

# HOLY NAME OF JESUS CHURCH

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## Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m.\*

Saturday: 9 a.m.; 5:30 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m.\* (Spanish), 10:30 a.m.\*, Noon.

*Masses noted with \* are also live streamed on our Facebook page.*

## Church Open for Private Prayer:

Monday - Saturday, 10 a.m. to Noon

## Confessions:

Saturdays, 5 p.m. - 5:20 p.m. in the Church; or by appointment

Weddings, Baptisms, Funerals: Please call the Rectory

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## FOURTH SUNDAY *of* EASTER - APRIL 25, 2021

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I am **the**  
You are **CHURCH**  
We are **together**

## A REQUEST FROM HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH

*"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." (1 Peter 4:10)*

As Pastor of Holy Name of Jesus Parish, I am asking, if you have not already done so, that you make a pledge to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. **You may make your pledge by mail (using envelopes already mailed to many of your homes); on-line at [annualcatholicappeal.org](http://annualcatholicappeal.org); by texting ACA to 917-336-1255; or at Mass in Church during our upcoming ACA In-Pew Weekend.**

We still have a long way to go:

**Parish Goal: \$55,623**

**Amount Pledged thus far: \$46,181**

More than ever, we need your help to spread the light of Christ to our city and neighbors by giving to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. We need you, as a committed parishioner, friend, and Catholic, to help us uphold our mission. Your participation joins you in faith with others in the Church to do good works during challenging times in new, innovative ways:

- Connecting our young people to the Church
- Feeding the hungry
- Visiting the sick and imprisoned
- Giving shelter to the homeless
- Welcoming the stranger
- Caring for the elderly
- Sharing our faith
- Educating the young
- Forming deacons and priests

The work you support with a donation to the Appeal goes well beyond the abilities of any one parish — it benefits the faithful in all parishes, including Holy Name of Jesus. Here at HNJ, we use all "over-Diocesan goal" dollars we receive back to reduce our still large debt obligation.

We are grateful to the 69 people who have already made a generous commitment to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal and we ask others to join them.

# FOURTH SUNDAY of EASTER

# APRIL 25, 2021

## COLLECTION RESULTS — APRIL 18, 2021

**1<sup>ST</sup> COLLECTION TOTAL TO PARISH: .....\$6,078**

*(This includes: \$2,421 in church envelopes, \$902 in loose cash and checks in baskets and \$2,755 from Faith Direct weekly collection.)*

**2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION TOTAL TO DIOCESE FOR CATHOLIC**

**HOME MISSIONS: ..... \$972**

*(This includes: \$481 in Home Mission envelopes, \$336 in loose cash and checks in baskets and \$155 from Faith Direct.)*

**CATCH UP COLLECTION: .....\$1,372**

*(This includes \$1,162 in previous 1<sup>st</sup> collection envelopes and \$210 in 2<sup>nd</sup> collection Parish Building Repair envelopes.)*

## GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

April 25 (the Fourth Sunday of Easter) is Good Shepherd Sunday and the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Jesus instructed us to “Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest” ([Mt 9:38](#); [Lk 10:2](#)). While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life.

*Source: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops*

### *Prayer For Vocations*

*Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd. You know each of us and you call us by name to serve in faith. Help us respond generously to your voice. Give us courage and guidance to those you call to the priesthood and the diaconate, to religious life and lay ministry, so they may respond wholeheartedly and serve devotedly. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.*

*Source: Companions of St. Anthony*

## MOTHER’S DAY REMEMBRANCES

Mother’s Day is Sunday, May 9. During the month of May, we will pray for all mothers, grandmothers, aunts, and godmothers—both living and deceased—whom you wish to have remembered.

Mother’s Day Remembrance envelopes were included in the most recent church envelope packets. There are also some on the tables in the back of the Church. Please send your requests to the Rectory Office or put them in the collection baskets.

We will place the prayer intentions on the altar for the month of May and list the names of those for whom we will be praying in the bulletin.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS / HOLY NAME SOCIETY SUNDAY ROSARY AT HNJ - APRIL 25

Members of the Holy Name Council of the Knights of Columbus and the Holy Name Society will lead the recitation of the Rosary in the Church immediately after the 12 Noon Mass (approximately 1 p.m.) on Sunday, April 25, 2021. Please join them for this great way to start your week!

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CLOTHING COLLECTION

A St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in front of Holy Name Church next Sunday, May 2 from 9 a.m. to Noon to pick up clothing. Please bring your donations directly to the truck as we have no place to store the items in the Church or Rectory. Thank you for your support.

## HOLY NAME FOOD PANTRY

will distribute food from the Rectory basement from **2-3 p.m. on Saturdays, May 8 & 22.**

At this time, cans of fruit are needed.

