

CHURCH OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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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

Dear Parishioner and Friends,

Lent is upon us in a very real sense it truly begins this Sunday, the First Sunday of Lent. It is my hope this Season will bring us to a deeper understand of ourselves as children of God and instill in us a greater love for our neighbors and for all of God's creation.

I don't know if you were watching the Oscars, but I was impressed when someone connected to our Parish got up to accept her well deserved award. Lady Gaga said... *I have worked hard for a long time and it's not about winning. What it's about is not giving up. If you have a dream, fight for it...I have a discipline for passion. It's not about how many times you get rejected or you fall down and get beaten up, but about how many times you stand up and are brave and keep on going.*

Lent reminds us that we can always come back to God's mercy. It's about not giving up- it doesn't matter how many times we fall, sin, and leave the Father's house like the Prodigal Son, but how many times we stand up again and are brave enough to come back and accept his love and mercy. For each one of us, Lent, again, is not about giving up, but about accepting God's love one more time, and in doing so we end up giving up few things, so it seems to me. I am with you in prayer as we embark on this Lenten journey.

Next weekend is unique! Saint Patrick really gets spread out...the Parade is on Saturday the 16th, and a word of congratulations to one of the grandfathers of our Parish, Bryan O'Dwyer, this year's Grand Marshall. The Feast is normally celebrated on the 17th, but not this year, because the 17th is the Second Sunday of Lent. The feast is really celebrated on Monday the 18th. Patrick is the Patron Saint, not just of that little island off the coast of Britain, but more for us, he is the patron of the Church at New York. Hopefully, if possible, you will celebrate Mass on Monday the 18th, and pray that our Patron might strengthen all of us, the People of God, at New York.

Have you noticed what has been happening in the church? I suddenly realized that perhaps you don't because you are not in the front looking up! But please come to the front of the church before or after Mass and see the wonder of our Rose Window! It is magnificent. Thank you to *Sunlites* for all their hard restoration work.

On Monday at 6:30pm we will pray the funeral Liturgy for Theo Corbin, longtime member of the Parish, and for a good number of years an employee of the Parish as well, sharing the Ministry of Social Justice. Theo, along with others, founded the Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry, which stand today as a witness to his ministry and to the concern of the parish for brothers and sisters in need. When homelessness began to really be discovered in New York City, Theo and his partner Bob played a major role in establishing the overnight shelter, originally for women, ultimately becoming a home for men with AIDS. We remember Theo and thank God for his life and ministry, and ask him to interceded for us. At death, having come face to face with God, who is all perfect, and in the face of that perfection, having seen only too clearly his own imperfection (none of us is perfect only God), having suffered the pain of that self knowledge, Theo has entered into eternal peace. He now knows the fulness of the promise, he has received the Crown which the Lord has stored up for those who struggle as best they can to love him.

During this Lent always remember to pray for Peace.

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. CRS Rice Bowl is a faith-in-action Lenten program for families, individuals and faith communities with family activities, meatless meals, prayers and reflections. Rice Bowl invites Catholics to live in solidarity with our most vulnerable brothers and sisters through the Lenten pillars of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. Using the cardboard Rice Bowl is a familiar reminder to collect the money you save from what you give up for Lent.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos;

La Cuaresma está sobre nosotros en un sentido muy real, realmente comienza este domingo, el primer domingo de Cuaresma. Es mi esperanza que esta temporada nos lleve a un entendimiento más profundo de nosotros mismos como hijos de Dios y nos inculque un mayor amor por nuestros vecinos y por toda la creación de Dios.

No sé si estaban viendo los Oscar, pero me impresionó cuando alguien conectado a nuestra parroquia se levantó para aceptar su recompensa. Lady Gaga dijo ... He trabajado duro durante mucho tiempo y no se trata de ganar. De lo que se trata es de no rendirse. Si tienes un sueño, lucha por él ... Tengo una disciplina para la pasión. No se trata de cuántas veces te rechazan o te caes y te golpean, sino de cuántas veces te levantas, eres valiente y sigues adelante.

La Cuaresma nos recuerda que siempre podemos volver a la misericordia de Dios. Se trata de no rendirse, no importa cuántas veces caemos, pecamos y abandonamos la casa del Padre como el Hijo Pródigo, sino cuántas veces nos levantamos de nuevo y somos lo suficientemente valientes como para regresar y aceptar su amor y misericordia. . Para cada uno de nosotros, la Cuaresma, una vez más, no se trata de darnos por vencidos, sino de aceptar el amor de Dios una vez más, y al hacerlo terminamos por dejar pocas cosas. Estoy siempre con ustedes mientras nos embarcamos en este viaje de Cuaresma.

