Recuerden que los eventos de la Semana Santa no son independientes, sino un solo gran misterio. Animo a todos a participar en cada una de estas hermosas y significativas celebraciones.

El Domingo de Pascua, ofreceremos una Misa adicional en inglés. Las misas se celebrarán de la siguiente manera:

- Inglés: 8:00 AM y 11:00 AM
- Español: 9:30 AM y 12:30 PM

Tengan en cuenta que no habrá Misa de Jazz a las 6:00 PM el Domingo de Pascua.

Nuevamente, les pedimos a todos los que trabajan que consideren hacer una donación monetaria de Pascua de \$250 a \$500, si les es posible. Les agradecemos profundamente cualquier donación. Finalmente, un recordatorio: Mañana, 14 de abril, ha sido designado Lunes de Reconciliación por la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York, la Diócesis de Brooklyn y la Diócesis de Rockville Centre. Se escucharán confesiones de 3:00pm a 7:00 PM.

Ruego que esta sea una semana santa y llena de gracia para todos y cada uno de ustedes.

**Paz, Padre Kearney**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK** *Lecturas de la semana*

**PALM SUNDAY** Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56

**Monday** Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday** Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday** Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25

**Holy Thursday - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor: 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

**Good Friday** Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

**Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil** Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ex 14:15—15:1/Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Rom 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12

**CALENDAR** *Calendario*

✠ **MASS INTENTIONS** *Intenciones de Misas*

**Palm Sunday**

**Saturday 04.12**

4-5pm Confessions (Fr LeBlanc)  
 4:30-6pm Religious Ed setup for Sunday (*Parish center*)  
 5:30pm Bilingual Vigil mass (Fr Kearney)  
 ✠ Acción de gracias a la Virgen de Guadalupe y Paz en el mundo, Julián Molina, Acción de gracias por favores recibidos, Benditas ánimas del purgatorio, Rafael de Peña, Carmen Correa Gonzalo Quirola Córdova, Mercedes Fernández, Nidia Fernández, Antonio Fernández, Fausto Fernández, José Fernández, José Fernández, Guillermo Fernández

**Sunday 04.13**

8am English mass with Cantor (Fr. Hotop)  
 9:15am Ascension Choir rehearsal (*Church/Choir room*)  
 9:30am Misa en español (Fr Kearney)  
 ✠ Benditas ánimas del purgatorio, Acción de gracias a la Virgen de la Altagracia, Elucina Rojas, Ángel Antonio Borges, Carmen Correa, Domingo Reyes, Jeanette Reyes  
 Religious Education classes and Easter egg hunt (*Parish center and Library*)  
 11am English mass with Choir (Fr Kearney)  
 ✠ John Hurley, Harold Gomez, Glemency Gomez, Bobby Scheer, Vince Bruney, Helen Bruney, Daniel Marin  
 12-12:45pm Coffee hour (*Dining room*)  
 12:30pm Misa en español (Fr LeBlanc)  
 ✠ Dina Martínez, Rafael de Peña, Liduvina Martínez Arriandel, Rufino Peña Guzmán, María Quezada  
 6pm English Jazz mass (Fr Florio)  
 ✠ Nadia Diano

**Reconciliation Monday 04.14**

12pm English mass (Fr LeBlanc)  
 ✠ María Patricia Angarita Pulido

3-7pm Confessions (*Church*)  
 7pm Misa en español (Fr Kearney)  
 ✠ Benditas ánimas del purgatorio, Marie Therese Leroy, Erick Matos, Isabel Matos, Rafael de Peña, Carmen Correa

**Tuesday 04.15**

9am Organ tuning (*Church*)  
 12pm English mass (Fr Kearney)  
 5:30pm Altar server practice (*Church*)  
 6:30-10pm Ascension Culinary Institute (*Parish center*)  
 7pm OCIA (*Dining room*)  
 Misa en español (Fr LeBlanc)  
 ✠ Benditas ánimas del purgatorio, Rafael de Peña, Carmen Correa  
 7:45pm Spanish Emaus group (*Church*)

**Wednesday 04.16**

10am-4pm Mammogram (free) van (*Church sidewalk*)  
 12pm English mass (Fr Kearney)  
 5pm Altar server practice (*Church*)  
 6:30pm Men's Group (*Parish center*)  
 7pm Misa en español (Fr LeBlanc)  
 ✠ Benditas ánimas del purgatorio, Rafael de Peña

