

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

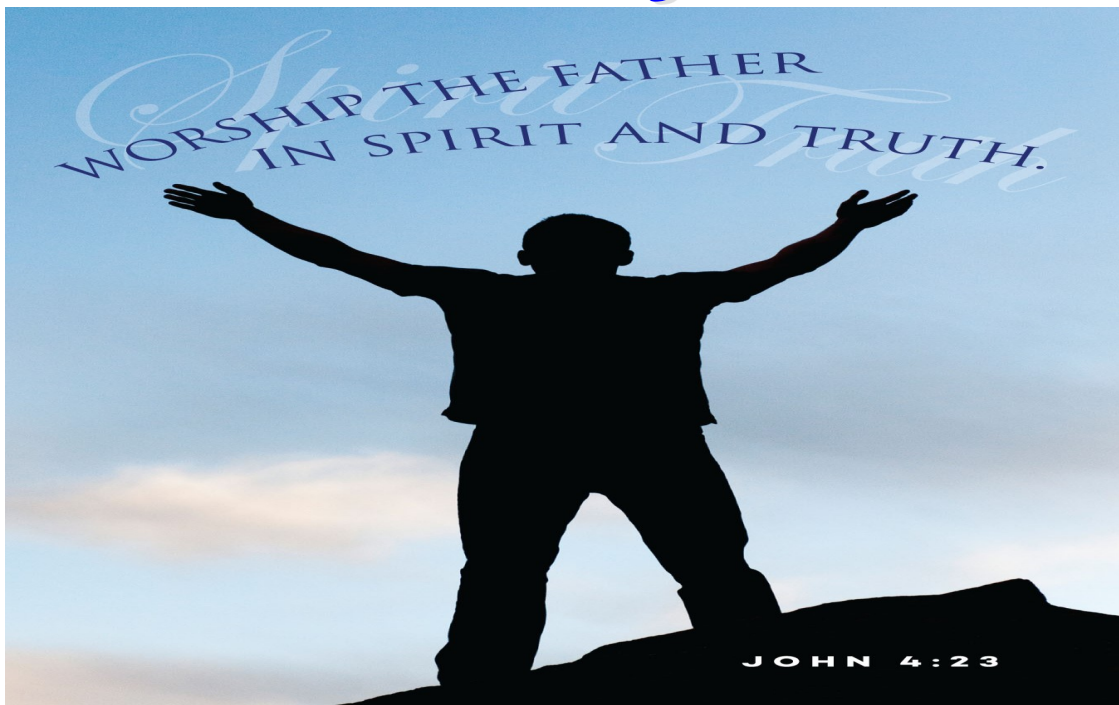


Holy Name of Jesus School

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

March 3, 2024



Third Sunday of Lent

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 (Mar 4—Mar 10)

Monday	2 Kings 5:1-15 Psalm 42,43 Luke 4:24-30
Tuesday	Daniel 3:25,34-43 Psalm 25 Matthew 18:21-35
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 4:1-9 Psalm 147 Matthew 5:17-19
Thursday	Jeremiah 7:23-28 Psalm 95 Luke 11:14-23
Friday	Hosea 14:2-10 Psalm 81 Mark 12:28-34
Saturday	Hosea 6:1-6 Psalm 51 Luke 18:9-14
Sunday	2 Chronicles 36:14 Psalm 137 Ephesians 2:4-10 John 3:14-21

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 Devotion.

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, Catherine 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.

Sunday Reflection

.Today's Gospel invites us to reflect upon our worship of God. For Jesus and his Jewish contemporaries, the Temple was an important, holy place where they gathered to worship God. The Christian understanding of worship was transformed in light of Jesus' Resurrection. In the Christian understanding, God is worshiped in a person, the person of Jesus Christ. As we read in today's Gospel, Jesus is himself the Temple that will be destroyed, but in three days God will raise him up again.

As you gather as a family, talk about places and times when you have experienced God's presence. After his Resurrection, Jesus' disciples understood that Jesus was present with them as they gathered to pray and especially when they gathered to share a meal. Read together today's Gospel, John 2:13-25. Jesus teaches us in today's Gospel that he is God's presence with us. Thank God for Jesus' presence with us, especially in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

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In today's Gospel we read about how Jesus overturned the tables of the merchants and the moneychangers in the Temple at Jerusalem. In order to understand the relevance of Jesus' action, we must learn more about the activities that were going on in the temple area. Worship at the Temple in Jerusalem included animal sacrifice, and merchants sold animals to worshipers. Moneychangers exchanged Roman coins, which bore the image of the Roman emperor, for the temple coins that were needed to pay the temple tax.

Jesus' action at the Temple in Jerusalem is recorded in all four Gospels and is often understood to be among the events that led to Jesus' arrest and Crucifixion. The Gospel of John, however, places this event much earlier in Jesus' public ministry than do the Synoptic Gospels. In John's Gospel this event occurs at the very beginning of Jesus' ministry, after his first miracle at the wedding feast at Cana.

We must read the Gospel of John carefully, especially in its presentation of Jesus' relationship to Judaism. The Gospel of John tends to reflect greater tension and animosity between Jesus and the Jewish authorities than the Synoptic Gospels. The Gospel of John was the last of the four Gospels to be written, and its narrative reflects the growing divide between the Jewish community and the early Christian community. Thus, greater emphasis on the distinction between Christianity and Judaism is found in John's Gospel.

Stewardship Update

Weekly Goal—\$10,000

February 25, 2024

Actual Collection \$ 7,195.00
- \$ 2,805.00

Two Previous Years:

February 19, 2023 \$ 5,602.00
February 20, 2022 \$ 6,132.00

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



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 on Saturday, March 2nd, 9th and 16th. First Communion Parent Meeting on Saturday, March 16, 2024 from 9:30-1100am

Confirmation 1st and 2nd year classes March 7th and 21st. Big Bear Retreat will be on March 22-24th.. Confirmation is on Friday, April 19th at 7 pm at St Bernadette Catholic Church.

RCIA will be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 7 pm in the Acacia Center. Topic the Eucharist –speaker Deacon Jim Carper and Father Ugwu on anointing of the sick and Reconciliation. Please continue to pray for our catechumens

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 intercede for us.

The members of the Worship Committee will meet on Monday, March 4th, at 7:00pm in the Acacia Center. We welcome new members.

The members of the Altar Society will meet on Saturday, March 9th, at 10:00am in the Acacia Center. We welcome new members.

The members of the CCD and RCIA Ministry will meet on Saturday, March 9th, at 11:15am in the Acacia Center. We welcome new members.

Next week we will have a Second Collection for Fish Fry. The whole Tilapia is now available also at our fish dinner sales every Friday. Please come!



Holy Name School

**HNOJ is Enrolling
PreK—8th Grade**

.HNOJ school mass will be on the third Sunday this month March 17th.

During Lent students will do a live stations of the cross on Fridays on March 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd at 2pm. **On Friday, March 8th Stations will be at 11:00 am All are welcome**

Scrip gift cards are available for sale by special order or from stock on hand see attached list.

School fundraiser –selling cheese-cake and other items until Mar. 11th please see any student for purchase



Learning from survivors' stories

Listening to the stories of victim-survivors is one way in which we can acknowledge what has happened to them and the impact the abuse has had in their lives; hearing these sacred stories can also help us to find patterns that empower stronger safeguarding measures, such as understanding how and where abusers gained access to their victims, how they groomed them, and what safeguards either failed or were not in place to properly protect a victim. For more information, read the VIR-TUS® article "Learning from True Stories of Victims/Survivors" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

**CHAIRPERSON
Thomas St. Julien**