



**East River Catholics**  
**St. John Nepomucene**  
**St. John the Martyr**  
**St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**  
**Slovenský Kostol Sv. Jána Nepomuckého**

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**St. John Nepomucene Church**

First Avenue at 66th Street

**Saturday Vigil:** 5:00 pm  
**Sunday Mass:** 9:00 am, 10:15am (Slovak),  
12:00 pm (choral), 6:00 pm  
**Daily Mass:** 12:15 pm

**DEVOTIONS** - Following Daily Mass at 12:15 pm

Monday - Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday - Anointing of the Sick

Wednesday - Adoration - Benediction

Thursday - St. Peregrine Novena for the ill members of  
our Parish and those in the surrounding hospitals

Friday - Stations of the Cross

**CONFESSION**

Wednesday & Friday 12:00 pm

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 11:15 am (Slovak), 5:30 pm

Or by appointment

**St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Church**

504 Main Street, Roosevelt Island

**Sunday Mass:** 8:30 am,  
10:30 am (choral)

**Daily Mass (Tuesday-Friday)** 9:00 am

**DEVOTIONS** - Following Daily Mass at 9:00 am

Wednesday - Miraculous Medal Novena

Thursday - St. Peregrine Novena for the ill members of  
our Parish and those in the surrounding hospitals

**CONFESSION**

Tuesday-Friday 8:30 am

Or by appointment

**Parish Office**

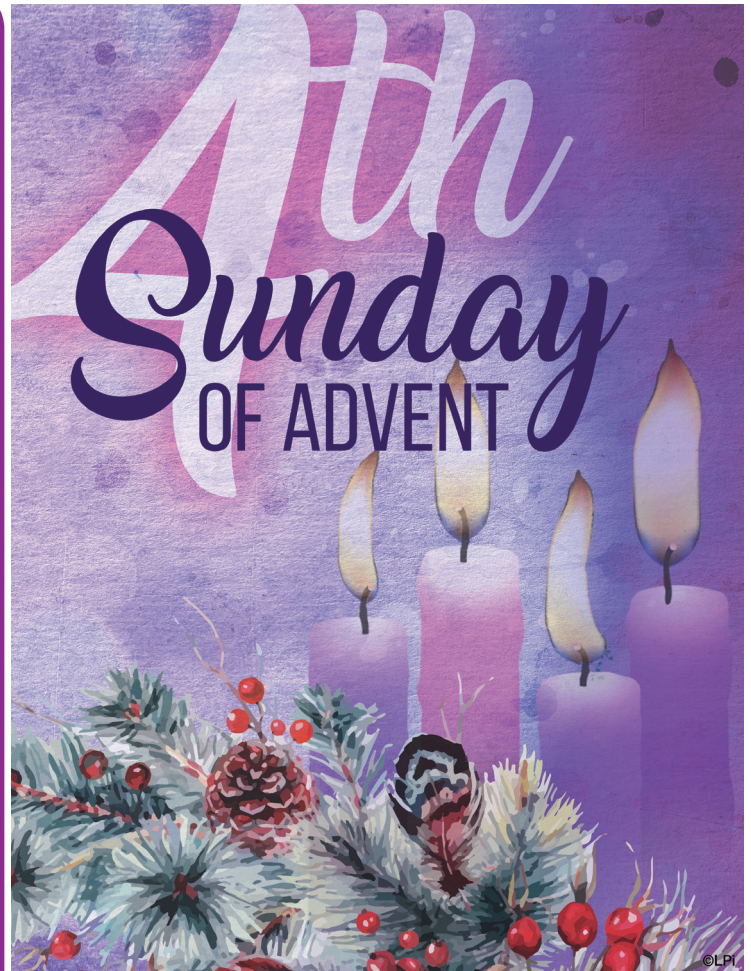
411 East 66th Street, NY, NY 10065

Phone: 212 - 734 - 4613

Monday-Thursday 9 am - 5 pm

Friday 9 am - 3 pm

Slovak-speaking secretary is in the office on Mondays from 9 am to  
3 pm.



