

# CHURCH OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Rev. John P. Duffell, Pastor

Rev. D'Angelo Jimenez, Parochial Vicar

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Rev. James O'Shea, CP, Sunday Associate

Rev. Vincent Biaggi, SJ, Sunday Associate

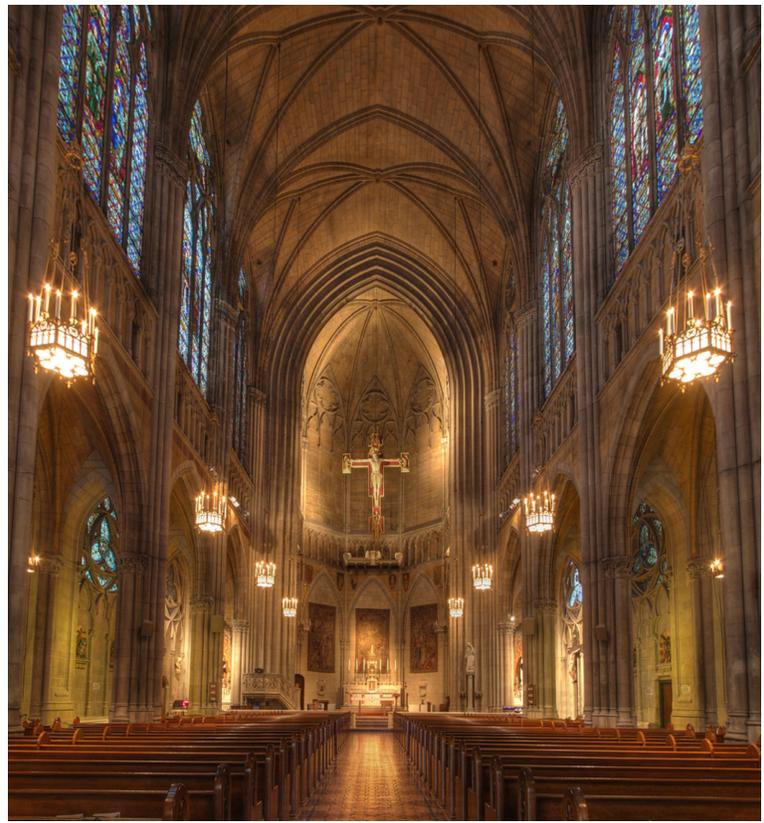
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**SUNDAY MASSES:** Saturday evening at 5:30 PM  
Sunday: 8:30AM, 10:00AM (Family Mass) 11:15AM  
(Spanish), 12:30PM & 5:30PM (Young Adult Choir)

**WEEKDAYS:** 7:30 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:30 PM

**SATURDAYS:** 7:30 AM, 12:10 PM

**SPANISH WEEKDAY MASS:**  
Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of Month at 7:00 PM

**BAPTISM:** Arrangements must be made at the Rectory. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics. Parents, and also godparents when possible, must attend the Pre-Baptismal conference which is held on the 1st Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm in the rectory.

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday afternoons 4:30 to 5:15 pm, and anytime at the Rectory.

**MARRIAGES:** Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance at the rectory to ensure the date and the hour desired. The Nuptial Mass is the ordinary form of celebrating Christian marriage, and should be strongly considered when making Wedding plans. Attendance at the Pre-Cana Conferences, or the equivalent, is required by the Archbishop.

**PARISH BOUNDARIES:** Central Park West to the Hudson River, from the South side of 77th Street down to the North side of 65th Street.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** We welcome new parishioners, and invite them to register at the Rectory. The registration is our only means of certifying anyone as a member of our parish. If you move to another Parish, or change your address within the Parish, please notify us.

**FATIMA DEVOTIONS:** The Rosary is said daily after the 12:10 pm Mass. Friday from 6-7 pm there is a holy hour.

**BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** First Friday - Exposition: 12:35 pm. Adoration: All day; Benediction: 5:15 PM.

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:** Mondays, before the 12:10 Mass and before the 5:30 pm Mass.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS:** Classes in Religion for Catholic children/teenagers, Pre- kindergarten - High School take place on Sundays. The Family Mass begins at 10:00 a.m. in the Church followed by class instruction in the school.

