December 10, 2017 – Second Sunday of Advent

**Celebration of the Eucharist**

**Holy Name of Mary**

Weekday Mass Schedule
- Monday – Friday: 8:00 AM & 12 noon

Weekend Mass Schedule
- Saturday: 9:00 AM
- Saturday: 5:00 PM
- Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM

**Chapel of the Good Shepherd**

Weekend Mass Schedule
- Sunday: 9:15 AM (English) & 11:00 AM (Bilingual)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

(Confession)
- After each Daily Mass
- Saturdays from 4:00 – 4:30 PM

**Baptisms**

Second Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM. Please call the Parish Office at least three months prior to the baptism.

**Marriage**

Couples should call the Parish Office at least six months prior to the wedding.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

Please call the Parish Office for information.

**Parish Center Office Hours**

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Closed for Lunch between 1PM - 2PM Bulletin deadline Fridays at 5:00 PM of the previous week

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MSS for this weekend, December 9 & 10

5:00 PM  Frank Lyons, Carol Ann Dykstra  
8:00 AM  Vinnie Antonecchia, The Family  
9:15 AM  Frank Manco, John Manco  
10:45AM  Emily Bonsignore, (Living), The DeLasho Family  
11:00AM  Parishioners of Holy Name of Mary

MONDAY, December 11

8:00 AM  Lil McRann, HNM Staff  
Noon  Salvatore Vasta, Joseph & Doreen Phelan

TUESDAY, December 12

8:00 AM  James McHale, HNM Staff  
Noon  Ivana Manco, John Manco

WEDNESDAY, December 13

8:00 AM  Special Prayers for a Parishioner, Don & Dagmar Simons  
10:30 AM  Mass at Skyview, for Residents  
Noon  Edward Harmonoy, Alberta & Lynn

THURSDAY, December 14

8:00 AM  Salvatore Vasta, Clem & Yvonne Rivera  
Noon  Rose & John Reid, Mary Santella

FRIDAY, December 15

8:00 AM  Salvatore Vasta, Tony & Margee Farano  
Noon  Sheila Fannon, Norma Curtin

SATURDAY, December 16

9:00 AM  Ellie Koski, ACTS Sisters  
5:00 PM  Frank Tezzi, The DeLasho Family

SUNDAY, December 17

8:00 AM  Julie Frano & Mario Franzoso, Mark Franzoso  
9:15 AM  Helenita Castro, Sean & Pat O’Rourke  
10:45AM  Patsy & Anna Gigliotti, The Family  
11:00AM  Parishioners of Holy Name of Mary

In addition to Mass Intentions, we are now offering The Eucharistic Bread and Sacramental Wine memorial for your loved ones. This memorial will be for one week, the donation will be $30.00 and listed here with Mass Intentions.

If Mass is being offered for someone in your family, and you would like to bring the gifts to the altar at the Offertory, please speak to one of the ushers as you arrive.

Event List - This Weekend: Collection for Retired Religious
K of C recruiting, Fair Trade Products

Saturday, December 09, 2017 -
8:AM ACTS Men, PMR3-5  
Cenacles for Life Rosary 8:20AM Church  
Pageant Rehearsal RM, 314A  
9:30-5PM CYO Saturday Pt.1 Gym  
10:00 AM-noon Weekly Food Pantry, PMR1  
5PM Chapel Mass, Fr. Nelson,  
6 PM 9 PM CYO Saturday Pt. 2, GYM

Sunday, December 10, 2017 -
9AM ReEd Classes, Ad Altare Dei, Pageant Rehearsal  
Noon-3PM & 5-7PM CYO Sunday, Gym  
12:30 PM Baptism, Church  
3:00 PM Angelica Advent Concert, Church  
7:00 PM YM God Squad weekly meetg Fr4 Chapel

Monday, December 11, 2017 -
4:00 PM CS Den 14, PMR3  
4:30 PM 9:00 PM CYO Mon-We-Thurs GYM  
6:00 PM Novena and altar prep Guadalupe, Church  
7:00 PM AA Meeting in 4" fIr Library  
7:30 PM Debtors Anonymous in PMR2

