

St. Mary-Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

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~ MASSES ~

Saturday Evening

5:00pm, 7:00pm (Spanish)

Sunday

8:00, 9:30am (Spanish), 11:30am

Daily (Mon-Sat)

9:00am – English

Monday & Wednesday

7:00pm – Spanish

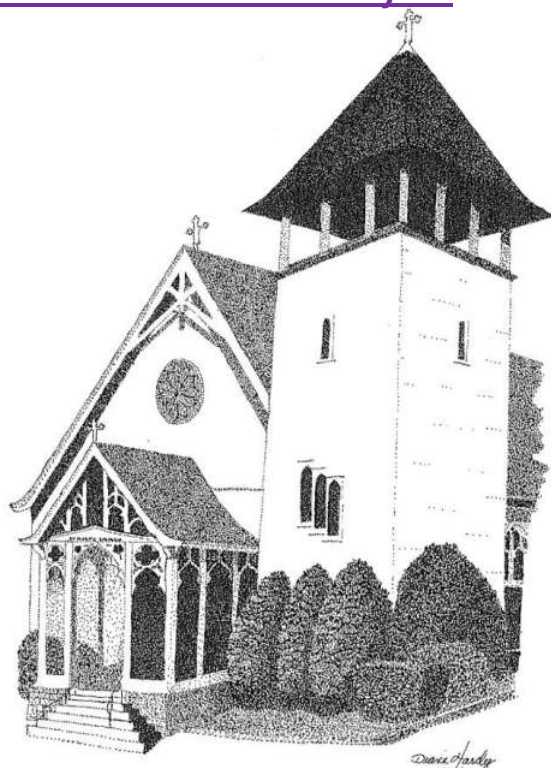
Holy Days

9:00am and 7:30pm

~ OFFICE HOURS ~

Sunday: Closed

Monday through Saturday: 9:00am – 2:00pm



Rev. Joseph Akunaeziri

Pastor

Deacon Joe Patrona

Minister of Education

Christine Class

Parish Secretary

John Griffiths

Minister of Music

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Please call the Rectory for an appointment with the Pastor (914) 664-5855.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45pm or call office for an appointment

SPANISH PRAYER MEETING

Every Friday at 7:00 pm in Parish Hall.

First Friday: Healing Mass 7:30 pm

All are invited!

“Truly you have formed my inmost being; You knit me in my mother’s womb. You knew that I was there – You saw me before I was born.” (Psalm 139: 13, 16) [PRAY FOR THE UNBORN](#)

ABUSE SURVIVORS: We are grateful you are here today. We are sorry for the intense pain you suffer. We know there are many types of abuse; including sexual, physical, emotional, and psychological. We hope you find this Church community a place of sensitivity that does not exacerbate your pain. We pray that you seek the support and help you need. We also pray that God holds you in His gentle loving hands and helps you heal. Amen.

From the Pastors desk

Repent and be saved” (Luke 13.3)

Today Jesus was speaking with his disciples with some harsh words, “If you do not repent, you shall perish.” These words, remind us of the urgency and significance of turning our hearts back to God. Repentance is not merely an act of sorrow; it is a transformative process. It invites us to recognize our shortcomings, to acknowledge the ways we have strayed from God’s path, and to seek His mercy. In Luke 13:3, Jesus urges us to change our ways, not out of fear, but out of love for the Father who desires a relationship with each of us. Consider the parable of the prodigal son. The son, lost in his waywardness, found his way back home through repentance. His father, filled with compassion, welcomed him with open arms. This is the heart of our God—always ready to receive us when we turn back to Him. Yet, we must also remember that neglecting this call to repentance can lead us to spiritual stagnation and ultimately to separation from God. Life can often distract us, leading us to believe we are self-sufficient. But, dear friends, we are called to humility and to acknowledge our need for God’s grace. As we reflect on our lives, let us ask ourselves: What do we need to bring before God? What burdens do we carry that keep us from fully embracing His love? Let us not wait until it is too late to seek His forgiveness and healing.

Rev, Joseph Akunaeziri

**Schedule for St. Mary’s church for
March & April 2025**

(Due to restricted number of available priests, we will only celebrate daily masses only on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays on English at 9am and Monday and Wednesday in Spanish at 7pm for the month of March and April).

**The Cardinal’s Annual Stewardship
Appeal**

The Cardinal’s Annual Stewardship Appeal, a critical component of the archdiocesan mission, raises funds to sustain the various ministries, institutions, and outreach programs that serve thousands of individuals and families throughout New York. As members of the parish community, we are encouraged to contribute generously to the Appeal for the sake of our greater archdiocesan family. Please consider making a gift today to support the Church's mission and to help us achieve our goal by Pentecost. When donating at cardinalsappeal.org/donate, please remember to specify our parish name.

