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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.

December 12, 2021 - Third Sunday of Advent

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS
Mon – Fri. 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

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CELEBRATION of the EUCHARIST
Mass Schedule
HOLY NAME OF MARY
Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM
Saturday: 5:00 PM
Monday - Friday: 12:00 noon

CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
Sunday: 9:15 AM

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

PASTORAL COUNCIL
Maureen Poh-Fitzpatrick, President

PARISH TRUSTEES
Thomas Faranda
Karen Olieszewski

BAPTISMS
Please call the Parish Office if you would like to schedule a 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.

Please submit any bulletin pieces by Friday, the week prior to it being printed.
Mass Intentions

Masses for this weekend December 11th and 12th

5:00 PM  Bartoli-Monaco & Starnella Families, Louise Bartoli
          Mary Williams, Ronnie McNally
8:00 AM  Patsy & Anna Gigliotti, Family
9:15 AM  Thomas Prescott Brieant, Sara Langbert
10:45 AM Ivana Manco, John Manco
         Julia Devlin, Peggy Lane

MONDAY, December 13
Noon  Bernadette Quinn, Rose Kollar & Family

TUESDAY, December 14
Noon  Al Olieszewski, Chris & Karen Moore

WEDNESDAY, December 15
Noon  Al Olieszewski, Chris & Karen Moore
      Nicolina & Anthony Farano, Mary & Anthony Farano

THURSDAY, December 16
Noon  Carlos Varela, Frances Villalobos
      Patricia Carr, Peggy Lane

FRIDAY, December 17
Noon  William R. DeMase, The Calicchia Family

SATURDAY, December 18
5:00 PM  Norma Curtin, Ed & Debi Braddick
         Brendan McCabe, The Herron Family

SUNDAY, December 19
8:00 AM  Norma & Edward McLaughlin, Ronnie McNally
9:15 AM  James & Ann Boyle, John Boyle
10:45 AM Catherine Connaire, Peggy Lane

This week’s second collection is for the Religious Retirement Fund

Event List
Dec. 11 – Dec. 18

Masses for this week:

Main Church
Sunday: 8:00 AM (Fr. Nelson) & 10:45 AM (Fr. Nelson)
Monday - Friday: 12:00 noon (Fr. Nelson)
(Adoration following the Fri. Noon Mass until 7pm)

Chapel of the Good Shepherd
*Saturday: 5:00 PM (Fr. Ron)
Sunday: 9:15 AM (Fr. Ron)

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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 Mary Roche and 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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Thank you again to everyone who has recently renewed or increased their offertory commitments! We are grateful that you have embraced this call to sacrificial giving to support the work of our parish.

Mass Attendance: December 5th

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This Weeks Readings

Sunday
Zep 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

Monday
Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday
Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday
Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday
Is 54:1-10; Lk 7:24-30

Friday
Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17

Saturday
Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25

First Reading
Zephaniah 3:14-18a
A savior is promised to Israel.

Responsorial Psalm
Isaiah 12:2-3,4,5-6
A song of praise to God our savior

Second Reading
Philippians 4:4-7
Rejoice always because the Lord is near.

Gospel Reading
Luke 3:10-18
John the Baptist teaches the path of repentance and announces Christ.
From the Pastor’s Desk

December 12, 2021

Christmas Season

Fall is giving way to winter, and nobody is surprised by the change. The seasons change with stunning regularity and even in the life of the church we witness this. What we are looking forward to right now, is the birth of Christ, the Son of God. As the seasons change, we prepare ourselves to face the oncoming days. Advertisements on the TV keep on reminding us to buy seasonal fruits, clothes, shoes, and other gear to face the coming time of year. So, we get in the mode of changing our wardrobes, things that were useful in the summer are kept in the closets and those that are suitable for the oncoming season are laid out.

Living out a routine year by year, following the seasons, we make life easy for ourselves for we do not have to start from the beginning but just repeat what was done in the preceding years. Habits and routines facilitate ease and help us avoid past failures and discomfort. They also help us to build better futures and allow us to divert our minds to the more pressing demands on our time.

The church provides us with seasons of life, the birth of Christ, the events of his public life and his death and resurrection. The church celebrates these events during the whole cycle of the year. These seasons are not mindless repetitions of the same events, but they are something that we use to build our lives on, and to grow deeper in our relationship with ourselves, our consciousness, our community and with our God.

Advent is a season of hope. It teaches us that all is not lost even though it may appear to be so. People for thousands of years did not give up hope and waited for the coming of someone who would show them the way out of despair, who could show them the way to master the floods of life that constantly submerge us. To be able once more to live, is trust that all is well and will forever be well. Advent is the time of year to come to grips with ourselves and gather around us weapons of truth and to cast away lies and deceit.

Advent is that time of year when we wipe away our tears of frustration and disappointment and travel back to the life of innocence and joy; the season when we wipe off the dust of blame, victimhood and judgment and settle for accountability. We refuse to see the dust in the eyes of those around us. Advent is a season where we reach into our inner selves and find the lost child in us and begin to love that which was in the first place created by God.

Advent teaches us to love life deeply and to cherish it with gratitude and tenderness.

Yours in Christ,
Breaking Bread Missals
Please pick up any preordered missals by December 19th. After December 19th they will be counted as extras for those who did not preorder. As a reminder the cost is $5 per missal.

