



Church of the Blessed Sacrament Manhattan

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CHURCH: 152 West 71st Street, New York, N.Y. 10023

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MASSES:

SUNDAY Masses: Sat. evening at 5:30 PM
Sunday: 8:30, 10:00 (Family Mass)
11:00 (Spanish), 12:30 (choir) & 5:30 PM
WEEKDAYS: 7:30 AM; 12:10 PM; 5:30 PM
SATURDAYS: 7:30 AM, 12:10 PM
HOLY DAYS & EVES. OF HOLY DAYS: As Announced.

BAPTISM:

Third Sunday of the Month. Arrangements must be made at the Rectory at least two weeks in advance. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics. Parents, and also godparents when possible, must meet with the priest for a Conference before Baptism.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday afternoons 4:30 to 5:15 pm, and anytime at the Rectory.

MARRIAGES:

Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance at the rectory to ensure the date and the hour desired. The Nuptial Mass is the ordinary form of celebrating Christian marriage, and should be strongly considered when making Wedding plans. Attendance at the Pre-Cana Conferences, or the equivalent, is required by the Archbishop.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:

Mondays, before the 12:10 Mass and before the 5:30 pm Mass.
Website: www.blessedsacramentnyc.org
Spanish Programs Website: www.nygente.com
Sunday School Website: www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org

FATIMA DEVOTIONS:

The Rosary is said daily after the 12:10 pm Mass. Friday from 6-7 pm there is a holy hour.

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

First Friday - Exposition: 12:35 pm.
Adoration: All day; Benediction: 5:15 PM.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

We welcome new parishioners, and invite them to register at the Rectory. The registration is our only means of certifying anyone as a member of our parish. If you move to another Parish, or change your address within the Parish, please notify us.

BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL

Our School is located at 147 West 70th Street. For information about the school, please call 212-724-7561.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS:

Classes in Religion for Catholic children/teenagers, Pre-kindergarten -High School take place on Sundays. The Family Mass begins at 10:00 a.m. in the Church followed by class instruction in the school.

Ongoing religious education is important for the religious development of your children. A child must have at least one year of religious instruction before enrolling in the First Communion or Confirmation class.

PARISH BOUNDARIES:

Central Park West to the Hudson River, from the South side of 77th Street down to the North side of 65th Street.



Saturday Eve	June 27th
5:30	Catherine Arcomano+
Sunday	June 28th
8:30	People of the Parish
10:00	Hildegard Pfeiffer +
11:00	Catherine McGill +
12:30	Mr. and Mrs. Richard R. Schilling +
5:30	Intention of Thomas Middelhoff
Monday	June 29th
7:30	Int. of Susan and Padraic Confrey
12:10	Margaret McNeil +
5:30	Mary and Ray Crannell +
Tuesday	June 30th
7:30	David Konczyklo +
12:10	Daniel Marquez
5:30	Intention of Thomas Middelhoff
Wednesday	July 1st
7:30	
12:10	All the Souls in Purgatory
5:30	P. J. Murphy +
Thursday	July 2nd
7:30	People of the Parish
12:10	Visitacion Frias +
5:30	Intention of Thomas Middelhoff
Friday	July 3rd
7:30	
12:10	Georgette Henry +
5:30	Frank Camilleri +
Saturday	July 4th
7:30	No Mass at 7:30 am
12:10	P.J. Murphy +
5:30	Intention Thomas Middelhoff

PARISH NEWS

Dear Parishioners and Friends;

Blessed Sacrament Parish may very well have the best religious education program in the archdiocese. It is certainly one of the largest. Registration is taking place right now. See the announcement in the bulletin for registration information. The program is for all children not being educated in a Catholic school. It is an excellent program that prepares children for reception of the sacraments and it builds a solid base for a lifetime of faith. My thanks to Tina Silvestro who runs this remarkable program.

Today I invite all parishioners to take a tour of the Church basement. We have begun cleaning and fixing up the theater and the hall. I'd like to get your thoughts on how this space could best utilized. It is quite a space, all 10,000 square feet of it, and it is quite beautiful. Stop by after any one of the Masses; the entrance is down the stairs to the left of the rectory.

You've heard about the Pope's new encyclical, *Laudeato Si*. In some respects, it's controversial. I think it is important that we know what the encyclical really says. Our Social Action Committee will soon announce their plans to form a study group for the encyclical. In the meantime, copies of a very good summary document from FOCUS—the Fellowship of Catholic University Students, are on the tables in the back of the church.

