

HOLY NAME OF JESUS CHURCH

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Holy Name of Jesus Church is open **with COVID-19 safety protocols in place**. Attendance, masking, and social distancing guidelines **must** be observed at all times.

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

By Appointment

Baptisms

Please call the Rectory for an Appointment

Weddings

Please call the Rectory for an Appointment

Funerals

Please contact the Rectory

HOLY NAME RECTORY

245 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, NY 11215-5807
(718) 768-3071 • Fax (718) 369-2039

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday - Friday

Masking and Social distancing guidelines must be followed.

For health and safety reasons, please try to conduct

Rectory business by phone whenever possible.

HOLY NAME RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Hours by appointment

email: hjreligious@gmail.com or call (718) 768-7629

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241 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, NY 11215-5807

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School Website: WWW.SJWCA.ORG

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30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 25, 2020

COLLECTION RESULTS

OCTOBER 18, 2020 TOTAL TO PARISH: \$5,102

Weekly 1st Collection: \$1,583 from envelopes, \$682 loose cash and checks, and \$2,312 from Faith Direct; \$59 Parish Building & Repair envelopes and \$466 from Faith Direct.

Catch-up Collection Total: \$936

(Includes \$830 from 1st Collection envelopes, \$106 from Parish Building Repair envelopes from previous weeks.

The 2nd Collection for this week was a Diocesan Collection for Mission Sunday which will be reported next week. Thank you for your generosity!

Annual Catholic Appeal 2020 Results as of October 19, 2020

Donations to 2019 Appeal	\$112,831
Donations (thus far) to 2020 Appeal	\$99,055
Difference	(\$13,776)
Completed pledges to 2019 Appeal	221
Pledges (thus far) to 2020 Appeal	202
Difference	(19)

The above figures include the results of our October 3 - 4 In-Pew Weekend. As always, thank you and God bless you for your generosity

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK November 1-7, 2020.

National Vocation Awareness Week an annual week-long celebration of the U. S. Catholic Church dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations.

Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation.

HNJ PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

Allow us to get better at connecting with you, make it easier for you to connect with your faith community, and help sustain our parish. Please complete and return the response card (if you received a mailing), complete the form online at www.cfbq.org/PSP, or scan the QR code to get started!



ALL SOULS DAY MEMORIAL MASS

Monday, November 2, is All Souls Day. Our 9 a.m. live-streamed Mass will be for the intention of that Mass as well as for all of the deceased parishioners of Holy Name of Jesus Parish.

HNJ CHURCH NOT IN ANY RESTRICTED ZONE

WE REMAIN OPEN FOR MASSES, PRAYER AND OTHER SACRAMENTS

HNJ Church remains OPEN for our full Mass and prayer schedule, as well as Funerals, Baptisms and Weddings. We also continue to livestream Masses on our Facebook page on Sundays at 9 a.m. (Spanish) and 10:30 a.m. (English) and from Monday through Friday at 9 a.m.

It is important to be extra careful about observing all COVID guidelines, including social distancing, masking, hand-washing and staying home if you do not feel well. Thank you for your ongoing cooperation to help us to remain OPEN.

2021 Mass Book Opens on November 10

The 2021 Mass Book will be open as of Tuesday, Nov. 10. You may send your list to the Rectory via mail or drop it off at the Rectory door. Be sure to include your own name and phone number so we can contact you.

During the first week, we will only collect lists; we will number them in the order in which they are received. Please mark the first five dates that are most important to you. We will accommodate everyone's first five dates as best as we can, and then add the rest as soon as the initial lists are done. Since we only have one Mass each weekday, this is the fairest way to do this. Please remember that Saturday's 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Masses allow for multiple intentions (a maximum of five names per Mass.)

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CLOTHING COLLECTION

On Sunday November 8, a St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in front of Holy Name Church 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.

