



Welcome to Holy Name of Jesus Parish

*11th Sunday in
Ordinary Time*
June 13-14, 2026

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MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:30 and 10 am
Weekday: Tues, Thurs: 7:30 am Mass in the
Sts. Cyril & Methodius Chapel (former convent)

Wednesdays – in Church
4:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with
Adoration
4:30pm Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Families are asked to contact the office before the
arrival of your new child for instructions and
registration.

RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays 4:30pm in Church
Saturdays 2:30-3:30pm (Or by appointment)

MARRIAGE

We celebrate Christian love and family with the
Sacrament of Matrimony. Couples should contact
the office one year in advance.

ANointing of the Sick

Anyone who is ill and in need of prayers, comfort
and/or strength should call the office to arrange to
receive this beautiful Sacrament.

HOSPITALIZATION

If you or a loved one is hospitalized or homebound,
please notify us to receive care. We are not notified
due to HIPAA law.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! Please call, visit the office or register
online at www.hnojchurch.org

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Please submit to: parishoffice@hnojchurch.org
Bulletin deadline is Friday at 4:00pm

Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you
lands,
serve the LORD
with gladness.
Come before Him with joyful song.
Know that the LORD is God,
and His faithfulness, to all gener-
ations.



He made us His we are.
His people the flock
He tends.
The LORD is good,
His kindness endures
forever
We are His people the sheep of
His flock
Psalm 100: 1-2. 3. 5

Liturgical Services This Week

Mon 06/15	Tues 06/16	Wednesday 06/17	Thursday 06/18	Friday 06/19	Saturday 06/20	Sunday 06/21
Parish Office Closed	7:30am Mass +Andrew and Veronica Charnitski r/b daughter, Cathy and family Mass celebrated in Sts. Cyril & Methodius Chapel	4:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Eucharistic Adoration and Reconciliation 5:30pm Mass of the Day +Mary Karwin r/b daughter, Gert Balamaci Services celebrated in Church	7:30am Mass Intentions of Joe Wingard Mass celebrated in Sts. Cyril & Methodius Chapel	Chapel open for private prayer 9:00am- 2:00pm	2:30-3:30pm Reconciliation 4:00pm Mass +Robert Sember r/b Jaye Staffey and family the Deceased of the parish	7:30am Mass For Living and Deceased fathers of our parish 10:00am Mass For Living and Deceased fathers of our parish 

MASS INTENTIONS



4:00pm +John C. Hough
7:30am +Nguyen Thi Cham
And the Deceased of the parish
10:00am +Volene Beauvais and Henry Darcelien

THIS WEEK'S CANDLE INTENTIONS

Sanctuary Tabernacle Candle

In Loving Memory of Joseph S. Gerak

Chapel Tabernacle Candle

*Prayerful support for students, teachers and
administrative staff as the school year comes
to a close*



Sacred Heart of Jesus Candle

*For Pope Leo's June prayer intention that sports will be an
instrument of peace, of encounter, and lead to dialogue
among cultures and nations so that they promote values
such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.*

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Candle

In Loving Memory of Shirley Rainer

St Joseph Shrine Candle

*For all suffering the effects of war and violence and for those
who come to their aid*

St Michael Candle *For the intentions of the Members of
Council 2370 Knights of Columbus*

**On the Occasion of the U.S. Bishops Consecrating the
United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus**
As part of the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the
signing of the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. bishops
will consecrate the United States of
America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

You know the longings of our hearts,
and you desire that we enjoy
friendship with you.

From your pierced side, you have
poured out the wellspring of life, for
which we thirst.

Your heart burns with a love for all people to return to a
right relationship with you.

We celebrate the abundant gifts you have given this nation,
founded on the self-evident truths that our Creator has
endowed all people with the right to life, liberty, and the
pursuit of happiness.

We make reparation for the offenses against you and against
human dignity that have taken place in this nation.

May our hearts be united to yours, so that our families and
communities enjoy peace and happiness;
may broken relationships be reconciled, injustices repaired,
and the wounds of our land be healed.

May your holy Catholic Church serve as a sign, pointing all
people to your infinite love.

O Desire of Nations and Center of History, we ask you to
bless these United States of America.

Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Living the Gospel - Apostles, not disciples Matthew 9:36-10:8



There is a lovely distinction in this gospel
passage between disciples and apostles.
Jesus calls his twelve disciples, commissions
them and sends them out to continue his
work. From then on, they are referred to as
"apostles." Disciples are followers, but
apostles have been sent out. In our own lives
we are called to accept the challenge of being apostles, not
disciples. For we are not just followers, we have been sent
out by Jesus to continue his work. To be a disciple is just the
first step. Disciples follow a path; apostles, by the grace of
the Holy Spirit take the initiative and forge their own path.

