Holy Name of Mary is a Roman Catholic community of believers who are dedicated to know Christ and become Christ, each one, for the sake of all. As disciples, we are called to create an environment where God is worshiped and where we serve our neighbor. Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate the Eucharist with us! We thank God for your presence at Holy Name of Mary and we pray for you and your families.

### MARCH 18, 2018 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

#### CELEBRATION of the EUCHARIST

**HOLY NAME OF MARY**  
Weekday Mass Schedule  
Monday – Friday: 8:00 AM & 12noon  
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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The Eucharistic Bread and Sacramental Wine in memory this week, March 18 – March 24, 2018 for Leopoldine Farrell requested by her daughter, Miriam Sanchez.
From the Parish House

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

My thanks to Tony Bellizzi for conducting such a wonderful parish mission/retreat. His topics certainly hit home, and his presentations helped everyone to take a more insightful look into their hearts. I think he truly helped us to **Open Our Hearts to Jesus**, and gave us some good direction for the remainder of Lent.

Today being the 5th Sunday of Lent, our Lenten journey is nearing its completion. Even if we haven’t done as good a job as we had hoped during this Holy Season, there is still time to ‘get our act together’. It is a time of renewed effort on our part to open ourselves to the many graces God wishes to give to us. It is a time to deepen our desire for what God wants for us – holiness. Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are the mainstays of our Lenten discipline, and even if we haven’t been too diligent in observing them so far, why not try a little extra in the coming weeks?

Please remember that here at Holy Name of Mary we offer the beautiful Sacrament of Reconciliation after each of our daily Masses, as well as on Saturdays from 4:00pm to 4:30pm. We will also be participating in the Archdiocese-wide Day of Reconciliation on Monday, March 26th from 3:00pm to 9:00pm. A good examination of conscience before the Sacrament helps us to see those areas in which we have improved, and for which we should be giving thanks to God, as well as those areas in which we have not done so well and in which we still need God’s healing grace. Receiving Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist, and His merciful forgiveness and grace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation are the two main pillars of our spiritual life, so why not make both of them a regular part of your ongoing spiritual journey?

In today’s Gospel we hear about some Greeks (gentiles) asking to see Jesus. It points out to us the dichotomy between the Jewish leaders rejecting Jesus, and gentile seeking to see Him. Sometime it is the people who should recognize Him that fail to do so, and those whom we figure would never recognize Him that are actually the ones who do. How well do we recognize Jesus? He is not just in our churches; He is also in those persons that perhaps we can’t stand, or gossip about, or judge, or exclude. As we continue to Lenten journey, perhaps we can ask Jesus to open our eyes to help us see and love others as He does.

Palm Sunday and Easter bring out many people who otherwise may not come to Mass. I would humbly ask that all of us put our best foot forward and welcome all those who are here. Even as we give out palms, perhaps we can also give a warm and friendly welcome as well -- it may be just the thing to help at least some to return to the Church on a more regular basis.

A parting chuckle (from bulletin bloopers): The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday. (ouch!!!)

With prayers and love,

Fr. Brian
Lenten Young Adult Retreat: “What Is God’s Plan for My Life?”

Get away from the hustle and bustle of life and get clarity on God’s purpose and plan for your life during our Lenten Young Adult Retreat Weekend, March 23-25, at the Graymoor Spiritual Life Center. Situated along the Appalachian Trail atop a mountain overlooking the Hudson River Valley, you’d be hard-pressed to find a more peaceful place to get re-focused and re-energized. Single, Catholic men and women, 18-40, are welcome. For more information:  https://www.atonementfriars.org/young-adult-retreat-weekends/, or contact Paul Krenzelok, 845-424-2122, pkrenzelok@atonementfriars.org.

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TENEBRAE EXPLAINED

The Tenebrae service is a powerful and emotional aspect of Holy Week and The Triduum as the Church marks its most-important week in the liturgical year and the major events of salvation history. We encourage parishioners to join the service on March 29, 30 and 31 at 9 A.M.

Most Religious, and many members of the laity, recite what is known as the Divine Office daily as a means of sanctifying the hours of the day and offering continuing praise and worship to God. Portions of the Divine Office from Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday are what is known as a Tenebrae Service which is celebrated in a communal setting. Tenebrae is Latin for darkness/shadows and the service is so-named since it originally took place in late evening hours. It is in many ways a funeral-like service for Jesus, reflecting the mournful atmosphere of Holy Week and the desolation felt by the Church.

On each of the three days, seven lit candles stand on the altar when Tenebrae begins. The seven candles represent the seven last words of Christ. The service follows with readings, responses, psalms chanted in English with a simple Gregorian melody, versicles (short sentences from the presider with responses from the congregation) and sung lamentations. At seven designated points a candle is extinguished, so the church moves into increasing gloom and darkness --- much as Jesus suffered increasing sorrow over these three days culminating in the darkness of the tomb.

New Yorkers for Life

In his annual budget, Governor Cuomo included a radical bill (S.7511) that would eliminate virtually all limitations on abortion in NYState. It would ensure that abortion is legal through all nine months of pregnancy, for any reason, allowing for more late-term abortions. Studies show that a fetus experiences pain at 20 weeks. It would eliminate the law that requires a baby born alive after an abortion be given adequate health care. It would permit non-doctors to do abortions thus endangering the health of women. An abortion done against a mother’s will, or an unborn child targeted for an act of violence, could not be persecuted.