The Holy Name Food Pantry

will distribute food out of the Rectory basement from **2-3 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 24, Nov. 7 & Nov. 21.**

At this time, soup, tuna, and cereal are needed.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

A Note From Fr. Larry

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal: Elsewhere in this bulletin, please see the up-to-date numbers for the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal. These include the results of our October 3-4 In-Pew Weekend. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

Parish Stewardship Program: At our Weekend Masses for the past two weekends we announced and explained the Parish Stewardship Program (PSP) which will run from now through early December. We explained how we, along with most of the parishes in the Diocese of Brooklyn, are participating in this program which has several purposes. It is a program to humbly ask you to prayerfully consider increasing your weekly offering to Holy Name of Jesus Parish. This is very important, both now to meet our operating expenses when Mass attendance and collections will continue to be reduced because of COVID 19, and for the future to maintain the financial sustainability of the parish when difficult, longer-term decisions will be made about parish mergers, etc. (Electronic giving at faithdirect.net, using HNJ code NY349, is a great way to achieve that purpose.) The PSP will also serve as a sort of "parish census" to help us better serve you in this era when Internet, email, cellphones and texts have taken on such an increasing role in parish communications. We also hope that the PSP will help increase participation in parish ministries (e.g., Lector, Ministers of Communion, etc.).

By now many of you have received a letter from me about the program. Included in that letter is a response card asking you to increase your weekly offering and also asking for your current cell phone number and email address so we can update our records. Please return your completed card as soon as you can by hand-delivering or mailing it to the Rectory; by dropping it in one of the collection baskets near the Church doors during weekend Masses; or even on line at www.cfbq.org/PSP. It is well understood that these are difficult financial times for many. Even if you are not able to increase your weekly offering now, please return your card with updated cell phone and email information. Thank you for your support and be assured of my continuing commitment to providing sacramental and ministerial services to the best of my ability.

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: Included in this bulletin is a flyer (in English and in Spanish) issued by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops which summarizes important points drawn from the USCCB's longer document entitled "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship". In 2007, our own Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio had a leadership role in the development of that USCCB document. Bishop DiMarzio recently wrote an article entitled "[Dilemmas Catholics Face during an Election Year](#)" that was published in the October 7, 2020 edition of The Tablet and

that contains several important insights into the USCCB's longer document. Early in his article, Bishop DiMarzio writes "It was certainly clear that the bishops do not and have not in recent history, told people how to vote. We do, however, have the responsibility for forming consciences based on the teachings of the Church. In the atmosphere we live in today, it is rather complicated since many social issues clearly have moral content to which we, as Catholic voters, must pay attention." In his article Bishop DiMarzio then proceeds to succinctly examine some of those issues and their relationship to the formation of conscience. Bishop DiMarzio's [article is available on line](#) and is certainly well worth reading as we approach Election Day.

All Saints and All Souls Days: This year All Saints Day (November 1) falls on a Sunday. Monday, November 2, is All Souls Day which we will observe at our regularly scheduled 9 a.m. Mass.



SCRIPTURE INSIGHTS

*Please consider the following commentary on this Sunday's readings:
([Exodus 22:20-26, 4-5; 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10; Matthew 22:34-40](#))*

"When Jesus is asked about "the greatest commandment," he replies with a dual commandment: love of God and love of neighbor. There is neither opposition nor separation between these two loves, as if one must choose one over the other. One cannot have one without the other. Jesus has no problem, then, loving people by understanding their need for food or by healing them on the Sabbath, a day that some think should be reserved solely for loving God (cf. Matthew 12:1-14). The way Jesus juxtaposes these two loves as dual and the greatest commandment implies that the violation of neighbor violates God and the commandment.

In Matthew Jesus responds to those who want to honor God but bypass their needy neighbors with a statement that places mercy before sacrifice (Matthew 12:7). Today's passage from Exodus 22 seems to compare offering sacrifices to other gods with the reluctance to care for aliens, widows, orphans, and the poor, since both practices result in the wrath of and punishment from God. In addition, our passage concludes with a declaration that our compassionate God will always hear the cries of our neighbors. As Psalm 18 indicates, God will save those in distress and under oppression but will also exact vengeance on those who act unjustly and abusively.

Paul, in the beginning of his First Letter to the Thessalonians, emphasizes the welcoming of others as a marker of discipleship that deserves emulation from others. Just as consideration for the Thessalonians brought them to follow Jesus and imitate Paul and his fellow missionaries, the Thessalonians' reciprocal welcoming of Paul and his missionaries became a model for followers of Jesus all over the region. Relations among people, as we have seen in the other passages, define discipleship and human relationship with God.

- Who is your neighbor?
- What is the relationship between love and welcome?
- How does Jesus welcome?"

