

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

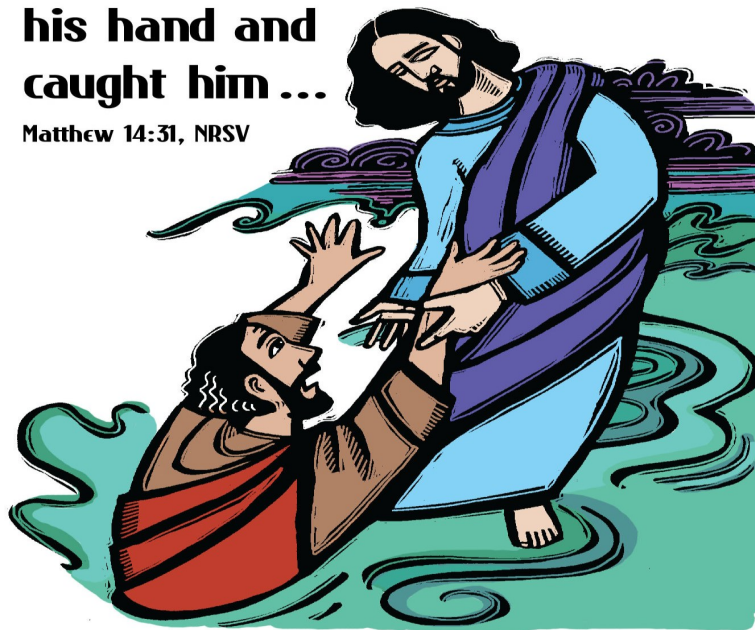
Holy Name of Jesus Church is a Roman Catholic community rooted in a rich tradition of African American spirituality. We hear the call which Pope Paul VI spoke to all the sons and daughters of Africa: "You must give your gift of Blackness to the whole Church."

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 9, 2026

**Jesus immediately reached out
his hand and
caught him ...**

Matthew 14:31, NRSV

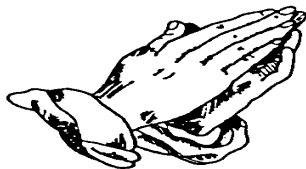


Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday Reflection

Today's Gospel directly follows last week's account of Jesus feeding a crowd of more than 5,000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fish. For the sake of the crowds, Jesus had postponed his time of solitude. Now, at last, Jesus finds some time for quiet and prayer. He sends his disciples ahead of him by boat, dismisses the crowds, and then withdraws to the mountain to pray. The disciples do not fare well. They struggle to weather the wind and waves, making little progress in their journey. We are reminded of a previous story in Chapter 8 of Matthew's Gospel, when Jesus calms the seas. This time, however, Jesus does not calm the seas, and the disciples do not express fear until they see Jesus walking toward them on the water. In this story it is not the storm that is feared but the sight of Jesus before them, whom they mistake for a ghost. Clues like these suggest that this story is about the disciples' growing understanding of the identity of Jesus. In continuity with last week's Gospel about the feeding of the multitude, today's Gospel is also about what the disciples' faith in Jesus will enable them to do. In last week's Gospel, when the disciples see the crowds, they ask Jesus to send the crowds away. Jesus turns the situation around, telling the disciples to feed the crowd with the provisions that they have. Both of these Gospels tell us much about ministry.

Jesus calls to the disciples and calms their fears. He is not a ghost. The impulsive Peter seeks proof that the person is indeed Jesus. He asks Jesus to call him out onto the water, and Jesus grants this request. Peter's fear and doubt overtake him, however, once he is walking on the water. Jesus reaches out to Peter and saves him. When Jesus and Peter enter the boat, Matthew reports that the wind ceases, and the disciples confess that Jesus is the Son of God.



Stewardship Update Weekly Goal—\$10,000

July 26, 2026

Actual Collection \$ 25,715.00
+ \$ 15,715.00

Two Previous Years:

July 27, 2025	\$ 3,762.00
July 28, 2024	\$ 6,075.00

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: \$226,594.00

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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.

Pastoral Administration

Rev Aloysius Bura, SSJ. Pastor

Deacon Douglass Johnson
Deacon José Penate

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 – 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, Michael Mosley, Irene Rideau, Anita 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 Velloso, 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 (Aug 10-16)

Monday	2 Corinthians 9:6-10 Psalm 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 John 12:24-26
Tuesday	Ezekiel 2:8-3:4 Psalm 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday	Ezekiel 9:1-7; 10:18-22 Psalm 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Matthew 18:15-20
Thursday	Ezekiel 12:1-12 Psalm 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62 Matthew 18:21-19:1
Friday	Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63 Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Matthew 19:3-12
Saturday	1 Chronicles 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2 Psalm 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 Luke 11:27-28
Sunday	Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 Romans 11:13-15, 29-32 Matthew 15:21-28

Religious Education

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults, formerly RCIA). OCIA classes are for those seeking to become Catholic or learn about the faith. 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.

Call Cathy Brown for information on registration for 2026-2027 Confirmation classes. (323) 243-4173 participants 14 yrs –18 yrs and/or CCD (Religious Formation) 5 yrs to 18 yrs. Religious Formation Classes for 2026-2027 start in September. Please read bulletin for updates.

Registration for Sacramental preparation will be on Saturday, August 22, 2026 at 9:30 am.

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

The next group church cleaning is on Saturday, September 5th at 7:30 am, led by Adult Choirs Ministry and Leaders of the Girls Scout Group. Everyone is welcome to help.

The Serving Hands Ministry will hold the next Monthly Parish Food Sale on September 5th and 6th, sponsored by the Ushers Hospitality, Altar Servers, Youth and Brighter Day Choir Ministries. All are encouraged to support. Thank you for your generosity!

If you have not received your legacy Raffle or are seeking additional copies, please get your raffle tickets from Glen Wright, Deacon Jose Penate or from the office.

Next week we will have a Second Collection for National Needs Combine.



Holy Name School

UPCOMING EVENTS

We hope that you and your family are enjoying a restful and rejuvenating summer! We are so grateful for the wonderful year we shared together and look forward to all that is ahead for the 2026–27 school year.

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 middle school. Please call the office for information, 323 731-2255. The school office will be closed for two weeks starting July 13-24th. Starting July 27th through August 19 the school office will be open from 8:30 –2:00 pm. HNOJ school resumes on Thursday, August 20, 2026

We are excited to welcome all students back on Thursday, August 21, 2026 — the first day of the 2026–27 school year!



Characteristics of developmentally appropriate behaviors

It is important to distinguish normal, age-appropriate curiosity from concerning sexual behaviors that may be inappropriate or potentially abusive. In general, developmentally appropriate behaviors will be playful, curious, and will be enacted among similar age groups. While these behaviors are not ideal in play, and should be discussed with children, they are typically not causes for concern. These moments can also serve as opportunities to talk about boundaries, appropriate behaviors and safe adults. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “Differentiating age-appropriate curiosity from harmful sexual behavior and abuse in elementary aged children” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

Thomas St Julien
Chairman