

# Church of the Blessed Sacrament Manhattan

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## **MASSES:**

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday evening at 5:30 PM  
Sunday: 8:30AM, 10:00AM (Family Mass)  
11:15AM (Spanish), 12:30PM & 5:30PM (Young Adult Choir)  
WEEKDAYS: 7:30 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:30 PM  
SATURDAYS: 7:30 AM, 12:10 PM  
SPANISH WKDAY MASS: Every Other Wednesday of the month  
HOLY DAYS & EVES. OF HOLY DAYS: As Announced.

## **BAPTISM:**

Arrangements must be made at the Rectory. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics. Parents, and also godparents when possible, must attend the Pre-Baptismal conference which is held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm in the rectory.

## **CONFESSIONS:**

Saturday afternoons 4:30 to 5:15 pm, and anytime at the Rectory.

## **MARRIAGES:**

Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance at the rectory to ensure the date and the hour desired. The Nuptial Mass is the ordinary form of celebrating Christian marriage, and should be strongly considered when making Wedding plans. Attendance at the Pre-Cana Conferences, or the equivalent, is required by the Archbishop.

## **PARISH BOUNDARIES:**

Central Park West to the Hudson River, from the South side of 77th Street down to the North side of 65th Street.

## **NEW PARISHIONERS:**

We welcome new parishioners, and invite them to register at the Rectory. The registration is our only means of certifying anyone as a member of our parish. If you move to another Parish, or change your address within the Parish, please notify us.

## **FATIMA DEVOTIONS:**

The Rosary is said daily after the 12:10 pm Mass. Friday from 6-7 pm there is a holy hour.

## **BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

First Friday - Exposition: 12:35 pm.  
Adoration: All day; Benediction: 5:15 PM.

## **MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:**

Mondays, before the 12:10 Mass and before the 5:30 pm Mass.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS:**

Classes in Religion for Catholic children/teenagers, Pre-kindergarten - High School take place on Sundays. The Family Mass begins at 10:00 a.m. in the Church followed by class instruction in the school.

Ongoing religious education is important for the religious development of your children. First Communion and Confirmation require a two year program.

*Sunday School Website: [www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org](http://www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org)*

**PARISH NEWS**

Dear parishioners and friends,

I would like to share with you these words of Pope Francis on patience...

*I see holiness in the patience of the people of God: a woman who is raising children, a man who works to bring home the bread, the sick, the elderly priests who have so many wounds but have a smile on their faces because they served the Lord, the sisters who work hard and live a hidden sanctity. This is for me the common sanctity. I often associate sanctity with patience: not only patience as taking charge of the events and circumstances of life, but also a constancy in forward, day by day. This is the sanctity of the militant church also mentioned by St. Ignatius. This was the sanctity of my parents: my dad, my mom, my grandmother Rosa who loved me so much. In my Breviary I have the last will of my grandmother Rosa, and I read it often. For me it is like a prayer. She is a saint who has suffered so much, also spiritually, and yet always went forward with courage.*

On a practical note, I would urge you, if you have not done so, to register in the parish. Someone asked if they could register because they lived outside the boundaries of the parish. Yes, you can and should! You choose the parish community in which you find yourself able to worship and experience God's presence and activity.

War- how frightening to think of it- but day after day- word/tweet after tweet- it appears all too much a frightening possibility. Do we want to give up our young?

Everyday please pray and work for peace. Monday night in church will be a very special evening with Trappist Monk Father William Meninger presenting on "The Loving Search for God in an Age of Discontent." Try to be a part of this if you can.

A special thanks to Rebecca Painter who began the

parish film festival this past week with the screening of the first part of the series Decalog...I know that a lively discussion took place after the film, and I encourage you to attend the rest of the series if possible.

From Monday until Friday morning I will be away attending a conference of Pastors in Spring Lake, New Jersey. See you Friday.

Father Duffell

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**FATHER WILLIAM MENINGER**

Please save the date for October 16th, 7 to 8:30pm. Trappist monk and best-selling author, Fr. William Meninger will present a talk on "The Loving Search for God in an Age of Discontent" at Blessed Sacrament Church.

**NYC ENNEAGRAM WORKSHOP WITH FR. WILLIAM MENINGER**

The Enneagram (pronounced any-a-gram) is a study of nine basic types of people. It explains why we behave the way we do and points to specific directions for individual growth.

World-renowned founder of the Centering Prayer movement, Father William Meninger teaches the Enneagram, which he has found to be the most valuable tool in his own spiritual journey. Father Meninger delivers a witty and provocative guide to the discovery and understanding of profound truths about human nature that have powerful and important repercussions on each of our daily lives.

