Holy Name Of Jesus Catholic Church



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We welcome all
in fellowship, sharing our gifts,

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

October 18, 2026



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6
Psalm, Psalms 96
1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b
Matthew 22:15-21

Pastoral Administration

Rev. Bura Koroba, SSJ.
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

Mrs. Jessye Stafford
Pastoral Council Chairperson

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
Wed— School Mass - 8.15am

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

Office Hours

Monday – Friday
9:00am – 4:00pm
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 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, Ganine Arnold, Carol Oliska (Muffin) and Vanessa Batiste, Vincent Cocom, Anita Alexander, Hosea Alexander, Charisse Alexander, Camille Alvarado, Michael Arnold, Wendy Bedford, Brandon Blount, Alida Blunt, Frederick Bradley, Anthony Braithwaite, Sara Brazier, Catherine Brewster, Kim Brown, Lisa Brown, Helen Mosley Brown, Cheryl Broyard, Holly Budge, Rosa Chavarin, Julia Cocom, Claire Collins, Riz De Leon, Marsha E. Domingue, Jennie Dudley, Keira Easley, Raheim Enriquez, Anna Esquviel, Sean Eugene, Marlon Fajardo, Arthur Ferguson, Ashley Ferguson, Madisyn Grant, Sylvia Garbutt, Victor Garbutt, Logan Harris, Jim Higgins, Eddie Hilley, DeShawn Haylock, Barbara James, Krystal James & family, Dcn Douglass & Sherrie Johnson, Olga Johnson, L.J. Johnson, Jose Precise, Herbie & Nedie King, Adrian Klemm, Lorraine Klemm, Sharon Lee, Maria Lopez, Jr., Terrell Love III, Amy Mahoney, Rick Mellett, Leola Mercadel, Marilyn Leon-Middleton, Bernard Mitchell, Dimitri Morrison, Amy Mahoney, Antonia Noguera, Godwin Orkeh, Aida Palarca, John Derrick Palarca, Nia Porter, Jeanmarie Phillips, Brenda Robinson, Perla Sander, Constance Sandifold, Audrey Shaw, Dana Sims, Jonel Seon, Sandra Simmons, Loise Smith, Yolanda Smith, Grant Soberanis Jr., Fredrick Stafford, Kamilie Swift, Pat Swinson, Gilberto Tatenco, Leroy Titus, Anyaa Trahan, Joanna Vellos, Tammy & Treavon Ware, Valerie Walters, Sandra Wheeler, Alan Whitney, Oscar Williams, Claire Collins 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 Scripture Readings
Oct. 19th – Oct. 25th

Monday	Ephesians 2:1-10 Psalm 100 Luke 12:13-21
Tuesday	Ephesians 2:12-22 Psalm 85 Luke 12:35-38
Wednesday	Ephesians 3:2-12 Psalm, Isaiah 12 Luke 12:39-48
Thursday	Ephesians 1:3-10 Psalm 98 Luke 11:47-54
Friday	Ephesians 4:1-6 Psalm 24 Luke 12:54-59
Saturday	Ephesians 4:7-16 Psalm 122 Luke 13:1-9
Sunday	Exodus 22:20-26 Psalm 18 1Thessalonians 1:5c-10 Matthew 22:34-40

Sunday Reflection

Matthew 22:15-21
The Pharisees send their disciples to test Jesus with a question about taxes.

In today's Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. At this point the disciples of the Pharisees, together with the Herodians, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes.

Matthew sets up an unusual partnership between the Pharisees and the Herodians. The Herodians were supporters of Herod Antipas, a Jewish political leader who collaborated with the Romans. Such collaboration would have required a compromised observance of the Mosaic Law. The Pharisees, on the other hand, taught scrupulous observance of the Mosaic Law and opposed Roman occupation. Herodians favored the payment of taxes; the Pharisees opposed it. The Herodians and the Pharisees approach Jesus, asking that he take sides in their dispute. If Jesus answers with the Pharisees, he shows himself to be an enemy of Rome. If he answers with the Herodians, he offends popular Jewish religious sensibilities.

Jesus' response to this attempt to trap him exposes the guile of his questioners. From his first words to them, Jesus shows that he is very much aware of what they are trying to do. He asks to see a Roman coin, which is readily provided to him. It may have come from the hand of a Herodian, but the Pharisees show themselves to be quite willing to accept this compromise. Jesus has already exposed the Pharisees as hypocrites.

