

Church of Saint Monica Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Saint Stephen of Hungary

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Sixth Sunday of Easter –May 26th, 2019

Office Hours

Our Offices are open:

Mo. 9am – 5pm
Tu.-Th. 9am – 7pm
Fri. Closed
Sat. 10am -2pm
Sun. Closed

Our offices close for lunch:

1pm – 2pm daily

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 12:00pm Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 12:00pm 5:00pm

Monday – Friday: 7:30 & 12:00pm

Confessions:

Saturday 5:00 – 5:30pm and by appointment

Our church is open: 7am – 4pm daily for private prayer

Vespers (evening pray) 5:10pm Fridays in Parish Center Chapel

St. Stephen of Hungary School

Pre-K through 8th Grade Catholic Parochial School

408 East 82nd St., New York, NY 10028

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Principal:

Ms. Kelly Burke

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Interested in admissions to our parish school?

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Roman Catholic Parish of St. Monica, St. Elizabeth of Hungary and St. Stephen of Hungary opens its doors to welcome and embrace all in our community. We strive through worship, hospitality and service to receive those seeking a spiritual home. In the midst of diversity of thought, life style, nationality, economic status and age, we endeavor to live as a community of faith and invite you to join our family - a family seeking to know and love Jesus Christ.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- The question of whether circumcision is necessary for salvation (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29).

Psalm -- O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67)

Second Reading -- John envisions the holy city, the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23) or Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20.

Gospel -- Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you (John 14:23-29) or John 17:20-26.

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass (c) 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149: 1b-6a,9b; Jn 15:26 -- 16:4a
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22 -- 18:1; Ps 148: 1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday:	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday:	Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9; Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26; or, for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY 5:30PM	May 25th Vigil Nora Heenan
SUNDAY 7:30AM 9:00AM 10:30AM 12NOON 5PM	May 26th Sixth Sunday of Easter David Beseril Matthew Youngho Huang Ava Grace Willemin All Parishioners Connie & Anthony Molespini
MONDAY 9:00AM	May 27th Easter Weekday Ana Corra
TUESDAY 7:30AM 12NOON	May 28th Easter Weekday Michael Blecha (Living) Maria Encarnacion Litrenta
WEDNESDAY 7:30 AM 12NOON 5:30	May 29th Easter Weekday Manuel Jesus Roman Kathleen Downes Ryan Estonilo Castaneda
THURSDAY 7:30AM 12NOON	May 30th Ascension Thursday John Joyce Roman & Barbara Pabis (41st Wedding Ann. Living)
FRIDAY 7:30AM 12NOON	May 31st The Visitation of the Blessed Virgen Mary Angela Mackin (Living) Maria Soliven Reyes
SATURDAY 12NOON	June 1st St. Justin Carol Griffin

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Sixth Sunday of Easter
Monday:	St. Augustine of Canterbury; Memorial Day
Wednesday:	St. Paul VI
Thursday:	The Ascension of the Lord (unless transferred to Sunday)
Friday:	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday:	St. Justin; First Saturday

*If you wish to add the name of a loved one to the prayer list, please notify the parish center:
(212) 288-6250*



K-8 Religious Education

- **K-8 Religious Education** - Sundays, 10:15-11:45am in the Parish Center. Final regular session this school year on June 2.
- **No sessions May 26** (Memorial Day Weekend)
- **Save the date:** Family Faith Formation 9-11:30am on Sunday, June 9. This is the final event for the year!
- **Registration** for next year will open up soon!

Adult Faith Formation – open to all adults!

- Sunday Morning **Scripture Discussions**, 10:15-11:45am in the Parish Center join us for coffee and conversation – final session for this school year - June 2.

Adults who are thinking about becoming Catholic, or

- **Catholic adults who have missed First Communion and/or Confirmation**
It's never too late! Contact Maryann Tyrer, Pastoral Associate, to discuss our adult initiation process. You can begin the process any time throughout the year.

Want to volunteer? Yes, we need more volunteers on Sunday mornings, please! Many different opportunities are available, with various time commitments – Contact Maryann to discuss how your gifts might meet our needs.

Our next Family Mass is at 5:30pm on June 1st. Please join us! We will be honoring the 8th grade graduates of St. Stephen of Hungary School.



Please keep our 24 Teen **Confirmation** candidates in prayer (from St. Stephen of Hungary School and our Parish Religious Education Program) as they prepare to receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on June 2. Please also remember in your prayers our two Adult Confirmation candidates, who will celebrate the sacrament on June 9.



Family Faith Formation

**Sunday, June 9
9am to 11:30am
Parish Center**

**For K-8 children and their families
(At least one parent must attend with the child)**

Last event of the catechetical year!

**Come Holy Spirit – Set us on fire with your love
Every Day is Earth Day – Care for God’s creation
Corpus Christi – Celebrating Jesus’ gift of the Eucharist
Praying All Ways – Talking with God in different ways and places**

**Faith sharing, activities and crafts, snack,
and take-home materials-
fun for the whole family!
No charge – please join us!**

SPECIAL DEVOTIONS

After all weekday masses

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday after the Noon Mass to 3 PM, with Benediction following the Divine Mercy Chaplet

Devotions

Miraculous Medal on Mondays after each Mass

Divine Mercy

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed each Friday afternoon at 3 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

5:00 PM on Saturdays Anytime by appointment

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES:

Please call the rectory office for more information.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:

If you know of anyone who cannot attend church because of illness or age, and would like to have communion brought to them, please contact the parish office, so that we can arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to bring communion to them.