For more information and to purchase tickets visit:  
<https://m.bpt.me/event/2990801>

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***Arts at Blessed Sacrament concerts this week:***

***Sunday Curiositeas***

*October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2:30 – 3:30PM*

*Blessed Sacrament Salon (2nd Floor in the Rectory)*

*Our weekly concert series "Curiositeas" offers a place where performers and audience members can connect through casual concerts of music collaboration and personal story.*

***ABS Chamber Orchestra***

*Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 8:30pm*

*Blessed Sacrament Church*

*Please visit [www.blessedsacramentnyc.org](http://www.blessedsacramentnyc.org)  
for more information*

*Free events with goodwill offering*

## **NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES**

Estimados feligreses y amigos,

Me gustaría compartir con ustedes estas palabras del Papa Francisco sobre la paciencia ...

*Veo la santidad en la paciencia del pueblo de Dios: una mujer que está criando sus hijos, un hombre que trabaja para traer a casa el pan de cada día, los enfermos, los sacerdotes ancianos que tienen tantas heridas pero tienen una sonrisa en la cara porque le han servido al Señor, las hermanas que trabajan duro y viven una santidad oculta. Esta es para mí la santidad común. A menudo asocio la santidad con la paciencia: no solo la paciencia haciéndose cargo de los acontecimientos y las circunstancias de la vida, sino también una constancia hacia delante, día a día. Esta es la santidad de la iglesia militante también mencionada por San Ignacio. Esta fue la santidad de mis padres: mi papá, mi mamá, mi abuela Rosa, que me amaba tanto. En mi Breviario tengo aun la última voluntad de mi abuela Rosa, y la leo a menudo. Para mí es como una oración. Ella es una santa que ha sufrido tanto, también espiritualmente, y, sin embargo, siempre avanzó con coraje.*

Les pido, si no lo han hecho, que se registren en la parroquia. Alguien nos preguntó si podían registrarse aunque vivieran fuera de los límites de la misma. Sí, pueden y deben! Ustedes eligen la comunidad parroquial en la que se encuentren capaz de orar y experimentar la presencia y la actividad de Dios.

La Guerra: cuán aterrador es pensar en ello, pero día tras día, palabra tras palabra, twitt tras twitt, parece una posibilidad aterradora. ¿Queremos renunciar y entregar a nuestros jóvenes?

Les ruego que todos los días oren y trabajen por la paz.

El lunes por la noche en la iglesia tendremos una velada muy especial con el monje trapense, Padre William Meninger, presentando "La Búsqueda Amorosa de Dios en una Era de Descontento". De serles posible, traten de participar.

Un agradecimiento muy especial a Rebecca Painter, quien inició la semana pasada el festival de cine parroquial con la proyección de la primera parte de la serie Decalog ... Supe que después de la película tuvo

lugar una animada discusión y los animo una vez mas a que asistan al resto de la serie.

Desde este lunes hasta el viernes por la mañana estaré ausente asistiendo a una conferencia de pastores en Spring Lake, Nueva Jersey. Los veo el proximo viernes.

Padre Duffell.

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### **SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION HAS REOPENED.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** began on Sunday, September 10. Religious instruction is held in the school from 11:00 -12:15. Registration packets are posted on the Sunday School website or can be picked up at the rectory. ([blessedsacramentsundayschool.org](http://blessedsacramentsundayschool.org))

PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL THE COMPLETED FORMS BACK!!! Please send by postal mail or drop off completed forms with a \$150 check per family at the rectory office.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Sunday School teachers and Assistants are needed to serve in this important Parish Ministry. Volunteers who work with children follow a screening process as required by the Archdiocese. Please call or email Tina Silvestro for more information. 212-877-3111 or [tina@blessedsacramentsundayschool.org](mailto:tina@blessedsacramentsundayschool.org).

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### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

RCIA is the process designed by the Church for adults to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion. The goals are to give a complete overview of Catholic teaching and practice and to begin to deepen a Christian spiritual life centered in the Sunday Scripture readings. The sacraments are received at the Easter Vigil Mass.

Inquiry discussions for adults began on Monday, September 25 at 6:30 pm. If you (or anyone you know) are interested in learning more about our program or registering, please call Tina Silvestro at 212-877-3111.

