



# CHURCH OF ST JOSEPH

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## MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE MISAS

**Sun./Dom. 9 AM (English), 11 AM (Español)**

**Mon./Lun. 8:30 AM (English)**

**Tues./Mar. 7 PM (Español) Vísperas & Misa**

**Wed./Mier. 8:30 AM (English)**

**Thurs./Jue. 9 AM (Bilingual) Thanksgiving Day / Día de Acción de Gracias**

**Fri./Vier. 7 PM (Español) Vísperas & Misa**

**Sat./Sab. 9 AM Mass for Children / Families (English)**

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Monday to Friday, 9 AM. to 4:30 PM (**Closed for lunch, 1:00-2:00 PM**)

**HORARIO DE LA CASA CURAL:** Lunes a Viernes, 9 AM a 4:30 PM (**Cerrada, 1 - 2 PM**)

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK/UNCIÓN DE ENFERMOS:** Call anytime/llamar a cualquier hora.

### **SPECIAL DEVOTIONS/DEVOCIONES ESPECIALES:**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction, Fridays, after the 7 PM Mass / Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento con la Bendición : Viernes **luego** de la Misa de las 7 PM

The Miraculous Medal Novena, on Mondays after the Mass./Novena de la Medalla Milagrosa, los lunes luego de la Misa. Rosary before Mass on Sundays / Santo Rosario antes de la Misa.

Charismatic prayer meeting, Tuesdays, after the 7 PM Mass/Grupo de Oración Carismática, martes, luego de la Misa de 7PM.

**BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES:** By appointment only. Please call the Parish Office well in advance.

**BAUTISMOS & BODAS:** Hacer una cita de antemano.

**R C I A** Adults seeking to Enter the Catholic Church or complete their Christian Initiation should contact Yolanda Faña at 914-433-6390.

**R I C A** Adultos que buscan Entrar en la Iglesia Católica o completa su Iniciación Cristiana. Para más información contactar a la Sra. Yolanda Faña al 914-433-6390.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN:** 9:45 AM on Saturdays/ Sábado a las 9:45 AM. Any time by appointment / O llamar para una cita.

**COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:** Any one who cannot attend church because of illness or age, please contact the parish office so that arrangements can be made to bring communion to you. /

**COMUNION PARA LOS ENFERMOS:** Llámanos para que uno de nuestros ministros te lleve la Sagrada Comunión.

**WELCOME, NEW PARISHIONERS!** Please visit the Rectory so that we may formally register you as members of the parish.

**¡BIENVENIDOS NUEVOS FELIGRESES!** Favor de visitar a la Casa Cural para inscribirse en nuestra parroquia.

**Sunday/Domingo, November 19th -**

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Prv 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5: 1-6 / Mt 25:14-30

- 9AM Frances Lombino †  
 All Souls' Novena
- 11 AM En honor a la Virgen de la Providencia  
 Martha Saavedra †  
 Maria del Carmen Perez †  
 Carmen Teresa Rodriguez †  
 Juan Esteban Olivero †  
 Novena de los fieles difuntos

**Monday/Lunes, November 20th -**

1 Mc 1: 10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/ Lk 18: 35-43

- 8:30 AM All Souls' Novena

**Tuesday/Martes, November 21st -**

**The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
 2 Mc 6: 18-31 / Lk 19: 1-10

- 7 PM En honor a la Virgen de La Paz  
 Novena de los fieles difuntos

**Wednesday/Miercoles, November 22nd-**

**St. Cecilia**  
 2 Mc 7: 1, 20-31 / Lk 19: 11-28

- 8:30 AM Barbara Landy †  
 All Souls' Novena

**Thursday/Jueves, November 23rd -**

**Thanksgiving Day**  
 1 Kgs 8: 55—61; 1 Cor 1: 3-9 / Lk 1: 39-55

- 9 AM En acción de gracias a Dios (by Ana Bustos)  
 Diego Alonso (11<sup>th</sup> Birthday)

**Friday/Viernes, November 24th -**

**St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions**  
 1 Mc 4: 36-37, 52-59 / Lk 19: 45-48

- 7 PM Novena de los fieles difuntos

**Saturday/Sabados, November 25th -**

**St. Catherine of Alexandria**  
 1 Mc 6: 1-13 / Lk 20: 27-40

- 9 AM All Souls' Novena

**Sunday/Domingo, November 26th -**

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**  
 Ez 34: 11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15: 20-26, 28 / Mt 25: 31-46

- 9AM All Souls' Novena
- 11 AM Nohora Silva †  
 Novena de los fieles difuntos

**Parish Membership:**

To be considered active members of St Joseph's Parish, each family & single adult must:

- Be properly registered
- Attend Sunday Mass at our church
- Regularly use our parish's weekly envelopes

This is the only way the parish can issue documents attesting to parish membership and Catholic practice. (eg. A sponsor Certificate to be a Godparent or Confirmation sponsor). If you are **not registered** please visit the rectory.

