HOLY NAME OF JESUS CHURCH

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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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Brooklyn, NY 11215
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Grades PreK-3 through 8

Stephanie Germann, Principal

THIS WEEK @ HNJ

Sunday, December 8

7:30 a.m. Rosary Mariana Group: *Rectory Bsmt.*
8 a.m. Hispanic Committee: *Rectory Basement*
12 p.m. Brunch with Santa: *Shepherds Hall*
10 a.m. Cursillo: *Rectory Basement*

Tuesday, December 10

10:30 a.m. FORMED Home Group: *(917) 981-8644*
7 p.m. Irish Parade Committee: *Rec. Basement*

Wednesday, December 11

6:30 p.m. AlAnon: *Rectory Basement*
8:30 p.m. AA: *Rectory Basement*

Thursday, December 12

6 p.m. Girl Scouts: *Shepherds Hall*
7 p.m. Fathers Guild Tree Lighting: *O. L. Field*

Friday, December 13

4 p.m. Irish Step Dance: *Shepherds Hall*
6 p.m. Youth Group: *Religious Ed. Room*
6:30 p.m. Grupo de Oracion: *Rectory Basement*
7 p.m. Cub Scouts: *School Basement*

Saturday, December 14

9 a.m. Advent Retreat: *Church & Shep. Hall*
1 p.m. Food Pantry: *Rectory Basement*
6:30 p.m. Parish Tree Lighting: Outside *Rectory*
7 p.m. AA: *Rectory Basement*

Sunday, December 15

10 a.m. Cursillo: *Rectory Basement*

HNJ YOUTH GROUP

Meeting
6 p.m., Friday, December 13

Christmas Party
6 p.m., Friday, December 20

both events will be in the Religious Ed. Room

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE 2024

BENEFITING CATHOLIC CHARITIES

We are collecting toys to help Catholic Charities of Brooklyn & Queens make Christmas a bit brighter for the people they serve. Please take a tag from the tree and bring in your unwrapped toy(s) as soon as you can. All gifts must be placed in the box marked "Catholic Charities" in the Church vestibule by **Sunday, December 15** to ensure the children will receive them in time for Christmas. Bringing them even earlier will be a big help!

Gift cards are also greatly appreciated, but we urge you to deliver them to the Rectory Office or place them in the Collection Baskets as Mass to prevent them from being lost. Please do not place gift cards in the Toy Box. Thank you for your kindness!

COLLECTION RESULTS

NOVEMBER 24, 2024

First Collection Total To Parish $4,311
(This includes $2,421 from collection baskets and $1,890 from Faith Direct.)

Second Collection Total To Parishe for Campaign for Human Development $1,343
(This includes $1,093 from collection baskets and $250 from Faith Direct.)

Catch Up Collection $435
(This includes $390 from past First Collections and $45 from past Second Collections.)

*This weekend's 2nd Second Collection (12/7-12/8) will be for the **Retirement Fund for Religious**. Your contributions to this Diocesan collection will help provide medications, nursing care and more to aid senior religious.*

Solemnity of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

Because December 8 is a Sunday, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be on **Monday, December 9** this year. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will observe the Solemnity with Masses at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Monday. Please note: there will be no Vigil Mass on Sunday, December 8.

Boy Scout Troop 237's

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE

Sunday, December 8 — 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Outside the Parking Lot entrance
(Prospect Park West near Windsor Place)

Please see the flyers in the back of the Church for details and order forms or **Use the QR Code at left to order online.**

WINTER HATS & GLOVES NEEDED

Knights of Columbus Holy Name Council 4783, in partnership with Holy Name of Jesus Church, is collecting winter hats and gloves for the local charity, CHiPS. Please wrap your donations separately and place them in the box marked "*KofC / HNJ Hats & Gloves*" in the vestibule of the Church as soon as possible. CHiPS welcomes gifts for both men and women, but asks that you clearly mark each gift "M" or "F" to facilitate distribution.

All gifts must be in the box no later than **Sunday, December 15** to ensure Members of the KofC can deliver the packages to CHiPS in time for Christmas.

Thank you for your support!

A NOTE FROM FR. LARRY

I am writing this note on Monday, December 2 because of our bulletin company's early deadline. I'll begin by thanking the volunteers and the donors who made our parish Thanksgiving Day dinner a success. I also want to thank the volunteers (some from the Holy Name Knights of Columbus Council and some from outside of the Council) whose efforts made yesterday's Hospitality Sunday a success.

