

**THE PARISH OF OUR SAVIOUR
SAINT STEPHEN AND OUR LADY OF THE SCAPULAR
CHAPEL OF THE SACRED HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK**

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 8 DECEMBER 2019

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR

Fifty-nine Park Avenue
(at East Thirty-eighth Street)
New York, NY 10016
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Parish Office: (212) 679-8166

Rev. Robert J. Robbins, K.C.H.S.
Pastor

Rev. Andrew E. Kurzyna
Parochial Vicar

Rev. Msgr. Kevin Sullivan
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Honorary Associate

Mr. Paul J. Murray, K.C.H.S.
Director of Music and Coordinator of Liturgy

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Trustees

**CHAPEL OF THE SACRED HEARTS OF
JESUS AND MARY**

325 East Thirty-third Street
(between First and Second Avenues)
New York, NY 10016
Chapel Office: (212) 213-6027

Our Saviour and Sacred Hearts are both handicapped accessible.

MASS FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday (*Anticipated Mass*): 5:00 p.m. (Our Saviour)
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. (Our Saviour),
11:00 a.m. (Our Saviour), 12:45 p.m. (Sacred Hearts),
3:00 p.m. Korean-English Bilingual (Sacred Hearts),
5:00 p.m. (Our Saviour), 5:30 p.m. (Sacred Hearts)

DAILY MASS

Monday-Friday: 7:45 a.m. (Our Saviour)
Monday-Saturday: 12:05 p.m. (Our Saviour)
Monday-Friday: 5:15 p.m. (Sacred Hearts)

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

As announced.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

September-June: Fridays after the 7:45 a.m. Mass
until Benediction at 11:50 a.m. (Our Saviour)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSION)

Our Saviour:

Monday-Friday: 7:20-7:40 a.m., 12:40-1:00 p.m.
Saturday: 4:30-4:55 p.m.; Sunday: 10:30-10:50 a.m.

Sacred Hearts:

Sunday: 5:00-5:15 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrange at least six (6) months in advance.
For information, please call (212) 679-8166 x220.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

For information, please call (212) 679-8166 x210.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

By appointment. Please call (212) 679-8166 x210.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

Inter-parish Program (K-8) at the Church of the Epiphany
(212) 475-1966.

NOVENA DEVOTIONS

after the 12:05 p.m. Mass

Monday: Miraculous Medal
Tuesday: St. Anthony
Wednesday: St. Jude
Thursday: St. Anne
Friday: Sacred Heart

NEW PARISHIONERS

To register, please fill out a registration form
at the Parish Office at Our Saviour.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Monday-Friday: 5:30-6:30 p.m. (Our Saviour)

SPACE RENTALS

Please contact Mr. Angel Falcon
at (212) 810-9004 or iknowangel@aol.com.
The Church Undercroft is available for wedding receptions,
Christening parties, meetings, and special events.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 8 December – *Second Sunday of Advent*

5:00 p.m. Geoffrey Bradfield (L)

9:00 a.m. Pauline d'Antonio +

11:00 a.m. Andrew & Dorothy Curry (L)

12:45 p.m. Wesley Charles Pietz +

5:00 p.m. *Pro Populo*

5:30 p.m. John Bastible +

Monday, 9 December – *Immaculate Conception BVM*

7:45 a.m. Joan Record +

12:05 p.m. Nicola Stanco +

5:15 p.m. Lucy Rosario +

Tuesday, 10 December – *Advent Weekday*

7:45 a.m. Louis Benitto +

12:05 p.m. Edith Robbins +

5:15 p.m. Rosaline N. Rosario +

Wednesday, 11 December – *St. Damascus I, Pope*

7:45 a.m. Frank Buck +

12:05 p.m. Marie d'Amato +

5:15 p.m. Edward Welsh +

Thursday, 12 December – *Our Lady of Guadalupe*

7:45 a.m. Candido Nunes +

12:05 p.m. Anthony L. Madonna +

5:15 p.m. Robert Sullivan +

Friday, 13 December – *St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr*

7:45 a.m. Aileen Higgins (L)

12:05 p.m. Jeff Zwiff +

5:15 p.m. Maria Rivera (L)

Saturday, 14 December – *St. John of the Cross, Priest*

Doctor of the Church

12:05 p.m. Zbigniew Mark Senk +

Mass Intentions may be reserved through the Parish Office at the Church of Our Saviour. Please stop by or call (212) 679-8166 x210.

IN YOUR PRAYERS, please remember Bill Bako, Joseph K. Beckman, Dan Bianco, William Eusini, Brother Robert V. Fontaine, C.S.C., Jimmy McNally, Corazon Natividad, Father Robert J. Robbins, Katherine Sikoryak, and MaryEllen Zizzi, who are ill, and for Father George W. Hommel, who has recently died.

Prayer intentions for the sick will be listed for one month and may be renewed by calling the Parish Office.

FROM THE HOLY FATHER'S TWITTER

@Pontifex: The word #Advent means coming. The Lord is coming. This is the root of our hope: the certainty that God's consolation comes to us amidst the troubles of the world. Not a consolation of words, but of His presence among us.