If you have any questions or would like a missal but didn’t preorder, please contact the Parish Office at parishsecretary@holynamedofmary.org or 914-271-4797 x 10

Knights of Columbus

“Jesus is the Reason for the Season”
The Knights of Columbus at Holy Name of Mary are pleased to reimburse $25 towards the purchase of an outdoor Nativity Set for 20 families. We invite you to participate!

1. Contact Neil with KofC at nwr4589@yahoo.com to sign up for the program.
3. Forward your receipt with your name, address and phone number to nwr4589@yahoo.com.
4. HNM KofC will reimburse you $25.

If you have questions, please contact Neil at 914-720-1120 or nwr4589@yahoo.com.

Blood Drive Saturday, Dec. 18 in Croton
A Blood Drive is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 18 from 10 am to 4 pm at the Croton Municipal Building Community Room, 1 Van Wyck Street. Please use the entrance from the parking lot. The New York Blood Center, the Croton Community Blood Drive and the Village of Croton on Hudson are sponsoring the drive.

To remain in compliance with the federal guidelines for social distancing, APPOINTMENTS ARE PREFERRED. Walk-ins are welcome if space permits. You must bring photo id and wear a mask regardless of vaccination status. To sign up, call 1-800-933-2566 or visit nybc.org/donate.

Do you want to experience God’s peace and healing love?
Come join our healing prayer ministry
Sunday, December 12, 2:00 PM
at the Chapel of the Good Shepard and experience being soaked in the love of God.
Come pray with us!

The Care for Creation Ministry is having another event in their Sustainable Sunday Speaker Series.
This Zoom event has both an international and local focus:
First, Br. Kevin Cawley from Iona will report on COP26 which recently concluded in Edinboro.
Second, locally, the group Croton Deserves Responsible Solar will explain why they are fighting against the cutting down of 500 trees to install a solar array at the Hudson National Golf Course.
Join us on our Zoom event at 3 pm to 4:30 pm on Sunday. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9142714797

Fair Trade Coffee
Fair Trade coffee, chocolate, and other products (including small gift bags) will be sold after the 8 and the 10:45 masses Sunday December 12th in the Parish Center Lobby. Please stop by and see what we have to offer.

Return of the Gift Giving Tree
Our Giving Tree is back this year to gift students in the Religious Education program at Holy Spirit church in the Bronx.
Please take an ornament from the tree in the back of the church and chapel and purchase an item of clothing for a child. Return the gifts to the parish office, wrapped, with the ornament affixed, no later than December 19th.
Adoration
Every Friday we will have the Blessed Sacrament set up in the church for adoration following the Noon Mass and lasting until 7pm.

Reconciliation Monday Dates
This year for Advent Reconciliation Monday, which will be held on December 20, 2021, it was suggested that it might be effective to offer a daytime option for confession. After consultation, all parishes will make the sacrament available from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm and 6:00 to 8:00 pm in all the parishes of the Archdiocese of NY and the Diocese of Brooklyn.

Christmas Mass Schedule
Friday December 24, 2021
5:00 PM  Fr. Nelson  Church
6:00 PM  Fr. Ron  Chapel

Saturday December 25, 2021
9:15 AM  Fr. Ron  Chapel
10:45 AM  Fr. Nelson  Church

Masses for the Holy Family of Jesus
(Sunday Mass Obligation)
Saturday December 25, 2021
5:00 PM  Fr. Nelson  Church

Sunday December 26, 2021
8:00 AM  Fr. Nelson  Church
10:45 AM  Fr. Nelson  Church

Help aging religious. Elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others – educating the young, comforting the sick, and ministering to the less fortunate. Today, many are frail and need assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please give generously to today’s second collection.

The Taghkanic Chorale presents...
“Baroque Treasures,” a program exploring works by Baroque master composers, Johann Sebastian Bach and Antonio Vivaldi. Vivaldi’s Gloria, RV. 588, is a rarely performed work (as compared to the famous Vivaldi Gloria RV. 589). Bach’s Magnificat in D Major, BWV 243 is a work of great joy and celebration that makes great demands on the both the chorus and the orchestra. Although these composers never met, Vivaldi’s influence on Bach’s music is indisputable! Soloists:
Chelsea Friedlander, Soprano | Ziwen Xiang, Tenor
Dominika Zamara, Soprano | John Dominick III, Bass
Allison Gish, Mezzo-Soprano

The performances will comply with all NYS and CDC pandemic guidelines.

Vivaldi Gloria RV 588 and Bach Magnificat
8:00 PM December 11, 2021 and
4:00 PM December 12, 2021
Holy Name of Mary Church
114 Grand Street, Croton-on-Hudson, NY

Purchase tickets from a Taghkanic member or in person at the concert.

For information visit us online:
www.taghkanicchorale.org

Join us for Lessons and Carols:
Friday, December 17th at 7 pm
A tradition of seasonal readings, choir anthems and congregation Christmas carol singing to lift our spirits as we anticipate the Joyous Birth.

Please consider joining our dynamic team of Ushers.
The Usher Ministry is in need of your support.
If interested please contact either of our head ushers, Lewis Montana at 914-737-3515 or John Sarcone at jsarcone@sarconelaw.com or 914-260-7582
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- Eucharistic Ministers
- Lectors
- Ushers
and all our other volunteers that are essential to the function of the church.