

**Sunday Masses**  
7:30, 9:00 and 10:30am  
12 Noon and 5:30pm  
*Saturday Vigil at 5:30pm*

**Monday thru Friday Masses**  
7:00 and 8:15am  
12:10 and 5:30pm  
**Saturday Masses**  
8:15am and 12:10pm

**Sacrament of Penance**  
*Monday thru Friday:*  
11:30am to 12 Noon  
5:00 to 5:25pm  
*Saturday:*  
11:30am to 12 Noon  
4:30 to 5:25pm

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
*Every Friday*  
8:45am to Noon  
12:45 to 5:00pm  
*Benediction: 5:00pm*

**Baptisms and Marriages**  
By appointment


**Visitation of the Sick**  
Upon request

**Miraculous Medal Novena**  
*Monday:*  
Following the 12:10 and 5:30pm  
Masses

**Rosary**  
*Monday and Wednesday:*  
Following the 5:30pm Mass

**Parish House Office Hours**  
*Monday thru Friday:*  
9:00am to 12 Noon  
1:00pm to 5:00pm

**Music Director**  
*Kathleen Martin*  
Choir Rehearsal:  
Tuesday at 7:00pm (*September thru June*)

**Wheelchair Accessible**  
Entrance on 1011 First Avenue 

June 23, 2019

# *Saint John* *the Evangelist -* *Our Lady of Peace* *Catholic Church*

*On the Corner of East 55th Street and First Avenue*

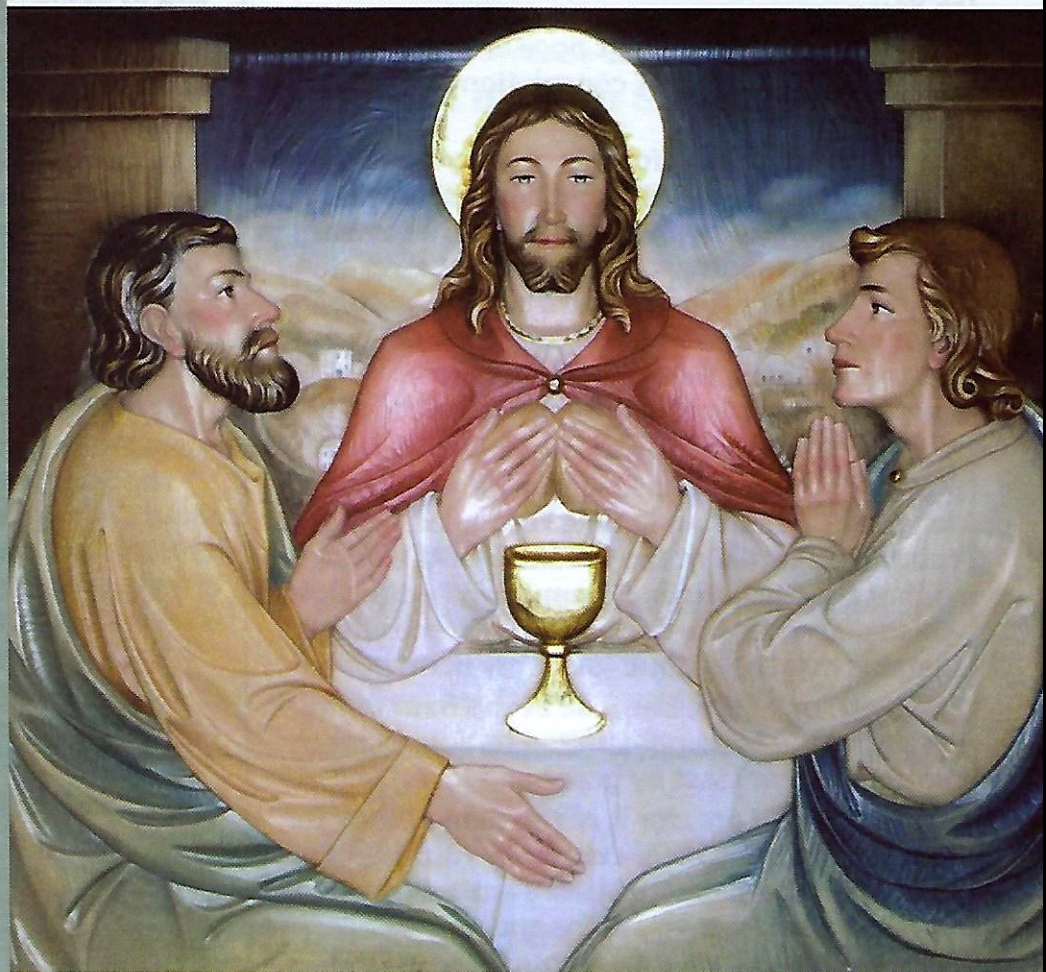
**Reverend Monsignor Douglas J. Mathers, JD, JCD, Pastor**

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*The Supper at Emmaus Sculpture*

NEW PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS WELCOME



## Prayer after Holy Communion

Stay with me, Lord, for it is necessary to have You present so that I do not forget You. You know how easily I abandon You.