WELCOME

If you are a visitor, we welcome you to the Church of Our Saviour and the Chapel of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary and hope that you will come back soon. Those who wish to join the parish may register in the Parish Office, which is located at the Church of Our Saviour.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER

The Future of the Very Young. That every country determine to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Collections for the week ending 24 November:

Our Saviour: Sunday: \$3,147 • Weekdays: \$656

Catholic Charities: \$1,704 • Shrines: \$627

Sacred Hearts: Sunday: \$1,014

Catholic Charities: \$533 • Shrines: \$149

WeShare (*Our Saviour and Sacred Hearts*): \$2,029

Collections for the week ending 1 December:

Our Saviour: Sunday: \$3,553 • Weekdays: \$460

Restoration/Maintenance: \$1,256 • Shrines: \$663

Sacred Hearts: Sunday: \$817

Restoration/Maintenance: \$517 • Shrines: \$199

WeShare (*Our Saviour and Sacred Hearts*): \$2,029

Parishioners are encouraged to make their donations online through WeShare, which is accessible via our website: www.oursaviournyc.org.

Please make **all** checks payable to the
Church of Our Saviour.

To help us meet our expenses, please prayerfully consider a sacrificial offering of *twenty dollars* for your weekly offering to the parish.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS

Bishop Robert Barron, Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles and the founder of Word on Fire ministries, offers daily reflections throughout the Season of Advent. Sign up to receive them every morning by e-mail at www.adventreflections.com. They are also featured on the home page of our parish website, www.oursaviournyc.org. They are a wonderful way to spend a few minutes each day in prayer.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT – 18 DECEMBER

The Choir of the Church of Our Saviour will present its annual Christmas Concert on Wednesday, 18 December at 7:00 p.m. at the Church of Our Saviour. Tickets are now on sale and may be purchased at the Parish Office (*cash or check*). To purchase tickets using a credit card, visit <https://oursaviour2019.bpt.me/>. Tickets are \$20 (*General Admission*). We are very blessed to have one of the finest church choirs in New York City. This concert helps support their ministry to our parish. Please join us and bring friends and neighbors.

ADOPT-A-FAMILY

The St. Nicholas Project is a year-round initiative to help the most vulnerable in our community. To learn more, please read the insert in this bulletin or e-mail st.nick.project@archny.org. It is our parish's goal to help twenty-five families. Thank you!

Dear Parishioners:

We are in the middle of Advent – our second candle is burning. Thanksgiving, Black Friday, Cyber Monday, and Giving Tuesday are in the rear view window. The Rockefeller Center Christmas Tree is lit. We are celebrating the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. This is time of hoping, preparing, waiting, and of course, shopping and decorating. Yes, the sacred and the secular mix in this, and every season. We might lament the commercialism and decorations, admittedly, often over the top. Yet there might be better way to look at this season. Our Catholic tradition says divine grace builds on human nature. Maybe Advent/Christmas spirituality can build secular decorating and shopping. Festive decorations bring us joy. Gift-buying and gift-giving remind us to think of other people's needs and wants. Both joy and concern for others are Christian values. Let's permit the season's multifaceted ambiguous signs to push us to a deeper relationship with the God whose birth we commemorate in faith, and whose coming again we await in hope. Let both drive toward greater love this Advent.

– Msgr. Kevin Sullivan

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is observed on 8 December. Since this date falls on a Sunday this year, the Solemnity is transferred to the following day, Monday, 9 December. It is *not* a holy day of obligation this year.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The Gospel of this Second Sunday of Advent presents to us the figure of St. John the Baptist, who, a famous prophesy of Isaiah says, withdrew to the desert of Judaea and, with his preaching, called the people to convert so as to be ready for the coming of the Messiah, now at hand. The Precursor of Jesus, situated between the Old Covenant and the New, is like a star that heralds the rising of the Sun, of Christ. In the Season of Advent, we too are called to listen to God's voice, that cries out in the desert of the world through the Sacred Scriptures, especially when they are preached with the power of the Holy Spirit. Indeed, faith grows all the stronger the more it allows itself to be illumined by the divine word.

– *Benedict XVI*

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY

In recent years, we have taken up a collection a few Sundays before Christmas for the flowers which beautify our Church and Chapel. This year, the collection will be taken up on Sunday, 15 December and will also support our parish's Adopt-A-Family program, to purchase necessary items such as sweaters, socks, and blankets for needy families. We have set a goal of helping twenty-five families.

It seems to be a good sign, for ourselves and others, that we seek both to beautify our worship spaces and look outside our Church buildings to our neighbors in need. To support these two purposes, we count on your increased generosity. Thank you in advance.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY– 16 December

Confessions at Our Saviour

7:20–7:40 a.m., 12:40–1:00 p.m., 4:00–6:15 p.m.

Confessions at Sacred Hearts

4:00–5:00 p.m.

On Reconciliation Monday, confessions are heard in parishes throughout the Archdiocese of New York.

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