New York State already has too many abortions and we don’t need even broader abortion laws. The law requires a budget to be passed by April 1 so oppose this EXTREME bill asap.

Visit www.nyscatholic.org, click Take Action.

Go to www.newyourersforlife.org to monitor latest developments.
REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marie King, Anthony Crespo, Frank Patti, Gail Pizoski, Maria Pillco, Norah Moore, Margaret Ewing, Chris Nash, Robert Mastrodi, Ramon Rodriguez, Franco Cirino, Barbara Principe, Linda Jellocce, Adam Armenia, Jr., Dr. Cathy Cantelina, Carmenza Hernandez, Jim Caldwell, Joan Achorn, Elizabeth Gandolfo, Baby Elliot Hollister, Pat Walsh, John Coyne, John Duffy, John Tufanio, Mary Lou Keon, Mike Bischoff, Peter Gorman, Sr., Lindea Whalen.

* 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 (especially), 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.

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HNM 300 PLUS

CLUB

Holy Name of Mary parishioners, family and friends are invited to participate. Each week a drawing will be held and one member will be selected to receive the prize. The cost is $50.00 per number, and you will be eligible to be a winner over the next 10 weeks. Due to the overwhelming response, this fund raiser has been expanded. Stay tune for details...

The first drawing is April 2, 2018

10 Chances to Win!

9 Weekly Prizes of $300.00

The 10th Prize will be $3,000.00

Please bring your check or cash to the Parish Center or see Joe or Tim after each Mass. For questions please call Tim Higgins, 271-5979, Joe Costanzo, 271-4988 or Carol Gorman, 271-4797.

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READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 31:31-34
SECOND READING: HEBREWS 5:7-9
GOSPEL: JOHN 12:20-33

Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7
Isaiah describes the pain and insults of the Servant of God. Yet he sounds hopeful when describing God as his help, knowing he will not be disgraced.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11
Paul exults Christ’s great sacrifice of humbling himself to become human and die on the cross. He explains that this is why we should now realize the importance of honoring both his name and memory.

Gospel: Mark 14:1—15:47
Mark describes the events leading up to Christ’s crucifixion. The Last Supper is described, explaining where the Eucharist began. Judas betrays Jesus and his suffering at the hands of the Sanhedrin (Council) is detailed.

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Stations of the Cross

Every Friday in Lent at 7PM at The Chapel of the Good Shepherd
Led by the Holy Name of Mary Ministries

The March 16th Stations of the Cross were spirit filled, led by our Knights of Columbus.
On March 9th, our inspiring Walking with Purpose Ministry led the Stations.
On Feb. 23rd Stations of the Cross were beautifully led by Respect Life and Centering Prayer.
The God Squad led an amazing presentation on Feb. 16th.
The March 23rd Stations of the Cross will be led by our ACTS Men & Women

Please join us as we pray this wonderful devotion during the season of LENT.

Stations are also prayed after noon Mass on Fridays.

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MIDNIGHT RUN
Midnight Run provides food and clothing for the homeless in New York City. As per Midnight Run’s philosophy, the goal is to forge a bond between housed and homeless people by establishing a foundation of sharing and caring. Volunteers come to see the homeless as real people. Homeless men and women learn that mainstream adults and teenagers have commitments and concerns that go beyond their own lives and families.

Please help us to help the homeless by donating new or lightly used men’s pants and long sleeve shirts, ladies pants and leggings, back packs, warm hats and gloves as well as men’s and women’s shoes. We’re also looking for new and unused travel size shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, men’s underwear, undershirts and socks. Please place items in the small lobby on the left of the Parish Center lobby. The Parish Center is open 9-5 during the week and 9-12 on Saturdays.

Next runs are April 14th and May 19th.

Beginning Experience Weekend
April 6 – 8
For Divorced, widowed & separated men & women

Beginning Experience is offering a healing weekend in April at the St. Lawrence Retreat Center in Beacon NY. It is presented by people who have experienced these loses and is endorsed by our archdiocese. All faiths are welcome and pre-registration is required.

www.beginningexperience.org/hudsonvalley

The Cardinal’s Appeal Supports
Preparing the Clergy with $2.5 Million

SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP, requires many years of study and spiritual preparation. Let us show our seminarians that we support them, and are proud of their decision to dedicate their lives to serve the people of God.

HNM goal: $66,000
Our pledges as of 3/09/18: $9,405
14.25% of goal
To make an ONLINE GIFT, visit

www.Cardinalsappeal.org

The Care for Creation Ministry is presenting its first “Sustainable Sunday” Speaker on

Sunday April 8 3:00 – 5:00 pm in the Parish Center

Rooms 3/4/5. To celebrate spring, Regina Blakeslee from Hudson Valley Natural Beekeepers will speak about Beekeeping and Gardening. All are invited!

“ACTS NY Men’s Retreat - March 1-4, 2018”

“Scout Sunday”