Stay with me, Lord, because I am weak and I need Your strength, that I may not fall so often.

Stay with me, Lord, for You are my life, and without You, I am without fervor.

Stay with me, Lord, for You are my light, and without You, I am in darkness.

Stay with me, Lord, to show me Your will.

Stay with me, Lord, so that I hear Your voice and follow You.

Stay with me, Lord, for I desire to love You very much, and always be in Your company.

Stay with me, Lord, if You wish me to be faithful to You.

Stay with me, Lord, for as poor as my soul is, I want it to be a place of consolation for You, a nest of love.

Stay with me, Jesus, for it is getting late and the day is coming to a close, and life passes; death, judgment, eternity approaches. It is necessary to renew my strength, so that I will not stop along the way and for that, I need You. It is getting late and death approaches, I fear the darkness, the temptations, the dryness, the cross, the sorrows. O how I need You, my Jesus, in this night of exile!

Stay with me tonight, Jesus, in life with all its dangers. I need You. Let me recognize You as Your disciples did at the breaking of the bread, so that the Eucharistic Communion be the Light which disperses the darkness, the force which sustains me, the unique joy of my heart.

Stay with me, Lord, because at the hour of my death, I want to remain united to You, if not by communion, at least by grace and love.

Stay with me, Lord, for it is You alone I look for, Your Love, Your Grace, Your Will, Your Heart, Your Spirit, because I love You and ask no other reward but to love You more and more.

With a firm love, I will love You with all my heart while on earth and continue to love You perfectly during all eternity. Amen

—St. Padre Pio



## The Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp near our Tabernacle burns this week

## IN THANKSGIVING

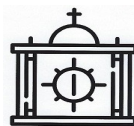
### Welcome & Blessings To Father Benjamin



At the end of June, we welcome Father Benjamin Doh Gawa who will share his Priestly Ministry with our Parish Family during the months of July and August.

Father is a priest of the Diocese of Ho in the Volta Region of Ghana. Many will remember that Father ministered to us during the summer months while he completed a Licentiate Degree in Sacred Liturgy at the Pontifical University of San Anselmo in Rome. Father Benjamin is currently the Director of Liturgy for his Diocese and also serves as Master of Ceremonies for his Bishop. In addition, Father is Pastor of St Francis of Assisi Parish.

We are grateful for the way Father generously shares the gift of his Priesthood with us. Our Parish Family warmly welcomes him and asks God to bless his ministry to us this summer.



## Eucharistic Adoration & The Sunday Liturgy

The Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy is the high point of our Catholic week. Eucharistic Adoration leads into and flows out from Sunday Mass, helping you to unite every moment of your daily life into one great act of worship.

*"Even after the celebration of the Divine mysteries, the Lord Jesus remains living in the Tabernacle, because of this He is praised, especially by Eucharistic Adoration."*

*"There is an intrinsic connection between Celebration and Adoration. The Holy Mass, in fact, is itself the Church's greatest act of Adoration. Adoration outside of Holy Mass prolongs and intensifies what happened in the Liturgical Celebration and renders a true and profound reception of Christ in the Eucharist possible."*

—Pope Benedict XVI



## **The Promises of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

**The Church dedicates the month of June to the special honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. While this devotion has long been part of Church practice, it received a new and richer meaning through private revelations made to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque.**

**St. Margaret Mary Alacoque was a member of a religious community called the Sisters of the Visitation. Since the Visitation Sisters are a cloistered community, this holy woman had the great joy of spending countless hours in prayer and devotion before Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. During her prayer before the Tabernacle at the Visitation Convent in Paray-le-Monial, France, she began to experience visions of Jesus. A series of these visions began on December 27, 1673, and lasted for approximately eighteen months. Through these visions, Jesus made known to her His great desire to have her spread devotion to His Sacred Heart throughout the universal Church. Pope Clement XIII approved this devotion to the Sacred Heart in 1765. Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque was canonized a Saint in 1920.**

**During her private revelations, the Lord made twelve promises to St. Margaret Mary about graces and blessings those who had devotion to His Most Sacred Heart would receive. Those promises are:**

