

# Holy Name Of Jesus Catholic Church



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**We welcome all  
in fellowship, sharing our gifts,  
and reflecting God's love.**



*The Josephites*  
Society of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart



**Holy Name of Jesus School**

Holy Name of Jesus Church is a Roman Catholic community rooted in a rich tradition of African American spirituality. We hear the call which Pope Paul VI spoke to all the sons and daughters of Africa: "You must give your gift of Blackness to the whole Church."

As a family of diverse African and Hispanic heritages, we are dedicated to proclaiming the saving message of Jesus Christ through spirit-filled worship, evangelization, Catholic education, and social justice outreach that respects, values, appreciates, and celebrates the cultural heritages of our diverse community

## January 21, 2024

**"REPENT  
and BELIEVE  
in the  
GOSPEL"**

**MARK 1:15, ESV**

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Pastoral Administration

Very Rev. Kenneth C. Ugwu, SSJ.  
Pastor

Rev. Chrysanthus Ugorji,  
Associate Pastor

Deacon Douglass Johnson  
Deacon José Penate  
Deacon Hosea Alexander (Rtd).

Mrs. Marilyn Cedeno, JD  
Principal, Holy Name School

Mrs. Catherine Brown,  
Director Religious Formation

Mrs. Nelly Molina  
Administrative Assistant

### Mass Schedule

**Saturday Vigil** - 4:30pm

**Sunday:** 9:00am – English  
12:00pm – Spanish

**\*Holy Rosary**— 30 minutes  
before Sunday masses.

### **Daily Morning Mass:**

Tuesday—Friday - 7:30am

**School Mass—Wed—8.15am**

**Confessions:** Saturdays  
4:10pm – 4:30pm  
or by appointment.

### **Office Hours**

Monday – Friday

9:00am – 6:00pm

Saturday & Sunday Closed

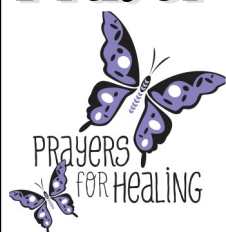
### Sacraments

Any parishioner who wishes to arrange a **Wedding** must contact the priest at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date. Parents desiring **Baptism** for their children are encouraged to contact the office to arrange for the required preparation class for parents and Godparents. When a **Funeral** is to be celebrated, please contact the priest before contacting the Funeral Home. Funerals are not permitted on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation.

### **Mass Scripture Readings for the Week (Jan 22—Jan 28)**

<b>Monday</b>	2 Samuel 5:1-7,10 Psalm 89 Mark 3:22-30
<b>Tuesday</b>	2 Samuel 6:112-19 Psalm 24 Mark 3:31-35
<b>Wednesday</b>	2 Samuel 7:4-17 Psalm 89 Mark 4:1-20
<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 22:3-16 Psalm 117 Mark 16:15-18
<b>Friday</b>	2 Timothy 1:1-8 Psalm 96 Mark 4:26-34
<b>Saturday</b>	2 Samuel 12:1-17 Psalm 51 Mark 4:35-41
<b>Sunday</b>	Deuteronomy 18:15 Psalm 95 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 Mark 1:21-29

## **Prayer Corner**



*Intercessory prayer is a vital part of our mission at Holy Name of Jesus.*

*We update our prayer and sick list on a regular basis. If you want to be on the list, please email or call the parish office by Wednesday of each week.*

Francis Awe, Oliska (Muffin) Batiste, Carol Batiste, Vincent Cocom, Anita Alexander, Hosea Alexander, Charisse Alexander, Michael Arnold, Wendy Bedford, Alida Blunt, Frederick Bradley, Anthony Braithwaite, Sara Brazier, Cathi Brewster, Kim Brown, Lisa Brown, Rosa Chavarin, Julia Cocom, Jennie Dudley, Keira Easley, Raheim Enriquez, Anna Esquviel, Arthur Ferguson, Ashley Ferguson, Madisyn Grant, Jim Higgins, Eddie Hilley, DeShawn Haylock, Gloria Irvine, Barbara James, Krystal James & family, Dcn Douglass & Sherrie Johnson, Olga Johnson, Herbie & Nedie King, Adrian Klemm, Lorraine Klemm, Sharon Lee, Maria Lopez, Frank LeSassier, Jr., Terrell Love III, Rick Mellett, Marilyn Leon-Middleton, Dimitri Morrison, Antonia Noguera, Godwin Orke, Ochuko Orkeh, Nia Porter, Brenda Robinson, Perla Sander, Antionette Sanders, Constance Sandifold, Andy & Audrey Shaw, Dana Sims, Jonel Seon, Sandra Simmons, Loise Smith, Yolanda Smith, Grant Soberanis Jr., Fredrick Stafford, Debra Stewart, Kamilie Swift, Pat Swinson, Janice Thornhill, Anyaa Trahan, Joanna Vello, Tammy Brown-Ware and Treavon Ware, Valerie Walters, Sandra Wheeler, Alan Whitney, Oscar Williams, Jeanne Wiltz, and Regina Wiltz.

### Bulletin Announcements

All Bulletin announcements Must be in the Parish Office one week before the published date.

**Scam Alert!!** Beware of any suspicious email or text messages.  
Call the office for verification.

### **Mass Intentions**

All Mass intentions must be submitted to the Parish Office on or before Thursday.

