

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

February 15, 2026



Sixth 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.

Holy Hour / Adoration

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

Mass Scripture Readings for the Week (Feb 16-Feb 22)

Monday	James 1:1-11 Psalm 119 Mark 8:11-13
Tuesday	James 1:12-18 Psalm 94 Mark 8:14-21
Wednesday	Joel 2:12-18 Psalm 51 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2 Matthew 6:1-6,16-18
Thursday	Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Psalm 1 Luke 9:22-25
Friday	Isiah 58:1-9 Psalm 51 Matthew 9:14-15
Saturday	Isaiah 58:9-14 Psalm 86 Luke 5:27-32
Sunday	Genesis 2:7-9,3:1-7 Psalm 51 Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11

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, Camille Alvarado, 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, Claire Collins, Riz De Leon, Marsha E. Domingue, Jennie Dudley, Keira Easley, Raheim Enriquez, Anna Esquiviel, Sean Eugene, Marlon Fajardo, Arthur Ferguson, Ashley Ferguson, Madisyn Grant, Sylvia Garbutt, Victor Garbutt, Jim Higgins, Eddie Hilley, DeShawn Haylock, Barbara James, Krystal James & family, Dcn Douglass & Sherrie Johnson, Olga Johnson, L.J. 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, Amy Mahoney, Antonia Noguera, Godwin Orkeh, Aida Palarca, John Derrick Palarca, Nia Porter, Brenda Robinson, Perla Sander, Constance Sandifold, Andy & Audrey Shaw, Dana Sims, Jonel Seon, Sandra Simmons, Loise Smith, Yolanda Smith, Grant Soberanis Jr., Fredrick Stafford, Kamilie Swift, Pat Swinson, 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.

Sunday Reflection

Families have rules. Without rules, family life would be chaos. As a family, brainstorm a list of rules that you are all called to follow in your home in order for you all to get along together. Think about rules for play time, rules for eating, rules for how to speak to one another, rules for going out with friends, and so on. Emphasize that families follow rules as a way of showing love and respect for one another. Explain that in this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus talks about following the Law. Say: ***God's Law of love can be thought of as rules that we are to follow in order to show our love and respect for one another.*** Read aloud this Sunday's Gospel, Matthew 5:17–37. Talk specifically with one another about how anger is to be dealt with in your family. Conclude by praying for the grace to overcome anger and to show respect for one another as a family by following God's Law of love.

Matthew continues the Sermon on the Mount with a three part instruction by Jesus on the Way of Life in the kingdom of heaven. Today's reading is part one and deals with the Law. Part two deals with worship and religious practice and contains the Lord's Prayer. Part three deals with trusting God and deeds of loving service to our neighbor.

When Matthew speaks of "the Law and the prophets" he means the whole Scripture. When the Messiah brings the fullness of the kingdom none of scripture will be done away with. Instead it will be fulfilled. Matthew's Jesus does not overturn the Law of Moses, nor does he set his followers free from the Law. He requires his followers to go beyond the Law by doing more than the Law requires.

The Law condemned murder. Jesus condemns anger. The Law condemned adultery. Jesus condemns even lustful looks. As Jewish Christians who had always been faithful to the Law Matthew's community need a way to understand the difference Jesus and the kingdom he brings have made. They affirmed that God had always been at work in history through "the Law and the prophets." But God's work goes beyond that to be embodied by the Messiah who reveals the definitive will of God. The written scriptures and their interpretation in tradition are surpassed by Jesus whose life and teaching are the definitive revelation of the will of God.

Stewardship Update

Weekly Goal—\$10,000

February 8, 2025

Actual Collection \$ 6,064.00

- \$ 3,936.00

Two Previous Years:

February 9, 2025 \$ 4,842.00

February 11, 2024 \$ 4,414.00

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



Online Giving

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

**'SERVING HANDS'
MONTHLY FOOD SALE
FEBRUARY 2026 REPORT
SPONSORED BY
SENIORS 50+ CLUB**

INCOME

SENIORS 50+ CLUB \$ 500.00

Food Sale \$ 937.00

SUB TOTAL INCOME \$ 1,437.00

EXPENSES

Invoices \$ 361.00

NET INCOME \$ 1,076.00

Thank you to our wonderful ministry sponsors, volunteers, parishioners, and patrons for your continued support and active participation. Great things happen when we come together to build and strengthen our church community. May God bless you all abundantly for your generosity and commitment.