**Baptisms and Marriage**

Baptism - by appointment.

Marriage - arrangements six months before  
wedding.

Please contact Pastor Richard Baker at  
[pastor@eastrivercatholics.org](mailto:pastor@eastrivercatholics.org)

**December 23, 2018 - Fourth Sunday of Advent**

## WEEKLY INTENTIONS

**Sunday, December 23**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT ŠTVRTÁ ADVENTNÁ NEDEĽA**

8:30 am St. Frances - **Franziska Sorger** † rb Guenther Gross  
 9:00 am St. John - **Percy Gabriel De Castro** † rb Sandra Cunha  
 10:15 am St. John - **Margita Bodova** † rb Jozef & Family  
**Responzóriový žalm: Bože, obnov nás, rozjasni svoju tvár a budeme spasení.**  
 10:30 am St. Frances - **Sabino Sierra** † rb Family  
 12:00 pm St. John - **Felisa Kintanar** † rb Rick Kintanar & Family  
 6:00 pm St. John - **Kevin E. Herron** † rb Chrys Baker

**Monday, December 24**

12:15 pm St. John - **Julia Rotondo** † rb Susan & Bill McGuire  
 5:00 pm St. Frances - **Vigil Mass For Families**  
 5:00 pm St. John - **Vigil Mass**  
 10:00 pm St. Frances - **Vigil Mass**  
 10:00 pm St. John (Slovak) - **For Parishioners Poločná**  
 11:30 pm St. John - **Prelude & Carols**  
 12:00 am St. John - **Midnight Mass For Parishioners**

**Tuesday, December 25**

**NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

9:00 am St. John - **At discretion of the Celebrant**  
 10:00 am St. Frances - **For Parishioners**  
 10:00 am St. John (Slovak) - **For Parishioners**  
 12:00 pm St. John - **For Parishioners**

**Wednesday, December 26**

**ST. STEPHEN, FIRST MARTYR**

9:00 am St. Frances - **For Parishioners**  
 12:15 pm St. John - **All Souls - Thanksgiving** † rb Angela Gomez

**Thursday, December 27 ST. JOHN, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST**

9:00 am St. Frances - **At discretion of the Celebrant**  
 12:15 pm St. Johns - **At discretion of the Celebrant**

**Friday, December 28**

**HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS**

9:00 am St. Frances - **At discretion of the Celebrant**  
 12:15 pm St. John - **Michael O'Donnell** † rb Marina O'Donnell

**Saturday, December 29**

12:15 pm St. John - **At discretion of the Celebrant**  
 5:00 pm St. John - **Imrich & Helena Hlbocky** †† rb Kostial Family

**Sunday, December 30**

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH  
 SVÄTEJ RODINY JEŽIŠA, MÁRIE A JOZEFA**

8:30 am St. Frances - **At discretion of the Celebrant**  
 9:00 am St. John - **At discretion of the Celebrant**  
 10:15 am St. John - **Margita & Imrich Baňackí** †† rb Eva Mikulášová  
 10:30 am St. Frances - **At discretion of the Celebrant**  
 12:00 pm St. John - **Jean** † rb Nicole Mimun  
 6:00 pm St. John - **For Parishioners**

## DAILY READINGS

For a list of readings for the week, go to **usccb.org** and click on the calendar on the left.

## COLLECTIONS

Due to early deadlines for bulletin printing, we are unable to report the collections for December 16th. These numbers will be reported in the December 30th bulletin.  
 Immaculate Conception December 8 \$331

## MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

Thank you to the many instrumentalists and vocalists who have been part of our Advent and Christmas celebrations. The choirs of St. John and St. Frances have given so much time and talent in the past months preparing for all of the liturgies with music. Special thanks to Angelica Women's Chamber Choir, Austin Philemon (Children's Choir Director and Assistant Organist), Maria Rehtorikova and Peter Pindjak (Organists for Slovak Sunday and live streamed liturgies), Gramercy Brass Orchestra of New York, and Mark Pacoe (Director of Music and Organist, Director of Media Outreach).