Ongoing religious education is important for the religious development of your children. First Communion and Confirmation require a two year program.

Sunday School Website:  
[www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org](http://www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org)

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Just a word of welcome to Father Thomas Caswell, who arrived during the week and who will be with us until March 7th, the day after Ash Wednesday. Life is always better when Father Caswell is with us!

It is wonderful that we have so many people registering in the Parish! If you are new and haven't registered, please give it some thought. If you have changed addresses since you registered, or if you would like to be placed on my email list, please reach out to the Rectory. Last week we welcomed about twenty-one new Parishioners for an evening of welcome. It was lovely to meet some of our newest members and I am so grateful to the Parish Pastoral Council for organizing the event and joining us that evening.

I hope you are keeping the Church in prayer as the Bishops have been meeting about the sex abuse crisis. The meeting with the Holy Father should be concluded by the time you read this, but this meeting is only the beginning of something that will go on for a while. I always find some consolation in my understanding of Hans Kung's definition of infallibility, at least as I read it. Kung saw the Church as infallible in the sense that even though it might sink into the muck and mire, it would emerge ok. For me this very sad and difficult moment speaks of the whole Christian notion that there can be no resurrection without suffering and dying. Isn't that what we are experiencing in this sexual abuse crisis? Pray that the resurrection comes soon.

1969...was that the year of your Wedding? On June 2, Cardinal Dolan wishes to celebrate with you if you are celebrating your 50th anniversary. Would you please call the rectory and let us know? Congrats to the Golden Jubilarians!

The school's Parent's Association is sponsoring a great event, a A Speakeasy Soiree, to be held on March 9th at the New York Academy of Medicine. The event is always wonderful and I hope you might give it some thought! I have never been to this venue, but I hear it is amazing!

I would be remiss if I didn't bring up the Cardinal's Appeal. Are you thinking about what you might be able to help the Gospel spread more deeply throughout the ten Counties of the Church of New York?

How about the Choir? We have 2 adult choirs... the 12:30pm, more classical in style, and the contemporary choir at 5:30pm. I hope you might give some thought to being part of one or the other or both. And, of course, our Children's Choir...they now rehearse on Thursday's at 4pm. Thank you to Rob McClimans for all his past work and for Jason Roberts for taking on the Choir as of February. I believe that next Sunday, March 3rd they will be back singing for the 10am Mass, donning their red cassocks and enhancing our Liturgy.

Just to let you know that I will be out of the Parish from February 25-March 1. I am able to get away for a few days, and do not think that I will be able to send out my daily reflection or meditation during that time, but you will all be in my thoughts and prayers.

And then again, what are you going to do for Lent? How is it going to be different? Remember that Ash Wednesday is March 6, and its fast approaching. With hope for our Church and our world, with requests for your prayers for peace, enjoy the coming week.

Father Duffell



CRS RICE BOWL: Join our parish community - and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States - in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. NEXT WEEKEND AT ALL MASSES, a prayer will be said over the Rice Bowls and they will be distributed after Mass. REMEMBER, WHAT YOU GIVE UP FOR LENT CHANGES LIVES.

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos,

Solo unas palabras de bienvenida al Padre Thomas Caswell, quien llegó este lunes y quien estará con nosotros hasta el 7 de marzo, un día después del Miércoles de Ceniza. ¡La vida siempre es mejor cuando el Padre Caswell está con nosotros!

¡Es maravilloso que tengamos tantas personas inscritas en la parroquia! Si eres nuevo y no estás registrado, por favor, reflexiona. Si has cambiado de dirección o si deseas ser incluido en mi lista de correo electrónico, comuníquese con la Rectoría. La semana pasada dimos la bienvenida a 21 nuevos feligreses. Fue un placer conocerlos y le estoy muy agradecido al Consejo Pastoral Parroquial por organizar este evento y compartir con nosotros esa noche.

