

September 15, 2019

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

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

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## 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

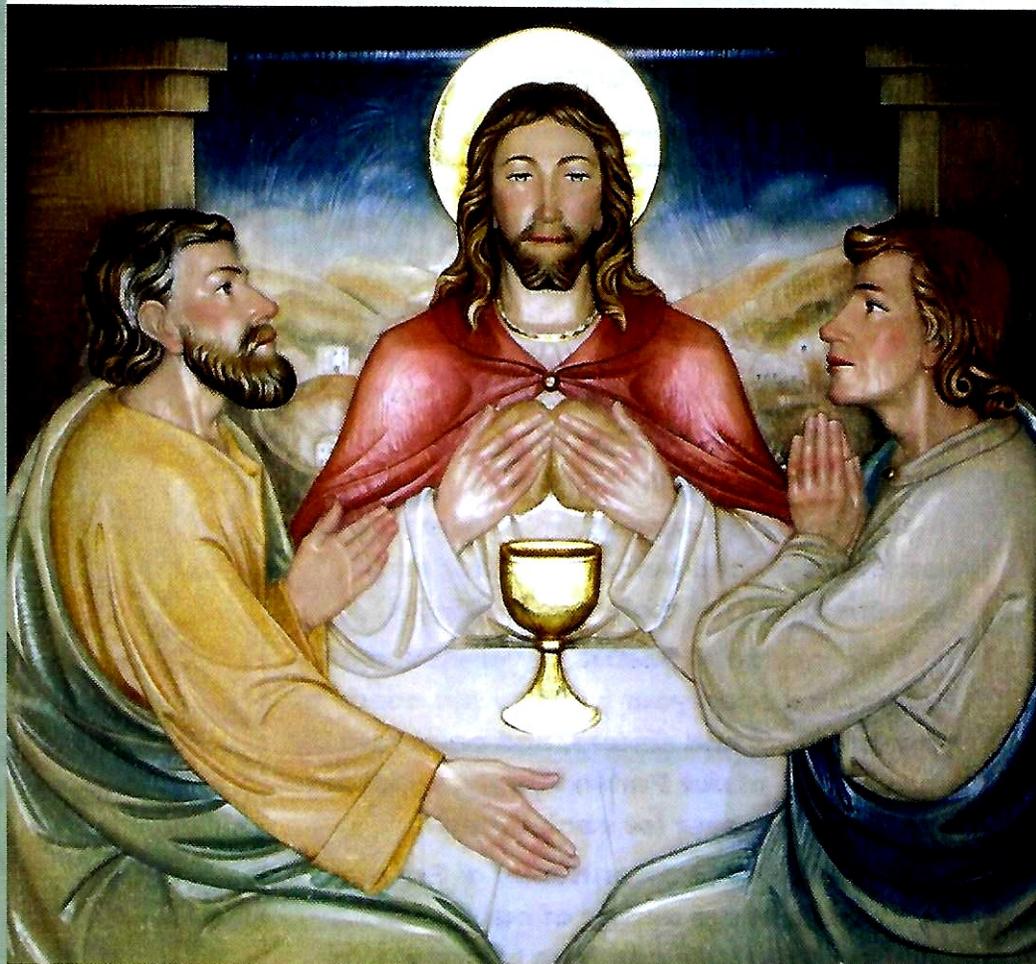
*Kathleen Martin*

Choir Rehearsal:

Tuesday at 7:00pm (*September thru June*)

## Wheelchair Accessible

Entrance on 1011 First Avenue



*The Supper at Emmaus Sculpture*

NEW PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS WELCOME

**SAVE THE DATE FOR  
OUR PARISH MISSION**



**Slaying Your Goliath**

*Five Stones Used By  
Five Great Saints*

**SEPTEMBER 28—OCTOBER 2**

**7:00PM**

**MISSION POWER HOUSE  
OF  
PRAYER**



**Our MISSION Power House of Prayer begins Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> and goes through Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Prayer intentions are put in a large white box that's placed before the Altar and remains there for the entire MISSION.**

**Through the MISSION Power House of Prayer, you open your heart to the needs of your brothers and sisters, and celebrate the mutual love of our Parish Family, by intense and fervent prayer for each other.**

**The MISSION Power House of Prayer puts Jesus at the center of our Parish Life, and helps His love continue to grow ... in your heart, in your life and in our Parish Family.**



*The Sanctuary Lamp*

The Sanctuary Lamp near our Tabernacle burns this week

**In Loving Memory of  
MARY & JOHN JENNERJAHN**

*St. John the Evangelist/  
Our Lady of Peace  
Parish Mission Prayer*

God, Our Father, we offer You thanks and praise for the many gifts You have given us.

We thank You especially for the gift of our Parish Mission.

Grant that our Mission may be:  
a time of growth for the young,  
a time of renewal for the old,  
a time of union for families,  
a time of healing for the broken,  
a time of joy for the sorrowful,  
a time of challenge for the complacent,  
a time of forgiveness for the sinner,  
a time of strength for the holy,  
a time of homecoming for those who have been away,  
a time of grace for all.