## HOMEBOUND

Parishioners who are homebound and cannot come to church can receive the sacraments during the Christmas season. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.



## PARKING FOR PARISHIONERS

**Discounted parking at the Garage Management Company Parking Garage at 337 East 64th Street between 1st and 2nd Avenues** is available for parishioners on Sundays from 10am to 3pm. Have your parking ticket stamped by a church representative in the hall at coffee hour following the 10:15am Mass and pay \$3 at that time. When picking up your car present the ticket to the attendant.  
**Church Parking Lot** - anyone who parks here during the Mass must leave a **mobile number on a slip of paper visible in the front window** so they may be contacted if they are blocking another vehicle.

## PARISH PROTOCOL FOR EVENTS & GATHERINGS

All Parish and fraternal organizations must call the Parish Office at 212-734-4613 or email parishfin@eastriver-catholics.org to schedule any events in the St. John's parish hall, gym or rectory; or St Frances parish hall. Organizers of regular gatherings must submit schedules every 6 months (in August for September through February and in February for March through August). All gatherings are subject to change according to parish and school needs.

## ANOIDING OF THE SICK

**ST. JOHN** Every Tuesday after 12:15 Mass  
 2nd Sunday after 10:15 & 12:00 Masses

**ST. FRANCES** 2nd Sunday after 10:30 Mass

## PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SICK AND DECEASED

Names remain on our Prayer List for the sick for three months and for the deceased for one year.

OUR SICK	OUR DECEASED		FORMER PASTORS
Peter Matkovich	Nicholas Babiak Charles Harnett Norann Mulderig Elizabeth Weil Božena Nováková Walter Grand Feliza Kintanar	Sabino Sierra Joan Hannigan Monika Katkovčinová Shirley Gomez Mária Škorubová Alfred Dumais Margita Michalíková	Msgr. Stephan Krasula Msgr. Stephen Hudacek Fr. Robert Tomlian Fr. Martin Svitian Msgr. Lawrence Connaughton Fr. Joseph Gorman





## Baker's Bits

1. Thank you to all who prepared the Vigil supper last Sunday. Thank you to those who decorated the hall, cooked and served the food and to all those who helped to make this such a wonderful afternoon.

2. Thank you to the children from St. Frances and Lisa Calabrese for putting on a wonderful Christmas Pageant on Wednesday evening.

3. A Blessed and Holy Christmas to all. If you are travelling to friends or family in the coming days, we wish you a safe journey.

4. Our Christmas Mass schedule has a time that will fit everyone's busy schedule! Our Vigil Masses on December 24th at St. John are at 5pm, 10pm in Slovak and a Midnight Mass with a prelude and carols beginning at 11:30pm. St. Frances Vigil Masses include a 5pm Family Mass & 10pm. Christmas Day Mass at St. Frances will be at 10am. Christmas Day Masses at St. John will be at 9am, 10am in Slovak and at noon. We look forward to celebrating the birth of our Lord with you.

### CHRIST IS BORN! GLORIFY HIM!

#### VESELÉ VIANOCE

#### CHRISTÓS RAŽDAJETSJA! SLAVITE JEHO!

A Blessed Christmas, Veselé Vianoce to you all. If you are attending Mass for the first time at St. John's on First Ave or in St. Frances on Roosevelt Island, you are most welcomed and it is a joy that you have come to celebrate the 4th Sunday of Advent and The Holy Day of the Nativity of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ with us. A Blessed and Holy Christmas to all.

 **STEWARDSHIP**   
What shall I render unto the Lord  
for all his benefits to me?

Stewardship is an important part of keeping our Parish strong. Your increased donation is an investment in the future of our Parish and we have multiple ways to give to make it as easy as possible. Please consider what you can do to help.

