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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021



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.*, and Noon.

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

Confessions:

Saturdays, 5 - 5:20 p.m. or by appointment.

Weddings and Baptisms:

Please call the Rectory to speak with a priest.

Funerals:

Please have the Funeral Home call the Rectory.

The Church is also open for Private Prayer: Monday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to Noon

COLLECTION RESULTS - AUGUST 8, 2021

1ST COLLECTION TOTAL TO PARISH.....\$4,242

(This includes: \$1,987 in church envelopes and \$2,255 from Faith Direct weekly collection.)

2ND COLLECTION TOTAL TO PARISH\$1,170

(This includes: \$726 in Parish Repair envelopes and cash in the basket and \$444 from Faith Direct.)

CATCH UP COLLECTION\$2,983

(This includes \$1,558 in previous first collection envelopes and \$255 in previous Parish Building Repair envelopes.)

Thank you for your generosity!

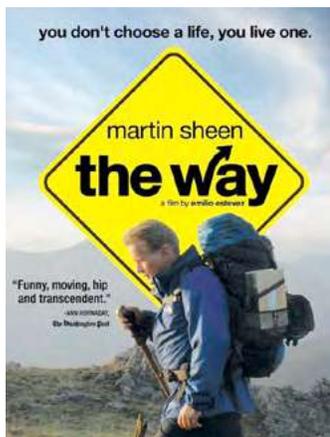
REMINDER TO MEETING ROOM USERS

Requests for space on the 2021-2022 Calendar for your group meetings, must be submitted to Louise Oconnor in the Rectory Office no later than this Monday, August 16.

Please list all dates individually on paper and include the name of the group, the name of the contact, and the contact's cell and home telephone numbers. All requests must be made in writing and will be handled on a "First Come, First Served" basis. No requests will be taken over the phone. Thank you.

MOVIE NIGHT AT HNJ

Join us for a free viewing of



6 p.m., Monday, August 16, 2021

Fr. Larry Ryan will lead a brief discussion after the movie, at approximately 8 p.m.

You can attend in-person at Holy Name, or join us via Zoom.

To RSVP: Call the Rectory Office (718) 768-3071 by Noon, Monday, August 16

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

Lay Liturgical Ministers are members of the laity who are called to serve at Masses and throughout our faith community. Their roles include being Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Ushers. These are all important ministries for the lifeblood of our parish and our faith, and they offer a meaningful way for a person who is "called" to actively participate in the Holy Liturgy. To be a successful candidate, you must:

- ✝ Be Catholic and have received the sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation);
- ✝ Live your life in accordance with the teachings of our Catholic Faith;
- ✝ Consent to training, and to willingly participate in the ministry with respect, knowledge and reverence;
- ✝ Be at least 16 years old (EMHC and Lector Training is available for Junior and Senior High School students);
- ✝ Discuss your qualifications with Fr. Larry, our pastor.

For more information, call the Rectory Office, or email Nick Sisto, HNJ's Coordinator of Lay Liturgical Ministers at nasisto@verizon.net

2021 DIOCESAN TRAINING SCHEDULE*

10/9/21	St. Francis Prep. H.S. 6100 Francis Lewis Blvd. Fresh Meadows, NY	EMHCs; Lectors; High School EMHC Students	9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
12/4/21	St. Edmund Prep. H.S. 2474 Ocean Avenue Brooklyn, NY	EMHCs; Lectors; High School EMHC Students; Ushers	9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

* Both English and Spanish tracks are available. All training will be scheduled by the Rectory.

142ND ANNIVERSARY OF OUR LADY'S APPARITION IN KNOCK, IRELAND

Please join members of the Irish Parade Committee for the following observance of Our Lady's Appearance:

HOLY NAME CHURCH SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 2021

5 P.M.	Recitation of the Rosary and Crowning of the Statue of Our Lady of Knock
5:30 P.M.	Vigil Mass (for Sunday)
IMMEDIATELY AFTER MASS	Rose Laying Ceremony at the Memorial to the Unborn in the Grotto in front of HNJ Church.

A NOTE FROM FR. LARRY

Last Sunday, August 8, I had the honor of baptizing John Anthony, Pagan, Jr. and his sister, Jolynn Mia Pagan. Please join me in welcoming these children as our newest Catholic Christians. We wish God's blessings on them, their parents and all of their loved ones.

There's still time to sign up for our August 16 *Movie Night at HNJ*, when we will view and discuss the film "The Way", starring Martin Sheen. The movie, which lasts about 2 hours, will begin at 6 p.m., and our brief discussion will start around 8 p.m.. You can join us in person in the Rectory Basement (with COVID protocols in place), or via ZOOM. Everyone in the Rectory basement, and those watching via Zoom, will be able to join in the discussion. If you're interested, [please call the Rectory office at \(718\) 768-3071 by Noon on Monday.](tel:7187683071)

Elsewhere in the bulletin you will see your "invitation" to consider serving as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion or Lector. Please prayerfully consider assisting in these very important ministries.