Tuesday, December 12, 2017 -
3:30 AM Begins Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration; Mass at 5AM, celebration until 7AM  
9:00 AM Walking with Purpose, PMRs  
4:30-7:30PM CYO Tuesday GYM  
Cub Scouts: Den1 PMR11/2 6PM, Den 4 PMR3, 6:30  
7:00 PM RCIA in Room 302  
7:00 PM Finance Council Meeting, 314B  
7:00 PM WWWP Evening Session 1, PMR5  
7:30 PM Boy Scout Meeting, GYM

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 -
4:00 PM ReEd CGS LKz 4F Rm 4A/Chapel  
4:00 PM ReEd Grd 4 & 5 FIr 4 Rm 4F, 4G  
4:00 PM ReEd RCIC, 207/Atrium  
4:30-9PM CYO M-W-TH, GYM  
5:30 PM GS Troop 123A in PMR2  
CS Den 11 6:30 PMR3,4, Den 9 PMR1  
Committee 8PM PMR4  
7:00 PM AA Meeting in 4" fIr Library  
7:00 PM Bible Spirituality IV, 314B  
7:30 PM D M Music rehearsal, Good Shepherd

Thursday, December 14, 2017 -
4:30-9:00 PM CYO Mon-We-Thurs GYM  
6:00 PM Weight Watchers Meetg, PMR1,2  
6:30 PM Cub Scouts Den10 in PMR4  
7:00 PM Bible Spirituality in 314B  
7:00 PM Music Ministry Rehearsal Church  
7:30 PM Boy scouts Thurs. Mtg in PMR5  
7:30 PM Centering Prayer in Room 302  
7:30 PM Divine Mercy meetg, Fr4 Chapel  
7:30 PM Spanish Bible Study 4th fIr Library  
8:30 PM K of C Darts, KofC101  
9:00 PM HNM Mens’ Basketball Gym

Friday, December 15, 2017 -
9:15 AM HNM Playgroup, GYM  
GS: 4:30 Trp1557 PMR2, 5:30 Trp2026 PMR3  
3:30 – 7:30PM CYO Practice (33-30-9) GYM  
7:30 PM CubScout Pack 29 Meeting,GYM  
7:30 PM Divine Mercy devotion, Chapel  
8:30 PM Grand Street Meeting of AA, Library

Saturday, December 16, 2017 -
8:AM ACTS Men, PMR3-5  
Cenacles for Life Rosary 8:20AM Church  
9:30-9PM CYO Saturday Pt.1 Gym  
Pageant Rehearsal RM, 314A  
10:00 AM-noon Weekly Food Pantry, PMR1  
3-6PM K of C Open House for recruits, PMR1/2  
6PM Chapel Mass, Fr. Nelson,  
6 PM 9 PM CYO Saturday Pt. 2, GYM

Sunday, December 17, 2017 -
9:00 AM ReEd Classes includes 8th grade,  
Noon-7PM CYO Sunday, Gym  
12noon Meet Santa, PCtr Lobby, K of C  
7:00 PM YM God Squad weekly meetg Fr4 Chapel
Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Please allow me to start by thanking Carl Barnes and Lindsay Gilbert for coordinating last week’s God Squad Sleep Out. My thanks to the teens who committed themselves to participate, as well as to those who provided the evening meal of bread and soup, and for providing breakfast in the morning. And thanks to all of you for your generosity which enable the teens to raise more than $5,000 (which will help us support CHOP), and for the donation of so many bags of clothes that it filled the bed of a pick-up truck to overflowing! It is truly a great thing when we come together and lovingly care for the needs of our less fortunate brothers and sisters. “Whatever you did for the least of My brethren, you did for Me!”

My thanks also to Jean-Marie Gagnon and the Montessori staff and parent volunteers who helped to make last Saturday’s Breakfast with Santa such an enjoyable event. It was wonderful to see young families coming together for a social event which helps them to meet other parents and start new friendships. A great time was had by all!

