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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

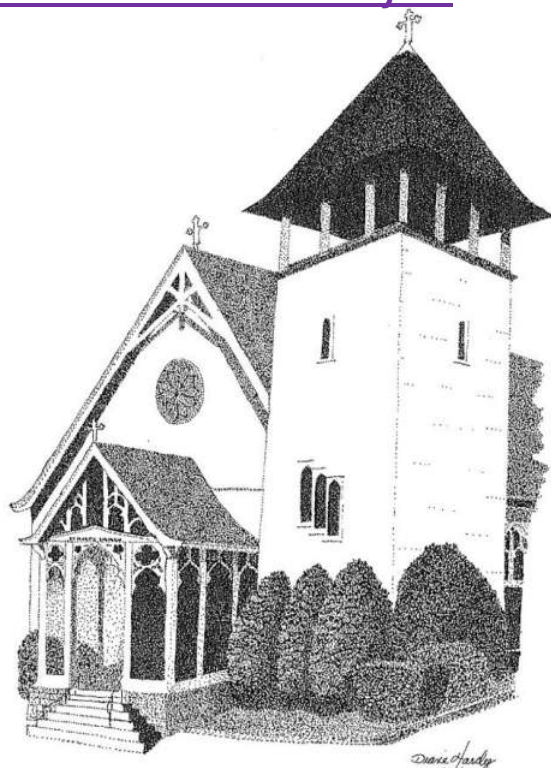
9:00am and 7:00pm

~ OFFICE HOURS ~

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

Monday and Wednesday: 5:00pm-7:00pm

Saturday and Sunday: Closed



Rev. Joseph Akunaeziri

Pastor

Rev. Kizito Mgbemere

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Paul Nwobi

In Resident

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 7:00 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.

Fifth Sunday of Lent– V Domingo de Cuaresma March 22,2026

From the Pastors desk

Presentation of the catechumens

On this 5th Sunday of Lent, as we draw ever closer to the great mystery of Easter, the Church invites us into a moment of profound hope and joy.

Today, we present to you our catechumens—men and women who have heard the voice of Christ calling them and have responded with faith.

Like the people in the Gospel who witnessed new life where there was once death, these catechumens stand before us as a sign that God is still at work, still calling, still renewing His Church.

Their journey has not been a simple one. It has required openness, courage, and a willingness to leave behind the old and embrace the new life that Christ offers.

Confirmation, which they will receive on Easter night, they will be united fully with Christ—dying with Him and rising with Him. They will become part of His Body, the Church, not as strangers, but as brothers and sisters.

But today is not only about them. It is also about us. Their “yes” to Christ invites us to reflect on our own. Have we remained faithful to the grace we received? Are we still growing in our relationship with the Lord?

As we welcome these catechumens, let us also renew our own commitment to Christ

Rev, Joseph Akunaeziri

Fellowship

We will meet in the Parish Hall, after the 11:30 mass, on the last Sunday of every month.

So, join us next Sunday March 29.

All donations are appreciated.

It’s special time for us to gather and get (re)acquainted, and all that’s required is your presence.

Let’s welcome any newcomers to our parish!

Upcoming Events

1. Lenten events will start on Ash Wednesday, February 18 to Easter Sunday April 5 - please pay special attention to Lenten Schedule events.
2. Sunday food sale will be held on every 2nd Sunday. As follows unless otherwise noted: Sunday, April 12; Sunday, July 12; Sunday, August 9; Sunday, September 13; Sunday, October 11; November, Sunday 8
3. Special Fundraisers event - more to come
4. Saturday, June 13, Big Summer Celebration Food Trucks Festival Fair
5. Saturday, October 23, St Mary’s OLMC Dinner Dance
6. Sunday November 8, Thanksgiving Raffle.

