

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

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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 30th, 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

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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 -- Elisha left and followed Elijah as his attendant (1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21).

Psalm -- You are my inheritance, O Lord (Psalm 16).

Second Reading -- Beware that you are not consumed by one another (Galatians 5:1, 13-18).

Gospel -- Go and proclaim the kingdom of God (Luke 9:51-62).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 18:16-33; Ps 103:1b-4, 8-11; Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29

Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8; or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass For the Country or a City, nos. 882-886, or For Peace and Justice, nos. 887-891

Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17

Sunday: Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 [10:1-9]

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY *June 29th Vigil*
5:30PM *Bishop Elliot Thomas*

SUNDAY *Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30AM *Carmel Carick*
9:00AM *Josephine & Carmel Xuereb*
10:30AM *Anthony Gulotta*
12NOON *All Parishioners*
5PM *Jane Mars*

MONDAY *July 1st Weekday*
12NOON *Albany Valderrama*

TUESDAY *July 2nd Weekday*
12NOON *Arnulfo Reyes*

WEDNESDAY *July 3rd St. Thomas*
9:00 AM *Mary Di Vincenzo*

THURSDAY *July 4th Weekday*
9:00AM *George Herrmann*

FRIDAY *July 5th Weekday*
9:00AM *Bridget O'Donoghue*

SATURDAY *July 6th Weekday*
12NOON *Kathleen M. Reddington*

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Junípero Serra; Canada Day

Wednesday: St. Thomas

Thursday: Independence Day

Friday: St. Elizabeth of Portugal; St. Anthony Zaccaria; First Friday

Saturday: St. Maria Goretti; Blessed Virgin Mary; 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

- **We're on break** for the summer....
- **Registration** for next year is now open! Stop by the parish center and check this item off your summer "to do" list.

Next year: K-8 Religious Education and Adult Faith Formation will resume in September at the same time (10:15-11:45am) as the past three years.

Adult Faith Formation (Sunday Morning program) is on summer break – see you in September!

Summer Adult Faith Formation Opportunities:

Roots and Reasons: Exploring and Affirming Our Religious Identity Today – An Adult Faith Formation Series with Fr. Jim Dugan, SJ, August 7, 14, and 21. See details elsewhere in the bulletin.

- **Evening Prayer** – every Friday at 5:10pm in the St. Elizabeth of Hungary Chapel (in the Parish Center on E. 80th Street).

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 for the fall on Sunday mornings, please! Many different opportunities are available, with various time commitments – Contact Maryann to discuss how your gifts might meet our needs.

Traveling? Need to find a Catholic Church? Use <https://masstimes.org> to find a nearby church and Mass times. You can also download their app!

What is Ordinary Time

Kristopher W. Seaman

One of my former professors, in anticipation for the next class session, said we would begin to look at the liturgical calendar-the way the Church tells time. The first topic will be Ordinary Time. Then he said something that will change the way I view, celebrate, and prepare for the Ordinary Time. With excitement he exclaimed, "There is nothing ordinary about Ordinary Time! At the time, I was quite perplexed. What does he mean that Ordinary Time isn't ordinary? Then why called ordinary? This confused undergraduate walked back to his dorm and began feverishly reading for the next class on Ordinary Time.

When we hear the word "ordinary" we tend to think "common", every day, or mundane. In other words, if something is ordinary isn't special. Ordinary from its Latin roots means "order". When order something, we arrange in a sequence. That is, it is numbered. It is ordinal. This same professor suggested that Ordinary Time is Ordinal Time. It is counted time. We now know why it is called Ordinary Time, but it is differentiated from other liturgical seasons and feasts?

The liturgical year is the calendar church uses for seasons, feasts, and solemnities. Various calendars are used for various reasons: civil, school year, lunar (for example, for calculating Chinese New Year and Jewish holidays), etc. The liturgical year basically celebrates one thing: The Paschal Mystery. The Paschal Mystery is Jesus Christ's birth, life, Passion, Resurrection, Ascension, and subsequent sending of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit, promised by Jesus to the Apostle, is the One who brings us into relationship-into communication-with Christ death and Resurrection. This death and Resurrection is the saving event that frees us from sin and death. The Father's raising of Jesus from the dead transcends all time, whom Jesus said the Father will send-invites us into this saving Paschal Mystery.



That means, we are always invited by our Triune God to enter into the depths of the Paschal Mystery. What does the Paschal Mystery have to do with the Ordinary Time?

