

**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 

October 20, 2019

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

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

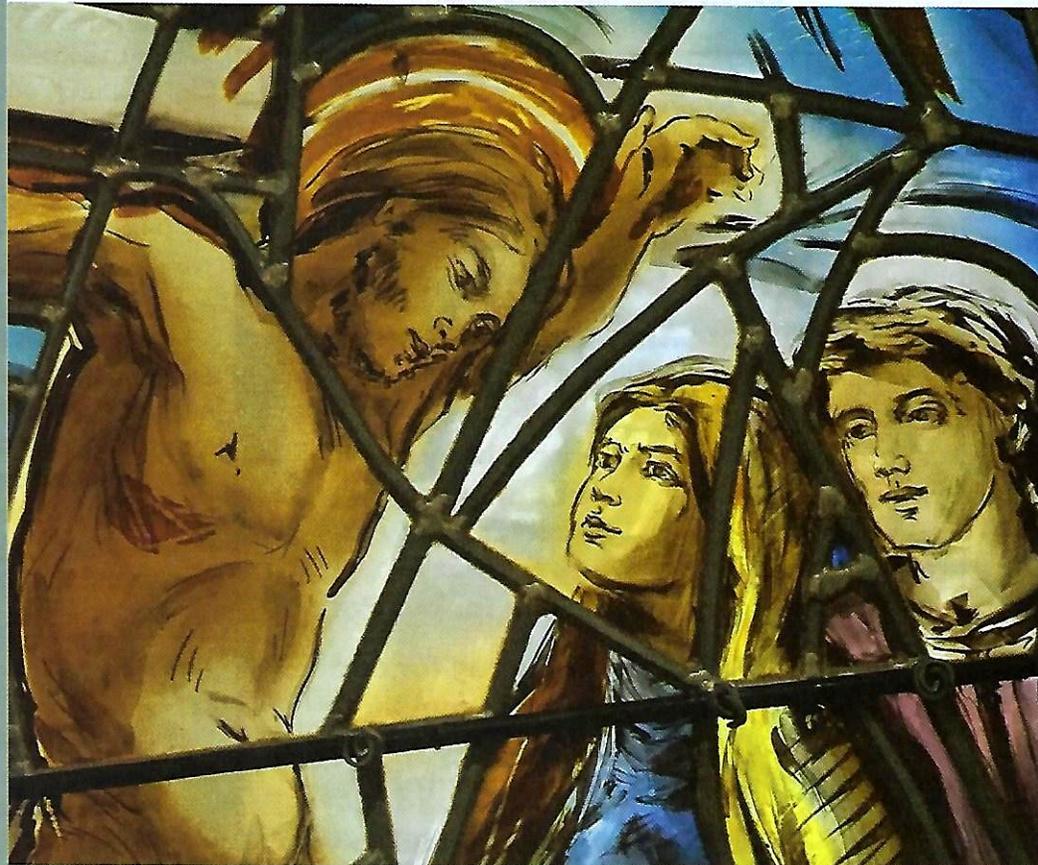
**Reverend Monsignor Douglas J. Mathers, JD, JCD, Pastor**

**Reverend Wilfred Y. Dodo, Parochial Vicar**

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*St. John and Our Lady*

NEW PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS WELCOME



## SAVE THE DATE

OUR PARISH

# THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

FOR THE

# BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup>  
THROUGH SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>**

PLEASE LEAVE DONATIONS IN CHURCH  
BY THE ST. FRANCIS SHRINE.

**"WHATSOEVER YOU DO FOR THE LEAST OF MY BRETHREN,  
YOU DO FOR ME." MATTHEW 25:40**



## *The Sanctuary Lamp*

The Sanctuary Lamp near our  
Tabernacle burns this week

In Loving Memory of

**JOSEPHINE JANKOWSKI**

### A HAPPY PROBLEM...

When our Church was beautified and refurbished as part of our Bicentennial Campaign, the highest quality kneelers were installed in all of our pews. In addition, the black chairs, which date from 1973, were repaired and the cushions on the kneelers before the Tabernacle and at our shrines were replaced. As the years progressed, a happy problem occurred. Namely, the backs on some of the black chairs started to loosen, and the cushions on the kneelers at our Tabernacle and shrines began to crack and show some wear. While the kneelers in our pews retained their high quality, some nuts and bolts that attached them to the pews came loose. The cause of this happy problem is that our Parish Family used these chairs and kneelers to pray, praise, and worship the Lord.



Last week the Keck Group, the company that did the original work in our Church, returned to address this needed restoration. They replaced all the cushions on the kneelers at our Tabernacle and shrines, repaired the backs of our black chairs, and properly realigned and reattached the kneelers in our pews. As a result of this effort, it will be easier for our Parish Family to use the kneelers and chairs in our Church to pray, praise, and worship the Lord for many years to come!



## A COFFEE A DAY

**FOR OUR PARISH**

**We're brewing up a  
simple campaign to keep  
our parish strong.**

**Would you consider increasing your  
weekly giving by the cost of something  
simple--like one cup of coffee a day or a  
takeout dinner per week? What a  
difference that would make for our Parish!**

**This campaign, A Coffee a Day for our  
Parish, will help increase our regular  
offertory collection and allow us to have a  
strong and secure financial future.**

**Please consider what you can add to your  
regular weekly giving to the Parish.**

**We would be so grateful!**

## *FOOD FOR THOUGHT*



**"What does love look like?**

**It has the hand to help others.**

**It has the feet to hasten to the poor  
and needy.**

**It has eyes to see misery and want.**

**It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of  
men and women. That is what love looks like."**

**—St. Augustine**



**FROM THE DESK OF  
MSGR. DOUGLAS J. MATHERS**

**My Dear Parishioners,**

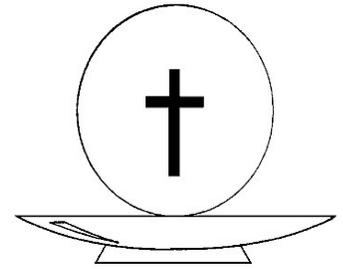
**It has always been the faith of the Church that the Holy Eucharist is truly the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ. We believe that when we receive Holy Communion, we are receiving a Divine Person, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