Jesus takes his response one step further. He asks that his questioners examine the coin. Agreeing that it is Caesar's image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. Avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus answers their question with simple logic. Then, going further still, Jesus tells them that their obligation is to pay to God that which belongs to God.

Jesus' response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It reminds us of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God?

Stewardship Update

Weekly Goal—$10,000

October 11, 2026
Actual Collection $ 5,816.00
- $4,184 .00

Two Previous Years:
October 12, 2025 $ 7,239.00
October 13, 2024 $ 5,741.00

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

Online Giving

The link is: https://www.holynameofjesusla.org/online-giving

This is 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.

Call to Renew Commitment
Parish Goal: $530, 000.00
Total Pledge: $486,650.00
Total Paid: $215,015.50
&
Together in Mission Goal:
$32,479.00

The Archdiocese through the Together in Mission has allocated the parish **$60,000.00** towards BAS bill.

Religious Education

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults, formerly RCIA). For more information, contact Cathy Brown. OCIA classes are for those seeking to become Catholic or learn about the faith. Classes are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month, with new classes starting in October. OCIA classes topic will be: Salvation History by Fr. Bura. All are welcome.

CCD Classes will be on October 24th and 31st. **No classes on Oct 17. 2026.** CCD registration for Religious Formation and Sacramental Preparation is ongoing. We are now charging a $25.00 late fee.

Confirmation Classes for 1st and 2nd year students will be on Thursday at 7 pm in the Acacia Center. If you are between 14-18 or have graduated 8th grade we have space for you to continue your faith journey and become a fully initiated member of the Catholic Church. Call Cathy Brown 323 243-4173.

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

1. The next Church cleaning is on Saturday, November 7th at 7:30 am, led by Young Adult Ministry, Youth Ministry Choir Leaders and St. Vincent de Paul. Everyone is welcome to help.
2. The Serving Hands Ministry will hold the next Monthly Parish Food Sale on November 7th and 8th, sponsored by the Proclaimers of the Word. All are encouraged to support. Thank you for your generosity!
3. Flu Vaccine Clinic and Mini-Health Fair will be held Sunday, October 25th, 8:00am – 3:00pm., in the Parish Hall.
4. The Archdiocese of Los Angeles is sponsoring a Eucharistic Ministers training, which includes a certificate of completion, on November 7th, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Holy Name.
Cost: $25.00 per person (includes breakfast and lunch)
Goal: 20 participants. Anyone interested can see Laura Scott after Mass today for further details and to sign up.
5. The Mini Kitchen is looking for 1 or two volunteers for our Monday shift. The hours are 8:30am-11:00am. If you are interested, please see Oliska- Muffin 323-632-2403.
6. Please donate your USABLE discards of clothes, household goods, *small* appliances and misc. items when you come to church Sunday, November, 1st! *St. Vincent's truck will be here from 8:00am to 1:00 pm on Sunday! (Please don't bring large items. Also, please no car seats, baby cribs, strollers, or mattresses.)*
7. All Souls Envelopes for your donations in memory of your loved departure are available now. Please ask an usher for your envelope. You can place your envelope in the collection basket or bring it to the office no later than Monday October 26, 2026.
8. The Josephites Liturgical and Historical calendars are available for $5.00 each. You can obtain your calendar from the ushers or the parish office.
9. All announcements are to be submitted to the office no later than Tuesday of each week.

Holy Name School

UPCOMING EVENTS

Holy Name of Jesus School is now registering children from TK-8th grade, Small class sizes, academic excellence, faith in formation, choir, sports, art, music and self esteem classes for the middle school. Please call the office for information more 323 731-2255.

School Mass on Wed. Oct. 21 & 28.

Oct 23rd PTO Coffee Friday
Sunday, Oct. 25th Family Mass 9:00 am

Monday, Oct. 26th Red Ribbon Week
Thursday, Oct. 29th Early dismissal

Friday, Oct. 30th Fall Festival Fundraiser.



What is child physical abuse?

Child physical abuse is an act, failure to act, or a situation that leads to a child's harm. This includes any non-accidental action that physically harms a child, by a parent or a person responsible for the child (babysitter, daycare worker, school employee, etc.) Physical abuse can be seen in marks or injuries on a child's body, including welts, bite marks, burns, broken bones, unexplained bruises, and others.

For more information, visit https://preventchildabuse.org/what-we-do/child-physical-abuse-prevention/.

Shannon Mercadel
Chairperson