El próximo fin de semana es único. San Patricio realmente se extiende ... el desfile es el sábado 16 y felicito a uno de los abuelos de nuestra parroquia, Ryan O'Dwyer, el Gran Marshall de este año. La fiesta normalmente es el 17, pero no este año debido a que cae el Segundo domingo de Cuaresma. La fiesta, aquí en Nueva York se celebra realmente el lunes 18. Patrick es el santo patrono, no solo de esa pequeña isla frente a la costa de Gran Bretaña, sino que para nosotros, es el patrón de la Iglesia en Nueva York. Con suerte, y de ser posible, celebrarán una misa el lunes 18 y orarán para que nuestro Patrón nos fortalezca a todos nosotros, el pueblo de Dios en Nueva York.

¿Has notado lo que ha estado pasando en la iglesia? ¡De repente me doy cuenta de que quizás no, porque no estás en el frente mirando hacia arriba! ¡Pero vengan al frente de la iglesia antes o después de la misa y vean la maravilla de nuestra "Rose Window"! Es magnífica. Gracias a Sunlites por todo su arduo trabajo de restauración.

El lunes a las 6:30 pm rezaremos la liturgia funeraria de Theo Corbin, miembro de la parroquia desde hace mucho tiempo, y durante un buen número de años, también nuestro empleado, compartiendo el Ministerio de Justicia Social. Theo junto con otros fundaron el "Soup Kitchen" y el "Food Pantry", hoy testigos de su ministerio y de la preocupación de la parroquia por los hermanos y hermanas necesitados. Cuando la falta de hogares comenzó a ser realmente descubierta en la ciudad de Nueva York, Theo y su compañero Bob desempeñaron un papel importante en el establecimiento del refugio nocturno, originalmente para mujeres, y que luego se convirtió en un refugio para hombres afectados por el SIDA. Recordamos a Theo y le agradecemos a Dios su vida y ministerio, y le pedimos que interceda por nosotros. En el momento de su muerte, estando cara a cara con el Dios que es perfecto, y ante esa perfección, Theo vio muy claramente su propia imperfección (ninguno de nosotros es el único Dios perfecto), sufriendo el dolor de ese yo ha entrado en la paz eterna. Theo conoce la plenitud de la promesa, y ha recibido la Corona que el Señor ha guardado para aquellos que hacen lo mejor que pueden para amarlo.

Durante esta Cuaresma, recuerden siempre orar por la Paz.

Padre Duffell

The Church of The Blessed Sacrament Presents
The Botti Opera Showcase

In a Free Concert On
Sunday March 24th, 2019 at 2:30 PM

With favorite Arias and Duets
By Cilea, Donizetti, Dvorak, Lehar, Malotte,
Offenbach, Rossini, Rogers & Hammerstein, Puccini,
Schonberg, Verdi

Featuring: Jean Walsh – Soprano. Shannon Arias –
Mezzo Soprano, Dominique Frigo – Mezzo Soprano,
Margaret MR Killeen – Contralto, Anthony Maida –
Tenor, The-O – Tenor, Rodney Rosembert – Bass
With Dominic Frigo – Collaborative Pianist,
Velia Botti – Artistic Director

Free Will Offering

LENTEN SIMPLE SUPPERS

Please join us during any or all of the Wednesday of Lent: 3/13, 20, 27 and 4/3, 10, 17 for our Lenten Simple Suppers. Prayers and meditation begin at 7PM in the dining room of the rectory, followed by a meal of soup and salad...and fellowship. The suppers are a wonderful way to not only deepen one's Lenten experience, but also to be able to reflect in a very comfortable and quiet setting with fellow parishioners. For more information, please call Chris Williams at 304-337-1252 or jcw.arts@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you then.

