Holy Name Of Jesus Catholic Church



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



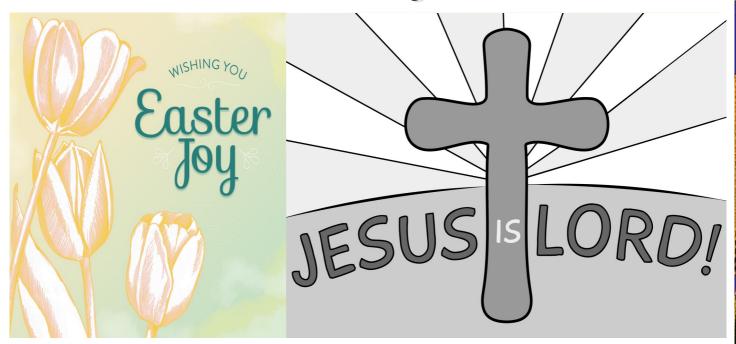


Holy Name of Jesus School

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 31, 2024



Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

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

Drayer 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, Nicole Nash,

Antonia Noguera, Godwin Orke, Ochuko Orkeh, Nia Porter, Brenda Robinson, Perla Sander, Antionette Sanders, Constance Sandifold, Andy & Audrey Shaw, Shanee Shepherd, 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 Vellos, 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.

<u>Scam Alert!!</u> Beware of any suspicious email or text messages. Call the office for verification.

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 (Apr 1- Apr 7)

Monday	Acts 2:14, 22-23 Psalm 16 Matthew 28:8-15
Tuesday	Acts 2:36-41 Psalm 33 John 20:11-18
Wednesday	Acts 3:1-10 Psalm 105 Luke 24:13-35
Thursday	Acts 3:11-26 Psalm 8 Luke 24:35-48
Friday	Acts 4:1-12 Psalm 118 John 21:1-14
Saturday	Acts 4:13-21 Psalm 118 Mark 16:9-15
Sunday	Acts 4:32-35 Psalm 118 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31

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.

Sunday Reflection

In the Easter Gospel we hear about how the disciples found the tomb empty three days after Jesus' death. We are also told that they do not yet understand the Scriptures or that Jesus had been raised from the dead. That understanding gradually unfolded for the disciples as they began to experience the risen Lord. Similarly, our understanding of Jesus' Resurrection unfolds for us throughout our lives. In the weeks ahead, we will hear how the first disciples moved from confusion, doubt, and skepticism to faith. Their experience can teach us how we too might receive this gift of faith from God.

Gather your family members and ask them to share what they know about the events that happened in the days after Jesus' crucifixion. Invite your family to imagine that they are among Jesus' first disciples. Read together today's Gospel, John 20:1-9. Reflect together on the Gospel with questions such as these: If you had been among the first disciples who heard that the stone had been removed from Jesus' tomb and that Jesus' body was no longer there, what would you think? What did Mary of Magdala, Simon Peter, and the disciple whom Jesus loved think had happened? Recall that this experience is the first indication Jesus' disciples have that he is risen. Throughout the Easter season, we will learn more about how the disciples came to believe that Jesus had been raised from the dead.

Pray together using today's psalm, Psalm 118: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."

Today we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not necessarily meant to offer proof of the Resurrection. The details invite us to reflect upon a most amazing gift, that is faith in Jesus and his Resurrection.

Each of the four Gospels tells us that Jesus' empty tomb was first discovered by women. This is notable because in first-century Jewish society women could not serve as legal witnesses. In the case of John's Gospel, the only woman attending the tomb is Mary of Magdala. Unlike the Synoptic accounts, John's Gospel does not describe an appearance of angels at the tomb. Instead, Mary is simply said to have observed that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved, and she runs to alert Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. Her statement to them is telling. She assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

Stewardship Update

Weekly Goal—\$10,000

March 24, 2024
Actual Collection \$ 5,524.00
- \$ 4,476.00
Two Previous Years:
March 26, 2023 \$ 4,871.00
March 27, 2022 \$ 5,005.00

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

,CCD class on Saturday, April, 6th, 13th, and 20th.

Confirmation Classes for 1st and 2nd year 0n April 4th and 18th at 7pm. Confirmation is on Friday, April 19th at 7 pm at St Bernadette Catholic Church. Please pray for these confirmation candidates and their families: Bosco, Joseph, Gallego, O'Ryan, Gomez, Braelyn, Gonzalez, Melissa, Mora, Daniel, Padilla, Steven, Perez, Andrea, Perez, Brayan, Perez, Daniel, Rodriquez, Luis, Quijano Izabelle, Yohannes, Ejam.

RCIA -Newly received, at the Easter Vigil Cesar Gomez, Bree-Anna Harris, Slyvia Harris and Debbie Norman. Clyde Dudley and Cesar Zayala received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please continue to pray for them and their families.

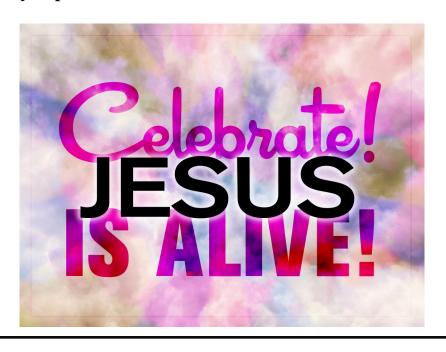
The parish telephone live conference number is (267) 807-9598; and the Access Number is 590725113#. Please note that we are live streaming on YouTube.

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 Worship Committee meeting will be rescheduled and the new date will be announced

The Eucharistic Ministry will meet on Saturday, April 6th at 10:00am in the Acacia Center.



Holy Name School

HNOJ is Enrolling PreK—8th Grade

Holy Name of Jesus school will be on Easter Vacation from Monday, March 25, 2024, we will return to school on Monday, April 8, 2024.

Please keep our principal, Marilyn Cedeno in your prayers, her brother Oliver passed away last week.

HNOJ Tk-8th grade school will be going on a field trip to the California Science Center in April.

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



Abuse may be hiding behind positive behavioral changes

Last week, we looked at negative behavioral changes that could be red flags for abuse. It is important for caregivers to remember that some seemingly positive changes could also be signs of abuse, such as when a child tries to "be perfect" so as to avoid a feared consequence or in some way "control" circumstances so as to avoid or minimize further exposure to a traumatic situation. To learn more, read the VIR-TUS® article "Being Attentive to Children and Youth" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

> CHAIRPERSON Thomas St. Julien