**Flowers, Sanctuary Lamp & Wine/Bread**

Remember your loved ones by dedicating, in their honor, the weekly Flowers or Sanctuary Lamp or Bread & Wine.

**Flores, Lampara del Sagrario & Hostias/Vino**

Recuerde a sus seres queridos dedicando, en su honor, las Flores de la semana, Lámpara del Sagrario y las Hostias y el Vino. Para más información llamar a la casa cural.

Flowers/Flores

**In honor of O. L. of Divine Providence**  
**En honor a Ntra. Sra. de la Divina Providencia**  
 By/Por Comité de la Divina Providencia

SANCTUARY LAMP/LAMPARA DEL SAGRARIO

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 By/Por Comité de la Divina Providencia

ALTAR BREAD & WINE/HOSTIAS Y VINO

*In Loving Memory of/En Memoria de*  
**Elsa Maria Espinal**  
 By/Por Her Children/Sus Hijas(os)

**COLLECTIONS/COLECTAS Nov. 12, 2017**

<b>Weekly need is / Necesidad semanal es:</b>	<b>\$6,178.00</b>
<b>Sunday Offering</b>	<b>\$2,142.25</b>
(9 AM \$850 & 11 AM \$1,006.50)	
<b>Church Property Fund</b>	<b>\$529.75</b>

**May God Bless you for your generosity!**  
**¡Que Dios los bendigas a todos por su generosidad!**

**UNEXPECTED PREGNANCY?** If you are in a crisis pregnancy, please call (914) 620-4464  
**LIFE OPTIONS CENTER 24 / 7.**

**¿EMBARAZO INESPERADO?** Si se encuentra en una crisis por causa del embarazo, llamar al (914) 620-4464  
**LIFE OPTIONS CENTER - disponible, 24 / 7.**

## The Presentation of the BVM (Nov 21<sup>st</sup>)

The primitive Church honored Mary as the all-holy Mother of Jesus, the model of perfection. No one knows the true story of Mary's birth or childhood, or even the names of her parents.

When we don't really know the full story, we humans tend to fill in the gaps with plausible or even fanciful stories. We have done that with our American heroes: George Washington did not chop down a cherry tree and tell his father that he couldn't lie. He did not throw a dollar across the Potomac. Even our invented stories have a lesson to teach which is often quite true. In ancient times people also 'filled in the details'.

The early Church wanted to honor Mary, the Mother of God, and so it filled in the details. As with Mary's birth, we read of her Presentation in the temple only in apocryphal literature. In what is recognized as an unhistorical account, the Protoevangelium of James, from the middle of the 2<sup>nd</sup> century, tells us that Anna and Joachim offered Mary to God in the Temple when she was 3 years old, and that she lived with other girls in the temple and the holy women who had charge of them. This was supposed to have been to carry out a promise made to God when Anna was still childless.

This is highly improbable. But it does tell us of the esteem with which the primitive Church held Mary — and which we also should do. Mary is the most pure, ever-virgin, immaculate Mother of the Incarnate Word. Whether or not she was ever presented and brought up in the temple by the priests, is not important. Our honor of her holiness is important.

Though unhistorical, Mary's Presentation has an important theological purpose. It continues the impact of the feasts of the Immaculate Conception and of the Nativity of the Virgin. It emphasizes that the holiness conferred on Mary from the beginning of her life on earth continued through her early childhood and beyond.

So even though the feast of the Presentation has no basis in history, it stresses an important truth about Mary: from the beginning of her life, she was dedicated to God. She herself became a greater temple than any made by hands.

God came to dwell in her in a marvelous manner and sanctified her for her unique role in God's saving work. At the same time, the magnificence of Mary enriches us, her children. That is to say, we too are temples of God and sanctified in order that we might enjoy and share in God's saving work.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

## La Presentación de la Santísima Virgen

María, ( 21 de noviembre).

Hoy, celebramos junto con toda la Iglesia, la Presentación en el Templo de la niña Santa María.

Es en una antigua y piadosa tradición que encontramos los orígenes de esta fiesta mariana que surge en el escrito apócrifo llamado "Protoevangelio de Santiago". Este relato cuenta que cuando la Virgen María era muy niña sus padres San Joaquín y Santa Ana la llevaron al templo de Jerusalén y allá la dejaron por un tiempo, junto con otro grupo de niñas, para ser instruida muy cuidadosamente respecto a la religión y a todos los deberes para con Dios.