### **Holy Hour / Adoration**

First Friday of every Month  
8-9AM & 7-8 PM

Rosary and Blessed Sacrament

# Sunday Reflection

Today's Gospel describes how Jesus called his first disciples and the immediacy with which these men dropped everything to follow him. We can only begin to imagine what Jesus' presence must have been like to invoke such a response in these first disciples. While a few of us might relate to such a radical conversion, many of us would find such a sudden change in ourselves or in another person unsettling. There are few things for which we would willingly drop everything. And yet this is the immediacy with which these first disciples responded to Jesus. These first disciples were willing to drop everything in order to make Jesus and the Kingdom of God the most important things in their lives.

Gather as a family and talk about circumstances in which you have had to "drop everything." (the call to pick up a sick child from school, the cry of a hurt or angry child) How did you feel about having to change your plans in each of these situations? How do we feel when someone asks us to drop everything to help him or her? For many of us, it is not easy to drop everything to respond to the needs of another.

Read today's Gospel, Mark 1:14–20. Invite your family to imagine what Jesus' presence and invitation to these first followers must have been like that they responded by leaving their livelihood to become his disciples. How might our life change if we understood the Kingdom of God to be as important and immediate in our lives? Ask God to help you experience the Kingdom of God with such immediacy. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

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Today we begin a continuous reading of Mark's Gospel that will carry us through this segment of the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. Remember that in Cycle B of the Lectionary, most of the Gospel readings are taken from the Gospel according to Mark.

The Gospel of Mark does not begin with a narrative about Jesus' birth. Instead Mark begins by reporting on the preaching of John the Baptist. John is described as the voice in the wilderness sent to prepare the way of the Lord. Immediately after describing the work of John the Baptist, Mark reports on Jesus' baptism and his temptation in the desert. Jesus' public ministry begins after the arrest of John the Baptist. Mark wants his readers to understand the important connection between the end of the ministry of John the Baptist and the beginning of Jesus' own ministry.

## Stewardship Update

**Weekly Goal—\$10,000**

**January 14, 2024**

Actual Collection \$ 5,455.00  
+ \$ 4,545.00.

**Two Previous Years:**

January 15, 2023      \$ 9,966.00

January 16, 2022      \$ 5,423.00

**Thank you for your generous stewardship. Your church needs your financial support.**



## Online Giving

The link is: <https://www.holynameofjesus la.org/onlinegiving>

### Online Giving

A Secure & Convenient Way to Contribute to Your Parish Online donations may be made at any time from the comfort of your own home or any place with internet access. Online donations are credited to your tax statement for the end of the year (except when made anonymously), and you can change your account preferences and donation amounts at any time.

### Benefits of Online Giving include:

- No need to hassle with checks or cash
  - 24/7 web-based access
- Easily schedule recurring donations to coincide with your pay period
  - Credit card option allows you to take advantage of rewards such as air miles or cash bonuses
- No need to share bank account information because you enter it directly into the Online Giving secure site
  - Allows you to give even if you are unable to attend parish services
- Try Parish Text-To-Give by texting your donation to 323-897-161

**Give Online** 



## Religious Education

. Learn more about your faith by becoming a catechist, for Sacramental Preparation, Confirmation and Youth Ministry, call Cathy Brown for more information.

**CCD class is on Saturday, January 27th' If your child is making First Holy Communion this year, there is a mandatory class meeting on January 27th from 9:30 to 11:00 am**

**Confirmation 1st and 2nd year** Class ia this Thursday, Jan. 18th and on Feb., 1st at 7pm in the Acacia Center.

**RCIA** for those persons seeking to become catholic or learn about the faith.— **January 16th-Topic– Sacrament of Confirmation**

**The parish telephone live conference number is (267) 807-9598; and the Access Number is 590725113#. Please note that we are live streaming on YouTube.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Please remember to join Praying of the Holy Rosary 30 minutes before each mass in the church. May our Blessed Virgin Mary continue to inter-**

**The members of the Parish Pastoral council will meet on Tuesday, January 23, at 7:00PM in the Acacia Center.**

**The members of the Adult Choirs (Morning Star and Spanish Choir) will meet on Wednesday, January 24, at 7:00Pm in the Hall. We welcome new members.**

**The members of the Mini-Kitchen St. Theresa will meet on Thursday, January 25, at 6:00PM in the Acacia Center. We welcome new members.**

**Heather Hutt the Council Woman for District 10 is hosting a meeting greet on January 28, at 11:00AM in the parish hall. All are invited to this event. We will have free tacos and beverages.**



## Holy Name School

### HNOJ is Enrolling PreK—8th Grade

HNOJ wants to thank all the parish-ioners who helped purchase our new religion books. May God bless you for your generosity.

Family Mass January 28th—  
Beginning of Catholic Schools  
Week celebrating community,  
vocations, students. Our nation/  
families, teachers/staff/volunteers.

Please pray for our 8th graders as  
they begin to take High School  
Entrance Exams,



### Guidelines for online interaction with young people

Appropriate behavior online is critical to maintaining boundaries and being a trusted adult to the young people in your care. Do not use your personal social media account to “friend” or “follow” the children you work with. Do not email from a personal email address. If you do interact with young people online, do not comment on their social media accounts or use them to obtain more information or start conversations. If your organization does not have rules about social media use for employees, work with management to put some in place. For more, read the VIRTUS® article “Social Media Rules to Follow with Children” at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

**CHAIRPERSON**  
**Thomas St. Julien**