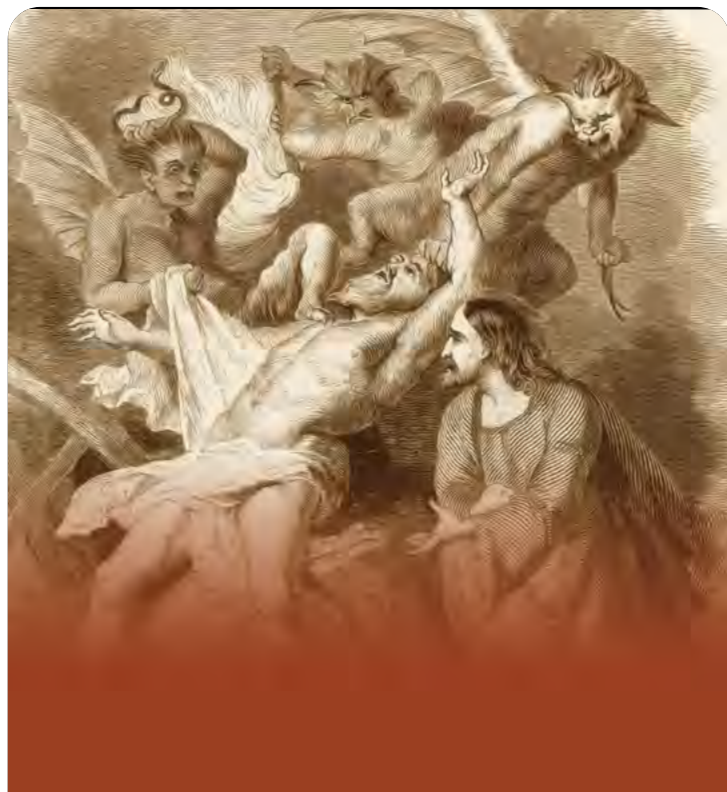




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4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 28, 2024

"All were amazed and asked one another, 'What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him.'"

Rev. Lawrence D. Ryan, Pastor

Rev. Emmanuel Conduah, In Residence
Rev. Joseph D'Aco, In Residence
Deacon Edwin Arguera
Deacon Gerry Devine
Deacon Michael Saez

Louise OConnor, Office Manager
Kathryn Sisto, Coord. of Religious Education
Ivonne Rojas, Director of Music

Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday: 9 am*
Saturday: 9 am, 5:30 pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9 am* (Sp.),
10:30 am* & Noon.

(* Masses are also livestreamed on our Facebook page.)

Private Prayer

Monday - Saturday, 10 a.m. to Noon

Confessions

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

Weddings and Baptisms

Please call the Rectory.

Funerals

Please have the Funeral Home
call the Rectory.

St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Academy



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Grades
PreK-3
through
8

Stephanie Germann, Principal

THIS WEEK @ HNJ

Sunday, January 28

10 a.m. OCIA (Spanish): *Boardman Room*

Monday, January 29

7 p.m. Bible Study: *Boardman Room*

Wednesday, January 31

1 p.m. Knit/Purl Group: *Rectory Basement*

6:30 p.m. AlAnon: *Rectory Basement*

7 p.m. Social Committee: *Boardman Room*

8:30 p.m. AA: *Rectory Basement*

Thursday, February 1

6 p.m. Girl Scouts: *Shepherds Hall*

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts: *School Basement*

Friday, February 2

4 p.m. Irish Step Dance: *Shepherds Hall*

6:30 p.m. Grupo de Oracion: *Rectory Basement*

7 p.m. Cub Scouts: *School Basement*

Saturday, February 3

7 p.m. AA: *Rectory Basement*

Sunday, February 4

10 a.m. OCIA (Spanish): *Boardman Room*

11:30 a.m. Hospitality Sunday: *Shepherds Hall*

SUNDAY ROSARY AT HNJ

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024

Members of the Holy Name Council of the Knights of Columbus will lead the recitation of the Rosary in the Church immediately after the Noon Mass on Sunday, January 28, 2024. If you can, please join them for this great way to start your week.



CANDLEMAS DAY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

February 2, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, is also Candlemas Day, a day when, by tradition, candles for the home are blessed. We will have a "Blessing of the Candles" immediately before the 9 a.m. Mass on February 2.

Please join us and bring along any candles you wish to have blessed.

MEMORIAL OF ST. BLAISE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Saturday, February 3 is the Memorial of St. Blaise, which traditionally is the day for the **Blessing of Throats**. At Holy Name, we will bless throats:

- After the 9 a.m. Mass until 10 a.m. on Saturday
- After the 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday
- After all Masses on Sunday, February 4.

COLLECTION RESULTS

JANUARY 14, 2024

1st Collection Total to Parish\$4,408
(Collection Baskets: \$2,457; Faith Direct: \$1,951.)