We thank Susan Valenti for her food donation made in memory of **Mary E. Hannan.**

## HOLY NAME FATHER’S GUILD

Celebrating over thirty years of organized team sports in Holy Name Parish and the Windsor Terrace Community



*baseball • basketball • dodgeball • flag football • soccer • softball • swimming • t-ball*

Celebrating 43 Years of Youth Sports in the Windsor Terrace Community!

## Spring Soccer

We are pleased to open registration for the Spring 2021 Session for both our **Junior Soccer Clinic (Ages 3-5)** and our **Senior Soccer Clinic (Ages 6 -10)**.

Registration for both Soccer Clinics will open today.

To register for our Soccer Clinics please go to <https://hnfg.sportssignup.com/site/> and click on Register Online.

We always need coaches.  
Our program depends upon parent volunteers to coach.  
If you have any questions or are willing to coach,  
please send emails to [holynamefathersguild@gmail.com](mailto:holynamefathersguild@gmail.com)

## A NOTE FROM FR. LARRY

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I'll begin by congratulating Emily Osicek and Kevin O'Loughlin who were married in Holy Name of Jesus Church last Saturday in a beautiful Nuptial Mass celebrated by Fr. Peter Rayder, who many HNJ parishioners remember fondly from his years of service here. Best wishes and all of God's blessings on Emily and Kevin and both of their families.

On a more somber note, at all of last weekend's Masses we prayed for the victims of the shooting last week in Indianapolis, a tragedy made more disturbing because it occurred so soon after the mass shootings in Atlanta and Colorado in March. The U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) issued a statement indicating that "the Bishops continue to support...policy measures...to reduce homicides and suicides.... In the spirit of Easter, let us pray for renewed reverence for the gift of life, and faith that by the grace of God, we can always begin again and work towards peace." Although written in response to the Indianapolis shooting, the USCCB's prayer is also applicable to the just announced news of the guilty verdict in the George Floyd murder case. May we all pray for a reduction in division and an increase in peace in our great nation.

This Sunday is both the Fourth Sunday of Easter (also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday") and the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pope Francis entitled his message for this day this year: "St. Joseph: the Dream of Vocation". That title is not surprising since the Pope has declared 2021 to be a year specially dedicated to St. Joseph. In his message, the Pope writes: "St. Joseph suggests to us three key words for each individual vocation: dream, service, fidelity." Summarizing greatly, it can be said that the Pope emphasized Joseph's acceptance of God's will for him as had been communicated to Joseph in several dreams. Pope Francis writes: "May St. Joseph help everyone, especially young people who are discerning, to make God's dreams for them come true. May St. Joseph inspire in them the courage to say 'yes' to the Lord who always surprises and never disappoints." Concerning service, Pope Francis writes: "The Gospels show how Joseph lived entirely for others and never for himself.... Every true vocation is born of the gift of oneself." Concerning fidelity, Pope Francis writes: "St. Joseph is the righteous man, who daily perseveres in quietly serving God and His plans.... A vocation – like life itself – matures only through daily fidelity." Keeping Pope Francis' message in mind, we pray, through the intercession of St. Joseph, for everyone working to discern and to carry out their individual vocations or callings from God. We pray in a special way that young men and women (and not-so-young men and women!) will remain open to God's call to the priesthood, permanent diaconate, or consecrated religious life.

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### SCRIPTURE INSIGHTS

*Please consider the following commentary on this Sunday's readings:*

*(Reading I: Acts 4:8-12; Reading II: 1 John 3:1-2; Gospel: John 10:11-18)*

Today's First Reading from Acts is a continuation of events that we heard last Sunday. After curing a lame man, Peter and John are questioned by the Temple authorities. When asked, "by what power or by what name have you done this?" Peter boldly responds that it was in the name of Jesus that the man was cured and that it is in this name only that all people will be saved.

The Gospel for today is a portion of the longer and very familiar discourse on the Good Shepherd. Most people reading this passage have had no experience with tending sheep, but it is important to keep in mind that this discourse is about relationship. The Jewish community would have been familiar with the images of the shepherd and the hired hand. The hired hand to whom Jesus refers is an individual (or individuals) who had no relationship with the sheep he is paid to tend. The shepherd, on the other hand, is the one who knows and tends to the sheep with tender care. When Jesus says, "I am the good shepherd," he not only is identifying himself as the one with whom he and his sheep have a mutual relationship, but also saying that he and the Father have a mutual relationship. While using the familiar shepherd imagery of the Old Testament, Jesus expands the image of shepherd to include "other sheep that do not belong to this fold." Jesus will lay down his life for many, not for an elite few.