All parishioners are invited to a special Advent presentation by the singing group Angelica to be held in the church today at 3:00pm. Although not part of our parish concert series, we are happy to host these beautiful voices which really do sound angelic. So please come and allow yourself some beautiful, calming music to help you prepare for the coming feast of Christmas.

In today’s Gospel, we are introduced to St. John the Baptist, who given the description of his physical appearance, must have been a sight to behold! John is the last of the prophets foretelling the coming of the Messiah, and is given the privilege of actually introducing Him when He comes. In many ways, we are called to be John the Baptist in our world today. Our lives are meant to inspire hope in an increasingly hopeless world, the hope that there is One Who can bring light into the darkness and set us free from fear. We need not dress in camel hair and eat locusts (yuk!), but the message we bring to the world today is the same as John brought all those years ago. May we be modern day prophets by bearing witness to the Gospel message of hope.

A parting chuckle: At the church’s husband’s marriage seminar, the priest asked Luigi, on his upcoming 50th wedding anniversary, to take a few minutes and share some insight into how he managed to stay married to the same woman all these years. Luigi replied to the audience “Well, I’ve always tried to treat her well, spending money on her and all that, but the best thing I did for her is that I took her to Italy for our 20th anniversary!” The priest immediately commented, “Luigi, you are an amazing inspiration to all the husbands here! Please tell the audience what you are planning for your wife for your 50th anniversary.” Luigi proudly replied, “I’m going to go back to Italy and bring her home.”

With prayers and love,

Fr. Brian

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We raised over $5,000 and had about 35 kids help out!

We have less than $139,000 left to go!

Donate online at: renewrebuild.org/donate

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GIVING TREE 2017

Each year we collect one warm article of clothing, per child, for the needy children from Holy Spirit Church in the Bronx. Please take a gift tag from our tree and return the wrapped gift to HNM Church, or the Parish Center, by December 20th. Please include the Gift Sales Receipt in the wrapped box. Also, tape the gift ORNAMENT TAG to the outside of the gift to assist with the sorting. NO TOYS please. Thank you for your generosity to those families in need.
REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Frank Caterino, Frank Power, Marie King, Anthony Crespo, Frank Patti, Gail Pizoski, Bonnie (Giarolo) Dietz, Mariana Fiss, Edward Creasy, Maria Pilco, Silvia Costantini, Norah Moore, Margaret Ewing, Chris Nash, Robert Mastrodi, Susan Siebert, Ramon Rodriguez, Rachael Hojnacki, Franco Cirino, Barbara Principe, Marie Kehrle, Ronnie McNally, Linda Jellocece, Adam Armenia, Jr., Mary Santella, Karen Colombo, Dr. Cathy Cantelina, Carmenza Hernandez, Don Simons, Jim Caldwell, Joan Achorn.

* Please Note: Names on the sick list will be included for 4 weeks unless the family contacts the office to request the names be included for an additional 4 weeks.

FOR THE DECEASED: We pray for all those who died this week, and for those who died from casualties of natural disasters, war and terrorism.

FOR OUR MILITARY: Please remember in your prayers our active duty service men and women and those serving overseas.

SERENATA, FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12th

THE HOLY NAME OF MARY SPANISH MINISTRY WILL HAVE THEIR ANNUAL FEAST AT 3:30 AM – 7:00 AM WITH A MASS AT 5:00 AM TO HONOR OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FIRST READING: Isaiah 49:1-5, 9-11
SECOND READING: II Peter 3:8-14
GOSPEL: MARK 1:1-8

Next Weeks Readings
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11
Isaiah describes the joy and salvation which will accompany the coming of Christ. He compares the plants which spring from a garden to the justice that will spring from all nations.

Second Reading: I Thessalonians 5:16-24
Paul reminds the Thessalonians to constantly ready themselves for Christ's arrival. He tells them to “avoid any semblance of evil” so that they may be found irreproachable when Jesus does arrive.

Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28
John explains that he is only a messenger to the people for one more powerful than himself. John stresses to them that they must make a path for the one so powerful that he is not fit to unfasten the strap of his sandal.

2nd Annual Ecumenical Lessons and Carols

On Friday, December 22nd, at 7:30 PM, the church will host the 2nd Annual Ecumenical Lessons and Carols. Come join the houses of worship in Croton to get in the Christmas spirit!

If you'd like to participate in the choir or if your child would like to participate in the children's choir for the Lessons and Carols night or for Christmas, please contact Jack Coen at hnm.music.ministry@gmail.com
FAIR TRADE GOODS WRAPPED AND SOLD FOR CHRISTMAS!

Fair Trade Coffee and Christmas Gift Baskets will be sold after Masses. The Gift Baskets make wonderful presents for CCD teachers and CYO Basketball Coaches and others on your gift list!

Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Meet Santa on December 17th

The Knights of Columbus will host a Meet Santa reception for children after the 10:45am mass on December 17th in the Parish Center entrance. Please join us after mass and give your children an opportunity to say hello to Santa and get those last minute requests in before Christmas Day!

You can become a Knight before Christmas

If you’re interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith, or obtaining exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, then joining Holy Name of Mary Council #4730 of the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. We will be conducting a membership drive after each Mass on December 9th & 10th and an open house and induction ceremony on Saturday, December 16th at 2pm. Please consider joining our council. For more information, visit http://kofc.org/un/en/join/index.html or contact David Lally at lallycolumn@optonline.net and/or 914-224-8395.

Christmas Flower Envelopes

You will be receiving an envelope in the HNM Christmas mailing to memorialize your loved ones. The envelopes will be placed on the altar for Christmas, and the nine day Novena ends on January 2, 2018.

Walking with Purpose

All women of the parish are invited to a Connect Coffee Video/Discussion: “Getting a Grip Through Rest” Tuesday, December 19th 9:15 – 11:00am Holy Name of Mary Parish Meeting Rm. 5 Childcare provided.

We live in a world in which people are valued for what they do and what they produce. How many of us women charge through our week, going from one activity to another, ending each day exhausted? When the weekend comes, we simply switch gears for a different set of activities. When we stop and choose to rest, however, we show that we know we are deeply loved by God – not for what we achieve, but for who we are. Please join us for an inspiring video and discussion about how to truly rest; how to prepare, delight and contemplate, turning our focus toward God. No experience necessary, just come as you are for some coffee and a chance to see what Walking with Purpose is all about!

For more information, contact us at 917-656-2346 or COHWalkingwithPurpose@gmail.com.

Announcing the new Care for Creation Ministry at Holy Name!

Based on the environmental teachings of Pope Francis in Laudato Si Looking for new members!!! Email us at careforcreationministry@gmail.com Showing Before the Flood movie on Sunday Jan. 21

All welcome!! Details to follow!
**THEMES FOR ADVENT**

The liturgical season of Advent is a “period of devout and expectant delight,” during which ----

*We remember the First* **Coming** *of Jesus,*

*as Light* for all, while

**Always Anticipating** His second coming when time will end.

Our liturgies here will focus on these very themes:

- His **Coming** to forgive, renew, and feed;
- As the **Light** of our hope, peace and joy;
- While we watch, prepare and proclaim His Saving Word **Always** -- culminating in His glorification on Christmas Day.

December 12  
Our Lady of Guadalupe Serenade 3:30 AM to 7 AM; Bilingual Mass 5 AM Church

December 18  
Archdiocesan Reconciliation Monday; Confessions 4 PM to 8 PM Church

December 22  
Ecumenical Lessons and Carols 7PM Church

**OUR MASS SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS:**

Christmas Eve, Sunday December 24:  
5 PM in the church  
5:30 PM in the chapel  
7 PM Spanish Mass in chapel  
11 PM in the church  

Christmas Day, Monday December 25:  
9:15 AM in the chapel  
10:45 AM in the church  
Note: NO 8 AM Mass