2nd Collection To Parish for Building Repairs \$828
(Collection Baskets: \$731; Faith Direct: \$97.)

Catch Up Collection.....\$731
(Late 1st Collection envelopes: \$706; late Parish Building envelopes: \$25.)

Total To Diocese for Diocesan Mission (January 7th 2nd Collection):..... \$1,133
(Collection Baskets: \$1,036; Faith Direct: \$97.)

JANUARY 21, 2024

1st Collection Total to Parish\$4,742
(Collection Baskets: \$2,791; Faith Direct: \$1,951.)

2nd Collection To Parish for Building Repairs\$1,106
(Collection Baskets: \$1,009; Faith Direct: \$97.)

Catch Up Collection.....\$1,540
(Late 1st Collection envelopes: \$1,505; late Parish Building envelopes: \$35.)

This weekend's Second Collection will be the **Annual National Collection for Churches in Need** which helps support pastoral programs for Churches in the poorer areas of Latin America and the Caribbean, Central and Eastern Europe, and Africa.

CONCLUSION OF THE 2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Please complete any open pledges to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal as soon as possible. We will report the final results shortly. As always, thank you for your generosity.

HOLY NAME FOOD PANTRY SOUP-ER BOWL DRIVE

Super Bowl Sunday is February 11. We invite you to support HNJ's Food Pantry with a "Soup-er Bowl" donation of soup or other non-perishable food items. (At this time, the Pantry specifically needs cereal, Macaroni & Cheese, and various types of fruit juices.) Please place your items in the red buckets in the back of the Church, or drop them off at the Rectory during regular business hours.



The Food Pantry distributes food from the Rectory basement from 1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. every other Saturday. Our next distributions will be on January 27, February 10, and February 24. Thank you! We hope you enjoy the game!

A NOTE FROM FR. LARRY

I almost always say the 9 a.m. Sunday Spanish Mass which makes it very difficult for me to spend much time with our Religious Education classes that meet at that time on Sunday mornings. Last Sunday, however, I had the opportunity to attend the complete Proximate Preparation session for the Religious Education and Academy students (mostly 2nd graders) preparing to make their First Confessions in March and their First Holy Communion in May. Parents and other adult family were also present at that session and it was wonderful to spend more time meeting with them to discuss matters of family and faith. As usually happens after sessions such as these, I left with an increased sense of gratitude for the ongoing efforts of parents, other family members, Religious Education catechists, and Academy religion teachers to raise these children in the Catholic faith.

January 24 – February 2 is Catholic Schools Week, which will begin at Holy Name with the 10:30 a.m. Family Mass this Sunday. See elsewhere in this bulletin and this week's Tablet for more information. We especially celebrate our excellent aligned St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Academy.

January is a good month to remind ourselves of the basic principles of Catholic Stewardship, which essentially call for the proper use of God's gifts to us to help us fulfill our responsibilities as Catholic followers of Jesus Christ. Stewardship is frequently discussed in terms of the proper use of God's gifts of Time, Treasure and Talent.

Concerning time, could we devote more time to improving our relationship with Jesus? Could we devote more time to improving our attendance (in terms of both frequency and quality) at Mass, especially obligatory Sunday and Holy Day Masses but also weekday Masses? Could we receive Holy Communion more frequently, and could we devote more time to prayer (especially prayer before the Eucharist in what is still a period of Eucharistic Revival)?

Concerning time and talents, could you devote more of your time and talents to helping our many and varied parish ministries including Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Lector, Religious Education Catechist/Assistant Catechist, Environmental Committee (Church cleaning and decorating), Food Pantry, English and Spanish choirs, Youth Programs (Fathers Guild Sports, Scouting)? Time commitments are flexible. Contact the parish office for additional information.

Concerning treasure, if you have not already done

so could you please consider enrolling in our on-line giving program via FaithDirect (faith.direct/NY349) or for parish weekly envelopes? No matter what your method of donation is, if your individual circumstances allow, could you please try to meet our suggested weekly donation goal of \$25 (\$20 First Collection, \$5 Second Collection)?

Thank you for your faith, your generosity and your ongoing support of HNJ Parish. ✚

Looking More Closely at the Word

I love movies about exorcisms. Apparently, so do many others. The 2023 movie "Nefarious" features a possibly possessed inmate on death row. Critics were not impressed, but audiences scored it at 97% on the website Rotten Tomatoes. Most people have an appreciation for the demonic realm, even if cultural elites are generally embarrassed about it. As is standard in exorcism movies, the afflicted person (in this case, a man named Edward Brady) thinks and acts like multiple persons. He is someone besides himself. We know what that is like. We feel fake sometimes, not ourselves.

