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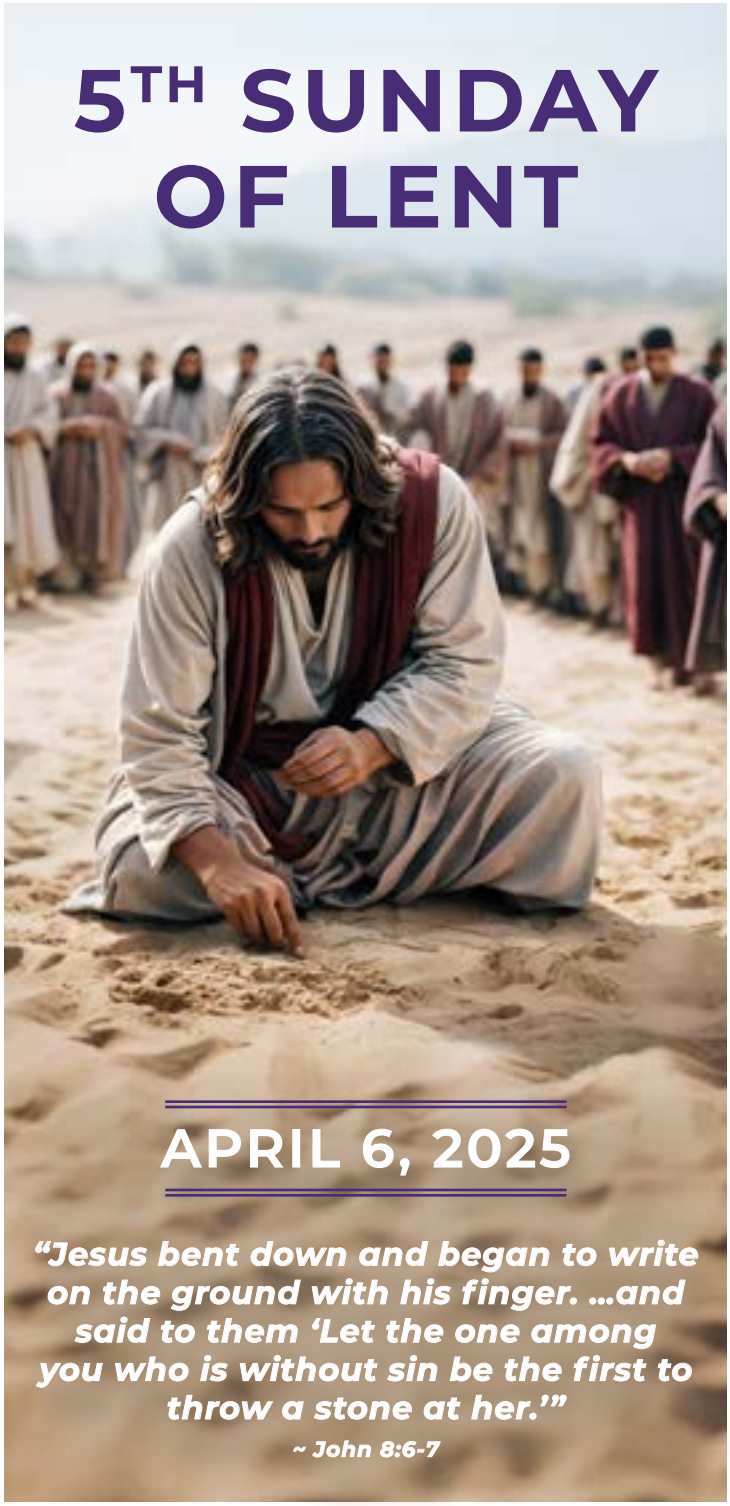

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Deacon Gerry Devine
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Kathryn Sisto, Coord. of Religious Education

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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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Stephanie Germann, Principal

THIS WEEK @ HNJ

Sunday, April 6
10 a.m. Cursillo: *Rectory Basement*
11:45 a.m. Hospitality Sunday: *Shepherds Hall*
1:15 p.m. Lenten Holy Hour: *Church*

Monday, April 7
7:30 p.m. Small Faith Sharing Group: *Rectory Bsmt.*

Tuesday, April 8
10:30 a.m. FORMED Home Group: *(917) 981-8644*
7 p.m. Irish Parade Committee: *Rectory Bsmt.*

Wednesday, April 9
6:30 p.m. AlAnon: *Rectory Basement*
8:30 p.m. AA: *Rectory Basement*

Thursday, April 10
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts: *Shepherds Hall*
7 p.m. Small Faith Sharing Group: *Rectory Bsmt.*

Friday, April 11
9:45 a.m. Stations of the Cross (English): *Church*
4 p.m. Irish Step Dance: *Shepherds Hall*
7 p.m. Grupo de Oracion: *Rectory Basement*
7 p.m. Cub Scouts: *CS Room*
7 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Spanish): *Church*

Saturday, April 12
8 a.m. Brooklyn Quilters: *Shepherds Hall*
7 p.m. AA: *Rectory Basement*

Sunday, April 13
8 a.m. Hispanic Committee: *Rectory Basement*
10 a.m. Cursillo: *Rectory Basement*

COLLECTION RESULTS

March 30, 2025

1st Collection Total to Parish..... $4,139
(Collection Baskets: $2,462; Faith Direct: $1,677.)

