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## 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### AUGUST 22, 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 15, 2021

**1ST COLLECTION TOTAL TO PARISH.....\$5,381**

*(This includes: \$3,126 in church envelopes and cash in the basket and \$2,255 from Faith Direct weekly collection.)*

**2ND COLLECTION TOTAL TO PARISH .....\$1,403**

*(This includes: \$959 in Parish Repair envelopes and cash in the basket and \$444 from Faith Direct.)*

**CATCH UP COLLECTION .....\$1,380**

*(This includes \$1,250 in previous first collection envelopes and \$130 in previous Parish Building Repair envelopes.)*

*Thank you for your generosity!*

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# PATRICK HEANEY MEMORIAL DANCE

**Saturday, September 18, 2021  
7 p.m. - 11 p.m.**

*Holy Name Shepherds Hall  
245 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, NY*

**\$50.00 per person**

*Includes Beer, Wine and Lite Fare*

*Music performed by:*

**The Canny Brothers Band and Sean Ruane**

*Tickets in Advance:*

**Venmo - @Patrickheaneymemorial  
or**

**Cash Only - tickets available at Farrell's**

*Proceeds to benefit:*

**The Brooklyn Irish American Parade  
and  
The Heaney Children Education Fund**

*Facebook Page:*

**[Patrick Heaney Memorial Dance](#)**

*Phone: 718-965-9424*

# Back to School



## St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Academy

### Classes begin right after Labor Day

**Wednesday, Sept. 8:**

**Grades K thru 8**

**Monday, Sept 13:**

**PreK 3 and PreK 4**

- Small, on-site classes with COVID protocols in place
- Tuition Assistance available
- Children of all faiths are welcome

**To register your child, or obtain more information, visit our web site:**

**[www.sjwca.org](http://www.sjwca.org)**

**or call us at (718) 768-7629**

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**RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION**  
HOLY NAME OF JESUS BROOKLYN

### Fall 2021 Classes begin Sunday, September 12 at 9 a.m.

Catholic children in Grades 1 through 8 who are in non-Catholic schools 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 [hnrreligious@gmail.com](mailto:hnrreligious@gmail.com),
- Or calling 718-768-7629.

*Your words, Lord,  
are Spirit and life;  
you have the words of  
everlasting life. - John 6*

## A NOTE FROM FR. LARRY

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On August 13, I had the privilege of baptizing Sofia Ximena Xicali. We welcome this beautiful new Catholic and congratulate her parents and loved ones.

Last Monday, August 16, we showed "The Way", starring Martin Sheen, during our hybrid "Movie Night at HNJ Parish". We were able to offer people the choice between viewing the film, in person, in the Rectory Basement or at home via ZOOM. Many thanks to parishioner Paul Baity whose computer expertise made this possible.

"The Way" is about how a father (Martin Sheen) deals with the accidental death of his young-adult son who is played by Emilio Estevez, Sheen's real-life son. A major part of the plot involves Sheen's character walking the Camino de Santiago (The Way of St. James), a 500-mile pilgrimage through Northern Spain to the Cathedral of St. James in the city of Santiago de Compostela. It's a film that skillfully touches upon important themes including parent-child relationships, loss, grief, faith, and ultimately, hope.

I was drawn particularly to the parent-child relationship, and the tensions and challenges that so often exist in that relationship. Saints also can experience those tensions and challenges. On Monday, August 23, the Church celebrates the Optional Memorial of St. Rose of Lima, who had great difficulties in convincing her parents to allow her not to marry, but rather to live a life of prayer, penance and service to the poor. St. Rose is a patron saint for those with family problems. On August 27 and August 28, the Church celebrates the Memorials of St. Monica and St. Augustine. Monica was Augustine's mother, and he was not the easiest son to raise. However, Monica prayed for him constantly, and he went on to become a great Bishop and Doctor of the Church. We ask for the intercession of Saints Rose

of Lima, St. Monica, and St. Augustine for all families experiencing problems.