Espero que estén manteniendo a la Iglesia en oración, ya que los Obispos se han estado reuniendo sobre la crisis del abuso sexual. La reunión con el Santo Padre ya debe haber concluido cuando usted lea esto, pero esta reunión es solo el comienzo de algo que continuará por un tiempo. Siempre encuentro algo de consuelo en mi comprensión de la definición de infalibilidad de Hans Kung, al menos mientras la leo. Kung vio a la Iglesia como infalible en el sentido de que, aunque podría hundirse en el fango, emergería bien. Para mí, este momento tan triste y difícil habla de toda la noción cristiana de que no puede haber resurrección sin sufrir y morir. ¿No es eso lo que estamos experimentando en esta crisis de abuso sexual? Oremos para que la resurrección llegue pronto.

1969... ¿fue ese el año de su boda? Si están celebrando su 50 aniversario, el 2 de junio el cardenal Dolan desea celebrarlo con ustedes. ¿Podrían llamar a la rectoría y avisarnos? Felicidades en su Jubileo de Oro.

La Asociación de Padres de la escuela está patrocinando un gran evento, "A Speakeasy Soiree", que se llevará a cabo el 9 de marzo en la Academia de Medicina de Nueva York. ¡El evento siempre es maravilloso y espero que puedan asistir! Nunca he estado en este lugar, pero he oído que es increíble!

Sería negligente si no mencionara la Campaña del Cardenal. ¿Estás pensando en lo que podrías ayudar a que el Evangelio se extienda más profundamente en los diez condados de la Iglesia de Nueva York?

¿Qué tal el coro? Tenemos 2 coros para adultos ... las 12:30 pm, de estilo más clásico, y el coro contemporáneo a las 5:30 pm. Espero que puedas pensar en ser parte de uno o el otro o quizás ambos. Y, por supuesto, nuestro Coro Infantil ... ahora ensayan el jueves a las 4 pm. Nuestro agradecimiento a Rob McClimans por todo su trabajo anterior y a Jason Roberts por asumir el Coro a partir de febrero. Creo que el próximo domingo 3 de marzo volverán a cantar para la misa de las 10 am, con sus sotanas rojas y mejorando nuestra liturgia.

Les informo que estaré fuera de la parroquia del 25 de febrero al 1 de marzo. Puedo escaparme durante unos días y no creo que podré enviar mi meditación diaria durante ese período. Pero todos estarán en mis pensamientos y oraciones.

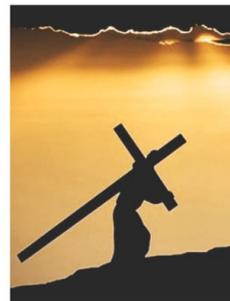
Una vez más, ¿qué vas a hacer para la Cuaresma? ¿Cómo va a ser diferente? Recuerda que el Miércoles de Ceniza es el 6 de marzo y se acerca rápidamente. Con esperanza para nuestra Iglesia y nuestro mundo, y con peticiones para sus oraciones por la paz, disfruten la semana que viene.

Padre Duffell

## Retiro de Cuaresma

Penitencia y Reflexión profunda. †

Por que la Cuaresma es tiempo de reflexión, oración, penitencia y conversión espiritual. Todo para mejorar en nuestra vida espiritual y nuestra relación con Dios.



Predicador: Fr. D'angelo Jimenez  
Música: William Castro

Sábado 9 de Marzo  
Hora: 1 - 5pm

Valor: \$10

Lugar: Iglesia de  
Blessed Sacrament.  
152 W 71st Manhattan, NY



JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL MARDI GRAS  
THEMED COFFEE HOUR.

SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD AFTER EVERY  
MORNING MASS IN THE RECTORY.



**SPIRIT SUNDAY**

Join us this Sunday after the 5:30pm mass for Spirit Sunday in the parish hall.

**LENTEN SUNDAY VESPERS** Women in Scripture : "She has been a helper of many and of myself as well" (Romans 16.2), is the title of the Lenten Sunday Vespers series to be held at Corpus Christi Church. Beginning March 10, each Sunday will bring speakers to address the subject of women in the Bible, both New and Old Testaments. Preachers will be Rev. Mary Foulke, pastor of St Mary's Episcopal Church in Harlem (March 10); Dr. Amy Kalmanofsky, of Jewish Theological Seminary (March 17); Rev. Victoria Sirota, formerly at St John the Divine Episcopal cathedral (March 24); Dr. Claudia Setzer, professor of Religious Studies at Manhattan College (April 7). Sundays at 4:00 pm. Corpus Christi Church, 529 West 121 Street, in Manhattan. Info: (212) 666-9350 or email cchristinyc@gmail.com.