- ✠ Consider the significance of knowing someone's name. Of what importance is this in the First Reading? In your daily life?
- ✠ In today's Gospel, Jesus says that there are other sheep that he will lead and who will hear his voice. Reflect on what the voice of a loved one stirs within you.
- ✠ What might Jesus mean when he states that he must also lead sheep who are not of this fold but that "they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd"?

# Mass Intentions

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 25**

*World Day of Prayer for Vocations*

- 7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society
- 9 a.m. The People of the Parish
- 10:30 a.m. Eileen Purdy
- 12 p.m. Matthew Bahna

## **MONDAY, APRIL 26**

- 9 a.m. Elizabeth Jackson

## **TUESDAY, APRIL 27**

- 9 a.m. Shirley Cita Resselosa Mallari

## **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28**

*St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr*  
*St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest*

- 9 a.m. Pat & Kathleen Hanmore

## **THURSDAY, APRIL 29**

*St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church*

- 9 a.m. Intentions of the Kelly Family

## **FRIDAY, APRIL 30**

*St. Pius V, Pope*

- 9 a.m. Howard & Anne Ducey

## **SATURDAY, MAY 1**

*St. Joseph the Worker*

- 9 a.m. Mary Halloran Duggan
- 5:30 p.m. Madeline Jacob  
Maria Gonsenica  
Iris Cruz  
Mary Hannan

## **SUNDAY, MAY 2**

- 7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society
- 9 a.m. The People of the Parish
- 10:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Buckley Family
- 12 p.m. Francesco Pira

*I am the good shepherd,  
says the Lord;  
I know my sheep,  
and mine know me.*

*John 10:14*



## *Please Pray For Those Who Are Ill:*

Please pray for the health and wholeness of all the sick and those who give them care, especially: Danny Ferra; Adana; Judy Heegan; Mary Brunton; Helen Rafferty; Allison Mary Heart; Liam Budgell; Miriam Rodriguez; Ita M<sup>c</sup>Gough Santomauro; Richard and Frances Day; Jason, Ann and Mary Q.; Christina DeRosa; Msgr. Michael Curran; Tracy Pye; Nicoletta Cordero; John Passaro; Marie Racioppo; James Flannagan; Joseph Cox; Vincent Camastro; Cheryl Jablow; Jean Thomas; Rosie Pira-Ursino; Marilyn Bloom; and all those afflicted with the Coronavirus.

*(Names will remain on the Sick List for a four-week period. Please call the Rectory if you would like to have a name remain for a longer period of time or be returned to the List.)*

## *... and For Our Departed Loved Ones:*

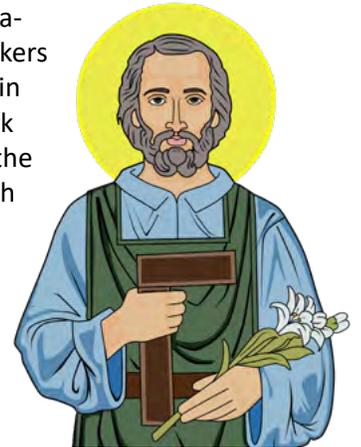
We ask for your prayers for those of our community who have gone before us into the fullness of life, and for those they have left behind. Please remember those enrolled in our Purgatorial Society as well.

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## **THE FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER**

*Saturday, May 1, is the Memorial of St. Joseph the Worker, a feast that is particularly significant during this year that Pope Francis has declared to be the Year of St. Joseph. It is especially meaningful to us here in HNJ Parish with our aligned St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Academy.*

To foster deep devotion to Saint Joseph among Catholics, and in response to the “May Day” celebrations for workers sponsored by Communists, Pope Pius XII instituted the feast of Saint Joseph the Worker in 1955. This feast extends the long relationship between Joseph and the cause of workers in both Catholic faith and devotion. Beginning in the Book of Genesis, the dignity of human work has long been celebrated as a participation in the creative work of God. By work, humankind both fulfills the command found in Genesis to care for the earth ([Gn 2:15](#)) and to be productive in their labors. Saint Joseph, the carpenter and foster father of Jesus, is but one example of the holiness of human labor.



Jesus, too, was a carpenter. He learned the trade from Saint Joseph and spent his early adult years working side-by-side in Joseph’s carpentry shop before leaving to pursue his ministry as preacher and healer. In his encyclical *Laborem Exercens*, Pope John Paul II stated: “the Church considers it her task always to call attention to the dignity and rights of those who work, to condemn situations in which that dignity and those rights are violated, and to help to guide [social] changes so as to ensure authentic progress by man and society.”

Saint Joseph is held up as a model of such work. Pius XII emphasized this when he said, “The spirit flows to you and to all men from the heart of the God-man, Savior of the world, but certainly, no worker was ever more completely and profoundly penetrated by it than the foster father of Jesus, who lived with Him in closest intimacy and community of family life and work.”