Elsewhere in this bulletin, you will see Registration Information for our aligned St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Academy (housed in the former Holy Name School) and our HNJ Parish Religious Education Program. September is fast-approaching. Parents are reminded that all Catholic elementary school age children should be enrolled in either a full-time Catholic School/Academy or part-time Religious Education program each year from Grades 1 – 8.

After a break for the Marian Readings of last Sunday's Solemnity of the Assumption, we return this Sunday to the final selection from the 6<sup>th</sup> Chapter of St. John's Gospel, "The Bread of Life Discourse", from which our Gospels were taken for the three Sundays before the Assumption. In John 6, Jesus told his listeners: "I am the Bread of Life" and "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day". Many of those listeners chose not to accept the Good News that Jesus was proclaiming. They "no longer accompanied him". Peter and the other Apostles chose to remain with Jesus, and it is through them that Jesus' Good News has been passed down to us. Jesus was teaching about the reality and the power of the Eucharist, His eternal life-giving Body and Blood that we receive ("eat") as the "transubstantiated" bread and (in non-COVID times) wine. May our faith, and the faith of all Catholics, in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist remain strong.

Please continue to pray for the people of Haiti, the people of Afghanistan—especially the women and children there—and the U.S. Armed Forces personnel assisting in evacuations from Afghanistan.

### **WEEKEND OF AUGUST 28 - 29: SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF**

Bishop DiMarzio has asked all parishes in the Diocese to take up a special, voluntary collection for the victims of the August 14, 2021 earthquake in Haiti. Here at Holy Name of Jesus, we will do so the weekend of August 28 - 29.

All loose cash, as well as checks and envelopes marked "Haiti Relief", that is deposited in the baskets during the Second Collection, will be sent to the Diocese for distribution and direct assistance to the affected people in Haiti. Parish Building Repair Envelopes will be retained by HNJ.

Thank you for your generosity and compassion.

# Looking More Closely at the Word

## DIFFICULT PASSAGES

by Fr. John Kavanagh, S.J.

“How can you take these words seriously?” This question in the Gospel is actually a complaint about Jesus’ claim that he is food and drink, but it serves as a wry comment on the passage from Ephesians heard before the Gospel. Talk about words hard to endure!

Be subordinate to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives should be subordinate to their husbands as to the Lord. For the husband is head of his wife just as Christ is head of the church, he himself the savior of the body. As the church is subordinate to Christ, so wives should be subordinate to their husbands in everything. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church and handed himself over for her ... husbands should love their wives as their own bodies.

“Does it shake your faith?” It probably shakes many of us. Subordination and reverence, first of all, are not prominent nouns in our contemporary lexicon of privileged words.

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More troublesome yet, “wives should be submissive to their husbands.” This sounds like fingernails on a blackboard. Feels like sandpaper on wounds. Tastes like abuse. Smells like patriarchy. Submission has been the problem. Why pose it as a solution?

Clearly there is a hierarchical context for Paul’s words to the Ephesians. Christ is compared to the

husband, the church to the wife. The man is the head; the woman the body. This analogy has been acclaimed by some, who want to legitimate the privileged imaging of the male for Christ. But it has been roundly condemned by others, who see it as a devaluation of women. Both positions are worth examining, but what is the real theme of the Ephesians text? “Subordination” and “reverence” are its context. All the rest is application. We must all defer to and revere one another. Then Paul provides applications that may or may not be historically bound.

But it is subordination we have trouble with, “submission.” It sticks in the craw. Why should any of us have to submit to another or put someone else first? What is worse, Paul seems to commend obedience only to the woman. He tells the wives to be submissive. What about the men?

Well, what about them? This is what Paul says: Give yourself up for her. Love your spouse as your own body, your very self. If husbands were to hold such an attitude, it would subvert all dominance and hierarchy. Paul’s is a radical statement of equality, albeit in his own contemporary context. It is self-destroying to abuse, hurt, degrade the spouse.

The point is this: there may be suggestions of male dominance in our second reading today, but this conclusion collapses from internal contradiction. Both husband and wife are to put the other first.

What if this rankles us the most? The very idea that we must give ourselves to another, defer to another! If we love each other as we

propose, we assuredly must die to ourselves. The first casualty of real commitment is the imperial ego we are so reluctant to tame.

