

**The Celebration of the Eucharist:**

*Monday through Friday: 8:00 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.*

*Saturday: 8:00 a.m.; Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m.*

*Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 a.m. (Family Mass), 12:00 pm (Adult Choir) and 7:30 pm (Contemporary Choir)*

**Sacrament of Baptism:**

Baptisms are celebrated on the First and Third Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. Parents are asked to contact the Parish Office to make the necessary arrangements.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Confessions are heard in the church on Saturdays from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. and during the week at the Parish House or by appointment with a priest

**Sacrament of Marriage:**

Couples planning to get married are asked to contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to their wedding date to begin their marriage preparation.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:**

Parishioners, especially those who are entering the hospital, who wish to receive the Anointing of the Sick are asked to contact the Parish Office.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Saturday from 3:00 – 3:45 p.m.

**Novenas:**

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday after the 8:00 am and 12:10 pm Masses.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesday after the 12:10 p.m. Mass

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**March 1, 2015**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**

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**Church of the Epiphany**  
**March 1, 2015**  
**Saint Patrick's Concert**

The next event in our Epiphany Music Series is our Saint Patrick's Concert (with an acknowledgement to St. Joseph) that will take place on Sunday, March 15, 2015 at 3:00 pm in our church. The concert will feature our Adult Choir and guest instrumentalists. Admission is free. Please plan on joining us and bring a friend, and wear something green!

**Lenten Devotions**

We remind you that during Lent confessions are heard on Tuesday after the 8:00 am Mass and Thursday after the 12:10 pm Mass; on Thursday there is a Holy Hour at 11:00 am that includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction, along with a reflection on an aspect of Lenten spirituality; on Friday at 7:30 pm we have Stations of the Cross.

**Family Life Rosary**

The members of our parish Respect Life Committee invite you to join with them in praying the Rosary on Monday, March 2nd, following the 8:00 am Mass. The Rosary is offered for the intention of family life, especially families in our parish, for couples preparing for marriage, for parents expecting the birth of a child, for children recently baptized, and for families in crisis. Another important intention is respect for the sanctity of marriage, defined as the union of a man and a woman, and for all married couples in our parish, especially those who are having problems.

**First Saturday Rosary**

The Ladies of Charity of our parish invite you to pray the Rosary with them on March 7, the first Saturday of the month, beginning at 3:00 pm. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during the praying of the Rosary.

**Lenten Film Festival**

Please note that the Film Festival scheduled for Friday nights March 6th and 20th has been canceled due to scheduling conflicts with the parish hall. We were not able to reschedule on other evenings due to the use of the hall by other groups.

**A Lenten Invitation**

Lent leads us to the great solemnity of Easter and the celebration of Christ's victory over sin and death. The liturgical celebrations of Holy Week and Easter are among the most beautiful of the entire year. Wouldn't it be great if someone who has never participated in them before was present for the first time? Wouldn't it be wonderful if someone who hasn't been to them in many years were invited back, BY YOU, to take part in them once again? Each one of us needs to reach out to our sisters and brothers in our community who may be looking for a spiritual home, who may be looking to deepen their faith, who may be searching for a way to experience God's forgiveness and healing, who may have fallen away from the Church and the practice of their faith and yet still have an inner longing for a strong spirituality that can't easily be replaced. During this Lent, please consider offering a special invitation to someone who may be waiting for you to deliver it. You never know what might happen.

## **Announced Mass Intentions**

### ***Monday, March 2, 2015***

8:00 am Police Officers Wenjian Liu  
and Rafael Ramos  
12:10 pm Mary T. Walsh

### ***Tuesday, March 3, 2015***

8:00 am Marinus Schippers  
12:10 pm Linda and Tony Luciere

### ***Wednesday, March 4, 2015***

8:00 am Tom Farrell  
12:10 pm Joseph Walsh

### ***Thursday, March 5, 2015***

8:00 am Francis J. Browne  
12:10 pm Gertrude M.S. Walsh

### ***Friday, March 6, 2015***

#### ***First Friday***

8:00 am Eric and Ellie Haray  
12:10 pm Robert Madden

### ***Saturday, February 21, 2015***

#### ***First Saturday***

8:00 am Eleanore L. McGroarty  
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## **Stewardship**

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Collection for February 22, 2015 - \$11,366.00  
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## **The Cardinal's Annual Appeal** **2015**

As already noted in past bulletins, this year's Cardinal's Appeal is underway. By now many of you have received their first request directly from the Cardinal's office and a number of parishioners have already made their pledge. To date we have received \$38,760 from 87 families and individuals which represents 29% of our parish goal of \$134,000.