Esta fiesta arranca desde el lejano año 543. Fue el tiempo en que se dedicó una basílica a "La Virgen María la Nueva".

Se levantó en el mismo monte Sión en la explanada del Templo.

Las Iglesias orientales, muy sensibles ante las fiestas marianas, conmemoran este día la Entrada de María en el Templo para indicar que, aunque era purísima, no obstante, cumplía con los ritos antiguos de los judíos para no llamar la atención.

La liturgia bizantina la trata como "la fuente perpetuamente manante del amor, el templo espiritual de la santa gloria de Cristo Nuestro Señor".

En Occidente, se la presenta como el símbolo de la consagración que la Virgen Inmaculada hizo de sí misma al Señor en los albores de su vida consciente.

Por eso, tanto en Occidente como en Oriente esta fiesta tuvo en seguida un éxito resonante entre todos los cristianos.

María estaba destinada a ser un templo vivo de la divinidad. Según este evangelio apócrifo, la escena no puede ser más sencilla: " Ana y Joaquín, en un acto de fe y de cortesía, quisieron darle gracias a Dios por el nacimiento de esta niña".

No pensaron una cosa mejor que consagrársela de por vida. Cuando tenía tres años, la llevaron al Templo, la cogió un sacerdote mediante unas palabras que recuerdan el Magnificat, el himno del Virgen María en acción de gracias por lo que el Señor había hecho con ella.

¡Oh Maria, concebida sin pecado concebida, rogad por nosotros, que recurrimos a vos!

## **Announcements/Anuncios**

♦ **Our Novena of Masses for All Souls' Day began on Thursday, Nov 2nd and will end on Nov. 30th.** If you have not yet submitted your Novena intentions, please do so without delay.

Novena envelopes were included in your offerings box and they are also available by the entrances of the church.

♦ **El novenario de Misas para el Día de Todos Los Fieles Difuntos** – comenzó el **jueves, 2 de noviembre y terminara el 30 de noviembre.** Si aún no ha enviado sus intenciones para las Novena, hágalo sin demora.

Los Sobres de la Novena fueron incluidos en su caja de ofrendas semanales y también están disponibles en las entradas de la Iglesia.

♦ **Gran Banquete de Navidad** la Parroquia de San José, tiene el placer de invitarle a todos los feligreses a su segunda **cena benéfica de navidad** que tendrá lugar el domingo, 3 de diciembre, en el **Castle Royale** 92 Waverly St, Yonkers NY, a las 6:30 PM - 11:30 PM. Colaboración \$95.00 por persona. Habrá comida, músicaailable y sorteo benéfico. Llamar a Yolanda Faña para más información o boletos al 914-433-6390.

♦ The Parish of St Joseph invites you to a **Fundraiser Christmas Dinner.** Please join us at Castle Royale 92 Waverly St, Yonkers, NY for a night of fun and fundraising to benefit our parish on Sunday, Dec 3, 2017, from 6:30 - 11:30 PM. There will be Food and Music. Contribution: \$95 per person. For Information & Tickets call Yolanda Faña at 914-433-6390.

**Raffles to benefit St Joseph's Church:** The raffles will be drawn on **Dece 3, at the Christmas Dinner.** The donations for the tickets are: \$10 for a book of 6 tickets and \$2 for one ticket.

**Rifa benéfica para la Parroquia San José.** La rifa se anunciara en la **Cena Benéfica de Navidad; del domingo, 3 de diciembre.**

La donación del boleto es de \$10 dólares por 6 boletos y \$2 por un boleto.

1st Prize / Primer Premio: **\$2,000**  
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3rd Prize / Tercer Premio: **\$500**

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## HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY/FELIZ DÍA DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS!!

Start Thanksgiving Day by thanking God at Mass @ 9 AM on Thursday, November 23rd . *Instead of food donation, we will take up a collection at Mass for our Soup Kitchen.* Holy Mass will be bilingual .

*The Rectory will be CLOSED on Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 24th . There will be no Religious Education classes on Saturday, November 25th .*

**Demos gracias a DIOS el Día de Acción de Gracias, 23 de noviembre, Misa bilingüe a las 9 AM.** En vez de ofrendas de latas y cajas de comida, habrá una colecta para el Comedor Parroquial.

Se **CERRARÁ LA CASA CURAL** para el día feriado y para el viernes, 24 de noviembre. **No habrá clases de Educación Religiosa el sábado, 25 de noviembre.**

**Ora pro nobis, Sancta Dei Genitrix.  
Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus  
Christi**





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