### NEW ENVELOPE PROGRAM

Beginning in January, we will move to an annual envelope program. This means that you will receive all your envelopes for the year in a single box. The boxes will be available for pick up after Masses at the back of St. John's & St. Frances.

  
**FAITH DIRECT**  
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NY782 for St. Frances X. Cabrini

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### CHRISTMAS WAFERS (OBLÁTKY)

Christmas wafers will be available on Sundays after the 10:15 Mass or at the Parish Office during normal office hours. Cost is \$5 for 4 wafers.

**COMING SOON...** 

## HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

### CHRISTMAS EVE - DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>

**ST. JOHN** 5:00 pm  
10:00 pm Slovak  
11:30 pm Prelude and Carols  
Midnight Mass

**ST. FRANCES** 5:00 pm Family Mass  
10:00 pm

### CHRISTMAS DAY - DECEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>

**ST. JOHN** 9:00 am  
10:00 am Slovak  
12:00 pm Choir & Brass

**ST. FRANCES** 10:00 am

### SOLEMNITY OF MARY - JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>

**ST. JOHN** 5:00 pm (Vigil - December 31st)  
10:30 am Slovak  
12:15 pm  
6:00 pm

**ST. FRANCES** 5:00 pm (Vigil - December 31st)  
12:00 pm  
6:00 pm

### MARCH FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE - JANUARY 18, 2019

If you would like to be a part of the March for Life in Washington D.C., a bus is available leaving from Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 457 W 51st St (between 9th & 10th Ave) at 5am. Cost for the trip is \$55. If you would like to attend or have more questions, please contact Sr. Pia Jude by email at [sr.pia.jude@archny.org](mailto:sr.pia.jude@archny.org) or by phone at 646-476-0931. *Space is limited.*

Cardinal Timothy Dolan will celebrate Mass in Washington DC on January 18, 2019 at 10:30 am for New York pilgrims heading to the March for Life. The Mass will be held at St. Patrick's Church at 619 10th St NW in Washington, D.C., which is close to both the Rally and the start of the March so that we can pray and walk together representing the Archdiocese. Tickets are not needed for the Mass.

### ST. MATTHEW THE EVANGELIST SOCIETY, NO. 45

will hold its meeting on Sunday, January 20th 2019 at 12 noon after the Slovak Mass in the Rectory of the St. John Nepomucene Church. All members are welcome.

### NOT REGISTERED YET?

Are you new to the area? Have you been visiting us for a while and haven't registered with the parish yet? By adding your name to the parish register, you can stay more informed about parish activities and show support to your community. You can visit our website ([eastrivercatholics.org](http://eastrivercatholics.org)), by phone (212-734-4613) or fill out the registration slip below and give it to one of the priests or drop it in the collection basket. We welcome you to our parish family.

☐ New Registrant

☐ Updating Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact the rectory for volunteer opportunities!



## Z Pera Otca Baker

1. Ďakujem všetkým, ktorí minulú nedeľu pripravili Štedrú večer. Ďakujem tým, ktorí vyzdobili halu, pripravili a podávali jedlo a všetkým ktorí prispeli k tomu, že sme mali také krásne popoludnie.

2. Ak v najbližších dňoch cestujete navštíviť priateľov alebo rodinu, prajem vám bezpečnú cestu.

3. Sväté omše počas vianočných sviatkov budú tak, aby zapadli do vášho rušného programu! Naše vigílné omše 24. decembra budú nasledovne, v Kostole sv. Jána o 5:00 pm, 10:00 pm slovenská a polnočná omša s prelúdiom a koledami začne o 11:30 pm. V Kostole sv. Františky vigilná sv. omša pre rodiny o 5pm a o 10pm. Na Božie narodenie u Sv. Františky bude omša o 10:00am. Na Božie narodenie budú v Kostole sv. Jána sv. omše o 9:00am, o 10:00 am slovenská a o 12:00 pm. Tešíme sa, že spoločne oslávim narodenie nášho Pána.