**LENTEN VESPERS**  
Sundays at 4:00 P.M.

March 10  
Rev. Mary Foulke  
Rector, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Harlem

March 17  
Dr. Amy Kalmanofsky, Jewish Theological Seminary

March 24  
Rev. Victoria Sirota  
Priest-in-Charge, St. John's Episcopal Church, Yonkers

March 31  
speaker to be announced

April 7  
Dr. Claudia Setzer  
Manhattan College, Riverdale

**DOWNEY SIDE**

Downey Side Adoption Agency is seeking families interested in adopting a child between the ages 4-17 years old. The U.S. foster care system has many American children separated from their parents and freed for adoption. Call us today at 1800-US-CHILD or visit our website at www.downeyside.org.

Executive Director, Fr. Paul Engel, OFM Cap  
c/o Church of the Blessed Sacrament

**Saturday Evening, February 23rd**

5:30 Beatriz Smith van Moorsel +

**Sunday, February 24th**

8:30 Leonard De Carlo +

10:00 Rosemary Dioguardi +

11:15 Intentions of Martha Miller

12:30 Intentions & Health of Mary & Felita Lindsey

5:30 Byung Ho Jang +

**Monday, February 25th**

7:30 Donna de Solis +

12:10 Charles O' Bourke +

5:30 Verna & Salvatore Bronzo +

**Tuesday, February 26th**

7:30 Sally G. Burggraf +

12:10 Intentions of Martha Miller

5:30 Clara

**Wednesday, February 27th**

7:30 Hong Sik Kim +

12:10 Maria Feliz +

5:30 Morrel Thompson +

**Thursday, February 28th**

7:30 People of the Parish

12:10 Hubert McGaffin +

5:30 Leonor de Botero +

**Friday, March 1st**

7:30 Joseph F. Garrison +

12:10 Adelina Osso + & Natale Veltri +

5:30 All the Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday, March 2nd**

7:30 Sinners Thanksgiving to God & Reparations for

12:10 Stephania Poventud +

**FINANCE COMMITTEE CORNER**

Last Sunday \$7,593 was received in the offertory baskets at Mass and \$6,011 was received through WeShare, for a total of \$13,604. Thank you for so generously giving to our regular collection.

**ESQUINA FINANCIERA**

La suma de la colecta durante las Misas del domingo pasado fue \$7,593. Recibimos \$6,011 a través de WeShare para un total de \$13,604. Gracias por dar tan generosamente a nuestra colección regular.

## Weekly EM and Lector Schedule

### Saturday, Feb. 23

5:30 pm 1st Merleann Taylor  
2nd Mary Moore  
POF Judith Rice  
EM Madison Marie Macintosh, Judith Rice,  
Merleann Taylor, Mary Moore, Carmen  
Botero

### Sunday, Feb. 24

8:30 am 1st Clare Bush  
2nd Damian Begley  
POF Brendan Contant  
EM Hugh Regan, Clare Bush, Damian Begley,  
Brendan Contant, Vivian Villaluz

10:00 am 1st Shea Stone  
2nd Zoe Nguyen  
POF Julian Joseph  
EM Joan Tedeschi, Julie Tom, Mimi Nevin,  
Patricia Caffrey, Andrew Jenkins, Nellie  
Gonzalez-Arce, Mary Bradley

11:15 am 1st Maria Esther Shapiro  
2nd Daysi Guardado  
POF Cindy Ochoa  
EM Oscar Henk, Peter Diggins, Fernando  
Bueno

12:30 pm 1st Ingrid Leacock  
2nd Laura Ravo  
POF Mark Murphy  
EM Anne Jason, Lola Gordon, Lidia Stempien,  
Elsa Alvarez, Jack Going

5:30 pm 1st Elizabeth Brooke Murray  
2nd Kathleen LaMagna  
POF John Fox  
EM Tiffany Riady, Rob Porell, Steve Whelan,  
Adriana Gonzalez, Suzy Xiong, Elizabeth  
Kubinksi, Paula Djabbarah

## NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

If you have not registered in the parish and attend our mass regularly, please fill the following form out and return it to the Rectory office. *All information will be kept confidential.*

### NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

*(Only if Both are Registering)*

Children \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Apt # \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Your Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Your Spouse's Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

How should we address you? (Check one)

Mr. & Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive weekly offering envelopes

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

### FAMILY MINISTRY POTLUCK DINNER

March 2, 2019 at 5:30PM in Church Hall at Blessed Sacrament

This year's potluck dinner brings families together to share a meal and families will have a chance to learn more/prepare for Lent. An evening of fun, food, music, balloons, and friendship.