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

Magnificat's 2019 Lenten Companion is on sale in the Rectory Office for \$5 each. This booklet provides a series of original reflections to guide you through every day of Lent into the heart of that Mystery.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Evening, March 9th

5:30 Dennis Rawls +

Sunday, March 10th

8:30 Georgian Garrison +
10:00 George Ann Garrison +
11:15 Leonardo Garcia +
12:30 Irma Gueits on her 95th Birthday
5:30 Elvira Ilustrado +

Monday, March 11th

7:30 Florence Palazza +
12:10 Juan B. Rivera +
5:30 Nina Pulle +

Tuesday, March 12th

7:30 Leonard Quisumbing +
12:10 Madeleine M. Loewenstein +
5:30 Lidia Zanolini +

Wednesday, March 13th

7:30 Mary Bergen +
12:10 Posiano Ovini +
5:30 Kevin McMahon +

Thursday, March 14th

7:30
12:10 Tommy Redmiles +
5:30 Patricia Portillo Peralta +

Friday, March 15th

7:30 Thalia Giscombe +
12:10 Ricardo Giscombe +
5:30 Our Lady of Fatima Group

Saturday, March 16th

7:30 People of the Parish
12:10 Leonor de Botero +

FINANCE COMMITTEE CORNER

Last Sunday \$9,277 was received in the offertory baskets at Mass and \$9,314 was received through WeShare, for a total of \$18,591. Thank you for so generously giving to our regular collection.

ESQUINA FINANCIERA

La suma de la colecta durante las Misas del domingo pasado fue \$9,277. Recibimos \$9,314 a través de WeShare para un total de \$18,591. Gracias por dar tan generosamente a nuestra colección regular.

Weekly EM and Lector Schedule

Saturday, Mar. 9

5:30 pm 1st Julie Grega
2nd Madison Marie McIntosh
POF Vincent Gardino
EM Alec Dadisman, Maria Torres, Merleann Taylor,
Mary Mandel, Madison Marie McIntosh

Sunday, Mar. 10

8:30 am 1st Brendan Contant
2nd Damian Begley
POF Ray Riordan
EM Anthony Jalandoni, Brendan Contant, Damian
Begley, Ray Riordan, Sebastian Lentini

10:00 am 1st Sophia Nguyen
2nd Zoe Nguyen
POF Julian Joseph
EM Patricia Caffrey, Mary Bradley, Andrew
Fitzsimmons, Shirley Rodriguez, Joan Tedeschi,
Julie Tom, Sandy Chippas

11:15 am 1st Maite Morales
2nd Ramon Gimenez
POF Fernando Bueno
EM Peter Diggins, Rosario Flores, Fernando
Bueno

12:30 pm 1st Laura Ravo
2nd Mary Moore
POF Sheila Pender
EM Barbara Hanning, Wendy Pineda, Christina
Elefante, Anne Jason, Elsa Alvarez, Lola Gordon,
Raul Garcia-Moncada

5:30 pm 1st Kimberley Orman
2nd Roscoe Orman
POF Kathleen LaMagna
EM Steve Whelan, Anne Lentini, Rob Porell, John
Gasdaska, Elizabeth Brooke Murray, Kathleen
LaMagna, Elizabeth Occhipinti

Lenten Regulations

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence.
All Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence.

Fasting requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59. Those not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

Abstinence prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

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 _____

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.



SATURDAY, MARCH 16

LECTOR & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

LECTOR/EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

Next Saturday, March 16th, 6:30 - 8:00pm.

Become more involved in the Mass. We are in need of more Lectors to minister the Word and Eucharistic ministers. If you have a love for Scripture and would like to serve as a lector or would like to administer Communion to your fellow parishioners as a Eucharistic minister, please come to the training session.

Email Kimberley LaMarque Orman (Lectors@blessedsacramentnyc.org) or Thomas Davis (Ems@blessedsacramentnyc.org) with any questions

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 to register. The closing date to register for the Mass is Monday, May 13, 2019 at 5:00 PM

WORKSHOP ON SILENT PRAYER

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 marytjebara@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 marytjebara@gmail.com

JOY J AND JESSE TREE UPDATE

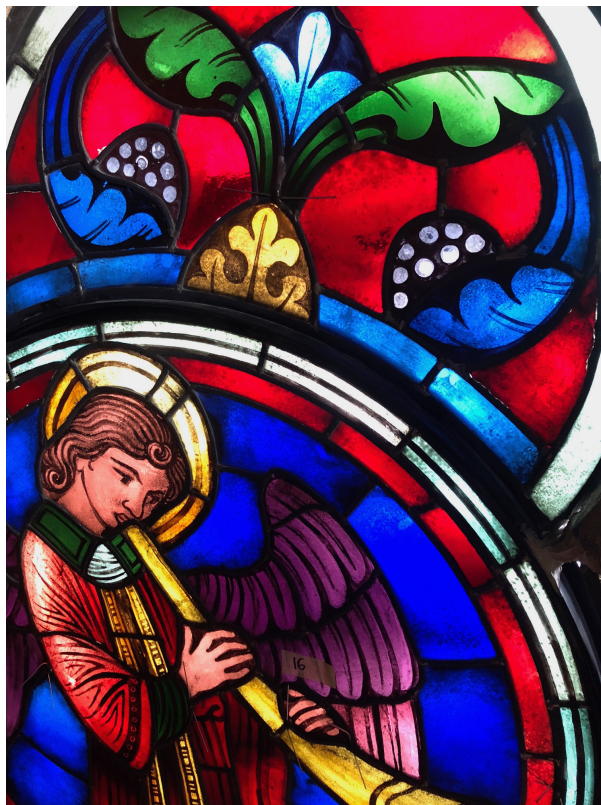
Joy J held its first outreach this year on February 16th.