*Sponsors are needed for adults who are preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation. You must be Baptized, Confirmed, and regularly receive Communion. You will be needed to assist someone as s/he prepares for the Sacraments and present her/him for the Rites of Christian Initiation. Please call or email Tina Silvestro for more information: [212-877-3111/tina.blessedsacramentnyc@yahoo.com](mailto:212-877-3111/tina.blessedsacramentnyc@yahoo.com)*

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### **CATHOLIC FAMILIES GROUP**

Please join our Blessed Sacrament Catholic Families Group! We offer a range of events to help each other in raising our children as Catholics and becoming better in our own practice of the faith. We also host a monthly moms' group. Sign up at [www.meetup.com/NYC-Catholic-Families/](http://www.meetup.com/NYC-Catholic-Families/) - free to join and events are free.

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### **HAITIAN PRAYER GROUP**

The Companions of Jesus are a charismatic Haitian prayer group, and all are welcome to attend. The group meets every Friday in the Rectory from 7-9PM. Prayers are held in French, Creole, and English.

**OCTOBER GAY FELLOWSHIP MEETING**

Please join us after the 5:30PM Mass this Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, for our monthly Gay Fellowship meeting. The meeting will be held on the 2nd floor of the rectory from 6:45PM-8:00PM. The group is a safe and comfortable place to share and meet other LGBT Catholics. All parishioners are welcome. For more information, please call John Gasdaska at 646-345-7350 or Chris Williams at 304-377-1252.

**Nightfever NYC is coming back to St Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday November 18, 2017.** On this night, Nightfever NYC will be hosting this night of praise, worship and reconciliation at Saint Patrick's Cathedral (50<sup>th</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue). We will have the opportunity to pray before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament as well as light candles to honor Our Lord. The evening of music and prayer will start at 7pm and end at 9pm. Confessions will be heard throughout the night. Come and be a part of this night, where the Cathedral will be have its doors open to all New Yorkers so they can come, pray, and love the Lord. For more information, email us at [nightfevernyc@gmail.com](mailto:nightfevernyc@gmail.com).

**Christianity at the Crossroads:  
Navigating the Fault Lines of Gender**

**Tuesday, October 17, 2017 | 6 p.m.**  
Pope Auditorium | Fordham University  
113 West 60th Street | New York City

On the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, many Christians remain divided on issues surrounding gender and sex. Women's roles, sexuality, and gender fluidity continue to spark profound polarization, which could lead to irreparable rifts within churches.

Can Christian theological and ethical traditions lead to greater understanding on these issues, and help us transform these challenges into sources of greater unity among Christians?

FREE ADMISSION  
RSVP: [crcevent@fordham.edu](mailto:crcevent@fordham.edu)

**THEATER OF LIGHT INC PRESENTS:**

Three "Acts" of Grace a compilation of 3 original plays:  
\*THE ART OF TEA by Daniel Damiano,  
\*MORE HUMAN by Emily Snyder Play,  
\*A HIT'S A HIT by Colette Silvestri

FREE PERFORMANCES @ The Blessed Sacrament Theater  
Reserve free seats @: <http://bpt.me/3084171>

Saturday October 28 (3:00 to 4:00), Sunday October 29 (5:00 to 6:00),  
Saturday November 4 (3:00 to 4:00), Saturday November 11 (3:00 to 4:00),  
Sunday November 12 (3:00 to 4:00)

**October 22<sup>nd</sup> - Second Collection**

World Mission Sunday. In 1926 Pope Pius XI instituted Mission Sunday for the whole Church. The Mission Sunday collection is always taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. That day is celebrated as the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity so Christians the world over will recognize their common responsibility with regard to the evangelization of the world. (From the USCCB)



**Saturday Evening, October 14th**

5:30 Intention of Thomas Middelhoff

**Sunday, October 15th**

8:30 Intentions of Guillermo Lombera

10:00 Dorothy Delaney +

11:15 Nelson Padillas

12:30 Gavino Abaya +

5:30 Intentions of Thomas Middelhoff

**Monday, October 16th**

7:30 Bettie Van Den Berg –Verhoeff +

12:10 People of the Parish

5:30 Jerzy Ostrowski +

**Tuesday, October 7th**

7:30 Francisco Tong +

12:10 Kyeng Jung Thomas Ahn +

5:30 Myrna Montalvo Aiello +

**Wednesday, October 18th**

7:30 Maria Farina +

12:10 Intentions of Laura Suer

5:30 Marian Bogaczyk & Jan Bogaczyk +

**Thursday, October 19th**

7:30 Intentions of Lynn Carmody

12:10 Intentions of Leslie Cippio

5:30 Dory Jackson +

**Friday, October 20th**

7:30 Flora Tong +

12:10 Donna De Solis +

5:30 Intentions of Thomas Middelhoff

**Saturday, October 21st**

7:30 Keith Ryan +

12:10 Eileen Miller +

**Finance Committee Corner**

Last Sunday \$9,013 was received in the offertory baskets at Mass and \$4,705 was received through Parish Pay, for a total of \$13,718. Thank you for so generously giving to our regular collection. The second collection in support of our Soup Kitchen totaled \$2,829. Thank you!