The kids are occupied by fun activities to do together, while parents get to spend time getting to know each other better.

Each family is asked to contribute one dish (take your pick: main, side, dessert, or drinks). Alternatively, families also have the option to just relax and show up by paying \$50 per family or \$75 for families of 5 or more. Please RSVP at [familyministry@blessedsacramentnyc.org](mailto:familyministry@blessedsacramentnyc.org).

### What is WeShare?

WeShare, LPI's Online Giving Management System, allows Blessed Sacrament's parishioners to donate to our parish efficiently, effectively, and securely. It is an automated means for parishioners to support our church financially through one-time or recurring contributions.

If you would like to make your giving easy and consistent, please consider our electronic giving option. Currently 460 parish families are using this simple and secure way to make and track their parish giving. If you would like to learn more about this easy, safe and secure way of giving, please visit <http://blessedsacramentnyc.churchgiving.com> and click on Make a Donation or call 1800-950-9952.





**Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2019 are invited to attend the Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 2 at 2:00 PM Pre-registration is required. Please contact William Moran at 212-877-3111 or [wmoran@blessedsacramentnyc.org](mailto:wmoran@blessedsacramentnyc.org) to register. The closing date to register for the Mass is Monday, May 13, 2019 at 5:00 PM**

**Please join us for this year's auction: "Speakeasy Soiree" at the New York Academy of Medicine.**

The annual auction is the school's largest fundraising event of the year. This fundraiser will consist of an online auction (2/28 - 3/6) culminating with a cocktail party and silent auction on Saturday, March 9, 2019.

Proceeds from this event will help to answer the "Call to Action" and provide the necessary funds to continue improvements to both campuses. The auction has a rich history of raising pivotal funds that have transformed the School of Blessed Sacrament including a new library, computer lab, science lab and more. Planning for the auction is in full swing and we need your help to make this event a success.

Tickets at the door - \$175  
Visit [www.sblsnc.org](http://www.sblsnc.org) for more information

**The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents**

Losing a child under any circumstance is terrible. Focusing on the spirituality of the grieving process can help tremendously. Emmaus Ministry Retreats 2019: for parents whose children of any age have died by any cause, no matter how long ago. Please join us. All are welcome. All-day retreats from 9:30am - 7:30pm.

March 16: Church of the Magdalene, Sleepy Hollow (Westchester);  
May 18: St. Thomas of Canterbury-St. Joseph, Cornwall-on-Hudson (Orange);  
September 21: Church of St. Augustine, New City (Rockland);  
October 19: St. Patrick's-St. Mary's, Newburgh (Orange)  
**Spanish-Language retreat.**

Cost \$25 per person, \$40 per couple Includes breakfast, lunch, dinner. Scholarships are available.

To register online, [www.emfgp.org/2019-archny](http://www.emfgp.org/2019-archny) or contact Sue DiSisto: [susan.disisto@archny.org](mailto:susan.disisto@archny.org) or 646-794-3191

**Introduction to Centering Prayer**

The Church of the Blessed Sacrament  
Five hour introduction March 16th, 10 am - 3 pm  
Mary Jebara and Mark Lewis will lead an introduction for beginners that will also be helpful for those who would like to refresh and renew their practice. All are welcome. There is no registration fee. A suggested donation of \$20 helps Contemplative Outreach sponsor future contemplative events and training.  
It's recommended that you pack a lunch. Please RSVP in advance as space is limited.  
For more information or to RSVP, contact Mary Jebara at [maryjebara@gmail.com](mailto:maryjebara@gmail.com) or 973-714-1409.