As also noted elsewhere in this bulletin, Saturday, August 21 is the 142nd Anniversary of Our Lady's Appearance in Knock, Ireland. With assistance from members of the Irish Parade Committee, we will observe that anniversary with the Recitation of the Rosary and a simple crowning of a statue of Our Lady of Knock beginning at 5 p.m.. We will follow with our 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass, and, immediately after Mass, we will have a brief Rose Laying Ceremony at the Memorial to the Unborn in the Grotto in front of the Church.

Consider the following observations: This coming week begins with the Solemnity of the Assumption on Sunday, August 15, when the Church affirms the dogma that, at the end of her time on earth, Our Blessed Mother Mary was assumed into heaven, body and soul, where she remains for all time to intercede for us with her Son. As already mentioned, the coming week ends on Saturday, with the 142nd Anniversary of Mary's appearance at Knock in 1879. The figures in that apparition were unusual. Of course, Mary appeared, but she was joined by St. Joseph (especially interesting for us in this current Year of St. Jo-

seph) and by St. John the Evangelist. Also in the apparition was an altar with a cross and a lamb on it. This year, the evening of August 21 is the Vigil of 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time. This is when we will conclude our multi-Sunday series of Gospels taken from the Sixth Chapter of St. John's Gospel, a chapter known as "The Bread of Life Discourse" because it deals so much with the Sacrifice of the Mass and the Eucharist. On this earth and in heaven, Mary and Joseph were and are never far from their Son Jesus, the Lamb of God who was sacrificed for our salvation. In 1879, the people of Ireland were suffering from a recurrence of the potato famine that had decimated the country during the 1840s. Unlike at Lourdes and Fatima, where she requested more penance, Mary did not speak during the Knock apparition. One excellent commentator, Fr. Sean Connolly of the NY Archdiocese, wrote about Mary's silence: "The Irish people had suffered and done penance enough.... These devout Catholic souls knew well that they must persist in prayer and place themselves in union with Christ's own suffering. And this offering was answered by the celestial vision at Knock, whose unspoken message was one of love and solidarity with the perseveringly faithful Irish in their time of suffering and sorrow".

Like Ireland in 1879, we are facing what might be termed a "reoccurrence" of COVID in the form of the Delta Variant. We pray—through the intercession of Mary, St. Joseph and St. John the Evangelist—to Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God and the Bread of Life, for the health, safety, and holiness of all.



GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

They are courageous, wise women who ground us, focus us, and inspire us. They are the good mothers who walk with us and light our way. They teach us life lessons and help us heal and navigate through challenges and difficulties. We need people to point the way. Sometimes, these wise ladies are not our biological mothers but women in our lives, who through their strong and faithful presence, anchor us and remind us that we are loved. We need these women. Human beings do their best when they have cheerleaders in their lives. They show us that even when facing despair there is always a brighter tomorrow.

Jesus needed his mother. She had to be that faithful anchor, that guiding presence, in his life. Jesus needed to be affirmed and encouraged just like any other human being and Mary had to be there, right by his side, doing precisely that. Even when her heart was pierced as he was nailed to a tree, she did not give up hope. Most certainly, she



continued to wait, watch, hope, and love until he took his final breath. That's what mothers do. Even when their heart breaks, they persevere.

Today, our Blessed Mother is our cheerleader once again. Taken up to heaven in body and soul, she points to and directs us toward our final destiny. Life eternal waits! Any disappointment, fear, or anxiety can be set aside as she gently reassures us of God's love and

promise. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given. We can persevere and do what we need to do to live life well, with faith, hope, and love as our guiding lights. Knowing who we are and who we will one day become helps us to better chart the course and direction of our earthly lives. Looking to the example of our Blessed Mother, we receive the assurance we need.

*“From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.”
- Lk 1:48b-49, 52*

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Readings for Sunday, August 15, 2021

FIRST:

Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab

SECOND:

1 Corinthians 15:20-27

GOSPEL:

Luke 1:39-56

WWMD?

WWJD bracelets were all the rage about 25 years ago in Christian circles. I've always wondered if a WWMD bracelet might not make just as much sense, and maybe more. What Would Mary Do?

I would argue that Mary was the most exemplary steward who ever lived. Her answer was always "Yes." Yes, Lord, I am Your handmaiden. Yes, I will visit Elizabeth, and help her in the last difficult months of pregnancy. Yes, I will bring my son up in the Mosaic law and present him at the Temple of Jerusalem. Yes, I will give him to the crowds and to public ministry. Yes, I will offer him on this Cross, if it is Your will.

