

Holy Name Catholic Church

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2nd Sunday of Advent
December 6, 2020



Parish Mission Statement

We, at the Church of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, strive to be a vibrant, welcoming community of faith. We are unified by our participation in the liturgy, the sacraments, and service. We are a diverse family fully alive in Christ. We serve our God, our Church, and our community through effective stewardship of God's gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

PARISH STAFF:

Pastor

Rev. Fr. Theophilus Ebulueme

Deacon

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COUNCILS & COMMITTEES

Parish Pastoral Council

Glenn Hutchens, Chairperson

Finance Board

Joe Gigante, Chairperson

Hospitality Committee

Connie Ransom, Chairperson

Building Committee

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Haitian Sister Parish Committee

Gwen Blount, Chairperson

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass Obligation

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am

10:30am

Sudanese 12:00pm

French 5:00pm

TBD

Weekdays

Mondays 8:00am

Communion Service

Tuesdays & Thursdays 11:30am

Wednesdays & Fridays 8:00am

Daily Mass

Please prayerfully consider Holy Name in your will!

Ministers of the Altar Schedules:

Dec. 5 & 6	5:00pm	8:00am	10:30am
Announcer	C. Auten	D. Coleman	J. Gigante
Lectors	K. McDoniel	G. Drifmeyer	D. McDermott
Eucharistic Ministers	OFF	OFF	OFF
Altar Servers	M. Coffman A. Wakefield	A. Szeftcyk	D. Badhera J. Mupipi

Dec. 12 & 13	5:00pm	8:00am	10:30am
Announcer	R. DeBock	C. Ransom	G. Hutchens
Lector	P. Novotny	J. Szeftcyk	D. McDermott
Eucharistic Ministers	OFF	OFF	OFF
Altar Servers	M. Coffman A. Wakefield	V. Szeftcyk	D. Badhera J. Mupipi

MASS READINGS: Cycle B

1st: *Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11*

Responsorial: *Ps 85:9-14*

2nd: *2 Peter 3:8-14*

Gospel: *Mark 1:1-8*



Today's Missal, 6/7/20-11/28/20

WEEKDAY READINGS: (Year I)

December 7 — Monday, St. Ambrose (Memorial)

Reading 1: *Isaiah 35:1-10*
 Responsorial: *Psalm 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14*
 Gospel: *Luke 5:17-26*

December 8 — Tuesday, Immaculate Conception of Mary

Reading 1: *Genesis 3:9-15, 20*
 Responsorial: *Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4*
 Reading 2: *Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12*
 Gospel: *Luke 1:26-38*

December 9 — Wednesday, Advent Weekday

Reading 1: *Isaiah 40:25-31*
 Responsorial: *Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 & 10*
 Gospel: *Matthew 11:28-30*

December 10 — Thursday, Advent Weekday

Reading 1: *Isaiah 41:13-20*
 Responsorial: *Psalm 145:1 & 9, 10-11, 12-13ab*
 Gospel: *Matthew 11:11-15*

December 11 — Friday, Advent Weekday

Reading 1: *Isaiah 48:17-19*
 Responsorial: *Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6.*
 Gospel: *Matthew 11:16-19*

December 12 — Saturday, Our Lady of Guadalupe (Daily Readings)

Reading 1: *Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab*
 Responsorial: *Judith 13:18bcde, 19*
 Gospel: *Luke 1:39-47*

3rd Sunday of Advent (Cycle B) - 12/13/2020

1st: *Isaiah 61:1-2a,10-11* **2nd:** *1 Thessalonians 5:16-24*
Responsorial: *Luke 1:46-50,53-54* **Gospel:** *John 1:6-8,19-28*

Parish Registration Forms

New parishioner registration forms are available in the vestibule (on the bulletin board) to the right of the main entrance. Registration with the parish is required for programs, such as CCD, and/or for those wishing to celebrate the various sacraments. It helps us to stay in touch with everyone, and properly track contributions.

Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory	\$2,241.00
Thanksgiving Day	191.00
Bldg. Fund	45.00
Cath. Camp. For Human Develop.	235.00
Sister Parish	65.00
Charity Fund	10.00
Partial Disburse., McGinley Estate.	5,000.00
Avg. Weekly Expenses	5,855.00

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 12/5	5:00p
- For the prayer intentions of Holy Name parishioners.	
Sunday, 12/6	8:00a
- For healing and peace in our world.	
	10:30a
- For the clergy & religious of our diocese.	
	Noon
- For the family of Alfred Gibi.	
Monday, 12/7	8:00a
- Communion Service No intentions.	
Tuesday, 12/8	11:30a
- Intentions of the Michael Guyton family. (S. Guyton)	
	6:00p
- For the mothers in our parish community.	
Wednesday, 12/9	8:00a
- For the intentions of Mayen Moun.	
Thursday, 12/10	11:30a
- For the intentions of Andy Wakefield.	
Friday, 12/11	8:00a
- For an end to the Covid-19 pandemic.	

