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.

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CELEBRATION of the EUCHARIST
Mass Schedule
Holy Name of Mary
Sunday: 8:30 AM & 10:45 AM
Monday - Friday: 12:00 noon
Saturday: 5:00 pm
To Stream, visit:
www.holynam eofmary.org

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)
Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 PM

PASTORAL COUNCIL
Tom Faranda, President

PARISH TRUSTEES
Judy Anderson
Joseph Costanzo

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.

If you have a loved one that is not computer savvy, please print out a bulletin for them.
Spread the love.
Mass Intentions

Masses for this weekend May 15th and 16th
5:00 PM Robert Vitolo, The Keons
8:30 AM Barbara Principe, Susanna D’Angelo
10:45 AM Doris McIntosh, Don & Dagmar

MONDAY, May 17
Noon Denise Krum, Lupe Frattini

TUESDAY, May 18
Noon Eleanor Ben-Moshe, Ellen Camillieri
       Regina Marie Fiorito Julian, Bob Fiorito

WEDNESDAY, May 19
Noon Holy Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, May 20
Noon Deceased Members of Capellazzi & Cavossi Families, Rich Capellazzi

FRIDAY, May 21
Noon Rose M. Cerulli, Dolores Cerulli

SATURDAY, May 22
5:00 PM Patrick Scozzafava, Marie Nolan

SUNDAY, May 23
8:30 AM Patrick Scozzafava, Emma & Ronnie Luposello
10:45 AM Kathleen McEachran, Gaffney Family

Event List
May 15 - May 22

Masses for this week:
Saturday (Church): 5:00 pm (Fr. Nelson)
Sunday (Church): 8:30 am (Fr. Ron)
       10:45 am (Fr. Nelson)
Mon.-Fri. (Church): 12:00 noon (Fr. Nelson)
Adoration Service every Friday at 7 pm in church

As directed by the Archdiocese, beginning next Sunday we will no longer be streaming Masses. As the world continues to open back up, it is time to get back to attending Mass in person!

Check us out on facebook at:
www.facebook.com/holynameofmarycroton/

Sign up for flocknote to receive important updates
www.hnmcroton.flocknote.com

Please let us know if you have not been receiving the weekly bulletin or Mass schedule and would like to.

Support our Parish through online giving:
www.holynameofmary.churchgiving.com

Celebrate the Gift of Life and the Milestones Along the Way
We will be introducing a new shout-out page. Whether it be baptisms, weddings, graduations, birthdays, a new job or even a new recipe. Anything really. Let us know if you’d like a shout-out and we’ll put it in the bulletin.

We will also have a “Comings and Goings” section welcoming those new to our parish and wishing well to those leaving. Please let us know if you are not registered and would like to be or if you are moving and would like a proper farewell.

Call or email requests to:
parishsecretary@hnmcroton.org
914-271-4797 x 10

This week’s 2nd Collection is for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe
**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.

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**Our Parish Collections**

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Please make checks out to Holy Name of Mary. The bank has advised they can no longer accept checks made out to HNM.

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**This Weeks Readings**

**Sunday**
Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19

**Monday**
Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday**
Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday**
Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19

**Thursday**
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

**Friday**
Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday**

“Lifting up his eyes to heaven, Jesus prayed saying: Holy Father, keep them in your name …” Jn 17: 11-19

Jesus is inviting us to care for each other through intercessory prayer. How often do you pray for your family, friends, and colleagues? Take a moment in thanksgiving or petition to simply pray for someone else: “Loving Father, keep “___” in your name.” This humble act brings us closer to the people we pray for, and to Jesus Himself.

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**Mass Attendance: May 9th**

We can safely seat appx 125 people in the Church with social distancing. **We will continue to monitor the Mass attendance closely and return to 4 weekend Masses if attendance levels rise.**

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**HNM goal: $61,000**

Our pledges as of 5/7/21: $22,635
38% of goal

*To make an ONLINE GIFT, visit www.Cardinalsappeal.org*
From Fr. Nelson

May 16, 2021

An encounter with an angel.

It was a beautiful day, the 13th day of May 2021 and the weather was so good that after I had locked the office and had gone out through the glass doors, the bench outside the office building was so inviting that for the first time this year I went and sat on it relaxing and breathing in the air, listening to the hum of the passing cars and watching three children as they scooted by on the opposite side of the street. They could have been I guess seven, six and four years of age.

As I watched them from the bench near the office building, the littlest one separated herself from her companions, discarded her scooter and took a comfortable position as she sat on the low wall that separated the sidewalk from a private property. Then she began to sing to herself. Although I could not hear her sing, I began to wave my hand very slowly and in rhythm with the timing of the song I imagined her singing. She kept on singing her song and I accompanied her with the wave of my hand. After a minute or two she looked up and shyly glanced at me and stopped singing and I stopped keeping time. After a while, she began singing again and this time it was louder. She was now singing for me. And just as water seeps through cracks in the rocks, a strange feeling of joy began to moisten my soul.

There was a kind of connection taking place for now that little girl stood on the low wall and began to dance and sing while I kept on waving my hand keeping time with her song. There was a wonderful synchronicity happening until there was no girl, there was no me; there was only the song and the dance. The passing traffic was also included in the dance. Time had stopped and the earth stopped turning. And then! And then! She stopped dancing and began running gracefully up and down the low wall. I could not bring myself to believe that God had put on this award winning performance especially for me.

