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.

CANCELLED until further notice

Photo courtesy of www.jensencarter.com
* Weekend intentions have been combined to be said by Fr. Nelson at 10:45 AM on Sunday

**Masses for this weekend, April 11 and 12**

*10:45 AM Bobby Moore, Karen & Chris Moore
Gina Costanzo, Mark Franzoso
JoAnn Cerussi, Albert Cerussi Jr.
Parishioners of HNM

| **MONDAY, April 13** | Noon | Frankie Bruno, Frances Bruno
 | Antoinette Anfiteatro, Maria Messina |

| **TUESDAY, April 14** | Noon | Peter T. Steele Ratajczk, The Dieckman Family |

| **WEDNESDAY, April 15** | Noon | Enes Capellazi & Cavossi Family, Robert & Richard Capellazi
Cerulli Anniversary, Dolores C. Cerulli |

| **THURSDAY, April 16** | Noon | Parishioners of HNM |

| **FRIDAY, April 17** | Noon | John Franzoso, Mark Franzoso |

| **SATURDAY, April 18** | No Mass |

| **SUNDAY, April 19** | 10:45 AM | JoAnn Cerussi, Albert Cerussi Jr.
Peggy Cunningham, The Cawley Family
Vera Scozzafava, Susanna, Lina, and John D’Angelo
Betty Quinn Campbell, Ed & Pat Kiley |

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**Event List April 11 - April 18**

At the time of printing, all events for the week have been canceled.

**Mass Schedule**

- Live-stream: [www.holynameofmary.org](http://www.holynameofmary.org)
- Monday-Friday: 12 Noon
- Sunday: 10:45 AM

**Sign up for flocknote** to receive important updates from the Parish at: [www.hnmcroton.flocknote.com](http://www.hnmcroton.flocknote.com)

This will be our main source of communication over the coming weeks. You can also call the Parish Office at 914-271-4797. We will be checking messages even if no one available.

**Continue to support our Parish by giving online through WeShare at [www.holynameofmary.churchgiving.com](http://www.holynameofmary.churchgiving.com)**

You can also mail your weekly envelopes to the Parish Center or put them in the locked mailbox on the wall outside the Parish Center doors.
May 3, 2020

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

* 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 all 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.

### Our Parish Collections

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### CHANGES IN MASS SCHEDULE

Prior to the pandemic we had reluctantly decided to make changes to our permanent Mass schedule, recognizing the need to offer a reasonable number of well-attended Masses, in what will now be a parish with only one dedicated, full-time priest. When we do return to a normal Mass schedule, the daily 8:00 AM Mass will be dropped from the schedule, and the Sunday, 11 AM Spanish Mass will also be eliminated. Individual intentions already booked will be combined with the nearest possible continuing Masses.

### Thank You to All Essential Workers!

Life is hardly ordinary these days and in the slowing down from regular routines we become aware of the actions of those among us; doctors, nurses, technicians, food and security support staff, transportation, emergency service and postal workers, grocery and pharmacy employees.

By dedication to their work, they have become extraordinary heroines and heroes who form the backbone of our community’s response to the coronavirus. We are filled with gratitude for their selfless giving. We continue to pray for their health and well-being.

**The Women’s ACTS retreat** at Don Bosco is postponed. We will keep you posted about our new date. God bless you and keep you! Sending love...

**Holy Name of Mary Montessori School** is holding classes online. Please pray for our school community and we will pray for you!

### Defining Moments Bible Study

Walking With Purpose is creating a **FREE** brief weekly study for all Catholics (that’s men AND women) that coincides with Sunday Mass. It’s called *Defining Moments* and it’s meant to help prepare and be "present" for Sunday Mass during this time when we cannot be at Church and are connecting to watch Mass online. Each lesson is divided up into 5 days giving just enough material per day to hit reset and to focus on God.

Day 1 covers the First Reading; Day 2 the Responsorial Psalm; Day 3 the Second Reading; and Days 4 and 5 will be the Gospel.

Ideally, the study would be done PRIOR to Mass. That way when we are watching Mass online, we’ll be engaging in a whole new way because we’ve prepared our hearts throughout the week.

Anyone interested can join Walking With Purpose email list on walkingwithpurpose.com in order to receive the weekly study PDF.
Prayer Resources in the Absence of Mass

**Act of Spiritual Communion:** It has long been a Catholic understanding that when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion, it is possible to make an Act of Spiritual Communion, which is a source of grace. Spiritual Communion is an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament and lovingly embrace him at a time or in circumstances when one cannot receive Him in sacramental Communion. The most common reason for making an Act of Spiritual Communion is when a person cannot attend Mass. Acts of Spiritual Communion increase our desire to receive sacramental Communion and help us avoid the sins that would make us unable to receive Holy Communion worthily.

**Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,  
Come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were already there  
And unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from you.  
Amen.

**Act of Perfect Contrition:** The Holy Father has recently drawn attention to the fact that, before Easter, many faithful go to Confession to meet with God again. “However,” he acknowledged, “many will say to me today: ‘But, Father, where can I find a priest, a confessor, because one can’t leave home? And I want to make peace with the Lord, I want Him to embrace me, that my Papa embrace me . . . What can I do if I can’t find priests?’”

“Do what the Catechism says,” the Pope stressed, “it’s very clear: if you don’t find a priest to hear your Confession, talk with God, He is your Father, and tell Him the truth: ‘Lord, I’ve done this, and that, and that . . . I’m sorry,’ and ask Him for forgiveness with all your heart, with the Act of Contrition and promise Him: ‘Afterwards I will go to Confession, but forgive me now.’”

“If you do all this,” Francis said, “you will return to God’s grace immediately. As the Catechism teaches,” he reminded, “you yourself can approach God’s forgiveness without having a priest at hand. Think: ‘it’s the moment!’ And this is the right moment, the opportune moment. An Act of Contrition well made,” Francis said, “will make our soul become white as snow.”

– Pope Francis, Daily Mass Homily, Friday of the Third Week in Lent,” 20 March 2020

While there is no set formula for making a Perfect Act of Contrition, a common one reads as follows:

**My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.**  
In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good,  
I have sinned against You, whom I should love above all things.  
I firmly intend, with Your help, to do penance,  
to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin

Read more about making a Perfect Act of Contrition in the following article.