Sacraments

Baptism

Parents & Godparents are required to attend a Baptism class. **Parents must also be a parishioner for at least three (3) months.** For more information please contact the parish office.

First Communion

Children are prepared for First Holy Communion by participating in the CCD program. Students must be enrolled for at least one (1) year prior to enrolling in the sacramental preparation class.

Reconciliation

Confessions are heard on Wednesdays after the 8am daily mass, Saturdays from 4:15 to 4:45pm, Sundays before Mass or by appointment.

Confirmation

Preparation classes are conducted through our CCD program. **Candidates must be enrolled for at least one (1) year prior** to enroll in the Confirmation class.

Matrimony

Preparation is conducted by parish clergymen and the Diocese of Nashville. **You must be a registered parishioner for at least six (6) (months)** and then contact the parish office at least six (6) months before the proposed date.

Anointing of the Sick

Anyone may request for major or minor health problems. If you anticipate surgery or a stay in the hospital, request the sacrament before (surgery).

PRAYER LIST

- Erin Worsham
- Anniece Tisdale
- JoAnn Coffey
- Emil Holloway
- Constance Guerrier
- Gerald Johnson
- Pat McRae
- Pam Clinard
- Barbara Harding
- Earlene Johnson
- Maureen Boyd
- Barbara Corlew
- Cheryl Tisdale
- Connie Ransom
- Connie Downs
- Tim Blaylock

“Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear us for Your sick servants for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, they may give thanks to You in Your Church.

Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.”
Source: Catholic Prayers for the Sick

SUNDAY CONNECTION.

Loyola Press, December 6, 2020

On this the Second Sunday of Advent, we are invited to reflect upon the role of John the Baptist, who prepared the way for Jesus and the salvation that he would bring to us.

Mark's description of the appearance of John the Baptist highlights John's continuity with the Jewish prophetic tradition. Mark combines quotations from the Old Testament books of Malachi, Isaiah, and Exodus. Mark's description of John as an ascetic, living in the desert, clothed in camel hair, and eating locusts and wild honey, is reminiscent of the description of the prophet Elijah found in Second Kings. The people of Judea and Jerusalem flock to him, listening to his message of repentance and forgiveness; they also come to him to be baptized. Mark's Gospel is clear, however, that John the Baptist's role is only to prepare the way for another who will come, one who is greater than John.

Many scholars believe that the Gospels reflect the tension that likely existed between followers of John the Baptist and disciples of Jesus. Each of the four Evangelists report on John's preaching and baptizing, and they each emphasize the importance of Jesus' baptism by John. The four Gospels also explain that John was sent to preach in preparation for another. In the Gospel of Luke, the question is raised as to whether John the Baptist was himself the Messiah. Just as in today's Gospel, however, John speaks quite explicitly that the Messiah was to come after him.

In today's Gospel we hear John the Baptist contrast his baptism of repentance with the baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John says that he has baptized with water, but that the one who is to come will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John's baptism was not yet a Christian baptism, but a preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received.

John the Baptist is presented to us as a model during Advent. We, too, are called upon to prepare a way for the Lord. Like John the Baptist, we are messengers in service to one who is greater than we are. Our Baptism commissions us to call others to life as disciples of Jesus.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

This weekend's 2nd Collection is for the Building Maintenance Fund.

Next weekend's 2nd Collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Masses for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation, are at 11:30am and 6pm THIS Tuesday, December 8.

Christmas Mass Reservations. Reservation forms are available on the parish website (*with a link also posted on the Facebook page*) and at all weekend Masses. ***Ministers of the Altar do not need a reservation for the Mass that they are serving.*** Christmas Eve: 3pm, 5pm, and 9pm (*Music Ministry, Hymn service begins at 8:30pm*). Christmas Day: 10am and Noon (Sudanese Mass).

Christmas Star Tree. Our annual fundraiser for the parish Charity Fund, which helps parishioners and our community through charitable outreach. (Utility bills, transportation, and rent etc.) We will close the fundraiser with 2nd collections at all Christmas Masses. Envelopes are available on the table by the tree. Donations can be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office. Thank you!!

Public Masses and Temporary Dispensation Information. Daily Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays is at 11:30am and on Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:00am. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Masses for Holy Days of Obligation, has been extended by Bishop Spalding until further notice. ***All weekend Mass times remain the same.*** We will continue to stream the Sunday Mass at 8am on our Facebook page during this time.

SPECIAL ATTENTION

Advent Confessions. In the absence of our annual penance service, Father Theo will be available for confessions on Saturdays beginning at 4pm and on Wednesdays & Fridays after the 8am Daily Masses.