Grant, most Loving God, that our Mission may bring Your richest blessings to each and every member of our Parish Family.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, our Mother, in the Name of Jesus, Your Son, Who lives with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

## FROM THE DESK OF MONSIGNOR DOUGLAS J. MATHERS

*My Dear Parishioners,*

*Our Parish Mission is just two weeks away. The theme of the Mission is, "Slaying Your Goliath—Five Stones Used By Five Great Saints." This theme gives you hope that, if you have failed at defeating your Goliath in the past, you can still succeed! Our Lord wants to help you through our Mission. He wants to give you Five Smooth Stones which can slay any giant or dragon. He calls you not only to break free of your chains but also to rescue others from the grip of their Goliath. But how do you do this? The Saints show us the way. Father Gabriel, our Spiritual Guide, will share experiences from the lives of the Saints that reveal the Five Stones they carried into battle to win the victory which you can use as well.*

*Our Mission is also a blessed opportunity for Catholics who no longer come to Church to reconnect with their Catholic Faith and to discover the joy of Jesus' mercy and unconditional love for them.*

*With this in mind, I have written a special invitation to the Mission for these, our brothers and sisters, below. I encourage all members of our Parish Family to reach out to someone you know, and give them this invitation in a loving and personal way.*

*Dear Friends,*

*As Pastor of St. John the Evangelist and Our Lady of Peace Parish, I would like to invite all Catholics who no longer come to Church, to reconnect with your Catholic Faith and to discover the joy of God's unconditional love and mercy for you.*

*You've probably thought about coming back to Church. Don't put it off any longer! The first step back may seem difficult. But, there really is nothing to fear. You are missed, you are loved, and you will always be welcomed home.*

*On the weekend of September 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>, our Parish Family and Friends will begin a Parish Mission. The Mission is a special time to hear the Good News of the Lord in a new and compelling way. It's also a time to pray more intensely, to experience the joy of God in your life, to know His Love, and to grow in your faith.*

*The Mission experience will help you get back in touch with the Church, and discover how much God loves you. That's why I'm inviting you to be with us.*

*Special Mission services, with opportunities for Prayer, Confession, and Adoration, will be celebrated in the Church at 7:00pm from Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, through Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>.*

*Please remember these dates and come to the Mission. You are a beloved child of God. Let the Mission reconnect you with God... the God Who created you...the God Who misses you...the God Who never stops loving you....*

*Sincerely in Christ,  
Monsignor Douglas J. Mathers*

# dear Padre

## What is the significance of Sunday Mass in our lives as Catholics?

Some people think of Mass as merely a Sunday obligation; others, as part of their personal energy-sustaining ritual. These individualistic views show a lack of appreciation for the Mass's deeper meaning. The Mass should be understood as the celebration of our union—our communion—with Christ and His Church, which is the Body of Christ.

The Mass takes for granted that participants have an existing personal relationship with Jesus. That relationship begins when you were united to Jesus through Baptism. In Baptism you receive His Holy Spirit, empowering you to carry out Jesus' Threefold Mission: the Prophetic Mission of announcing His message and denouncing sin; the Priestly Mission expressed in a life of prayer, self-sacrifice, and participation in the Liturgy; and the Kingly/Servant Mission expressed in service to God and neighbor.

For the Mass to be meaningful, you must first experience a personal encounter with Jesus—one that leads to personal conversion and the decision to live as His disciple in community. Indeed, the Mass both celebrates and deepens your communion with Jesus.

The Mass also deepens your communion with fellow believers. "The Eucharist's particular effectiveness in promoting communion is one of the reasons for the importance of Sunday Mass," wrote St. John Paul II (*On the Eucharist in Its Relationship to the Church [Ecclesia de Eucharistia]*, 41). Without this loving, sharing community, the Mass becomes empty.

Whenever you attend Mass and receive Holy Communion, you should ask yourself: Am I really in communion with Jesus and the Body of Christ, His Church on earth? If not, then how can I find this broader communion in my life?

—Fr. Amado L. Picardal, CSsR



## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2019

5:30pm +Aldo Portolano (Vigil for Sunday Mass)

### **TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

7:30am +Mary & John Jennerjahn

9:00am +Guido & Agnese Bettini

10:30am Intentions of Fortunata Haro

12:00pm Living & Deceased Members of the Aufiero Family

5:30pm +Madlaine Lachapelle Laurent

### **ST. CORNELIUS & ST. CYPRIAN**

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

7:00am Intentions of Oliver Mackin, Healing

8:15am For Our Parishioners

12:10pm +Aurora Galli

5:30pm +Pina, Maria, Cleto & Lino Colombi

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 **ST. ROBERT BELLARMIN**

7:00am +John W. Kelliher

8:15am +Gail R. Schipiski

12:10pm +Robert Varwig

5:30pm +Flora G. Amador

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

7:00am +Rose & Andrew Gull

8:15am +Ethel Talabovich

12:10pm +Marie Louise Andrei

5:30pm +Jaime Gaspar

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2019 **ST. JANUARIUS**

7:00am +Margo & Douglas Coldwell

8:15am +Marie Germaine Theriault

12:10pm +Lucille Choquette

5:30pm +Mary Doyle

### **ST. ANDREW KIM TAE-GÖN, PAUL CHÖNG HA-SANG & COMPANIONS**

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2019

7:00am +Catherine Murphy

8:15am +Helen Ryan

12:10pm +Rose & Archie Robbins

5:30pm +Marie Louise Andrei

### **ST. MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST**

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019

8:15am +Betty O'Hara

12:10pm +Msgr. Charles Roselli

5:30pm +Fernando Yto (Vigil for Sunday Mass)

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

2019 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **\$6,061**

2018 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **\$6,036**

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, CAROLE THOMAS,  
KATHRYN ISABEL TOOHIG, ROBERT JOHN WITT**

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.