I presented the HNJ Parish's Financial Report for 2023-2024 Fiscal Year at the weekend Masses, and a copy was included in the bulletin. Overall, it was a good Fiscal Year during which we were able to complete several expensive but very necessary deferred maintenance projects. **I again emphasized that our biggest financial challenge now is raising the funds to help pay for the $350,000 in major sidewalk and asphalt replacement and repairs to be done during the warmer months of 2025.** Thus far, we have only received $64,761. If you can, please donate now (while you can still take advantage of year-end tax deductions). Due to the high cost of this project, we are asking for significant donations (e.g., $1,000 or more) if possible, but of course we are grateful for all donations. Please mark your donation checks "Sidewalks and Asphalt". Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

By the time most of you read this, we will have already celebrated our HNJ observance of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and many of us will have attended the Advent Worship Service and Concert at St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral. Dates and times of other Advent devotions and events are listed at right. Note particularly that the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception** will be observed on Monday, December 9 as a Holy Day of Obligation with Masses at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.. Note also that, to give us a head-count for ordering lunch, we ask that you let the Rectory Office know by Tuesday, December 10, if you will be joining us for our parish **Advent Day of Reflection on Saturday, December 14**.

Confessions in HNJ Church

New Location: Confessions heard in HNJ Church will now take place outside the door next to St. Joseph's Altar. We will use a kneeler equipped with a Confessional screen, providing the person going to Confession with the choice of confessing anonymously (kneeling on the kneeler) or face-to-face (walking around the kneeler to sit on a chair facing the priest.)

Additional Times During Advent: Regularly scheduled Confessions will continue to be available from 5 - 5:20 p.m. on Saturdays. During Advent, we will also try (depending on the availability of a priest) to hear Confessions in the Church for about 10 minutes before the 7:30 a.m. and Noon Sunday Masses. On Reconciliation Monday, December 16, Confessions will be heard in the Church from 2 - 4 p.m. and from 6 - 9 p.m. Appointments for Confessions at other times can be requested through the Rectory office. Please try to make a good Confession during Advent.

Our full Christmas schedule will be published in next weekend's Bulletin, but I want to make you aware that the **Family Mass (with the Children's Pageant) will be at 4 p.m. on Christmas Eve.** There will not be a pageant at the 5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. ✞

Advent 2024 At HNJ

Second Sunday of Advent, December 8
1:15 p.m. **Eucharistic Holy Hour**

Monday, December 9
9 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
(Holy Day of Obligation)

Thursday, December 12
7 p.m. **Father's Guild Tree Lighting**
(Our Lady's Field)

Saturday, December 14
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Advent Day of Reflection
(in HNJ Church & Shepherds Hall)

after 5:30 p.m. Mass
Parish Christmas Tree Lighting
(in front of Rectory)

Third Sunday of Advent, December 15
1:15 p.m. **Eucharistic Holy Hour**

Monday, December 16
2 p.m. - 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Reconciliation Monday *(Confessions)*

Sunday, December 22
1:15 p.m. **Eucharistic Holy Hour**

All events will take place in HNJ Church unless otherwise noted.

Advent Day of Reflection at Holy Name

with **Fr. Michael J. S. Bruno, S.T.D.**

Dean of Seminarians, St. Joseph Seminary, Yonkers, NY

SAYING YES TO GOD: MARY - JOSEPH - JESUS

9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Saturday, December 14, 2024

9 a.m. - Mass in HNJ Church
9:45 a.m. - 1:45 p.m. - Conferences in Shepherds Hall
2 p.m. - Holy Hour in HNJ Church

We ask that you RSVP to the Rectory Office at (718) 768-3071 no later than Tuesday, December 10 to ensure we order enough food.

Everyone is welcome!

Advent Eucharistic
HOLY HOURS

Sundays, December 8, 15 & 22
at 1:15 p.m.

Our special Advent devotions will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, time for quiet prayer & reflection, and Benediction.

Holy Name of Jesus
245 Prospect Park West
Brooklyn, NY 11215

and

via livestream on:
facebook.com/holynamebrooklyn

Parish Tree Lighting

Saturday, December 14, 2024

after the 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

Outside the Rectory

Holy Name of Jesus
245 Prospect Park West
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CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Please include the names of those you wish to memorialize or honor, and place your envelope in the collection basket, or deliver it to the Rectory. The suggested donation is $15 for each memorial.

If you don't have a Christmas Flowers envelope, please write "Christmas Flowers" on a plain one and provide us with your name, the name(s) of those you wish to memorialize or honor, and your donation.

