

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

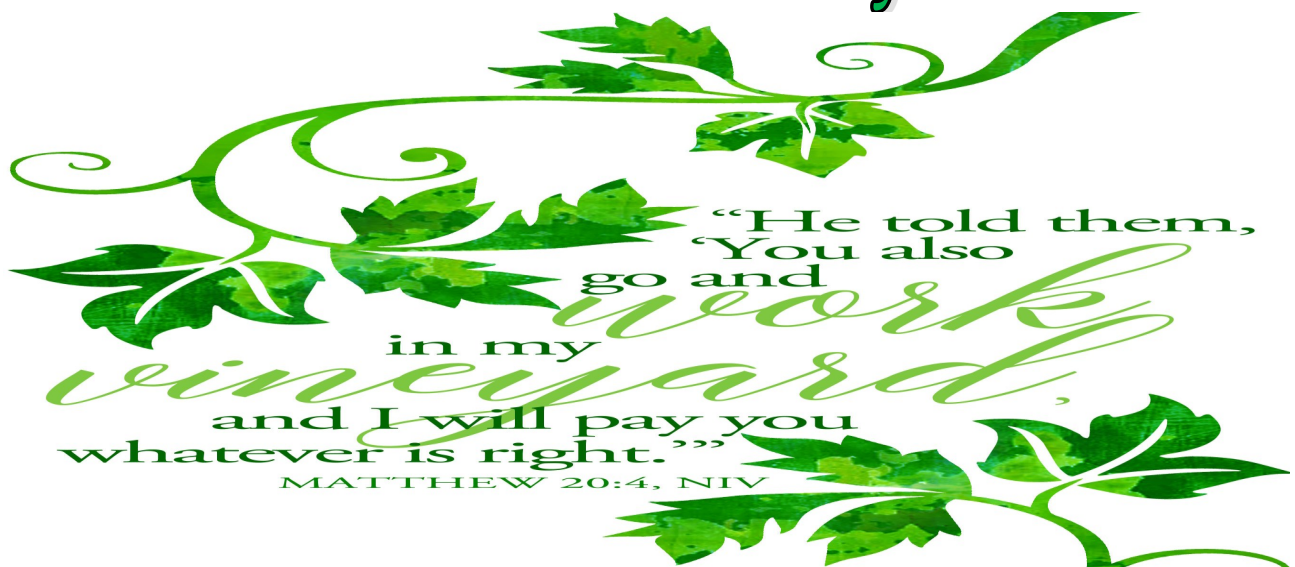


Holy Name of Jesus School

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

September 20, 2026



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:6-9
Psalm 145
Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a
Matthew 20:1-16a

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 Esquivel, 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 for the Week (Sept. 21 – Sept. 27)

Monday	Eph: 4:1-7, 11-13 Psalm: 19:2-3, 4-5 Matthew 9:9-13
Tuesday	Prov: 21:1-6, 10-13 Psalm: 119 Luke 8:19-21
Wednesday	Galatians 2:19-20 Psalm: 127:1-5 Matthew 16:24-27
Thursday	Ecclesiastes 1:2-11 Psalm: 90 Luke 9:7-9
Friday	Ecclesiastes 3:1-11 Psalm: 144:1-2, 3-4 Luke 9:18-22
Saturday	Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:8 Psalm: 90 Luke 9:43-45
Sunday	Ezekiel 18:25-28 Psalm: 25 Philippians 2:1-11 Gospel, Matthew 21:28-32

Sunday Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus moves from Galilee to teach in Judea where he is sought out by great crowds and tested by the Pharisees on issues such as marriage and divorce. Jesus also encounters a rich young man who is unable to accept Jesus' demand that he leave his possessions to follow him. Jesus' response to the rich young man sounds very much like the conclusion we will find in today's Gospel: the first will be last and the last will be first.

On the surface, the parable of the workers in the vineyard appears to be an offense to common sense. Those who work a longer day ought to be paid more than those who work just an hour or two. When viewed in this way, the landowner seems unfair. That is because we are reading into the parable our own preconceived notions of how fairness and equality should be quantified.

A close read shows us that the landowner paid on the terms that were negotiated. The landowner, it seems, has acted completely justly. The parable goes beyond that, however, and we come to see that the landowner is not simply just, he is exceptionally just. He is radically just. He has given those who labored in the field for a full day their due pay. But he has also given a full-day's wage to those who worked only a single hour. No one is cheated, but a few receive abundantly from the landowner just as we receive from God more than what is merely justifiable or due. God, like the landowner, is radically just and abundantly generous. The workers who complain are made to look foolish as they lament the fact that landowner has made all workers equal. Indeed, what more could one ask for than to be treated as an equal at work or anywhere else?

The parable reminds us that although God owes us nothing, he offers abundantly and equally. We are occasionally tempted to think that our own actions deserve more reward, more of God's abundant mercy, than the actions of others. But God's generosity cannot be quantified or partitioned into different amounts for different people. When we think that way, we are trying to relate to God on our terms rather than to accept God's radically different ways.



Stewardship Update

Weekly Goal—\$10,000

September 13, 2026

Actual Collection \$ 4,349.00

- \$ 5,651.00

Two Previous Years:

September 14, 2025 \$ 4,928.00

September 15, 2024 \$ 4,618.00

Weekly Goal—\$10,000



Online Giving

The link is: <https://www.holynamenameofjesusla.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

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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).

Learn more about your faith by becoming a catechist for Sacramental Preparation, Confirmation, and Youth Ministry. 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. All are welcome.

OCIA classes begin on Tuesday, October 6, 2026 at 7:00 pm. The first topic will be: How Catholics Interpret the Bible presented by Father George (St Brigid)

Classes start on Saturday, September 26, 2026 at 9:30 parent must be present on the first day. 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, Oct. 1st and 15th at 7 pm in the Acacia Center.

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, October 3rd at 7:30 am, led by Knights of Peter Claver and KPC Ladies Auxiliaries Group. Everyone is welcome to help.

2. The Serving Hands Ministry will hold the next Monthly Parish Food Sale on October 3rd and 4th, sponsored by Mariano Ministry and Spanish Prayer Group. All are encouraged to support. Thank you for your generosity!



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.

Sept. 15-Oct. 15 Hispanic Heritage Month

Sept. 18 Avalon-Carver Program begins

Sept. 19 Loyola HSPT Prep Tutoring 8:30-12:30

Sept. 20th Back to Church Sunday (Family Mass)

School Mass on Wed. Oct. 7, 14, 21 & 28.

Sept. 21st Art Trek, Belizean Independence Day and St Sebastian kick-off

Sept 23 Cubs2Bruins program begins

Sept. 24 Back to School Night/Open House 5:30-7:30

Sept. 25 8th grade HS & Graduation

Did you know?

Sextortion happens when a predator threatens to share sexual images of another person to manipulate or harm that person. The American Academy of Pediatrics has classified sextortion as a form of image-based sexual abuse. Children and teens are particularly vulnerable, especially teens who have shared or been pressured into sharing explicit images. Predators will sometimes befriend or build a romantic relationship with a victim online, share and request explicit images, and then use those images to demand money or other favors. More information is available at <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/tips-tools/ask-the-pediatrician/Pages/what-do-teens-need-to-know-about-online-predators-and-sextortion-scammers.aspx>.

Shannon Mercadel
Chairperson