“Decide today whom you will serve.” In marriage, as in life, we serve not only each other, but our very God, who wants of us not slavery, but the free gift of our love.

*“The Word Embodied”,  
St. Louis U, Sunday, August 22, 2021*



## Readings for Sunday, August 15, 2021

### FIRST:

Joshua 24: 1-2a, 15-17, 18b

### SECOND:

Ephesians 5:21-32

or

5:2a, 25-32

### GOSPEL:

John 6:60-69

## SUBMISSION AS STEWARDSHIP.

We aren't comfortable with the idea of submission. Our society champions equality, and rightly so — but it's a mistake to think that submission is at odds with equality. To submit ourselves fully, we must first be free. We must first be our own masters. God has granted us that freedom with the salvation He offers. We are no longer the slaves of sin. Now He asks us to be subordinate to one another, in the name of Christ.

What a completely uncomfortable task! What He's asking is for us to be subordinate to the person who irritates us the most. The person we really can't stand. The person who doesn't respect us or appreciate what we have to offer. The person we think we're smarter than, more talented than. The person we envy.

That's the real challenge of stewardship, isn't it? Subordination. Inconveniencing myself by giving of time, of money, of relationship. Putting the needs or wants of another above my own when they haven't done anything special to earn it.

I invite you to consider the cross — the most radical expression of submission, and of stewardship, that ever existed. If there was ever someone who deserved superiority, isn't it the God who let Himself be nailed to a tree, who gave so freely of His life, His body, His blood, His everything?

To look at him in his agony is to truly understand the beauty of submission — of laying down what you have for the good of the other.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## WE LIVE IN A COUNTRY THAT UPHOLDS THE SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE. WHAT IS THE ROLE OF CATHOLICS IN SOCIETY?

The role of the Church in the world has taken different forms over time, but the theme is the same. Be disciples in it! As the lay faithful — that is, not vowed priest or religious — we are called to live and love in the circumstances of our daily lives. St. John Paul II wrote a document about the laity. In it he wrote, "In their situation in the world God manifests His plan and communicates to them their particular vocation of seeking the Kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God" (On the Lay Members of Christ's Faithful, 15).

God wants us in the hospitals, the board rooms, the law offices, the food pantries, and the little league games! We are to engage in the affairs of the world. But when we're there, we should live the plan

of God. We need to respect those around us, engage in just business and legal practices, and love our children. We should care for the earth, use our money wisely, and get to know our neighbors. We must advocate for social policies that respect human dignity and human freedom. No matter our state in life, we are invited to build the kingdom of God!



# MASS INTENTIONS

## 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

## MONDAY, AUGUST 23

*St. Rose of Lima*  
 9 a.m. Addolorata & Carmine Peccia

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 24

*St. Bartholomew*  
 9 a.m. Shirley Cita Reselosa Mallari

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25

*St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz*  
 9 a.m. Mary Hynes

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 26

9 a.m. Thomas Jackson, Jr.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 27

*St. Monica*  
 9 a.m. Paul Meany

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

*St. Augustine*  
 9 a.m. The People of the Parish  
 5:30 p.m. The People of the Parish

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

7:30 a.m. Rudy D'Amico  
 Parish Purgatorial Society  
 9 a.m. The People of the Parish  
 10:30 a.m. Emilia Marines  
 12 p.m. Katherine Boyd

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# MEMORIALS

The Sanctuary Lamp and Altar Candles have been donated in loving memory of **Marilyn Bloom** by Ann O'Loughlin and Barbara Donovan

## 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 Cregg; Adriana Laccona; Andrew Mazzella; Josephine Barrucco; Catherine Donovan; Adana; Judy Heegan; Mary Brunton; Helen Rafferty; Allison Mary Heart; Liam Budgell; Miriam Rodriguez; Ita McGough 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, and for those they have left behind. Please remember those enrolled in our Purgatorial Society as well.

## 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](mailto: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.

## HOLY NAME FOOD PANTRY

will distribute food from the Rectory basement:

**2-3 p.m. on Saturdays, Aug. 28 and Sept. 11 & 25.**

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

Thank you for your continued support.