The same dynamic is on dramatic display this week in the Gospel. Jesus the Exorcist approaches a possessed man who utters, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?" Notice the plural, us. The basic effect of the demonic is division. The man's identity is fractured, divided, and thus many. Jesus powerfully expels the spirit by saying, "Quiet! Come out of him!" Jesus' word has the power to restore the man's singularity — him — and indeed it does.

All this helps us to dismiss childish images of demons sporting red goat tails. Equally, it overcomes the cultured aloofness that dreams demons are mere metaphors for evil. We see instead that fallen angels are conscious and intelligent beings who orient their agency toward division. They bring about schism where there should be unity, e.g., in persons, families, communities, politics, and so on. Thankfully, Jesus commands demons to flee from all these places to restore wholeness and peace. What if we made room for his word where we need it?

~ Fr. John Muir; ©LPI

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First: **DEUTERONOMY 18:15-20**

Second: **1 CORINTHIANS 7:32-35**

Gospel: **MARK 1:21-28**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 28

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society

9 a.m. Dinorah de Rivas
People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. Marta Fely Salvador

12 p.m. Margaret & Daniel Sullivan

Monday, January 29

9 a.m. People of the Parish

Tuesday, January 30

9 a.m. Dominick Byrnes

Wednesday, January 31

St. John Bosco

9 a.m. People of the Parish

Thursday, February 1

9 a.m. William Elliott

Friday, February 2

The Presentation of the Lord

9 a.m. People of the Parish

Saturday, February 3

St. Blaise; St. Ansgar

9 a.m. Gregory Schmitt

5:30 p.m. In Thanksgiving to the
Infant of Prague

Sunday, February 4

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society

9 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. Mary, Anthony, Rosemarie,
Peter, & Vincent Camastro

12 p.m. People of the Parish

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: Juliet Vevlazquez; Richard Rodriguez; Hyunja Paasch; Jack Montalbano; George Capella; John Marsillo; Connie Nugent; Dean Tulli; Mistie Owens; Alayne Cox; Holly Palazzo; Ted Shea; Penelope Seiss; Thomas Nugent; Mary Pat Stasiak; Dora Sisto; Stanley Wasyk; Rosaura Peña; Ryan S.; Marty Cottingham; Ann Woodworth; Lisa Feldman; Patricia Donleavy; Bill Slattery; Camille Tiftafeh; Patrick Cregg; Judy Heegan; Catherine Donovan; Joseph Cox; Cheryl Jablow; and Dcn. Felipe Almendárez.

... AND FOR OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES:

We ask you to pray for those of our community who have gone before us into the fullness of life, especially **Frank Ruff**.

Please remember all those enrolled in our Purgatorial Society, as well.

THIS WEEK'S REFLECTION

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

FEBRUARY 2 — COMFORT FOOD FOR THE SOUL: Mexican American neighborhoods will be filled with the sweet aroma of warm tamales today, served because of a special connection this day has to January 6, the Epiphany. On Epiphany, La Rosca, a cake in the shape of a crown, is shared by family and friends in honor of the Magi, a.k.a., the three kings. The person who finds a small figure of Jesus hidden in their slice of cake is tasked with throwing a tamale party today, the day the infant Jesus is presented at the Temple. Welcome Jesus to your table today.

"When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph took Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord."- Luke 2:22

- TakeFiveForFaith.com

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

FEBRUARY 2

In addition to being Candlemas Day, February 2 is also **The Feast of the Presentation** and **World Day for Consecrated Life**. We recognize and give thanks for those who have consecrated their lives to God and the Church through vows of poverty, chastity and obedience.

Some join a religious congregation as sisters, brothers or religious priests. Some join a secular institute. Others remain single and make profession to God through the local bishop and are known as consecrated virgins.

May the light of Christ shine brightly through men and women who choose the consecrated life to live out their baptismal commitment, especially those who serve in the Diocese of Brooklyn now.



PRAYER

FOR CONSECRATED PERSONS

GOD OUR FATHER, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as sisters, brothers, religious priests, consecrated virgins, and hermits, as well as members of Secular Institutes. Renew their knowledge and love of you, and send your Holy Spirit to help them respond generously and courageously to your will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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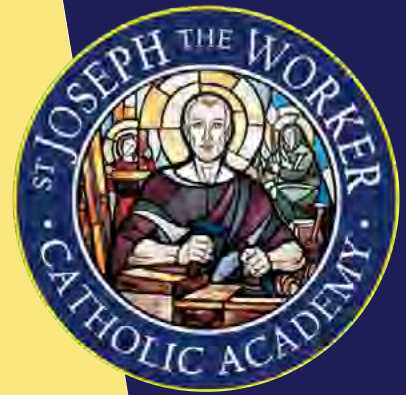
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