2nd Collection Total to Diocese for Catholic Relief Services..... $1,110
(Collection Baskets: $998; Faith Direct: $112.)

Catch Up Collection..... $698
(Past 1st Collections: $525; past 2nd Collections: $173.)

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2025

Jubilee of Hope, Renewal of Faith, and Charity!

The 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal is underway. Please join Holy Name in supporting the Appeal and prayerfully consider making a pledge:
https://catholicfoundationbq.org/annual-catholic-appeal

The work and services made possible through your donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal help people in Brooklyn and Queens in ways that no one parish can alone.

Lent Schedule at HNJ

Lenten Holy Hour

Sunday, April 6 at 1:15 p.m.
The Holy Hour will include Stations of the Cross and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursdays from 9:45 - Noon, all year.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays (English): after the 9 a.m. Mass
Fridays (Spanish): 7 p.m.

Confessions

Sundays: Before 7:30 a.m. & Noon Masses
7:10 - 7:25 a.m. and 11:40 - 11:55 a.m. (in the Church)
Thursdays: Before/After 9 a.m. Mass
8:35 - 8:50 a.m. and 9:50 - 10:05 a.m. (in the Church)
Saturdays: 5 p.m. - 5:20 p.m. (in the Church)
also available in the Rectory, by appointment.

Reconciliation Monday

Monday, April 14
9:50 - 10:30 a.m.; 2 - 4 p.m.; and 6 - 9 p.m.

Our Holy Week & Easter Schedule appears on Page 5 in this Bulletin

PRAYER OF COMMUNITY

O God,
Help us to see each other as You see us,not by our faults or failings, but by our identity as Your own. Give us Your eyes to see, Your heart to love.
Amen.

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A NOTE FROM FR. LARRY

I'll begin by reminding everyone that the last of our series of **Lenten Holy Hours** will take place in the Church immediately after the Noon Mass (i.e., starting about 1:15 p.m.) this Sunday, April 6. It will include Stations of the Cross, silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, and Benediction.

We will also have **Stations of the Cross** on Friday, April 11, in English after the 9 a.m. Mass and in Spanish at 7 p.m.

As I mentioned at last weekend's Masses, progress has been slow thus far on the **2025 Annual Catholic Appeal**. We are still almost $40,000 short of our Diocesan-assigned goal of $61,185. Please use the pledge envelopes you received by mail, or the on-line process, to make a pledge to the Appeal as part of your Lenten almsgiving. Every pledge is important and no pledge is too small. As always, thank you for your generosity.

Please see the **Holy Week schedule** on Page 5 in this bulletin, and please join us in person for the powerful liturgies of that very special week. Note that Monday, April 14, is **Reconciliation Monday** when there will be several hours of Confessions in every church in the Dioceses of Brooklyn and Rockville Center and the Archdiocese of New York. In HNJ Church, we will hear Confessions from 9:50 to 10:30 a.m., from 2 to 4 p.m., and from 6 to 9 p.m. Please make a good Confession before the end of Lent. Reception of the Sacrament of Penance is perhaps the best way to prepare to receive Holy Communion worthily during the Holy Week liturgies.

Our **Gospel** this Sunday is St. John's account of Jesus' love and mercy towards the woman caught in adultery. Many of those present that day wanted the woman stoned to death in accordance with Mosaic law. Jesus changed the entire tone of the situation when he said: "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Consider that Henry Wadsworth Longfellow once observed: "If we could read the secret history of our enemies, we should find in each man's life sorrow and suffering enough to disarm all hostility." While we cannot always know or understand the circumstances of our enemies' lives, we are nevertheless called to forgive them, as Jesus forgave the woman caught in adultery—and every other sinner he encountered. To know the secret lives of others is really God's purview. Yet, because God forgives everyone (ourselves included!), who are we to hold a grudge? *(cf. Prepare the Word, April 6, 2025)*

Please keep up your penitential practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving for the rest of Lent. God bless you all. ✞

EASTER FLOWERS

You are invited to honor friends and family members—both living and deceased—by making a donation toward the Easter Flowers for HNJ Church. Please submit the names of those you want to honor or memorialize to the Rectory Office, or leave your envelope and donation in the collection basket. The suggested donation is $15 for each memorial.

Our printer has an early deadline, so all requests must be received no later than Thursday, April 10 to ensure they are included in the Easter bulletin. Requests received after April 10 will be published in a future bulletin.

Looking More Closely at the Word

The Allure of Being Right

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

It wasn't a real question.