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

- 9 a.m. Ezra Clark Stillman (*Anniversary*)
Mary Garrahy Pierson
- 5:30 p.m. Dorothy Sullivan
Robert W. Mullin
Patrick G. Heaney
Bridie Marnell
Manny Philip Gomes
Edward James McEvoy

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

- 7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society
- 9 a.m. The People of the Parish
- 10:30 a.m. Mary, Anthony, Rosemarie, &
Peter Camastro
- 12 p.m. Intentions of Eileen K. McNally

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 9 a.m. Hilda Alcazar

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

- 9 a.m. Louise Baldo

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

Saint. Simon and Jude, Apostles

- 9 a.m. Muriel Sheehan

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

- 9 a.m. Sofia Garbe

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

- 9 a.m. Catherine & Jack Montalbano

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

- 9 a.m. Patrick G. Heaney
Intentions of John Nerges
Michael Furey
(*5th Anniversary*)
- 5:30 p.m. Ed McHale
Patrick G. Heaney
Manny Philip Gomes
Intentions of Anthony Brennan
In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony

OPEN HOUSE - ST. EDMUND PREPARATORY H.S.
2474 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn, NY

Virtual tours & presentations:
Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 7 p.m.

Pre-registration required:

www.stedmundprep.org/openhouse

Info: admissions@stedmundprep.org,
or 718-743-6100 x5044.

Memorials

The Hosts have been donated in loving memory of
Jim, Florrie, and Lavinia Boyle by Bonnie, Don, and Jim.

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: Michael Holleran, Kathleen O'Donnell, Charles Colgan, John Passaro, Timothy Depeaza, Alberta Friscia-Watkins, Marie Racioppo, James Flannagan, Joseph Cox, Madison P. Levy, 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, especially Kathleen Bradley, Kathleen Coleman, and William Maloney.**

The Deacon's Corner 

THE COMMANDMENTS OF LOVE

This weekend, I am reminded of the two great commandments: "Love God" and "Love one's neighbor as oneself." The section of Mosaic law that is read this Sunday focuses on a couple of aspects of these two commandments: no other divinity is to be worshiped except God, and the need to treat others fairly.

In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus responds to another trick question posed by the Pharisees. They were hoping He would "lift" up some detailed part of Mosaic Law as what He saw was the most important stipulation. If He focused on some minuscule precept, they would be able to say something like, "well, what about this other aspect which Moses stressed?" Instead, Jesus summarizes all Mosaic Law into 2 phrases: Complete and total love of God, and concern for others. Here, Love is not some "mushy" emotion or physical attraction to another person. Love, as described throughout scriptures, is a decision to do and be for another. It's more of an attitude which leads to action. The highest form of love is giving one's self totally for another.

Jesus' summary of the law and commands is truly the measuring stick by which we must act. We must look at how our actions manifest our complete and total love for God and our conscientious decision to care for others. Being followers of Jesus is not just an hour a week that we give to God. It is a daily, hourly, minute-by-minute choice we must make. It means thinking of God and others as much as, or even more than, we think of ourselves. It means acting like our God, who is Love.

Jesus made the decision to do all He could so that people would come to know the great love God has for them and they in turn would share that message with others. LET US TRUST IN JESUS!

~DEACON MIKE SAEZ

I love you, Lord, my Strength.

~ Psalm 18:1



What does it mean to form my conscience?

Catholics have a long tradition of engagement in the public square. Sometimes that engagement requires making difficult moral decisions that impact our own lives and those of others. Our conscience can help guide the decisions we make. The Second Vatican Council guides us: “Always summoning [one] to love good and avoid evil, the voice of conscience can when necessary speak to [one’s] heart more specifically: do this, shun that” (*Gaudium et Spes* 16). However, our conscience doesn’t just come to us when we are born. We must work throughout our lives to form it through prayer, learning, and conversation.

How do I form my conscience?

It takes time to form our consciences so that we can make well-reasoned judgments about particular, real-life situations. The Church teaches that it is important to work continually on conscience formation so we can be prepared to make decisions whenever the opportunity arises. Some specific ideas to form your conscience are:

- 1) Begin by **being open to the truth** and what is right.
- 2) **Study Sacred Scripture** and the **teaching** of the Church.
- 3) **Examine the facts** and **background information** about various choices and be discerning in where we gather information.
- 4) **Prayerfully reflect** to discern the will of God (*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, no. 18).