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. Classes are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. On Tuesday, **February 17th Sacrament of Matrimony and Holy Orders presented by Deacon & Mrs. Johnson and Father George from St. Brigid.** All are welcome.

1st & 2nd year Confirmation classes –February Youth Day
February 19th 6:30 am –5:00 pm
Religious Formation - **No class on Sat., February 21st.**
Classes resume on February 28th. Mandatory Parent meeting on February 28, 2026 from 9:30 to 11:00 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 intercede for us.

The next group church cleaning is on Saturday, March 7th, 2026, at 7:30 am, led by the Spanish Prayer Group, Intercessory Prayer Group, and St. Theresa Mini-Kitchen Ministries. Everyone is welcome to help.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Jordan, (Oct. 6-17): Anastasis Tours has begun the registration process for the pilgrimage. The parish office is available to assist you if needed. This step is important to ensure your participation and the proper processing of your travel documents. We kindly ask that you complete your registration as soon as possible.

The Serving Hands Ministry will hold the next Monthly Parish Food Sale on February 28 and March 1st, sponsored by the HNOJ Sower Ministry. All are encouraged to support. Thank you for your generosity!

This coming Wednesday February 18th is Ash Wednesday. We will have our Masses at 8:15 am in English and at 7:00pm Bilingual. Ashes will be administered on the forehead.

Lenten Fish Fry: The Knights of Peter Claver will be hosting a Fish Fry every Friday during Lent. We strongly encourage all parishioners to come out and support this cherished Lenten tradition. Your participation and patronage are greatly appreciated. Thank you, and may God bless you for supporting our parish community.

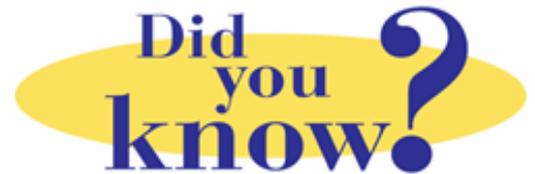
Please donate your USABLE discards of clothes, household goods, small appliances and misc. items when you come to church Sunday February 22! St. Vincent's truck will be here from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm on Sunday! (Please don't bring large items. Also, please no car seats, baby cribs, strollers, or mattresses.)

Holy Name School

UPCOMING EVENTS

HNOJ school is celebrating 100 year anniversary of Dr. Carter Woodson starting Black History Week/Month

Feb. 16th President's Day No School
Feb. 17th Fat Tuesday
Feb. 18th Ash Wednesday –Mass
Feb. 20th full school day
Feb. 22nd Family Mass
Feb, 23rd—Mobile Stem Lab
Feb 24th School Mass
Feb. 26th Black History Music Program in the hall 10:30
Feb. 27th No School



Online enticement: what is it and how to talk about it

Online enticement involves an individual communicating with someone believed to be a child via the internet with the intent to commit a sexual offense or abduction. This is a broad category of online exploitation in which a child is being groomed to take sexually explicit images and/or ultimately meet face-to-face with someone for sexual purposes, or to engage in a sexual conversation online or, in some instances, to sell/trade the child's sexual images. This type of victimization takes place across every online platform – social media, messaging apps, game, etc. The goals of online enticement vary, but most commonly offenders seem to want to extort additional sexually explicit images from the child. Children and teens may not take the first steps in disclosing to an uncomfortable online interaction, so it's important to understand the issue and how to talk about it. For more information, please visit <https://www.missingkids.org/theissues/onlineenticement>.

CHAIRPERSON

Thomas St. Julien