**In what way does this commissioning apply to you
today? What are you "sent" to do?**

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CORPUS CRISTI PROCESSION

The feast of Corpus Christi was established by Pope Urban IV in 1264, prompted by St. Thomas Aquinas to focus solely on the joy of the Eucharist. Carrying the Blessed Sacrament outside the church walls symbolizes Christ walking among His people in their daily lives. It originated in the early 14th century.

<https://archdpdx.org/corpus-christi>

Thank you for joining us in song and prayer and special thanks to our Choir members, Joanne, Dorothy, Dolores, Caren, Diana, Nancy, our cantors, Lindsey and Ben and our choir director and organist Bob Cloutier for the beautiful music.

*You satisfy the hungry heart
With gift of finest wheat; Come
give to us, O saving Lord,
The bread of life to eat.*



We congratulate and ask God's blessing upon Jennifer and Paul Scioletti who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary



PROCLAIM THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Apostles..confused..flock..Gentiles..harvest..heal instructions..Judas..Peter..shepherd..twelve..workers

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Parish Financial Support

IN-CHURCH June 6-7

Sunday	\$	1,751.00
Monthly	\$	950.00
Other	\$	20.00

MAIL IN/DROP OFF June 1-7

Sunday	\$	628.00
Monthly	\$	160.00
Other	\$	201.00

ONLINE GIVING - June 1-7

Sunday	\$	732.00
Monthly	\$	68.00
Other	\$	.00

TOTAL INCOME: \$ **4,510.00**

Parish Annual Collection \$15,165



Thank you! Your generosity is a blessing
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 AND CLICK ON "GIVE"

Upcoming Events...Mark Your Calendar!

Wednesdays 4:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
4:30-5:00pm Reconciliation Available
5:30pm Mass



June 14 Parish Nurses at 10:00am Mass

June 15 CT Food Share Mobile Pantry
 HNoJ Parking lot 9:15-10:15am

June 20 Men's Reflection

June 20 HNoJ Car Show

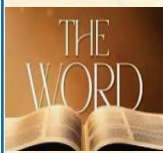
June 20 Altar Server Meeting

June 20-21 Coffee And...

June 21 Father's Day

June 22 Lord's Kitchen

June 27-28 Monthly Food Collection



MEN'S REFLECTION GROUP - Upcoming

Date: June 20th Guys are invited to gather at 7:45am in the Parish Community Room – Reflections on the Readings at 8:00, and we finish at 9:00am.



BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. JIM

Sunday, June 21

11:30am-12:45pm

Lesson 4 (pages 76-84)



Regular June offertory envelopes include Monthly Outreach, Monthly Repairs & Improvements, Holy Father (Peter's Pence)

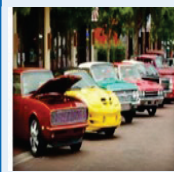


HNoJ Parish Annual Collection 2026/2027 Parish Campus Safety Repairs



Our 2026/2027 Parish Annual Collection envelope will be included in the July envelope mailing. Our goal is to raise \$17,500 to help repair several areas of the church grounds including the handicap ramp to the Church, sidewalks, staircases and railings at the church, hall and parish office. We want all our parishioners to feel safe and comfortable when entering and leaving the grounds.

Your generosity will help ensure that our parish grounds remain safe, welcoming, and accessible for all.



HOLY NAME OF JESUS 17TH ANNUAL CAR SHOW

June 20 11am - 2pm

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Car Show is open to **ALL CARS**

Car Donation \$15

Larry Wells 203.395.7073



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ~ Upcoming Event

Saturday, October 31, 2026

Classic Car Show 11am – 2pm

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Larry Wells Deputy Grand Knight

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2026 "ON-AIR" GALA EVENT, FEATURING SAMUEL BLAIR: NAVY SEAL, LEADERSHIP EXPERT

Listen to the Bishop's podcasts

"Let Me Be Frank", offering discussions on current Catholic news, reflections on Sunday's Gospel, and answers to listener questions.



We have raised \$30,901 towards our Annual Bishop's Appeal goal of \$37,500.