### VESELÉ VIANOCE

#### KRISTUS SA NARODIL! OSLAVUJTE HO! CHRISTOS RAZDAJETSJA! SLAVITE JEHO!

Požehnané a veselé Vianoce vám všetkým. Ak ste prvýkrát prišli na sv. omšu do kostola Sv. Jána na First Ave alebo do kostola Sv. Fratišky na Roosevelt Island, ste veľmi vítaní a tešíme sa, že ste prišli s nami osláviť 4. adventnú nedeľu a sviatok Narodenia nášho Pána a Spasiteľa Ježiša Krista. Želám vám požehnané a milostiplné Vianoce.

**ČLENSKÁ SCHÔDZA SPOLKU SV. MATÚŠA IKSJ** bude v nedeľu, 20. januára 2019 o 12:00 popoludní na fare kostola sv. Jána Nepomuckého. Na programe bude prejednávanie činnosti na najbližšie obdobie. Všetci členovia sú vítaní.

#### ROZPIŠ SV. OMŠÍ POČAS SVIATKOV ŠTEDRÝ VEČER – 24. DECEMBER

SV. JÁN 5:00 pm vigilná  
10:00 pm Polnočná omša - slovenská  
11:30 pm prelúdie a koledy  
12:00 am Polnočná

SV. FRANTIŠKA CABRINI  
5:00 pm - sv. omša pre rodiny & 10:00 pm

#### VIANOČNÝ DEŇ 25. DECEMBER – NARODENIE PÁNA

SV. JÁN 9:00 am  
10:00 am - slovenská  
12:00 pm (Zbor a orchester)

SV. FRANTIŠKA CABRINI  
10:00 am

#### SLÁVNOSŤ PANNY MÁRIE BOHORODIČKY - 1. JANUÁR

SV. JÁN 5:00 pm vigilná - 31. december  
10:30 am slovenská, 12:15pm, 6:00 pm  
SV. FRANTIŠKA CABRINI 5:00 PM vigilná – 31. december  
12:00 pm a 6:00 pm

#### NOVINKY Z PASTORÁLNEJ HUDBY

Ďakujem všetkým spevákom a instrumentalistom, ktorí boli súčasťou našich osláv Adventu a Vianoc. Zbory pri kostoloch sv. Jána a sv. Františky v posledných mesiacoch venovali veľa času a talenty na prípravu našich liturgických slávností. Osobitné poďakovanie patrí umelcom, ktorí boli súčasťou našej koncertnej série a liturgii: Angelica Women's Chamber Choir, Austin Philemon (Asistent vedúceho hudby), Mária Rechteriková a Peter Pindjak (organisti počas slovenských bohoslužieb a živého nedelňého vysielania sv. omši), Gramercy Brass Orchestra v New Yorku a Mark Pacoe (Vedúci hudby a organista, Vedúci Media Outreach).

#### OBÁLKY NA TÝŽDENNÉ ZBIERKY

Od januára sa mení spôsob, ako budete dostávať obálky na týždenné a mimoriadne zbierky. Obálky na celý rok dostanete v jednej krabičke, ktorú si môžete vyzdvihnúť vďaka v kostole v nedeľu po sv. omši alebo na farskom úrade počas pracovných hodín.

#### NÁVŠTEVA CHORÝCH

Ak máte doma alebo v starobinci chorých príbuzných a chcete, aby sme ich navštívili pri príležitosti vianočných sviatkov a príchodu nášho Pána, nahláste ich mená telefonicky alebo osobne na farskom úrade.