To learn more about the Cardinal’s Annual Stewardship Appeal, contact us at 646-794-3300 or visit cardinalsappeal.org.

Mass Intentions - March 23, - March 30, 2025

Sunday, 3/23	8:00 am – For the People 9:30 am – Steven Ty Ortega (Difunto) 11:30 am – Patricia Higney (Deceased)
Monday 3/24	9:00 am – No Mass 7:00 pm – Nelson Class Sr. (Health)
Tuesday, 3/25	9:00 am – Gustave Francois (Birthday in Heaven)
Wednesday 3/26	9:00 am – No Mass 7:00 pm – Juanita DeJesus (Difunto)
Thursday, 3/27	9:00 am – Jessica Mercado (Difunto)
Friday, 3/28	9:00 am – No Mass
Saturday, 3/29	9:00 am – Ricardo Tirado (1 month) 5:00 pm – Manuel Lopez (Deceased) 7:00 pm – Maria Luisa Ruiz Guizar (17th Aniversario en el Cielo)
Sunday, 3/30	8:00 am – Olga “Daisy” Gonzalez (Deceased) 9:30 am – Issac Hernandez (Birthday Blessings) 11:30 am – Clara Vazquez (Health)



Online parish giving. <https://www.parishgiving.org/>

Parish Office Hours: Mon – Fri 9:00 – 2:00; Closed: Saturday & Sunday

Desde el escritorio del Pastor
Prepárense para ser transfigurados con
Cristo. Lucas (9:28-36).

En el Evangelio de Lucas de hoy, leemos cómo Jesús llevó a sus discípulos a una montaña alta. Allí, su rostro resplandeció como el sol y sus vestiduras se volvieron de una blancura deslumbrante. En presencia de Moisés y Elías, las dos grandes figuras del Antiguo Testamento, Jesús es afirmado como el cumplimiento de la Ley y los Profetas. La voz de Dios desde la nube, que declara: «Este es mi Hijo amado; en él me complazco; escúchenlo», nos llama a reconocer la autoridad divina de Cristo y a prestar atención a sus enseñanzas. Al reflexionar sobre este acontecimiento, podemos establecer paralelismos con nuestras propias vidas. Cada uno de nosotros experimenta momentos de transfiguración, momentos en los que encontramos la presencia de Dios de manera profunda. Estos momentos pueden ocurrir durante la oración, en la belleza de la creación o en actos de amor y bondad. Nos recuerdan que Dios no está distante; está íntimamente involucrado en nuestras vidas, invitándonos a una relación más profunda. Así como Jesús se transfiguró, estamos invitados a experimentar nuestra propia transformación por su gracia. San Pablo, en su carta a los Romanos (12:2), nos insta: «No os conforméis a este mundo, sino transformaos mediante la renovación de vuestra mente». Esta renovación es un proceso continuo que nos insta a despojarnos de nuestro viejo yo y abrazar la nueva vida que Cristo ofrece.

Reverendo Joseph Akunaeziri

Horario de la iglesia de Santa María para
marzo de 2025

(Debido al número restringido de sacerdotes disponibles, solo celebraremos misas diarias los martes, jueves y sábados en inglés a las 9 a. m. y los lunes y miércoles en español a las 7 p. m. durante el mes de marzo y abril).

La Campaña Anual de Corresponsabilidad del
Cardenal

La Campaña Anual de Corresponsabilidad del Cardenal, un componente crítico de la misión arquidiocesana, recauda fondos para sostener los diversos ministerios, instituciones y programas de alcance que sirven a miles de personas y familias en todo Nueva York.

Como miembros de la comunidad parroquial, se nos anima a contribuir generosamente a la Campaña por el bien de nuestra gran familia arquidiocesana. Por favor, considere hacer una donación hoy para apoyar la misión de la Iglesia y ayudarnos a lograr nuestra meta para Pentecostés. Al donar en cardinalsappeal.org/donate, recuerde especificar el nombre de nuestra parroquia.

Para obtener más información sobre la Campaña Anual de Corresponsabilidad del Cardenal, comuníquese con nosotros al 646-794-3300 o visite cardinalsappeal.org.

Weekly Collection

March 09, 2025 \$

March 10, 2024 \$

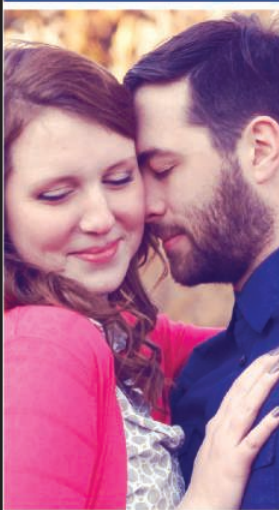
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