On the weekend of March 14th and 15th we will have our "In Pew" weekend to give those who have not yet made their gift an opportunity to do so. Pledge envelopes will be in all the pews and you will be asked to take one home with you and give some prayerful thought as to how you will support the Appeal this year. Lent is a time for almsgiving, and perhaps your sacrificial gift to the Appeal can be a way for you to enter into this Lenten practice. You can then place your pledge envelope in the collection the following week. We ask that you do not mail these envelopes to the Appeal Office as we need to enter some information on them to make sure that Epiphany is credited with your gift. Please remember that your gift does not have to be made all at once. It can be paid over a period of months which you designate. The Appeal Office will send you a monthly reminder. Your pledge can also be debited from a bank account or charged to a major credit card (why not earn some extra points while you are doing a good deed.)

Thank you very much to our parishioners who have already made their 2015 contribution. If you have not yet made your gift, please take advantage of our In Pew weekend to support the Cardinal's Appeal.

### **Project Bread for Life**

As part of our parish Lenten program, we will host *Project Bread for Life* next weekend, March 7th and 8th. This is a grassroots effort that sells bread in order to raise funds to support the work of the Sisters of the Community of the Poor Servants of the Mother of God who operate an HIV/AIDS Orphanage and Clinic in Kitui and Kitale in Kenya, Africa. The donation requested per loaf of bread is \$5.00; however, any donation of \$3.00 or more will be gratefully accepted. The funds raised, after the cost of the bread, are sent directly to educational and clinical programs sponsored by the Sisters. Your willingness to assist is invaluable to help them care for the needs of innocent children affected with this terrible disease. Please consider sponsoring this ministry by preparing to buy one or more loaves of this delicious bread. Your generosity will bring hope and life to children who are most in need. For additional information about the work of the Sisters of the Poor Servants of the Mother of God please visit [www.theraptfoundation.com](http://www.theraptfoundation.com).

### **Pilgrimage of New York 2015 Honoring St. Joseph**

From the top of Manhattan to the bottom, we will be walking the length of Manhattan visiting churches named after or in honor of Saint Joseph, the Patron of the Universal Church, making stops at the Church of Saint Joseph of the Holy Family (Harlem), Saint Joseph (Yorkville), Church of the Holy Family (United Nations) and Saint Joseph (Lower East Side). The walk is a total of 13.5 miles. The date is Saturday, March 21, 2015 (rain date is Saturday, September 26, 2015.) The pilgrimage begins at 9:00 am with opening prayers at the Shrine of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini located at 701 Fort Washington Ave. in Washington Heights and will conclude with a Pilgrims' Mass at 5:30 pm at the Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 7 State Street, across from the Staten Island ferry. You must register in advance at [www.pofnyc.org](http://www.pofnyc.org) in order to participate in this event.

### **Attention Men in the Archdiocese**

The Archdiocese of New York Men's Commission is hosting the First Annual Men's Conference on Saturday, March 21, 2015 at the Rose Hill Campus of Fordham University in the Bronx. With over 500 expected to attend, this day long event will provide a unique opportunity for men throughout the Archdiocese to recommit themselves to their spiritual lives. The speakers will include Cardinal Dolan, the Archbishop of NY, Damon Owens, a renowned public speaker and a strong proponent of the Catholic faith, and Joe Klecko, former NY Jets all-star defensive lineman. Admission is \$45 and includes breakfast, lunch, and a t-shirt. To register or to obtain additional information, visit [www.nymensconference.com](http://www.nymensconference.com) or call Kim Quatela at 646-794-3198.

### **2015 Ordinary Synod of the Bishops**

#### **The Vocation of the Family in the Church and Contemporary World**

In preparation for the Ordinary Synod on the Family in October, parishioners are invited to share their input with the Archdiocese of New York as part of a worldwide information gathering process that will provide information for the Synod Fathers to use in their discussions. Through an online set of questions that have been developed and approved for this purpose, you have an opportunity to reflect and respond thoughtfully on how the Church can serve families in their vocation and mission to love. This landmark consultation is a way for Catholics in the pews to have a voice in this matter which is of utmost concern not only to Pope Francis but to every member of society. In order to participate visit [www.nyfamilylife.org/synod](http://www.nyfamilylife.org/synod). The questions are available in English and Spanish. *Online questions will close on March 6th, so please participate before that date.*



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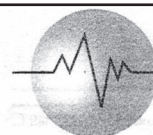


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