Her two companions/siblings came up to her and tried to get her to play and soon her mother came along and she was told about me by the girl. The mother waved at me and took the girl and the other kids with her. After having walked a short way, the girl looked back and waved me good-bye.

Our heavenly Father is always putting on a show for us. The whole universe is his stage and all things and beings are actors who are called to keep us joyful. Jesus tells us that his desire is that our joy may be complete. Sometimes we should take time to just sit on a bench and watch as angels come our way to gladden our souls and take away the burdens of our journeys through life. If we just open ourselves to go beyond the hum and noise of the passing world, we will watch the angels as they dance for us and all the noises of this world will blend to raise our spirits and feel that we are loved beyond all measure.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Nelson Couto
We are looking for a Religious Education Coordinator for next year. Please contact the parish office if interested or help spread the word if you know anyone who may be a good fit.

Congratulations to Eileen Brown on retirement and thank you for your many years of dedication and work.

Religious Education Registration
Religious Education registration materials have been mailed for the 2021/2022 school year. If you are new to the Parish, and have a child you would like to register, please call the office 271-4254 or email hnmreleduc@aol.com. Our goal is to have classes back in the building in September. Students who did not attend classes for 20-21 due to Covid concerns must make up the work. Please call the office for details.

Birthright is in need of little girls clothes for the summer, sizes 12 months to 4T. Our babies are growing up, and we want to continue helping our families! As your children are growing, can you share their outgrown clothes with others? (914-737-0344). Thank you!

*Please do not drop any items off at the Parish Center. We will not take them.

From the Desk of Debra Rago
Notice to all Holy Name of Mary Advertisers or those looking to acquire advertising space in our bulletin:

Good news: HNM will now be publishing our own bulletin. We will be billing you directly for the bulletin space which will reduce the advertising cost and will also provide enhanced benefits such as a direct link to your website.

Please look out for an email this coming week with all the details or contact me directly at: parishadmin@hnmchurch.org or 914-271-4797 x30

RCIA is back!
Who do you know who might be interested in our faith? A possible interested convert, someone needing to complete their sacramental formation, or simply a person searching for the truth?

Our Holy Name of Mary faith community – an invitation to love and life!
Contact the Parish Center– 914-271-4797 X10
Tom Faranda - tgfar@aol.com
Karen Falk
Joe Costanzo

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4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app
On Saturday, May 1st, we were blessed with twenty new First Communicants and their families. There was great joy as we welcomed them to the Table of the Lord.
The Care for Creation Ministry will be hosting our 37th Sustainable Sunday Speaker Series event on **Sunday May 16 at 3:00 pm – 4:15 pm entitled CLIMATE STRESSED KIDS**

Eric Lewandowski, Ph.D., M.Sc., Croton clinical psychologist and Associate Professor in the Dept. of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry at NYU Langone will discuss the threats of climate change on the mental health of young people (and us old timers as well!). He will review impacts of the climate emergency on the young, present ideas for talking with them, and share ideas for helping them to cope and respond with meaningful activities. Eric founded and directs a program for the treatment of teen-age depression and suicide risk. Please pass the word about this presentation to other parents who may not receive the Bulletin.

Please be part of the online Zoom presentation by logging onto [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9142714797](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9142714797) Login at 2:45 and chit-chat with fellow attendees. The presentation will start shortly thereafter. Be sure to bookmark our Zoom address for future programs.

Recordings and slides from past Sustainable Sunday presentations are available for viewing on our website [www.hnmcare4creationministry.com](http://www.hnmcare4creationministry.com). Go to the **More** menu on the upper right and select **Resources**.

**SIGN UP FOR COMMUNITY SOLAR!**

**NYSERDA** has a new program: Community Solar 2.0. This program saves you up to 10% on your electrical bill, promotes local solar power (win, win!) and Croton gets “NYSERDA points” towards a $70,000 grant when folks enroll (win!) **We need folks to sign up before the end of May. Sign up now!**


Or get to it via sustain-croton.org, and clicking on " **Sign Up Now For Community Solar 2.0 - Cut 10% Off Your Electric Bill!**" under "**News and Announcements**".

**LAUDATO SI’ WEEK** honors the 5th anniversary of Pope Francis’ Encyclical on care for our common home.

The theme of the week is “everything is connected.” From May 16 to 24, the designation launches a year-long journey of transformation “as we grow through the crisis of the current moment by praying, reflecting, and preparing together for a better world to come tomorrow.”

Following Pope Francis’ invitation to join Laudato Si’ Week, Christians everywhere (including Croton!) are invited to reflect and take for action in the spirit of the Encyclical. **Start it off with Sustainable Sunday on May 16!**
My name is Tyler Evans, a Life Scout, in our local Boy Scout Troop 28 Croton. I am seeking to raise funds for a project that will advance me to the rank of Eagle. I am looking to begin work as soon as possible, and I would be very privileged to gain your support. I am planning on beautifying the front of the rectory. This project entails weeding and mulching both sides of the rectory and planting Azaleas, Pugster Buddleia, and a few other small planters. I also plan to replace the old fence which has rusted over the years with new fencing. This project will not only benefit the church, but also the surrounding community. I need to raise $1,000 to cover the cost of this project and would be filled with gratitude if you could lend your support.

My contact info is:
Tyler Evans
TylerEvans0512@gmail.com
(914) 506-7901 Cell

If you would like to donate please send a check to Holy Name of Mary Church with a reference in the memo line: T.Evans Eagle Scout Project

For any questions about BSA Troop 28 please contact: scoutmaster@troop28.org

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