This represents 82% of our goal from 80 donors. If you haven't yet made a donation or a pledge, prayerfully consider a gift. All gifts large or small will help us reach our goal. **Our parish In-Pew will be held this weekend June 13 & 14**



Fr. Jim's Column—Just One More Thing"

Dear Parish Family, last Sunday afternoon on June 7th, I witnessed a new birth, the birth of a new Neocatechumenal Way community that will begin its life here in our parish. We welcome Bruno, Elsa, Liz, Luke, Kenny, Chris, Luis, Joseph, Hannah, Diana, Sebastian, Emmanuel, and Eilse. The conception and gestation of this new community included many weeks of catechesis which helped those attending to more deeply enter into God's gifts of baptism and Eucharist as well as the power and necessity of daily reading the sacred scriptures, and weekly participation in Sunday Mass. Along this way, there was a celebration of the sacrament of reconciliation, a liturgy of reception of the Bible celebrated by Bishop Caggiano, and a final weekend convivence (retreat) which at the end each person freely expressed whether or not to be one of the new community. As pastor here at Holy Name of Jesus parish, I will be their spiritual father and shepherd too. I am truly grateful to have this new Neocatechumenal Way community present in our parish. The initial members are all young 20 and 30 something Catholics who I hope will attract other young adults and families to our parish.



On another note, some of you are a little surprised that it cost the Diocese of Bridgeport \$70,000 each year to form just one of our 38 seminarians. Seems like a lot, right? Well, it is, but not really. Let me explain.

Most men who seek to be accepted by a bishop for formation to the priesthood are younger, either just entering college or still in college. Once a bishop accepts a man for priestly formation, all costs for his formation including any remaining college courses to complete his degree is paid by the diocese. This is because now a seminarian you begin to lay down your entire life for Christ and his Church. You come under obedience to your bishop who expresses his gratitude for your yes to God's will for you under his authority, and the gratitude of all the faithful throughout the diocese, by having the diocese provide everything you need during all your seminary years whether that includes earning a college degree and completing major seminary theology studies, or just major seminary. Of course, these requirements only take up 9 months out of each year. In the summer, a seminarian is assigned by the bishop to a parish for hands-on pastoral formation as well as other necessary continuing spiritual formation in retreats, pilgrimages, as well as continuing human formation gathering all the seminarians together for healthy social events. I could tell you more, but you get the picture.

Yep, \$70,000 a year per seminarian is a lot dough. But really Bishop Caggiano and all of us are getting a really good buy. For every seminarian who discerns and perseveres to ordination to the priesthood, Bishop Caggiano and all of us reap a truly heavenly rate of return on our investment in the lives of these faithful, generous, and self-sacrificing men who through their priestly ministry will nourish and guide us to be ready to be called home by Jesus into eternal life. Thank you for your financial support of our seminarians and many others in need through the 2026 Bishop's Appeal. But Bishop Cagianno and I are even more grateful for your prayers and spiritual sacrifices that are needed even more for our seminarians. God bless+



We are St. Mary Recycle Mission Group and we have been working with Catholic churches, Convents, Schools, The Knights of Columbus, and other organizations, as well as with Parishioners who have things at home in helping rescue and recycle used Religious items that are no longer needed. For over 30 years, we have helped recycle items from Churches that are no longer being used, or from Churches that unfortunately closed, as well as from Parishioners who need to place their personal religious items from home that they don't know what to do with. We originally got started after finding several items cleared out from a church basement in the dumpster of a local church all in perfectly usable condition. We later found that there is a need for these unwanted items. Our first large effort was following Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans as we sent hundreds of recycled items to a parish there that was more than happy to accept items for both the parish and parishioners. We can take in or give just about anything

of Religious nature such as:- Holy Cards, Framed Religious Pictures, Used Musical Instruments (No Pianos or Organs)- Prayer book, Breviaries/Catholic Encyclopedias, Crucifixes, - Holy Medals, Statues (any size, no outdoor concrete statues) Rosaries (damaged ok) (Please No Religious Books/Reading Books/Story Books, Hymnals, Pamphlets/Magazines/DVD's, VHS Tapes, Greeting Cards, Christmas items or Wax Candles). Thank you, *Kimberly Walters*, St Mary Mission, Lancaster PA.

St Mary Mission will be in our area mid July. Please hold any donations you may have until the second week of July.

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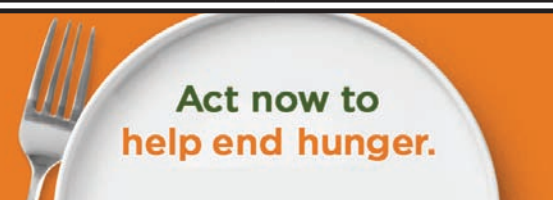
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