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers

*LENNY ROTONDARO, GLENN ALLEN,
RICHARD BALDWIN & ALBERT WALSH*

ALL VICTIMS OF MILITARY ACTIVITY

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

*Please pray for our deceased parishioners
and family members*

*Geraldine Corvo, Joan Dwyer,
Jean Hatch & Aristide Tiambo*

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Why is it still Easter? The lilies have long since faded. The roots of our tradition of fifty days of rejoicing from Easter to Pentecost lie in the seven-day rhythm of the Jewish week, drawn from the six days of creation plus a Sabbath day. A favorite name for the Lord's Day among our ancestors in the faith was The Eighth Day, meaning that in Christ a breakthrough to a new humanity was achieved. With that inner architecture, it makes sense to see Pentecost as a week of weeks, forty-nine days plus one, again signaling that a new age has begun in Christ and the outpouring of his Spirit. The Jewish appreciation for Pentecost gave rise to the Jubilee year, the fiftieth year, when debts were released and prisoners set free. Today, the character of our Easter Sundays is conveyed by joyful Alleluias and the rite of sprinkling at Mass. Long ago, people expressed this joy by suspending all rules of fasting and by never kneeling at liturgy. These customs all point to our conviction that time is holy. There is an elegant balance to the Christian year: forty days of Lenten fast and discipline give way to fifty days of unrestrained rejoicing. That's why it is still Easter!

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Bread & Wine



This Week's Bread & Wine
In Memory of
Maria Encarnacion Litrenta

Offered by
Maria Litrenta

Sanctuary Lamp



This Weeks' Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Matthew Anderson

Offered by
Francine & John Fischer

Baptism Announcements

Next Saturday, *June 1st*, there will be a baptism service at *10:30pm* in the church. At that service we will be baptizing:

Landon Tae-Hyun Kyung
Amelia Sara Griffiths
Siena Fay Yulko
Eloise Agnes Fitzgerald

Please join us in congratulating:
Christian Kyung & Joyce Carrera-Chang
Morgan W. Griffiths & Pamela M. Shaw
Darren F. Yulko & Michelle Kuczyk
James E. Fitzgerald & Elizabeth S. Hayden
on their children's new life in Christ.

Baptism Services are open for members of the parish to join in the welcoming of our newest members.



BANS OF MARRIAGE

I Justin M. Batt
&
Caroline A. Maletta



III Scott Anthony Maul
&
Jessica Ida Galba

Summer Program-Fr. Dugan

COMING ON WEDNESDAYS,
AUGUST 7, 14, and 21 – 7:00-8:30 pm,
ST. MONICA CHURCH,
PARISH CENTER
“ROOTS AND REASONS: EXPLORING
AND AFFIRMING OUR RELIGIOUS
IDENTITY TODAY”



Fr. Jim Dugan, S.J., will return to the Church of St. Monica this summer and offer a program of three one and a one-half hour (1.5) Wednesday evening (7:00-8:30 pm) encounters on August 7, 14, and 21 in the Parish Center (406 East 80th Street, NYC). He invites you to join him and those interested to explore contemporary issues in society and the church in order to affirm a more authentic and purposeful understanding of our human, religious, spiritual, Judeo-Christian and Catholic identity by consulting the Old Testament and the New Testament. In addition, we will engage in a dialogue about our individual and shared identity as God's people. If you wish to attend, please register with the Parish Office and Parish Center (212) 288-6250



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Saturday, June 1st at 5:30PM

All Families & Parishioners are invited

Just a word

From your Pastor May 26th, 2019

Jews and Christians, Eating together!

. . . and for that matter praying together, speaking together, listening to each other and learning from each other. I know that in this world where old hatreds are being pumped full of new life, such interfaith conversation and collaboration sounds like a fantasy, but nevertheless, it is going to happen. In fact, it already has.

Many of you will remember that I went to **Scarsdale Synagogue Temples Tremont and Emanu-el** during the winter on a Friday night for services. There was a potluck dinner, and afterwards both Rabbi Jeffrey Brown and I gave a brief talk on challenges facing our faith traditions. We then opened the evening up to discussion. It was a wonderful night – my only regret was that so few of you could enjoy the evening.

So now you will have the chance! Rabbi Brown and members of his synagogue will be coming here for a night of shared prayer, food and discussion on Wednesday June 19th. We will begin the evening at **6:30pm with sung vespers in the church.** For those of you who are unfamiliar with this prayer service, Vespers are part of the daily cycle of prayer that is part of our Catholic tradition but has its roots in the Jewish tradition of sanctifying the day with prayer at different hours. (By the way, we pray vespers every Friday evening at 5:10pm in the parish center chapel– all are welcome).

This service will be about 35-40 minutes, after which we will adjourn for a pot luck supper. Following that meal Rabbi Brown and I will each give a 10-minute talk – our theme this time is **“things we wish other faith traditions knew about our faith tradition”**. We will then have time afterwards for conversation and questions.

If you wish to attend, we ask you to RSVP – especially if you are going to come to the dinner. In honor of our guests, **our potluck needs to be vegetarian/vegan.** You can make salads, vegetarian casseroles, whatever! Get creative! Desserts are welcome – but remember the vegetarian rule – and of course for those of us who are challenged when it comes to the kitchen, I suppose the 2nd Ave. Deli does take out! I would also ask that they be brought in those throwaway metal pans. We will supply the dinnerware and plates etc. . . . and beverages.

In this way we respect basic kosher law, and our guests' consciences.

Please RSVP at 212.288.6250 by Monday June 17th. When you RSVP please tell us what you will be bringing.

So many of you have commented to me over the past several years how dark you feel our world is becoming. Let this evening be a light in that darkness.

Father Baker