A Centering Prayer group meets Monday nights at 6:45 on first floor of rectory.  
For more information, please contact Mary Jebara at [maryjebara@gmail.com](mailto:maryjebara@gmail.com)

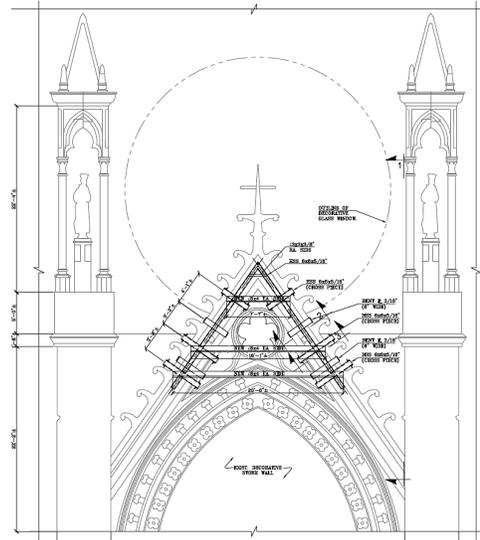
**Facade Update:**

The roof work on both the lower and upper roofs is nearly completely finished. The eight lower roofs have all received new Vermont slate, and, using salvaged slate from those roofs, deteriorated portions of the upper roof have also been replaced.

The workers' attention will now turn to one of the most challenging portions of the work, replacing pieces of the Pentafoil, a free-standing structure which sits atop the church's main entryway. A great collaboration has taken place between our Architect, Contractor, Structural Engineers, and Iron Works company, and has resulted in the fabrication of eight large steel rings. These rings will be temporarily installed on the outer portions of the Pentafoil so that its inner stones can be removed, re-fabricated, and reinstalled. Please see the sketches below.

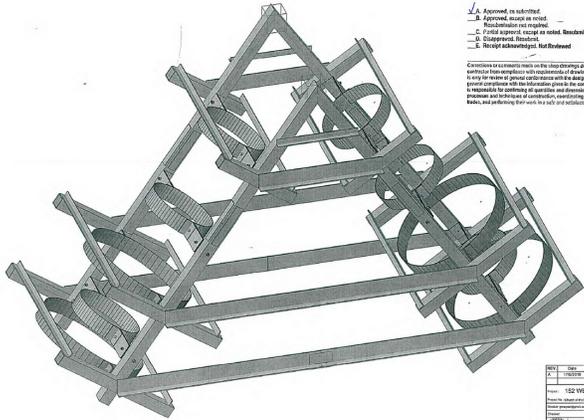
Also see the photo of newly fabricated replacement stones for the upper portions of the facade that had deteriorated over the years.

Thank you again to all who are so generously supporting this work through the Capital Campaign, and please continue to pray that the work come to a successful completion.



Rev. A. Approved as submitted.  
Rev. B. Approved as revised.  
Rev. C. Field approval, except as noted. Rebuild.  
Rev. D. Rebuild as shown.  
Rev. E. Receipt Acknowledged. Not Rebuild.

CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY: The contractor shall be responsible for the accuracy of the information shown on the drawings and for the proper interpretation of the drawings. The contractor shall be responsible for obtaining all permits and approvals, which shall include, but not be limited to, the necessary permits and approvals from the appropriate authorities. The contractor shall be responsible for the safety and security of the work area and for the protection of the work area.



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD – MASS AT 5:30PM**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH - MASSES AT 8:30AM & 12:30PM**

ENTRANCE HYMN: From All That Dwell below the Skies #757

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4

**R./ The Lord is kind and merciful**

OFFERTORY HYMN: Prayer of St. Francis #730

COMMUNION HYMN: Peace of Our Times #568

RECESSIONAL HYMN: Crown Him with Many Crowns #727

**A Community Mass**

Gloria

Richard Proulx

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise you we bless you, we a-dore  
you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo-ry. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, O  
God, al-might-y Fa-ther. Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got - ten Son. Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the  
Fa - ther, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us: you take a-way the  
sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the  
Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-  
lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the  
Fa - ther. A - - men, A - - men.

Sanctus and Benedictus

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the  
high-est, ho - san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord, Ho - san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace.