

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

August 31, 2025

"FOR ALL WHO EXALT
THEMSELVES
WILL BE HUMBLLED,
AND THOSE
WHO HUMBLE
THEMSELVES
WILL BE
EXALTED."

Twenty - second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastoral Administration

Very Rev. Kenneth C. Ugwu, 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
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 Intentions

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

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, Carol, Oliska (Muffin) and Vanessa 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, Cheryl Broyard, Holly Budge, Rosa Chavarin, Julia Cocom, Hilarion Domingue, Jennie Dudley, Keira Easley, Raheim Enriquez, Anna Esquivel, Marlon Fajardo, Arthur Ferguson, Ashley Ferguson, Madisyn Grant, Sylvia Garbutt, Victor Garbutt, Jim Higgins, Eddie Hilley, DeShawn Haylock, Barbara James, Krystal James & family, Den Douglass & Sherrie Johnson, Olga Johnson, Herbie & Nedie King, Adrian Klemm, Lorraine Klemm, Sharon Lee, Maria Lopez, Jr., Terrell Love III, Amy Mahoney, Rick Mellett, Marilyn Leon-Middleton, Bernard Mitchell, Dimitri Morrison, Nicole Nash, Amy Mahoney, Antonia Noguera, Godwin Orkeh, Nia Porter, Brenda Robinson, Perla Sander, Constance Sandifold, Andy & Audrey Shaw, Shanee Shepherd, Dana Sims, Jonel Seon, Sandra Simmons, Loise Smith, Yolanda Smith, Grant Soberanis Jr., Fredrick Stafford, Kamilie Swift, Pat Swinson, Anyaa Trahan, Joanna Vello, Tammy & 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.

Holy Hour / Adoration

First Friday of every Month
8-9AM & 7-8 PM Rosary and
Blessed Sacrament Devotion.

Mass Scripture Readings for the Week (Sept 1- Sept 7)

Monday	1 Thessalonians 4:13 Psalm 96 Luke 4:16-30
Tuesday	1 Thessalonians 5:1 Psalm 27 Luke 4:31-37
Wednesday	Colossians 1:1-8 Psalm 52 Luke 4:38-44
Thursday	Colossians 1:9-14 Psalm 98 Luke 5:1-11
Friday	Colossians 1:15-20 Psalm 100 Luke 5:33-39
Saturday	Colossians 1:21-23 Psalm 54 Luke 6:1-5
Sunday	Wisdom 9:13-18 Psalm 90 Philemon 9-19,12-\ Luke 14:25-33

Sunday Reflection

Parents and children often enter into “negotiations” over how much allowance is to be earned at certain ages. Typically, when a child seeks an increase in allowance, parents will attach an increase in chores and responsibilities for them to better earn the increase. Talk about what kind of allowance you received as a child and what kind of responsibilities your parents expected of you to earn your allowance.

Explain that in this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus talks about doing good deeds for others and expecting nothing in return. Read aloud Luke 14:1,7-14. Ask your children how they would feel if you told them to take on more chores without ever expecting another raise in allowance. Emphasize that Jesus teaches us that it is our duty as his followers to take care of the needs of others and to do so without expecting repayment. Discuss what other types of rewards we can find when doing good things for others.

Point out that we sometimes fall into the trap of wanting too many things and that, in the Our Father, we pray for “our daily bread,” meaning that we pray for only that which we really need in life. Conclude this time together by praying aloud the Our Father.

Meals played an important role in the society in which Jesus lived. More than a time for sharing nourishment, they were a time to share ideas and to model different aspects of social relationships. In Luke's Gospel, the places that a person ate (at the home of a tax collector, 5:29), the people with whom a person ate (sinners, 5:30), whether a person washed before eating (11:38), and, as is the case here, the place that a person sits while eating are all important. The narrator says Jesus tells a parable, but it is really wise advice to both guests and hosts about finding true happiness at the heavenly banquet.

Jesus warns guests to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives. This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. It is advice on how to find your true place in the Kingdom of God. Jesus advises hosts not to invite people who would be expected to repay them to dinner but to invite those who could not repay: the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. This is where real blessings can be found.

Stewardship Update

Weekly Goal—\$10,000

August 24, 2025

Actual Collection \$ 6,059.00
- \$3,941.00

Two Previous Years:

August 25, 2024 \$ 4,293.00

August 27, 2023 \$ 7,510.00

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



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.

SAVE THE DATE
BACK TO
CHURCH
WEEKEND
SEPTEMBER 19-21

**Do you
have your
HNOJ Legacy
Raffle tickets
yet?**



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.

CCD classes for Religious Formation and Sacramental Preparation will resume in September. If you need to register you must make an appointment with Mrs. Brown. Please refer to the bulletin for up-to-date information.

If you are interested in becoming a catechist or volunteer, contact Cathy Brown for more information

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.

Back to Church Family fun day team calls on anyone or group who wants to perform a talent show by either a cultural song or dance or Poetry or drums etc. Please contact Karen Pinson (kpinson670@aol.com) or parish office ASAP.

Cleanliness is next to Godliness: The next group church cleaning is on Saturday September 13 @ 7:30 am. and will be led by the Adult Choirs Ministry. All are welcome, thank you.

We are grateful to the families and everyone who have collected their allocated legacy raffles and some others who have collected extra booklets. Thank you for your kind support. Please see Glenn Wright and Deacon Jose Penate.

The Spanish Prayer Group will hold a Food Sale this Sunday, August 31, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Support their efforts to raise funds for the benefit of our parish. The full menu is published in the hall. Thank you for your generosity!

The Knights and Ladies of Peter Claver are hosting a sickle cell blood drive on Saturday, September 6th to help those in our community who are stricken with this disease. Please sign up after Mass. Your blood donation is really needed in the African-American community.

Holy Name School

HNOJ is Enrolling PreK—8th Grade

Regular schedule: Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8:—3:00 PM

Wednesdays: 8:00 AM—12:00

-Students will attend Mass in the morning, followed by classes from 10:00 AM—12:00 PM. There will be one break only, from 9:30—10:00 If you eat school lunch you may pick up lunch at dismissal and either eat in the cafeteria before leaving or take it home.

Afterschool Program

Our afterschool program will not begin until after the Labor Day . Until then, all students must be picked up promptly at dismissal.

Heat Safety Reminders for Thursday/ Friday Students should wear their school uniform, but please note that sweatshirts and sweaters can raise internal body temperature. We recommend leaving these items at home on hot days. Send a filled, labeled water bottle. Apply sunscreen before school if needed. We will limit strenuous outdoor activity,



.What having a “healthy caution” toward adults can mean, part 2

Having a healthy caution towards adults means requiring all adults to follow safety rules, outlined in policies or codes of conduct, no matter what position they hold in an organization. Adults must also be willing to look at their own behavior and ensure that it is aligned with safety policies and practices. Monitoring the behavior of all adults and speaking up if something is uncomfortable or unsettling — no matter what the relationship between the adults is — it’s critical to keeping children safe. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “Why Should We Have a Healthy Caution Toward Adults” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

CHAIRPERSON
Thomas St. Julien