Mass Intentions - March 22 - March 29, 2026

Sunday, 3/22	8:00 am – All our Parishioners 9:30 am – All our Parishioners 11:30 am – Richard Ungro (Deceased)
Monday 3/23	9:00 am – Hallissey, Moran & O’Leary Families (Living) 7:00 pm – All our Parishioners
Tuesday, 3/24	9:00 am – Mark Elemnanya (Living)
Wednesday 3/25	9:00 am – Mary R. Mc Namara (Anniversary in Heaven) 7:00 pm – Ana H. Ramos (6 th Anniversary in Heaven)
Thursday, 3/26	9:00 am – Luz D. Rodriguez (1 st Anniversary in Heaven)
Friday, 3/27	9:00 am – James F. Mc Namara (Anniversary in Heaven)
Saturday, 3/28	9:00 am – All our Parishioners 5:00 pm – Doris Galarza (Health) 7:00 pm – All our Parishioners
Sunday, 3/29	8:00 am – Ana Maria Martinez (Deceased) 9:30 am – Jorge & Margarita Hernández (Deceased) 11:30 am – Luz D. Rodríguez (Deceased)

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Desde el escritorio del Pastor

Presentación de los catecúmenos

En este quinto domingo de Cuaresma, a medida que nos acercamos cada vez más al gran misterio de la Pascua, la Iglesia nos invita a vivir un momento de profunda esperanza y alegría. Hoy les presentamos a nuestros catecúmenos: hombres y mujeres que han escuchado la voz de Cristo que los llama y han respondido con fe.

Al igual que las personas del Evangelio que fueron testigos de una vida nueva allí donde antes había muerte, estos catecúmenos se presentan ante nosotros como un signo de que Dios sigue actuando, sigue llamando y sigue renovando a su Iglesia. Su camino no ha sido sencillo; ha requerido apertura, valentía y la disposición a dejar atrás lo viejo para abrazar la vida nueva que Cristo ofrece.

Mediante la Confirmación —que recibirán en la noche de Pascua— se unirán plenamente a Cristo: muriendo con Él y resucitando con Él. Pasarán a formar parte de su Cuerpo, la Iglesia, no como extraños, sino como hermanos y hermanas.

Pero hoy no se trata solo de ellos; se trata también de nosotros. Su «sí» a Cristo nos invita a reflexionar sobre el nuestro propio. ¿Hemos permanecido fieles a la gracia que recibimos? ¿Seguimos creciendo en nuestra relación con el Señor?

Al dar la bienvenida a estos catecúmenos, renovemos también nuestro propio compromiso con Cristo.

Reverendo Joseph Akunaeziri

Convivencia

Nos reuniremos en el Salón Parroquial, después de la misa de las 11:30, el último domingo de cada mes.

Así que, acompáñennos el próximo domingo, 29 de marzo.

Se agradece cualquier donación.

Es un momento especial para reunirnos y (re)conocernos; lo único que se requiere es su presencia.

¡Demos la bienvenida a los recién llegados a nuestra parroquia!

Próximos eventos

1. Los eventos de Cuaresma comenzarán el Miércoles de Ceniza, 18 de febrero, y finalizarán el Domingo de Pascua, 5 de abril. Por favor, preste especial atención a los eventos del calendario de Cuaresma.
2. La venta de comida dominical se realizará cada segundo domingo. A menos que se indique lo contrario, se realizará de la siguiente manera: domingo 12 de abril; domingo 12 de julio; domingo 9 de agosto; domingo 13 de septiembre; domingo 11 de octubre; domingo 8 de noviembre.
3. Evento especial de recaudación de fondos (próximamente más).
4. Sábado 13 de junio: Gran celebración de verano: Feria del festival de camiones de comida.
5. Sábado 23 de octubre: Cena con baile de St. Mary's OLMC.
6. Domingo 8 de noviembre: Rifa de Acción de Gracias.

Weekly Collection

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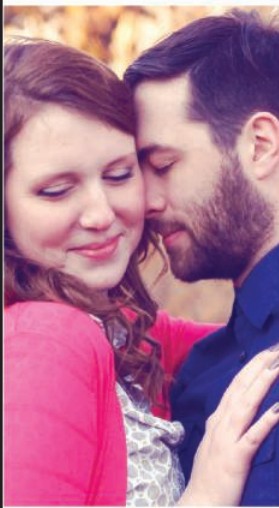
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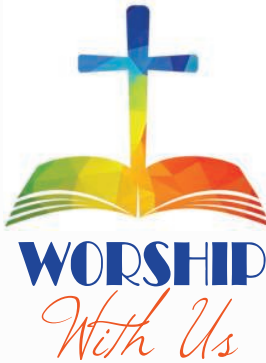
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