FEAST OF ST. LUCY

December 13: I can see clearly now - In these darkening days of December, the Scandinavian festival of light held on Saint Lucy's feast day is a cheerful sight to brighten spirits. In these countries—and wherever Scandinavians are found—girls dress as Lucy in long white gowns with wreaths of candles on their heads, carrying sweets in procession as songs are sung. Similar practices can be found in Italy and Croatia. Whether you belong to those ethnicities or not, why not incorporate the festival into your family holiday traditions? Saint Lucy is the patron and protector of eyesight—ask her to help you focus yours, to see more clearly the coming of the radiant king.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 8
Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. Patricia Pepper
Parish Purgatorial Society

9 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. Francesco Pira

12 p.m. Cliff Bowen

Monday, December 9
Immaculate Conception

9 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory

7 p.m. People of the Parish

Tuesday, December 10
Our Lady of Loreto

9 a.m. Laurie Shimek

Wednesday, December 11
Pope St. Damasus, I

9 a.m. Intentions of
Maureen Cullen

Thursday, December 12
Our Lady of Guadalupe

9 a.m. Lucia Marsillo

Friday, December 13
St. Lucy

9 a.m. Marie Pagliarulo

Saturday, December 14
St. John of the Cross

9 a.m. Brian & Tom Murphy
Casimira & Linda Bubloski

5:30 p.m. Fr. Patrick Burns
Vincente R. Reselosa

Sunday, December 15
Third Sunday of Advent; Gaudete Sunday

7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society

9 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. Pablo & Eva Sierra

12 p.m. Jack Montalbano

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES

To accommodate the holiday schedule, our Bulletin company has given us early printing deadlines through the end of 2024.

Please contact the Rectory Office for guidance if your Parish Group has a notice they wish to have published before January 5, 2025.

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: Maureen Cullen; Diane Paul, Reese Lambert. Jean Volkes; Jack Cregg; Dora Sisto; J. M.; Mistie Owens; Frank Owens; Tom Duggan; Lina Pira; Linda Papio; Christine Harkins; Joseph Parma Delia; Mary Ann Robertson; Coach Donald Kent; Richard Rodriguez; Hyunja Paasch; George Capella; John Marsillo; Connie Nugent; Alayne Cox; Holly Palazzo; Ted Shea; Penelope Seiss; Thomas Nugent; Mary Pat Stasiak; Rosauro Peña; 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:

Please pray for those members of our community who have gone before us into the fullness of life. Please remember those enrolled in our Purgatorial Society as well.

Looking More Closely at the Word

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Baruch 5:1-9; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11; Luke 3:1-6

In the year 1995, in the seventeenth year of my life, when Fife Symington was governor of Arizona, Bill Clinton was president of the United States, Chuck Keiffer was pastor of St. Theresa parish in Phoenix, Arizona, and Ron and Mary were my parents, the word of God came to my youth minister Eric and through him I started to see the salvation of God. Soon, Christ came into my life never to leave. I'm thankful beyond words.

Why am I being so specific, you ask? Because in the Gospel this week we hear the specific names of people holding civic and religious authority in first century Palestine when "the word of God came to John the Baptist:" Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate, Herod, Philip, Lysanias, Annas, Caiaphas, and Zechariah. All this is meant to help us see that God breaks into our history, into real human events. Jesus is no mere myth. He is the Word-which-breaks-in, in concrete moments, you might say. And now we anticipate his coming once again in our specific situations.

Advent challenge: Name as many civic and religious leaders who are in authority currently in your life. Now, name who the potential John the Baptists may be. A spouse? A friend? A podcaster? A work colleague who brings God's word to you? Spend a moment considering that this comprises the concrete, historical setting into which Christ wishes to come. Then, with these specifics in mind, pray: "Come, Lord Jesus. Come." *~ Father John Muir ©LPi*

HOLY NAME FOOD PANTRY

SERVING THE COMMUNITY SINCE 1987

The Food Pantry will distribute food from the Rectory basement from 1 - 2:30 p.m. on Saturdays, December 14 & 28.
We currently need pasta, jelly and jam.

Thank you, Michele and Larry Nardo, for your recent generous donation in memory of the deceased members of the Devine Nardo Families. Thank you, also, to the teachers & parents at PS10 for their recent Thanksgiving/Christmas food drive for our food pantry.

Come share the holiday spirit at

THE TENTH ANNUAL WINDSOR TERRACE HOLY NAME FATHER'S GUILD

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY!

Date: Thursday, December 12th @7PM!

Dedicated to the Memory of Coach Cliff Bowen

ALL ARE WELCOME TO BRING OR BUY AN ORNAMENT TO DECORATE THE TREE, AND ENTER OUR UGLY SWEATER CONTEST!

*ornaments on tree can not be returned

Photo Op with SANTA!

Rockin' Xmas Tunes!!

Location: Our Lady's Field, Entrance on Windsor Place Between Prospect Park West and Howard Place

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Please make Holy Name part of your family Christmas tradition by joining us for Family Mass at 4:00 pm or Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve!

Donations accepted at door or through our Venmo Account: @HNFG-Brooklyn

*All proceeds to benefit the Holy Name Father's Guild Youth Sports program. https://holy-name-sports.com/