

Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



Rev. J. Gabriel Piedraza, Pastor

Laura Urachena, Faith Formation

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Friday - 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Closed For Lunch 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

All adult Catholics should be registered. We want to know and serve you and hope that you will become an active member of our parish community. Please notify the rectory of any change in address, or if you are leaving the Parish. It is necessary to be a registered member of our parish for a minimum of 3 months in order for us to testify to your ability to be a sponsor for Baptism/Confirmation, witness to a Catholic marriage, or provide recommendation for a position at work/school or character reference.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday:

English - Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 9:30am, 12:30pm

Spanish - Saturday 7:00pm

Sunday 11:00am

Weekdays:

Monday - Friday 8:30am

Wednesday - 8:30am

Saturday - 9:00am

Holy Days - see website for listing

Holy Hour-7pm first Thursday of the month

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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptism - First Saturday of the month in English at 1:00 pm. Second Saturday of the month in Spanish at 1:00 PM. Parents must meet with the pastor prior to the Baptism. Parents and Godparents are required to attend Baptismal instruction. Instruction is held same day as Baptism, prior to ceremony.

Reconciliation - 4:00 PM before the Saturday evening Mass or by appointment.

Marriage - Couples are required to make arrangements one year to six months prior to the date of marriage. One party must be a registered and active member of this parish. Participation in Pre-marriage Program is required. Couple must meet with the pastor prior to any arrangements being made.

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD JANUARY 10, 2016

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Isaiah tells of the Lord's Servant, who will be inconspicuous, but will not rest until justice is established. The Lord then tells his servant that he was formed to be "a light for the nations."

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38

Peter speaks to a group of pagans for the first time. He explains to them that any person who follows God's will is acceptable to God, regardless of nationality.

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

John the Baptist had claimed one would come far more powerful than himself, one who would baptize with the Holy Spirit rather than water. When Jesus came to John and was baptized, the Spirit descended on him and a voice said, "You are my beloved Son. On you my favor rests."

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 9

9:00 AM For the Health of Claudia & Delia Villanueva

5:00 PM Helen & Edward Hayde (†)

7:00 PM The priest will announce the names and intentions

Sunday January 10

9:30 AM Vita Galgano (†)

11:00 AM The priest will announce the names and intentions

12:30 PM Jose Juan Rodriguez (†)

Monday January 11

8:30 AM Domingo Hernandez(†)

Tuesday January 12

8:30 AM Domingo Hernandez

Wednesday January 13

8:30 AM Vicente La Villa Sr. (†)

Thursday January 14

8:30 AM Josefina Nieves (†)

Friday January 15

8:30AM Francisco Aldana Llerandi (†)

Saturday January 16

9:00 AM

5:00 PM James & John Lulack (†)

7:00 PM The priest will announce the names and intentions

Sunday January 17

9:30 AM Mgt. Vann Ness (†)

11:00 AM The priest will announce the names and intentions

12:30 PM Efrain Vasquez (†)

SUNDAY'S REFLECTION

The Baptism of the Lord January 10, 2016

"...the man of any nation who fears God and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. This is the message he has sent to the sons of Israel, 'the good news of peace' proclaimed through Jesus Christ who is Lord of all... I take it you know what has been reported all over Judea about Jesus of Nazareth, beginning in Galilee with the baptism John proclaimed, of the way God anointed him with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good."

This teaching of Peter led Cornelius and his family to baptism and Christ. We listen to the words and realize that we too have been baptized, led to Christ and yes, even anointed with the Holy Spirit and power. We too come up from our Jordan, our baptismal font, and hear the similar words of praise "You are my Son. On you my favor rests."

It is easy to picture the event, the people, the rippling water, a gentle breeze. We might include a word of teaching by John the Baptist. Jesus began His mission. 'The mission of Christ the Redeemer He has entrusted to His church', wrote Saint John Paul II. That mission continues today and we are all the hands, the face, the voice of Christ to others. At our baptism we were anointed with oil and the Holy Spirit. We have been given power to do what Jesus did 'going about doing good.'

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING/TITHING

Our Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a tithing parish. Tithing means to give back to God a portion of what God has given to us.

Last Sunday's
Collection
\$ 3,418.00

Last Year's
Collection
\$3,293.50

Parishioner's Testimony

"This experience is a small step in helping my family understand the spirit of tithing which is no less than the spirit of what it means to be church in the first place."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Anthony (Antony), born in Egypt, is honored as the founder of monasticism. At age 20 he literally took the Gospel injunction to sell everything he had and give it to the poor. From then on he led an austere, ascetical life, devoting himself to prayer and reading the scriptures. He did manual labor to earn his food and gave any excess he had to the poor. Though he preferred solitude, he took time to give guidance and instructions to the many that lived an ascetical life in the desert. He organized them into monasteries, laying the foundation for monasticism. He had renounced the world to serve God in the solitude of the desert and was called "the friend of God". We ask through his intercession the grace to keep in proper perspective the material things we have and to live in a spirit of detachment from them through self denial. We also ask for the grace to understand the love of God above all things.

Faith Formation

This Sunday, January 10th, Sacramental Sessions will be held from 1-3pm. Parents and Children must attend. The Faith Formation team wishes you and all your loved ones a Happy New Year!

Respect Life

MARCH FOR LIFE / PILGRIMAGE TO WASHINGTON, DC, Friday, January 22nd 2016. Join us on pilgrimage as we commemorate the 43rd Anniversary of Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court Decision legalizing abortion. Hundreds of thousands will gather from throughout our nation to pray and publicly witness so that hearts and minds may be opened to the Gospel of Life and laws may be changed. *The Archdiocese of NY Respect Life Office Bus will leave from Sacred Heart of Jesus Church at 5am sharp.* Cardinal Dolan will celebrate Mass 10:30am in Bethesda prior to the March. Cost is \$50. To register contact Sr.ShirleyAnn@archny.org or call 646-794-3195. If you are not able to make the trip but would like to make a donation for others, we would be most grateful. .

Birthdays and Wedding anniversaries

Happy Birthday to:
Manuel Navarro- Jan. 12th
Lucho Carrera

Collections

• **Second collection-** In last week's second collection for the Catholic Communications and the Catholic University of America we collected \$410.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a mass offered for a loved one, please visit the office and someone will gladly help you. Masses are still available for this coming week and the near future. God bless you all.

Food sale- This Sunday January 10th, the Movement John XXIII has a food sale downstairs in Campbell Hall. They will prepare a variety of food delicacies for us to enjoy. Please support the Movement John XXIII. Thank you.

**The Wine and Hosts
Are offered for the Health of
Alberto & Marina Jimenez**



If you would like to offer the Wine and Host for a loved one or if you have a Birthday in January or a Wedding Anniversary please submit your names and date to the rectory or call us at 212-265-5020 to have them published in the bulletin.