The Paschal Mystery is so big, so deep, so vast, that we journey through the mystery for a whole year. Sundays in Ordinary Time, as the official document of the liturgical year the *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar* states, "Are devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects (43). The other liturgical season focus in one aspect. For instance, during Lent we focus on turning away from sin in order for our Triune God to transform us into more faithful disciples. Feast for saints celebrate in the exemplary life of a saint who witnessed to Christ Paschal Mystery in his or her very life, sometimes unto death. The 33 or 34 weeks in Ordinary Time then celebrate the whole Paschal Mystery on each Sunday. According to the *Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar*. "Ordinary Time begins Monday after the Sunday following 6 January and continue until Tuesday before Ash Wednesday inclusive. It begins again on Monday after Pentecost and ends before evening prayers I of the First Sunday of Advent" (44). Therefore, Ordinary Time segmented into two parts, with Lent-Holy Week-Easter-Pentecost being in the middle. My former professor was indeed right; there is nothing ordinary about Ordinary Time. Rather, we count the Sunday and the weeks as we celebrate the mystery of Jesus Christ who called us into communion with himself as he leads us through the power of the Holy Spirit to the Father

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

*HELENA JOHNSON, GLENN ALLEN,
& ALBERT WALSH*

ALL VICTIMS OF MILITARY ACTIVITY

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

*Please pray for our deceased parishioners
and family members*

*Msgr. John McCarthy, Rev. Robley Wilson,
Peter Jellison, Donina Moreira
& Yolande Szimis*



Our next Family Mass will be
Saturday, July 6th at 5:30PM

All Families & Parishioners are invited

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Processions are life's journey distilled. We move with companions, aware that Christ accompanies us, as we move to the altar for Communion or to the font for baptism, or carry a loved one to a place of rest. In Europe, the season of pilgrimage is beginning now, and tens of thousands of people are moving by foot on well-worn paths. Some take as long as six weeks to walk the last few hundred miles of the medieval pilgrimage route to the Shrine of St. James the Apostle in Compostella, in northern Spain.

Those who make the journey by foot, hiking, or by bicycle, have a kind of passport stamped at villages and monasteries on the road. When they present this document at the cathedral, they are given the emblem of a pilgrim, the scallop shell of St. James. High over their heads at Mass, a huge botafumero twirls clouds of sweet incense through the cathedral. Cynics say it is to mask the odor of smelly feet. The pilgrims know better. Seeing through the clouds the happy faces of those they met along the road, they recognize a foretaste of the welcome into heaven, and the joy of meeting loved ones in the Kingdom of God.

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Bread & Wine



This Week's Bread & Wine
In Memory of
Kathleen Cassidy

Offered by
Kitty O'Donoghue

Sanctuary Lamp



This Weeks' Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Betty & Peggy Feeney

Offered by
Kitty O'Donoghue

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

Just a word

From your Pastor June 30th, 2019

Christians and Jews, Eating Together (Continued)

You might remember, back in January I and a couple of our parishioners travelled up to Scarsdale for an interfaith evening at the synagogue of Rabbi Jeffrey Brown. I went up for a discussion and literally found a feast – of music, worship, prayer, as well as food and drink. I invited Rabbi Jeffrey and his parishioners to a celebration here.

As you have been hearing in the spoken announcements at mass, that gathering took place Wednesday night a week ago. About 35 of us gathered in the church for Sung Vespers (evening prayer). We read from the book of Genesis and Rabbi Jeffrey preached. Afterwards we adjourned to the parish center for a potluck dinner and an interfaith discussion. Our topic was “Three things we wish other faith traditions knew about our own”. I spoke about the Jewish roots of the Catholic faith. He spoke about the diversity in Judaism its relationship to Jerusalem and Israel. Our talks were very different, but both engendered a great deal of discussion and sharing of personal experiences. Most everyone agreed that such interfaith gatherings should happen more often.

And Holy Mother Church would agree. One of the documents that I quoted from in my talk was the Declaration on the Relation of the Church to non-Christian Religions or *Nostra Aetate*, promulgated by Pope Paul VI during the Second Vatican Council. A major section of this document deals with our relationship with Judaism.

After describing the deep connections Christianity and Judaism share, the declaration continues

“Since the spiritual patrimony common to Christians and Jews is thus so great, this sacred synod wants to foster and recommend that mutual understanding and respect which is the fruit, above all, of biblical and theological studies as well as of fraternal dialogues”.

So the Church wants us to meet and dialogue, to study together, and I guess we can add, eat and drink together!

I hope that even more people join us in future meetings, discussions and meals. In a world where so many build walls, lets listen to the church and start building bridges.

July 4th Week

Just a reminder that July 4th week is a quiet one in the parish. July first begins the new weekday mass schedule. Starting tomorrow there will be only one daily mass.

ON Monday and Tuesday that mass will be at 12 noon. However, since the office is closed Wednesday Thursday and Friday for the Holiday, Mass on those days will be at 9am.

Saturday it is again at 12 noon, and will continue to be after that.

Next Weekend, the New SUNDAY MASS schedule will take effect. Masses will be at 8am, 10am, and 12 noon on Sunday morning. Saturday and Sunday evening masses remain unaffected.

Father Baker