Because of your overwhelming generosity and prayers, we were able to almost totally cover the outreach with out additional expenditure.

Many thanks for your wonderful support. Please continue to keep our homeless brothers and sisters in your prayers

ROSE WINDOW UPDATE

Progress is moving along on the reinstallation of the Rose Window, and, as we can see, the individual panels are beautifully restored. The panel shown below is from the upper left portion of the window. Our 32' Rose Window, by Clement Heaton, is a Gothic stone tracery design loosely based on the 13th Century upper 'giant' west rose window of the Cathedral at Reims in France. The Chalice and Host in the center of the window were reinstalled just before Christmas, and the surrounding angels with musical instruments are returning to us daily.



SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH – MASS AT 5:30PM
SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH - MASSES AT 8:30AM & 12:30PM

ENTRANCE HYMN: Forty Days and Forty Nights #477

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 91:1-2,10-11, 12-13, 14-15
R./ Be with me, Lord when I am in trouble.

OFFERTORY HYMN: Today is the Accepted Time #472

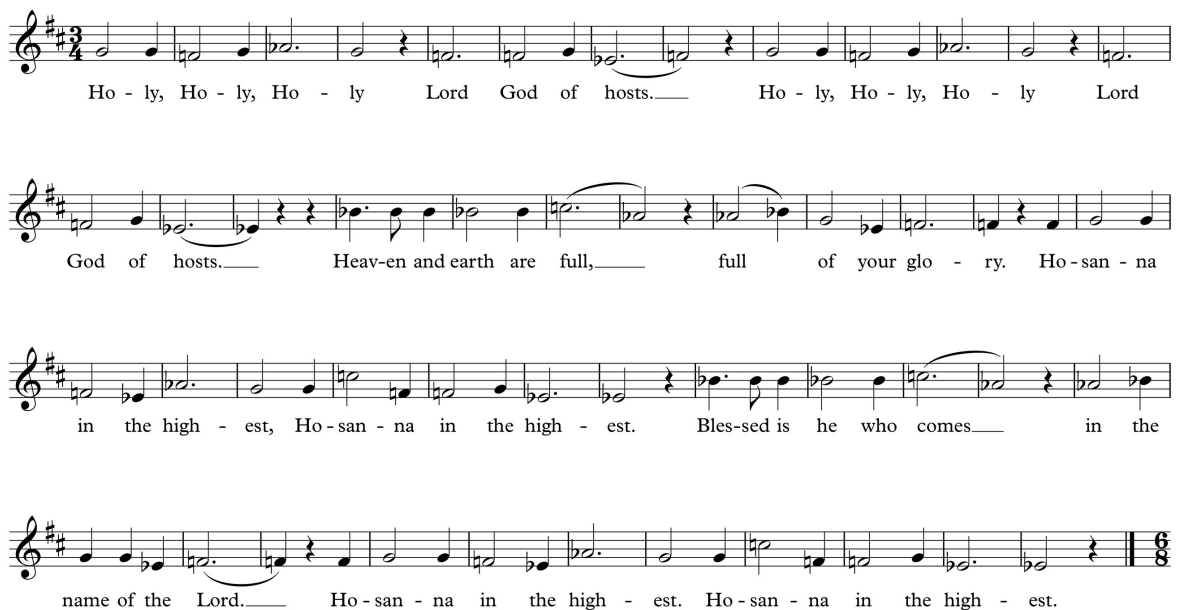
COMMUNION HYMN: Draw Near, O Lord/ Attendee's Domine #468

RECESSIONAL HYMN: Again We Keep This Solemn Fast #464

Kyrie



Sanctus and Benedictus



Agnus Dei