Sr. Emi Magnificat, FSP made her Perpetual Profession with the Daughters of St. Paul in Boston, MA. A native Upper Westsider, she enjoyed being a part of Blessed Sacrament Church before joining the Daughters of St. Paul. Kindly keep her in your prayers as she continues on her journey.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos;

Nuestra parroquia Blessed Sacrament tiene lo que puede ser considerado el mejor programa de educación religiosa en la arquidiócesis. En este boletín pueden encontrar toda la información sobre como inscribir a sus hijos/as. Este programa es también para aquellos niños que no están siendo educados en escuelas católicas. Es un programa excelente que prepara a los niños para recibir los sacramentos y les ofrece una base solida para una vida con fe. Mi agradecimiento a Tina Silvestro la administradora de este gran programa.

Quiero invitarlos a que hagan una visita al sótano de nuestra parroquia. Hemos comenzado a limpiar y arreglar el teatro así como el "hall y quisiera escuchar sus ideas sobre como mejor utilizar este espacio. Es bastante grande, 10,000 pies cuadrados y muy bonito. Pueden ir después de una de las Misas; la entrada esta a la izquierda de la rectoría.

Estoy seguro que ya saben de la nueva encíclica del Papa Francis, *Laudeato Si*. En algunos aspectos es controversial. Pienso que es importante entender lo que la encíclica realmente dice. Nuestro Comité de Acción Social anunciara en los proximos

días sus planes de formar un grupo para estudiar la misma. Mientras tanto, pueden encontrar copias de un resumen de FOCUS- “Fellowship of Católica University Students” en las mesas en la parte atrás de la iglesia.

La Hermana Emi Magnificat, FSP ha confirmado el 27 de junio, 2015 su Profesión Perpetua con la orden “Daughters of St. Paul en Boston, MA. Nativa del “Upper West Side” fue parte de Blessed Sacrament. Rueguen por ella y por la paz. Fr. Duffell

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Will begin on Sunday September 13 with the 10:00 am Family Mass in the Church. Religious instruction is held in the school after the Family Mass until 12:15. REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JULY 27. SOME CLASSES WILL FILL UP. WE MAY HAVE TO PLACE YOUR CHILD ON A WAITING LIST AFTER JULY 27. YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD ON THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS.

Re-registration forms and information have been mailed to current students. Information and forms for new students can be picked up at the parish office or found on the Sunday School website:

www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org.

Sunday School teachers and Assistants are needed to serve in this important Parish Ministry. Volunteers who work with children follow a screening process as required by the Archdiocese. Please call Tina Silvestro (212-877-3111) for

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Thinking of becoming a Catholic: Are you Catholic but have not received Communion or Confirmation? Inquiry discussions for adults will begin on Monday, September 28 at 6:30pm. Please ccall Tina Silvestro at the parish office (212-877-3111) to register or seek information.

COLLECTION

Thank you so very much for your generous response to the needs of the parish. Our collection last Sunday was \$9,171. \$2,571 was received through ParishPay for a total of \$11,742.



BOOK CLUB

Our next Book Club will be held **July 2, 6:30 to 8:00pm**, when we will be reading **G.K. Chesterton’s “The Ball and the Cross”**, an allegorical fantasy detailing a heated dispute between a Catholic and an atheist, whose opinions lead to a series of comic misadventures. Entertaining and thought provoking at the same time, it is a vigorous exploration of the debate between theism and atheism, written by G.K. Chesterton, a Catholic convert and called one of the greatest Christian writers of the first half of the twentieth century.

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God did not make death, nor does God rejoice in the destruction of the living (Wisdom 1:13).

So Sunday’s readings begin, but it is not where they end. Rather they end with Jesus offering us not one, but two examples of God’s desire for us to have life and to have it to the full. Not only Jesus revive Jairus’ daughter from death, but he also heals the woman with the hemorrhage. And he does both with a touch. In the case of the child, Jesus takes her hand and invites her to rise. In the case of the woman, she touches Jesus and the healing happens even before Jesus is aware. But when he realizes that “power had gone out of him,” despite the urgency of Jairus’ plea, Jesus takes the time to reassure the woman. That’s how great God’s will for us to live is! And it doesn’t matter if you are old or young, privileged or not, we, too, have the power to touch —hearts, hands and minds. Let’s take the time, as Jesus did to reach out to offer help and to receive it. We may never know the life we enrich, but it will be enriched indeed.

FIRST FRIDAY

This Friday is the First Friday of July. ***We have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 12:10pm Mass*** and adoration during the afternoon. We close with ***Benediction at 5:15pm***. Please come and spend some time in prayer.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

On the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month we have Bereavement Support Groups—**General Bereavement at 5:30pm** and **Perinatal Loss** (for individuals and couples who have lost a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth or newborn death) **at 6:30pm**. Both groups meet in the Rectory. No registration or fee is required.