Yes, yes, yes.

Well, I can't be like Mary, we think to ourselves.

There's an intimidation factor with the Blessed Mother and Catholics sometimes — one that almost exceeds that of Christ. Perhaps it's because we are in awe of the fact that she was not divine in any way — she was a mere creation, like us — but somehow, she always had the courage to say yes. How could she do it, when we find it so hard?

Well, God certainly lavished on Mary extraordinary graces. Her lack of original sin liberated her to conform her will to God's.

But God is impatient to give us, too, all the graces we need to be a steward in the example of Mary. He's waiting for us simply to ask. Just as in Adam we died, so in Christ — through Mary — we live.

What can we say yes to today, in Mary's example?

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WHAT ARE WE CELEBRATING ON THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY?

The Assumption, along with the Immaculate Conception, are two Marian dogmas that have been infallibly defined by the church.

The Assumption proclaims the reality that Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven. This was God's special gift to her in response to her total giving of self to God's plan and will.

The church believes that Mary was immaculately conceived, that is, conceived without original sin. This led the church to believe that she did not suffer one of the key consequences of original sin, death and corruption. The Orthodox Church celebrates the Dormition of Mary, the belief

that Mary did not die but rather fell asleep and was thus assumed into heaven.

What significance does this feast have for our lives as Christians today? This feast is above all an assurance and hope of our continued life with God. Modeling ourselves on Jesus and living the

Christian life molded by Jesus' values is certainly the sure path to God. As a result, God will not leave us orphaned or alone to suffer the emptiness of death. Rather, we believe that death is merely a transformation of our present state into an even more glorious and eternal relationship with God.

This is the hope and assurance that Mary's assumption celebrates. It is a celebration of our

assumption as well. She is one of us, providing a model of what God has in store for all who love and give of themselves to God.



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society

9 a.m. The People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. James P. & Libera Farran

12 p.m. Deceased Members of the

Buckley Family

MONDAY, AUGUST 16

St. Stephen of Hungary

9 a.m. James P. Hannan

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

Our Lady of Knock

9 a.m. Angelo Dimiceli

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

9 a.m. Timothy John Claypole

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

St. John Eudes

9 a.m. Pablo Tarcular Reselosa

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

St. Bernard

9 a.m. Paul Meany

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

Pope St. Pius X

9 a.m. All the Souls in Purgatory

5:30 p.m. In Honor of Our Lady of Knock

Vincent Catapano

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society

9 a.m. The People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. Mary, Anthony, Rosemarie,

and Peter Camastro

12 p.m. The People of the Parish

HOLY NAME FOOD PANTRY

will distribute food from the Rectory basement:

2-3 p.m. on Saturdays,

Aug. 14 & 28, and Sept. 11 & 25.

We currently need one-pound bags / boxes of rice, and boxes of Macaroni & Cheese.

Thank you for your continued support.

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: Patrick Craig; Adriana Laccona; Andrew Mazzella; Josephine Barrucco; Catherine Donovan; Adana; Judy Heegan; Mary Brunton; Helen Rafferty; Allison Mary Heart; Liam Budgell; Miriam Rodriguez; Ita M^cGough Santomauro; Richard and Frances Day; Jason, Ann and Mary Q.; Christina DeRosa; Msgr. Michael Curran; Tracy Pye; Nicoletta Cordero; John Passaro; Marie Racioppo; Joseph Cox; Vincent Camastro; Cheryl Jablow; Jean Thomas; and all those afflicted with the Coronavirus.

... 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, especially **Sean S. Hurley**, and for those they have left behind.

Please remember those enrolled in our Purgatorial Society as well, especially **Andrew Miller**.



HNJ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2021- 2022 REGISTRATION

Children in grades 1 through 8 who are in a public or a non-Catholic private school should also attend religious education classes to help them grow in their faith and to prepare them to receive their sacraments.

For additional information, or to register your child, contact Kathryn Sisto, Holy Name's Coordinator of Religious Education, by:

- Completing the online registration form: <https://forms.gle/cdx3n1k6esFjEr4G6>
- Emailing her at hjreligioused@gmail.com, OR
- Calling 718-768-7629.

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AUGUST 21 - MEMORIAL OF POPE ST. PIUS X

The year of living humbly: Prior to COVID-19, plagues mentioned in history books seemed like remote disasters that only happened in times and places where rats roamed streets filled with sewage. Now that we've been humbled by our continued vulnerability to unseen agents of disease and death, perhaps we can bring a renewed appreciation to Pius X, who endeared himself to the people of northern Italy because of his efforts tending the sick during the cholera plague of the early 1870s. Take a moment this week to thank someone who has tended the sick during our very modern plague.



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