#### FAITH DIRECT

Svoje milodary na kostol môžete tiež darovať prostredníctvom elektronickej služby Faith Direct. Darovať milodar cez túto službu je veľmi jednoduché. Môžete dať toľko, koľko chcete a ako často chcete - dokonca zahraniť aj naše druhé zbierky. Svoje milodary môžete dávať cez kreditnú alebo debitnú kartu a na konci roka potom dostanete list, ktorý môžete použiť na daňové priznanie. Ďalšie informácie nájdete na adrese faithdirect.net. Keď sa rozhodnete využiť túto službu, stačí kliknúť na tlačidlo "Give Now" a zadať: NY781 pre svätého Jána Nepomuckého alebo NY782 pre sv. Františku X. Cabrini

**Pozor - prihlásenie sa na Faith Direct vás neprihlási za člena našej farnosti.**

**VIANOČNÉ OBLÁTKY** si môžete kúpiť v nedeľu po slovenskej sv. omši alebo cez týždeň na fare. Cena je \$5.00 za 4 obálky.

**PREDVIANOČNÁ SPOVEĎ** bude dnes, v nedeľu 23. decembra po slovenskej sv. omši. Budú spovedať viacerí slovenskí kňazi, dokiaľ bude treba, aby sa každý mohol vyspovedať.

#### PŮŤ POCHOD ZA ŽIVOT 18. JANUÁRA 2019

Ak by ste sa chceli zúčastniť Pochodu za život vo Washingtone D.C., bude k dispozícii autobus, ktorý odchádza od kostola Najsvätejšieho srdca Ježišovo (Sacred Heart of Jesus) na 457 W 51St (medzi 9 a 10 Ave) 18. januára 2019 o 5 ráno. Cena je \$55 za osobu. Ak sa chcete zúčastniť alebo máte ďalšie otázky, kontaktujte Sr. Piu Jude e-mailom na adrese sr.pia.jude@archny.org alebo telefonicky na čísle 646-476-0931. Počet miest je obmedzený.

Kardinal Timothy Dolan bude celebrovať sv. omšu vo Washingtone 18. januára 2019 o 10:30 am pre pútnikov z New Yorku, ktorí sa zúčastnia Pochodu pre život. Sv. omša bude v kostole sv. Patrika na adrese 619 10 St. NW vo Washingtone, D.C., je to blízko demonštrácie a začiatku pochodu, aby sme sa mohli modliť a spolu pochodovať za arcidiecézu. Na sv. omšu netreba lístky.

**ZĽAVNENÉ PARKOVANIE PRE FARNÍKOV** je pre vás vybavené v nedeľu od 10am do 3pm v Garage Management Company Parking Garage na 64. ulici, medzi 2. a 1. Avenue (337 East 64th Street, tel. 212-879-9796). Parkovací lístok, ktorý vám dajú v garáži, si dajte opečiatkovať po sv. omši v dolnej hale (kde máme kávu) a zaplaťte \$3. V garáži už platiť nebudete, len dajte zamestnancovi opečiatkovaný lístok, a farnosť potom uhradí poplatok priamo garáži.

#### PARKOVANIE NA PARKOVISKU VEDĽA KOSTOLA

Každý, kto parkuje počas sv. omše na parkovisku vedľa kostola, nech nechá na papieriku za predným sklom auta svoje telefónne číslo na mobil, aby sa mu mohli dovolať tí, ktorí budú potrebovať skôr odísť

#### PRÍPRAVA DETÍ NA PRVÉ SVÄTÉ PRIJÍMANIE

V januári 2019 začne príprava detí na prvé sväté prijímanie. Prosíme rodičov, aby na túto prípravu prihlásili svoje deti (tie, ktoré budú mať tohto roku 9 a viac rokov) u o. Martina e-mailom na adrese fr.martin@easttrivernicatholics.org, na farskom úrade (stačí aj telefonicky) alebo osobne v sakristii.

#### MODLITEBNÝ ZOZNAM CHORÝCH A ZOSNULÝCH

Mená zostávajú na našom modlitebnom zozname chorých tri mesiace a na zozname zosnulých jeden rok.