**Esquina Financiera**

La suma de la colecta durante las Misas del domingo pasado fue \$9,013. Recibimos \$4,705 a través de ParishPay para un total de \$13,718. Gracias por dar tan generosamente a nuestra colección regular. La segunda colecta ayudando nuestro Comedor Popular totalizo \$2,829. ¡Gracias!



If you have not registered in the parish and attend our mass regularly, please fill the following form out and return it to the Rectory office. *All information will be kept confidential.*

**NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM**

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Spouses Name** \_\_\_\_\_

*(Only if BOTH are Registering)*

**Children** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Apt. #** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_

**Zip** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Occupation** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Spouses Occupation** \_\_\_\_\_

**How should we address you? (Check One)**

**Mr. & Mrs.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mr.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mrs.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Ms.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Would you like to receive weekly offering envelopes?**

**Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No** \_\_\_\_\_

**If not, would you like us to sign you up for ParishPay?**

**Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No** \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank you for your participation in ParishPay. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Please note that ParishPay has recently been bought over by Liturgical Publications. ParishPay's online giving platform has been transferred to Liturgical Publication's WeShare platform.*

*To log on to your account please visit Blessed Sacrament's website and click on the "Donate Online" button on the top right corner.*

*You will be redirected to our WeShare page where you will be asked to verify your account or sign up if you are a new member.*

*If you run into any issues accessing your account, please contact Customer Service at 1-800-950-9952, Option One.*

*Thank you again for your help and for your commitment to our parish. We appreciate everything that you do for our community.*

**Weekly EM and Lector Schedule**

**Saturday, Oct. 14**

|         |     |  |
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| 5:30 pm | 1st | Julie Grega  |
|         | 2nd | Anita Pearl  |
|         | POF | Suzy Xiong   |
|         | EM  | Steve Whelan, Ben Ventura, Julie Grega, Suzy Xiong, Amy Kathuria |

**Sunday, Oct. 15**

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| 8:30 am  | 1st | Tom Caffrey  |
|          | 2nd | Bendan Canton  |
|          | POF | John Hunt  |
|          | EM  | JoDell Shields, Anthony Jalandoni, Tom Caffrey, Brendan Canton, John Hunt  |
| 10:00 am | 1st | Kamila Palka   |
|          | 2nd | Andrew Fitzsimmons   |
|          | POF | Todd Reppert   |
| 11:15 am | EM  | Patricia Caffrey, Judy Braun, Andrew Fitzsimmons, Todd Reppert, Shirley Rodriguez, Nellie Gonzalez-Arce            |
|          | 1st | Mase Kerdel-DeMarco  |
|          | 2nd | Glenda Luzuriaga   |
|          | POF | Marina Che   |
| 12:30 pm | EM  | Junior Santiago, Lourdes Lopez, Celia Navarr   |
|          | 1st | Ed Casey   |
|          | 2nd | Anita Pearl  |
|          | POF | Jack Going   |
| 5:30 pm  | EM  | Thomas Alexander, Jack Going, Lidia Stempien, Raul Garcia-Moncada, Ed Casey, Barbara Hanning                       |
|          | 1st | John Fox   |
|          | 2nd | Regina Ohashi  |
|          | POF | Elizabeth Brooke Murray  |
|          | EM  | Matthew Sitman, Tiffany Riady, Elisa Drogu, Elizabeth Brooke Murray, Rob Porell, Adriana Gonzalez, Rebecca Painter |

**ALL ARE WELCOME! FREE COMPLETE SCREENING OF CLASSIC DEKALOG FILM SERIES**

This acclaimed film series raises the great moral questions embedded in real life, often lived out in difficult circumstances. In his ten hour-long films, the late and legendary director and co-writer Krzysztof Kieslowski explores the theme and challenge of each Commandment through characters living in a typical Soviet-era housing complex.

Come join us starting October 11<sup>th</sup> from 7:30pm – 9:00pm for this thought provoking series and for a discussion after each film.

**PRESENTED BY: REBECCA M. PAINTER**  
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*Visit our website for complete schedule.*