Additionally, it is important to consider how our community of faith can help us form good consciences through some of these steps:

- 1) Seek the **prudent advice** and **good example** of trusted leaders and others to support and enlighten our conscience.
- 2) Learn about the **authoritative teaching** of the Church.
- 3) Pray for the **gifts of the Holy Spirit** to help us develop our conscience.
- 4) Regularly partake in an **examination of conscience** to hear God’s voice in your life.¹

Doing the work of forming our consciences can seem daunting. Fortunately, we have many church teachings that can help us in this important task. *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* is an important resource for U.S. Catholics and helps us prayerfully reflect on how we can apply Church teaching in our civic life. “Conscience is not something that allows us to justify doing whatever we want, nor is it a mere “feeling” about what we should or should not do. Rather, **conscience is the voice of God resounding in the human heart**, revealing the truth to us and calling us to do what is good while shunning what is evil.”²

Here are some questions for further reflection:

1. When has my conscience guided me to “do good and avoid evil”?
2. What are some key resources I can use to form my conscience?
3. Forming conscience is a “lifelong task.” What do I do to *regularly* form my conscience? What more should I do?

¹ Catechism of the Catholic Church (2nd ed.). Washington, DC: Libreria Editrice Vaticana–United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), 2000, no 1777

² USCCB. *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*. Washington, DC: 2015, no. 17





¿Qué significa formar mi conciencia?

Los católicos tienen una larga tradición de participación en el discurso público. A veces esa participación requiere tomar decisiones morales difíciles que impactan nuestra propia vida y la de los demás. Nuestra conciencia puede ayudarnos a guiar las decisiones que tomamos. El Concilio Vaticano II nos dice: “En los oídos de su corazón”, resuena en uno la voz de su conciencia, “advirtiéndole que debe amar y practicar el bien y que debe evitar el mal: haz esto, evita aquello” (Gaudium et spes 16). Sin embargo, la conciencia no está desarrollada simplemente cuando nacemos. Debemos trabajar toda nuestra vida para formarla con la oración, el estudio y la conversación.

¿Cómo formo mi conciencia?

Toma tiempo formar nuestra conciencia para que podamos hacer discernimientos bien razonados sobre situaciones particulares de la vida real. La Iglesia enseña que es importante trabajar continuamente en la formación de la conciencia y así estar preparados para tomar decisiones cuando se presente la oportunidad.

Aquí hay algunas ideas específicas para formar su conciencia:

1. Comience por estar abierto a la verdad y a lo que es correcto.
2. Estudie la Sagrada Escritura y la doctrina de la Iglesia.
3. Examine los hechos y antecedentes sobre las distintas opciones, y discierna bien de dónde obtenemos la información.
4. Reflexione iluminado por la oración para discernir la voluntad de Dios (Formando la conciencia para ser ciudadanos fieles, no. 18).

Además, es importante considerar cómo puede nuestra comunidad de fe ayudarnos a formar una buena conciencia mediante algunos de estos pasos:

- Busque el consejo prudente y el buen ejemplo de líderes confiables y otros para apoyar e iluminar nuestra conciencia.
- Conozca la doctrina autorizada de la Iglesia.
- Ore para que los dones del Espíritu Santo nos ayuden a desarrollar nuestra conciencia.
- Haga regularmente un examen de conciencia para escuchar la voz de Dios conciencia.
- Haga regularmente un examen de conciencia para escuchar la voz de Dios en su vida.ⁱ

Hacer el trabajo de formar nuestra conciencia puede producir temor. . Afortunadamente, tenemos muchas enseñanzas de la Iglesia que pueden ayudarnos en esta importante tarea. Formando la conciencia para ser ciudadanos fieles es un recurso importante para los católicos estadounidenses, y nos ayuda a reflexionar iluminados por la oración sobre cómo podemos aplicar la doctrina de la Iglesia en nuestra vida cívica. “La conciencia no es algo que nos permite justificar cualquier cosa que queramos hacer, ni tampoco es simplemente un ‘sentimiento’ acerca de lo que deberíamos o no hacer. Más bien, la conciencia es la voz de Dios que resuena en el corazón humano, revelándonos la verdad y llamándonos a hacer el bien a la vez que a rechazar el malⁱⁱ”. A continuación, algunas preguntas para una mayor reflexión:

1. ¿Cuándo me ha guiado mi conciencia a “hacer el bien y evitar el mal”?
2. ¿Qué recursos clave puedo usar para formar mi conciencia?
3. Formar conciencia es una “tarea para toda la vida”. ¿Qué debo hacer para formar mi conciencia regularmente? ¿Qué más debo hacer?

ⁱ *Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica* (2ª ed.). Washington, DC: Libreria Editrice Vaticana–United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), 2001, no. 1777.

ⁱⁱ USCCB. *Formando la conciencia para ser ciudadanos fieles*. Washington, DC: 2015, no. 17.