#### SV. OMŠE ZAMERANÉ NA DETI

Najbližšia detská sv. omša bude 6. januára, na sviatok Zjavenia Pána - Troch kráľov. Pozývame všetky deti aj rodičov.

#### PARKOVANIE KEĎ IDETE K LEKÁROVI

Farníci, ktorí cez týždeň potrebujú navštíviť lekára v blízkom okolí kostola, môžu zaparkovať na malom parkovisku pri kostole. Ak chcete využiť túto možnosť, musíte sa prihlásiť v kancelárii farského úradu, kde dostanete parkovaciu kartu, ktorú treba nechať za predným sklom auta.



**The United Parish of  
St. John Nepomucene  
St. John the Martyr  
St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Church Hours: Tuesday through Friday 9am-10am

Mass Intentions:

8:30am Franziska Sorger † rb Guenther Gross  
10:30am Sabino Sierra † rb family



If you are interested in offering a Mass for someone, please call the Parish Office during regular hours at 212-732-4613 or stop by in person at 411 East 66th Street - near First Avenue.

**THANK YOU!**

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**✠ STEWARDSHIP ✠**

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

Thank you, parents & children, for your dedication to the program! Please refer to your schedules for classes which are held approximately three weekends a month on Sundays from 9:30-10:30am in the church classroom.

For more information or questions, please contact Lisa Calabrese at [parishfin@eastrivercatholics.org](mailto:parishfin@eastrivercatholics.org) or Austin Philemon at [philemon@eastrivercatholics.org](mailto:philemon@eastrivercatholics.org).

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY**

We are building our Ministry of Hospitality (formerly our Ushers and Greeters). Please contact Judy Quintana at [quintanaj25@gmail.com](mailto:quintanaj25@gmail.com) if you would like to join in this ministry.



**MUSIC MISINTRY**

The adult choir has weekly rehearsals on Thursday from 6:30-8pm and sings at the 10:30am Mass on Sunday. Please contact Mark Pacoe at [pacoe@eastrivercatholics.org](mailto:pacoe@eastrivercatholics.org) if you would like to join.



**COFFEE HOUR**

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Church Hall following both the 8:30am & 10:30am Masses on select Sundays. Sign up with Guenther Gross at [guenthergross1@gmail.com](mailto:guenthergross1@gmail.com) if you would like to volunteer to help.

**ALTAR SERVERS**

If your child would like to become an altar server, please contact Guenther Gross via email at [guenthergross1@gmail.com](mailto:guenthergross1@gmail.com). We especially need servers for our 10:30am Sunday Mass.



**ST. ANNE'S CIRCLE FOR CHRISTIAN SERVICE**

St. Anne's Circle is a parish group based on Roosevelt Island. It has been formed to assist our clergy with our community outreach to the sick and those in need of prayer. Participants pray the rosary for our priests and for our parish, assist Fr. Ronelo with small tasks for our home bound and in-hospital parishioners, and support the sacristans to make our church setting welcoming and clean. Please see Regina Robinson or Judy Quintana following either the 8:30am or 10:30am Mass on Sunday.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL**

The Pastoral Council's purpose is to serve as an advisory board to the pastor to help develop liturgical and social ministries, as well as stewardship and fundraising for our growing community. Its focus is on the revitalization and reorganization of the Ministry of Hospitality (formerly Ushers/Greeters), lector training and development, outreach to the seemingly transient resident population of Roosevelt Island, and cultural and musical outreach events at St. Frances. Within the past three years we've had much progress in pastoral and professional leadership and the groundbreaking and "autonomous" use of our new facilities. Please continue to pray for those serving on the Pastoral Council. There are positive developments all around us. Please continue to stay involved in parish life by engaging in all of our media resources as well as participating in all of our liturgical and non-liturgical events and celebrations. Our next Pastoral Council meeting will take place on January 8, 2019.