- 1. I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.**
- 2. I will establish peace in their families.**
- 3. I will console them in all their difficulties.**
- 4. I will be their secure refuge during life, and especially at the hour of death.**
- 5. I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.**
- 6. Sinners shall find in My Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.**
- 7. Tepid souls shall grow fervent.**
- 8. Fervent souls shall quickly grow to high perfection.**
- 9. I will bless every place in which a picture of My Heart shall be exposed and honored.**
- 10. I will give to Priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.**
- 11. Those who promote this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart, never to be blotted out.**
- 12. I promise in the excessive mercy of My Heart that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on First Friday in nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die in My displeasure nor without receiving the Sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.**

# dear Padre

***What's the significance of the Holy Spirit?  
Why wasn't the Spirit more present to  
Jesus during His life?***

Confused? You're not alone. To many, the Holy Spirit is the least-understood member of the Blessed Trinity, but many insights about the Spirit can be gleaned from Scripture.

For example, the Old Testament, contains many references to the Spirit. The "Spirit of God" is alternately seen as a Divine Force in the world, or as God Himself acting upon the earth or individual lives. In Genesis, this force is active at the creation. History, too, is affected by the Spirit, or "presence" of the Lord (Exodus 33:14-17). The Spirit is imparted to patriarchs, prophets, kings, and individuals who will shape history for the covenant people: Abraham, Joseph, Moses, Gideon, David, Ruth.

The Spirit is also evident in the New Testament. The Spirit "overshadows" the Virgin Mary (St. Luke 1:35) and inspires the prophecy of John the Baptist (St. John 1:26). The Spirit is an integral part of Jesus' mission, beginning with His Baptism in the Jordan (St. Matthew 3:13-17; St. Mark 1:9-11; St. Luke 3:21-22). By the Spirit's power, Jesus expels demons and heals the sick (St. Matthew 12:28; St. Luke 11:20). The Spirit is resurrected Jesus' gift to the Apostles (St. John 20:22). Jesus' mission is complete when He sends the Spirit to the Church at Pentecost (Acts 1:8; 2:1-4).

This brief review doesn't mean the mystery of the Holy Spirit can be easily solved. God can't be fully explained, even by Scripture. Mystery invites trust, not comprehension! It's only when you give yourselves entirely to the Spirit's power in your life that you begin to understand the significance of the Holy Spirit with and in you.

—Fr. Samuel Maranto, CSSR



## Mass Intentions

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2019**

5:30pm Father's Day Novena (Vigil for Sunday Mass)

### **MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST**

### **SUNDAY—CORPUS CHRISTI**

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2019**

7:30am For Our Parishioners

9:00am Intentions of Grace Robert

10:30am +Carole Thomas

12:00pm Father's Day Novena

**Eucharistic Procession Around the Block**

5:30pm Intentions of the Everts Family

**The Solemnity of The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**

### **MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2019**

7:00am +Elena & Frances Baldeon

8:15am Father's Day Novena

12:10pm Intentions of John Jove, Birthday

5:30pm +Angelina Farfone

### **TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2019 12th Week in Ordinary Time**

7:00am +Marie Louise Andrei

8:15am +Nicholas M. Turner

12:10pm Intentions of Miriam R. Salas

5:30pm +Christine Scanlon

### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2019**

7:00am +Gail R. Schipski

8:15am Intentions Carmen M. Desueza

12:10pm +Frank DiBennardo

5:30pm +Marie Dolores Jove

### **THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2019 ST. CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA**

7:00am +Ethel Talabovich

8:15am +Chip Giglio

12:10pm +Mauricio Restrepo

5:30pm In Thanksgiving

### **FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2019 Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

7:00am +Marie Louise Andrei

8:15am +Lucille Choquette

12:10pm In Honor of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

5:30pm +Adele Celeste

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2019 St. Peter & St. Paul**

8:15am +Msgr. Charles Roselli

12:10pm +Francis Steven Valdivia

5:30pm +Joseph De Angelo (Vigil for Sunday Mass)

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

**2019 MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY \$4,987**

**2018 MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY \$6,399**

*THANK YOU! WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THOSE WHO USE OUR  
ENVELOPE SYSTEM. LET US KNOW IF YOU WISH TO RECEIVE  
OFFERING ENVELOPES THROUGH THE MAIL.*

## Prayer Requests

**FOR OUR SICK: SABRINA BERTUCCI, MARY GOLDSTEIN,**

**FOR OUR DECEASED: ELIZABETH EDDY, ZALDY ISIDORO,  
CAROLE THOMAS, VIRGINIA TRIPODO**

Please call the Parish House to have a Parishioner's name placed on this list. Check to see if someone who is ill consents to having their name published. We only publish the names of recently deceased.