**The way you receive Jesus in the Eucharist reflects this belief, and concretely expresses it in your life. For example, according to Church law, you fast for one hour from all food and drink (this includes coffee, power bars and other snacks), except plain water or medicine, prior to receiving Holy Communion. The emptiness and hunger you experience in this fast expresses your desire for the Divine nourishment of body and soul that only comes to you in the Eucharist. In addition, your great reverence for the Body and Blood of Christ, as well as the prescriptions of Church law, prohibits you from receiving Holy Communion without prior sacramental confession if you are conscious of having committed grave or mortal sin.**

**The way you receive our Lord at the altar also demonstrates your faith in His Real Presence in the Eucharist. You come forward with hands joined, not in haste, but in a reverent, peaceful procession that reflects your joy in the Savior Whom you will receive. When the minister of the Eucharist holds up the Sacred Host before you and says, "The Body of Christ," your reply of "Amen" acknowledges your belief that Jesus Christ is really present in your midst and is truly coming into your life.**

**The Holy See permitted the Bishops of the United States to give us the option of receiving our Eucharistic Lord in the hand or of continuing the venerable tradition of receiving on the tongue. This choice encourages you to express your reverence and respect for the Eucharist in a deeply personal way. It does not favor one practice over the other, nor does it suggest that you should abandon the practice of receiving on the tongue.**

**Although the practice of receiving in the hand is not unknown in the history of the Church, it is new in our time. In order to guard against the danger of disrespect, irreverence, or casualness toward our Eucharistic Lord in this practice, the following has been recommended as the proper way, to receive Holy Communion in the hand:**

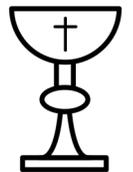


- 1. When, with hands as clean as possible, you arrive in front of a Minister of the Eucharist, place one hand over the other, palms facing upward (Do not reach for the Host);**
- 2. After receiving the Sacred Host from the Minister of the Eucharist in your own hand, take one step to the side, and with your free hand, pick up the Sacred Host;**
- 3. Then place the Sacred Host reverently into your mouth and return to your pew.**

**What is the correct way to receive Holy Communion? Whether you receive on the tongue or in the hand, both your interior and exterior attitude should express faith, love, humility and reverence for the gift of Jesus, the gift of Divine Life and Love God gives you in the Holy Eucharist.**

**Sincerely in Christ,  
Msgr. Douglas J. Mathers**

**THE BREAD OF LIFE**



**In the Eucharist God's Love is most concretely made present. Jesus has not only become human, He has also become bread and wine in order that, through your eating and your drinking, God's Love might become your own. The great mystery of the Eucharist is that God's love is offered to you in a very concrete way as food for your daily life. The Eucharist opens the way for you to make God's Love your own.**

**—Fr. Henry Nouwen**

**SOLEMNITY  
OF ALL SAINTS**  
[A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION]



**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>**

**VIGIL MASS 5:30PM**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**MASS AT 7:00AM & 8:15AM &  
12:10PM & 5:30PM**

**All Souls**



**COMMEMORATION  
OF  
ALL THE FAITHFUL  
DEPARTED**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>**

**MASS AT 8:15AM & 12:10PM**

**5:30PM VIGIL FOR SUNDAY MASS**

**ENVELOPES FOR OUR PARISH ALL SOULS NOVENA  
OF MASSES ARE AVAILABLE ON THE TABLES  
AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.**

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

**2019 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME \$7,090**

**2018 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME \$4,877**

*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.*



**Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2019 FOOD DRIVE STARTS**  
5:30pm +Marion Buttigieg (**Vigil for Sunday Mass**)

**TWENTY-NINETH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2019**

7:30am +Mary & John Jennerjahn  
9:00am +Mary D'Angelo  
10:30am +Alphonso Proietti  
12:00pm Living & Deceased Members of the Aufiero Family  
5:30pm +Maria & Henry O'Brien

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019**

7:00am For Our Parishioners  
8:15am +Mary Goldstein  
12:10pm +Michael Shea  
5:30pm +Marie Louise Andrei

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2019 ST. JOHN PAUL II**

7:00am +Graciela Devalbuena  
8:15am +John W. Kelliher  
12:10pm +Gail R. Schipski  
5:30pm +Msgr. Charles Roselli

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2019 ST. JOHN OF CAPISTRANO**

7:00am Intentions of Angela Gagliardo  
8:15am Intentions of Mimi Mc Govern, Birthday  
12:10pm +Josephine Jankowski  
5:30pm +Ethel Talabovich

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2019 ST. ANTHONY MARY CLARET**

7:00am +Graciela Devalbuena  
8:15am +Elena & Frances Baldeon  
12:10pm +Dorothy Mac Gillivray  
5:30pm +Marie Germaine Theriault

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2019**

7:00am +Graciela Devalbuena  
8:15am +Yaroslava Malytska  
12:10pm +Phyllis Adams  
5:30pm +Margo & Douglas Coldwell

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019**

8:15am Intentions of Louise Cecchini, Healing  
12:10pm +Marie Louise Andrei  
5:30pm +Betty & Bill Sagers (**Vigil for Sunday Mass**)

*Prayer Requests*

**FOR OUR SICK: SABRINA BERTUCCI**

**FOR OUR DECEASED: ELIZABETH EDDY, MARY GOLDSTEIN,  
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