

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear St. Joseph Parish Family,

Last week I wrote about the friars' work, but what about the parish staff? They work in the parish offices, which are located on the first floor of the parish rectory, the building next to the church on 6th Avenue. Here's the team that keeps our parish going:

The parish secretary, Erin O'Kane, answers calls, answers the door, and is the face of our parish for those communicating with the parish office. She helps people obtain Mass intentions, get signed up for a baptism or baptism prep, start the marriage prep program, and she prepares this bulletin each week and handles many other administrative tasks. She also helps perform historical research. Because our parish records go back to 1829, the year the parish was founded, many people request copies of the records pertaining to their ancestors. She goes through all the books, deciphering the 19th century handwriting, to find the relevant records. She also records the sacramental records to keep everything current. I hope her handwriting will be easier for people to read in 200 years than some of the 19th century writing is now!

Olivia Swinford & Mariana Pimiento work in the parish office Sunday mornings to assist any parishioners who stop by.

The business manager, Linda Jones, helps with the administrative aspects of running the parish. She organizes parish contracts with vendors and repair and maintenance companies, manages the parish custodians, helps to create the parish budget, keeps track of financial information, helps manage the current renovation and construction projects, deals with Archdiocesan policies and makes sure they are properly implemented in the parish, and many other administrative tasks.

Our director of religious education, Nicole Bogatz, manages the children's religious education program (CCD), manages the program and prepares people to enter the Church (RCIA), and helps with many other ministries. She hopes to start a youth group soon, and there are many more possibilities coming down the road.

We also have two music directors– Jin Krista Kang for the traditional choir and Eliza Poehlman for our contemporary choir. They provide the beautiful music you hear every Sunday! They also provide music for weddings and funerals and special liturgical occasions, such as Tenebrae.

Our two custodians, Francis and Charles, handle the basic maintenance for the church and rectory buildings. They clean and repair the buildings and help set up for liturgies and help decorate the church. Their work is often invisible, but they play a vital role in keeping our parish running.

We also have internal and external accountants. They make sure the books are properly kept and the internal accountant takes care of payroll and paying bills.

Please keep our staff in your prayers, and thank them for the great work they do.

In Christ,

*Fr. Boniface Endorf, O.P*

### Mass Tidbits:

Last week we considered the *Confiteor* ('I confess') version of the penitential rite, but **tropes** can also be used in place of the *Confiteor*. When using tropes the priest starts the penitential rite in the same way ('Brothers and Sisters, let us acknowledge our sins...'); however, instead of then beginning the *Confiteor* he begins the tropes. There are many versions of tropes, but the most common form is:

Priest: You were sent to heal the contrite of heart. Lord have mercy.

People: Lord have mercy.

Priest: You came to call sinners. Christ have mercy.

People: Christ have mercy.

Priest: You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for use. Lord have mercy.

People: Lord have mercy.

Thus the tropes are elongated versions of the *Kyrie*. The ***Kyrie*** is the end of the penitential rite. When the *Confiteor* is used, the priest says afterwards "May Almighty God have mercy on us..." and then begins the *Kyrie* (or the choir sings it). We say or sing "Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy" with the people repeating each part after the priest or choir says it, and at the 11:30 Mass we use a triple version of it. It's called the *Kyrie* because it was said in Greek in the older form of the Mass, not Latin, and so *Kyrie* is Greek for Lord, rather than the Latin *Domine*. When tropes are used the *Kyrie* is omitted because tropes themselves are simply a form of the *Kyrie*. The *Kyrie* is the final part of the Penitential Rite, and then we go into the *Glori*.

## Weekly Collection

February 15<sup>th</sup> and February 16<sup>th</sup>

**Masses Total** -----\$ 4,592

WeShare-----\$770

Faith Street-----\$1,852

**Grand Total**-----\$ 7,214

### Donating to St. Joseph's Church

For the parish to perform its daily operations, consistent donations are needed. Your donations allow the parish to maintain and grow the mission of the Church.

#### 1. Weekly Envelopes

When you register as a parishioner, you have the option of receiving weekly envelopes. You will be assigned an envelope number. Envelopes with your assigned number are sent to you quarterly. You can place your envelopes in the collection basket during mass or you can mail them to the parish office.

#### 2. Faithstreet

Faithstreet is an online giving program that allows you to give a one-time donation or setup recurring gifts. You can give via credit card, debit card, or bank account. To register, go to our website and chose the Donation tab. Click on "Faithstreet" and fill out the form. Also, Faithstreet allows you donate **via text message**. You can donate via text by messaging the amount to (646) 832-4848. (E.g. "25" to send \$25). Click the link you receive and input the code: *stjoseph* and to complete the one-time setup.

#### 3. WeShare

WeShare (formerly ParishPay) was the first online giving program used by our parish. It allows one-time and recurring gifts. It does not provide "text to give" options. There is a one-time registration process. To register, go to our website and chose the Donation tab. Click on "We Share" and fill out the form.



## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

*The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle*

**12:10 pm** Maria Nadrowska

**5:30 pm** Marjorie Louise Rey

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

**9:00 am** Sidney Stacey Jr.

**11:30 am** People of the Parish

**6:00 pm** Charlie Zullo

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

**12:10 pm** Donald Brescia

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

**12:10 pm**

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

*Ash Wednesday*

**8:00 am**

**12:10 pm**

**5:00 pm**

**7:00 pm**

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

*Thursday after Ash Wednesday*

**12:10 pm**

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

*Friday after Ash Wednesday*

**12:10 pm** Janet Adusa Pokua

### PRAYER REQUEST



*Please pray for:*

Laura Brotodihardjo . Anthony Spinelli . Zoila Vallo



If you would like to include someone on our prayer list, please call the church office to submit their names. Names on the prayer list will remain for four (4) weeks. If you wish to leave them on longer, please call the church office, weekdays 9am - 5pm.

## RECTORY OFFICE

### Office Hours:

Monday-Friday  
9:00am – 5:00pm  
(212)741-1274

[Office@stjosephgv.nyc](mailto:Office@stjosephgv.nyc)

## CATHOLIC CENTER @ NYU

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New York, NY 10012

[contact@catholiccenternyu.org](mailto:contact@catholiccenternyu.org)

## ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

The Mass Schedule for Ash Wednesday,  
*February 26th* is as follows

8:00am    12:10pm    5:00pm    7:00pm

## ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



Gifts large and small will have an impact on our parish and beyond. The cumulative power of giving will allow us to further our ministries. We humbly ask you to consider supporting the St. Joe's Capital Campaign.

**Our goal is to raise \$700,000 in pledges**

We have received **110 pledges** for a total of  
**\$375,504**

## Monthly Moms' Night

Please join other St. Joseph's mothers for fellowship and refreshment, as we build community together!

*We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month.*

For more information, please visit:

[www.meetup.com/NYC-Catholic-Moms-downtown](http://www.meetup.com/NYC-Catholic-Moms-downtown)

## St. Joseph Parish Coffee & Donuts Social Sunday February 23rd

Join the St. Joseph Parish Community for coffee and donuts in the parish hall after the *11:30 am Mass on February 23rd*. All are welcome with an opportunity to learn about the various ministries going on at St Joe's.

If you have questions, please email Trevor Sorensen at [sorensen.trevor@gmail.com](mailto:sorensen.trevor@gmail.com)

## Divine Mercy and Mary Young Adult Group ages 18-39

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month at 7:30pm** join fellow St. Joseph parishioners as we trace Mary's role in Divine Mercy.

For more information contact Gene Zannetti  
[zspiritualstrength@gmail.com](mailto:zspiritualstrength@gmail.com)

## Flame of Love Rosary and Prayers Group 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. 7:30pm-8:30pm

Please join us for the Flame of Love Rosary and prayers group. *The next meeting is on March 12<sup>th</sup>.*  
*"Blessed Mother spread the effect of grace of thy Flame of Love over all of humanity."*

For more information contact Robert Phillips  
[raphillips@gmail.com](mailto:raphillips@gmail.com)

## St. Joseph's Young Professional Brunch (ages 21-35) Sunday March 8th

Please join The St. Joseph's Young Professionals for Brunch. We will head over to Rosemary's restaurant located at 18 Greenwich Ave after the *11:30am Mass*.

Space is limited so please RSVP by emailing Alessandra by  
**March 6th.** [Alessandra.Santopietro@gmail.com](mailto:Alessandra.Santopietro@gmail.com)

## St. Joseph's Young Professionals Little Way of Lent Day Retreat at the Catholic Center at NYU Saturday March 7

Join St. Joseph's Young Professionals (ages 21-35) on Saturday from 9am-4pm for a day retreat as we to enter into the penitential season of Lent with a day of prayer, fellowship and reflection by the Dominican friars of St. Joe's.

Join us as we discuss the role of suffering in our everyday lives and how we can look for the beautiful in the ordinary during this time.

Please RSVP to Olivia Swinford  
[swinford.olivia@gmail.com](mailto:swinford.olivia@gmail.com)

## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

The Lord urges Moses to tell the Israelite Community to love their neighbors as themselves. They should bear no grudge or hatred against another.

### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Paul, once again, reminds the Corinthians that they are the temple of God, and, as such, must avoid internal disputes and wrangling. He tries to make them realize that they belong to Christ and that the Spirit of God dwells within them.

### Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

In this part of the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus exhorts his followers to do an extraordinary thing — to love their enemies and to pray for their oppressors. He reminds them that there is nothing laudatory in loving those who love them for even the “pagans” do this. He urges them to “turn the other cheek” and to “walk the extra mile.”

## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME DAILY READINGS

### Sunday

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

### Monday

Jas 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29

### Tuesday

Jas 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37

### Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

### Thursday

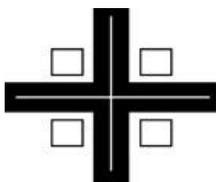
Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

### Friday

Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

### Saturday

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32



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### *Desires of the Heart* by Sister Bethany Madonna

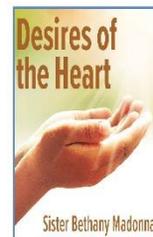
This week's highlight is a talk called “*Desires of the Heart*” by Sister Bethany Madonna, vocations director of the Sisters of Life. Access this talk and many others from other popular Catholic speakers on [formed.org](http://formed.org) with your free parishoner subscription.

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### PICK OF THE WEEK

### Desires of the Heart

by Sister Bethany Madonna



Sr. Bethany Madonna, vocations director for the Sisters of Life, shares how God not only wants us to know him, but also to give us the desires of our heart and gifts that bring purpose, meaning, and hope.

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