Bishop's Annual Appeal for Ministries 2020. Holy Name parishioners have currently raised \$12,031.00. You can give online by texting "BISHOP" to 31996 or visit www.appeal.dioceseofnashville.com.

Flocknote. Holy Name is using Flocknote to send messages via email and text about upcoming events and ministry programs. Flocknote is a safe and confidential app. You don't have to set up an account or password. You can unsubscribe at any time. Signing up is easy and free. Text the letters "HN" to 84576 or visit www.flocknote.com/HolyNameCatholicChurch/5

HOME OR AWAY? Use Online Giving! Holy Name offers a **convenient and secure** way to support our parish through Online Giving with no hassle; home or away! Visit our website and click on "*Make a Gift*" in the menu bar.

FAQ's and other Covid-19 Information. We have linked information from Father Theo, Bishop Spalding and the diocese, Metro Nashville Government, the State of Tennessee and the CDC to our parish website. See our "home page" for designated links.

THANK YOU. We have had many parishioners sign up for the Online Giving program. We appreciate your willingness to change over. We also appreciate everyone who has taken the time to either mail in or drop off their contributions.

Adjustments for Mass due to Covid-19. Highlights from Fr. Theo's letter dated August 7, with recent updates from Bishop Spalding (July 30). Visit our website for full details: www.holynamenashville.com.

- Since the dispensation from Sunday Mass remains in effect ***until further notice***, elderly parishioners are encouraged to stay home, in addition to anyone with underlying health conditions or illnesses etc. We will continue to live-stream the 8am Mass for those affected. *Elderly parishioners are invited to attend Masses on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:30am, if they are uncomfortable returning on Sundays.*
- Proper social distancing guidelines and norms should be respected. Families living in the same household should also sit together whenever possible. Please also adhere to the marked pews for seating whether as an individual or family.
- The Sign of Peace and distribution of the Precious Blood both remain suspended. Holy Water receptacles will also remain empty during this period.
- Parishioners are encouraged to bring their own masks to church and wear them. Additionally, please follow CDC guidelines for maintaining proper personal hygiene.
- All meetings and events on church property, of 50 people or less, will begin to receive permission to resume following all federal, state and local masking and social distancing guidelines. ***The pastor reserves the right to maintain discretion.***



Parish Information and Sponsors

2020-2021 Religious Education

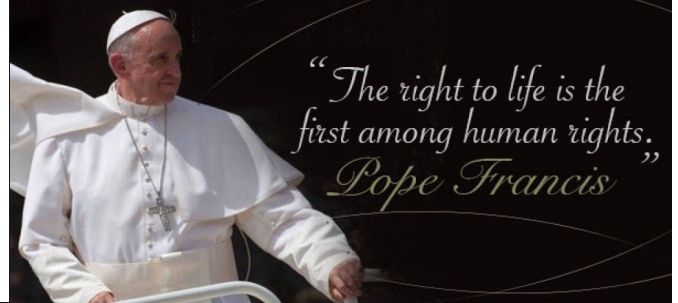
- There will be a **Zoom meeting for parents** TODAY, Sunday, December 6th @ 6pm for students who are preparing for First Holy Communion. If you did not receive the invitation link, please contact Gan using her email address (below) and she will send or resend it to you.
- Gan Nyawello, DRE may be reached via email at: religiouseducationHN@comcast.net. You may also contact the parish office and leave her a voice message by choosing: Option 4 (Ext. 203), from the main greeting menu.
- For more about our Religious Education program visit: <https://www.holynamenashville.com/religious-education>.

Copies of the 2019 Diocesan Annual Impact Report

are available at the back of the church and in the vestibule for all parishioners and guests of the Diocese of Nashville. This information also explains where your Bishop's Annual Appeal for Ministries donations go.

Estate planning?

Bequests to Holy Name will help the parish continue sharing the Gospel for generations to come.



Interested in joining the Knights of Columbus?

The K of C is a Catholic fraternal benefits organization. Holy Name is represented by Council #9211. For more information on how they serve our parish and community, as well as to get involved please see one of our Knights or you may also contact the Holy Name parish office to leave a message.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Please join us every Wednesday from 8:30am until Noon, praying the presence of Our Lord.



Father Theo's Parish Email

Do you have a question for our pastor? Would you like to ask for prayers or schedule an appointment? Please feel free to contact Father at pastorHN@comcast.net

Holy Name Church Rentals

The church is available for special masses such as weddings and funerals, funeral home visitations, memorial services and a variety of other related events. Please contact Connie in the office.



The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, December 8.



The Holy Father's Prayer Intention

December 2020

For a Life of Prayer

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.



PARISH CENTER & AUDITORIUM RENTALS

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