**Holy Thursday 04.17**

6:30pm Altar server practice (*Church*)  
 7:30pm Bilingual mass with Choir, followed by silent Adoration until midnight  
 ✠ Benditas ánimas del purgatorio

**Good Friday 04.18**

1pm Altar server practice (*Church*)  
 3pm English communion service with sung Passion Gospel and veneration of the cross  
 5pm Spanish communion service followed by procession through the streets

**Holy Saturday 04.19**

10am-12pm Saint Vincent de Paul meal (*Parish center*)  
 12pm Rehearsal for acolytes (*Church*)  
 8pm Bilingual Easter Vigil mass with chamber choir, brass and timpani

**Easter Sunday 04.20**

7:30am Ascension Choir rehearsal (*Church*)  
 8am English mass with full Choir, trumpet and timpani (Fr Hotop)  
 9:30am Misa en español with Spanish choir (Fr Kearney)  
 11am English mass with full Choir, trumpet and timpani (Fr Kearney)

Calendar, cont'd

12-12:45pm Coffee hour  
12:30pm Misa en español with music (Fr LeBlanc)  
(No 6pm English mass is celebrated on Easter Day.)

***All are welcome. / Todos son bienvenidos.***

**Newcomers and visitors:**

Following mass you are encouraged to introduce yourself to the ushers and complete a visitor's card. Interested in receiving Flocknotes/Parish news? Please use the QR code:



**Thank you for your weekly support of Ascension Church.**

Last week's collections:  
\$5,501

**Please consider a gift of any amount through FlockNotes:**



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**HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE**

**12/13 April / Abril:**

**PALM SUNDAY / DOMINGO DE RAMOS**

5:30 p.m. Vigil, 8:00 & 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.  
(English)  
9:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. (Español)

**17 APRIL / ABRIL:**

**HOLY THURSDAY / JUEVES SANTO**

7:30 p.m. The Liturgy of the Lord's Supper,  
Procession and Adoration until Midnight (Bilingual) /  
*La liturgia de la Cena del Señor,*  
*Procesión y Adoración hasta la medianoche*  
(Bilingüe)

**18 APRIL / ABRIL:**

**GOOD FRIDAY / VIERNOS SANTO**

3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Passion of the Lord  
(English)  
5:00 p.m. *Celebración de la Pasión del Señor y*  
*Procesion despues (Español)*

**19 APRIL / ABRIL:**

**HOLY SATURDAY / SABADO SANTO**

8:00 p.m. The Easter Vigil (Bilingual) /  
*La Vigilia Pascual (Bilingüe)*

**20 APRIL / ABRIL:**

**EASTER SUNDAY / DOMINGO DE PASCUA**

8:00 & 11:00 a.m. (English)  
9:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. (Español)

**WANTED: HISTORICAL PICTURES/STORIES/MEMORIES  
SE BUSCAN: FOTOS HISTÓRICAS/HISTORIAS/MEMORIAS**

We are putting together a 130th Anniversary booklet and want you to share your memories of Ascension Parish! Please submit stories and materials to Parish Council member Robin Klueber at [rklueber@ascensionchurchnyc.org](mailto:rklueber@ascensionchurchnyc.org). Let her know if you'd like to work on this memoir. We are looking for any historical documents, bulletins, leaflets and photographs of former clergy, Religious Education classes, choir, weddings, celebrations, etc.

*Estamos preparando un folleto del 130 aniversario y queremos que compartas tus recuerdos. Por favor envíe historias y materiales a Robin en [rklueber@ascensionchurchnyc.org](mailto:rklueber@ascensionchurchnyc.org). ¡Hazme saber si te gustaría trabajar en esta memoria con nosotros! Estamos buscando cualquier documento histórico y fotografías de antiguos clérigos, clases de Educación Religiosa, coro, bodas, etc.*

**"EVENINGS OF HOPE"**

A Four-Part Speaker Series inspired by this Jubilee Year:  
Pilgrims of Hope

**Erin Lothes, PhD**

**Thursday, April 24th at 7:30 pm**

**"CO-CREATING THE EARTH WE WANT TO LOVE"**

**THREE @ THREE (O'CLOCK)**

**A SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT SERIES**

**May 4th: "Song!"**

Vocal solos from Opera, Jazz and Musicals  
featuring soloists of the choir  
with Preston Smith, piano

*and*

**May 18th**

**"Through the Church Year"  
with**

**The Choir of Ascension Church**  
Anthems from Advent to Corpus Christi