"The law of Moses says we should stone her. What do you say?" the Pharisees asked Jesus as they brought the adulterous woman before him. But they weren't really asking. They didn't care what Jesus' answer was. They didn't ask his opinion because they wanted to know. They asked because they wanted to use his words against him.

Righteousness, truth — that wasn't the goal. The goal was being right.

And in the middle of the whole scene, dragged before Jesus, used as a literal prop in this staged drama, is a woman. A real flesh-and-blood woman.

I find myself wanting to know more about her. She had been "caught in the act," they claimed, but I wonder what that even means. With whom was this act committed, and what were the reasons for her participation in it? Was she coerced? Was she scared? Was she confused? Was it really a cut-and-dry, black-and-white situation of adultery, of lust, of making the wrong decision?

We will never know the answers to these questions, and it doesn't matter — it's not our business. God knows the answers. God knows the truth of the matter: what she did, what she chose, what she felt. Because she wasn't a prop to Him. She was a person.

When God looks at us, he sees more than the worst decisions we've ever made.

I worry that we use one another as props even today, when we try like the Pharisees to illustrate "What is Right." We have a terrible tendency to see only decisions, and in doing so we dehumanize the people behind them.

Too often, we don't care about righteousness or truth. We just care about being right.

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Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 43:16-21

Philippians 3:8-14

John 8:1-11

Holy Week

Holy Name of Jesus Church

Palm Sunday
5:30 pm Saturday
7:30 am, 9 am (Spanish)*
10:30 am* & 12 Noon

Reconciliation Monday
Confessions will be heard from
2 pm to 4 pm & 6pm to 9pm
In Holy Name Church

Holy Thursday
9 am Morning Prayer*
7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (Bilingual)*

Good Friday
9 am Morning Prayer*
3 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English)*
7:30 pm Celebración de la Pasión del Señor (Spanish)*

Holy Saturday
9 am Morning Prayer*
7:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass (Bilingual)*

Easter Sunday
Mass will be celebrated at
7:30 am, 9 am (Spanish)*,
10:30 am* & 12 Noon (English)

*These Services will be livestreamed at Facebook.com/HolyNameBrooklyn

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 6
Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society
9 a.m. People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. Mary, Anthony. Rosemarie, Peter, & Vinny Camastro
12 p.m. Lucy Coletto *(10th Anniversary)*

Monday, April 7
St. John Baptist de la Salle

9 a.m. Donna & Cathy Kettlesen

Tuesday, April 8
9 a.m. People of the Parish

Wednesday, April 9
9 a.m. People of the Parish

Thursday, April 10
9 a.m. People of the Parish

Friday, April 11
St. Stanislaus

9 a.m. People of the Parish

Saturday, April 12
9 a.m. Ezra Clark Stillman *(Birthday)*
Anna Gross
5:30 p.m. Ronnie Sheehan
Mary Brennan

Sunday, April 13
Palm Sunday

7:30 a.m. Parish Purgatorial Society
9 a.m. People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. Francesco Pira
12 p.m. John & Mary Gallahue

Note: The Mass Book is open for July 1 through December 31, 2025 Mass Intentions. Effective July 1, 2025, our revised weekend Mass schedule will be:

Saturday Evening: 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday: 7:30 a.m.; 9 a.m. (Spanish); & 11 a.m. (Family Mass)

HOLY NAME FOOD PANTRY

SERVING THE COMMUNITY SINCE 1987

We will distribute food from the Rectory Basement from **1-2 p.m. on Saturdays, April 5 & 19 and May 3, 17, & 31.**

The food pantry currently needs Mac & Cheese.

Thank you to RB for organizing the recent party that raised money for Holy Name's Food Pantry.

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: Alex Sisto; Gerard Kent; Robert Kent; Jane Casagrande; Elizabeth Budgell; Danielle S.; Eugenia Romps; Deidre Murphy; Maureen Cullen; Diane Paul, Reese Lambert. Jean Volkes; Jack Cregg; Tom Duggan; Lina Pira; Linda Papio; Christine Harkins; Joseph Parma Delia; Mary Ann Robertson; Coach Donald Kent; Richard Rodriguez; Hyunja Paasch; George Capella; Connie Nugent; Alayne Cox; Holly Palazzo; Ted Shea; Penelope Seiss; Thomas Nugent; Mary Pat Stasiak; Rosauro Peña; Lisas Feldman; Patricia Donleavy; Bill Slattery; Camille Tiftafeh; Patrick Cregg; Catherine Donovan; Joseph Cox; Cheryl Jablow; and Dcn. Felipe Almendárez.

... AND FOR OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES:

Please pray for the members of our community who have gone before us into the fullness of life.

Please remember those enrolled in our Purgatorial Society as well.

Join us at Holy Name of Jesus for our Annual

Sunday, April 20, 2025
(After the 10:30 a.m. Family Mass)
Our Lady's Field on Windsor Place

Please help us plan: Scan the QR code to sign up.
Questions? Email holynameboysswim@gmail.com