

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

March 8, 2026

"THIS IS INDEED



THE SAVIOR
- OF THE -
WORLD."

Third Sunday of Lent

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 – 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.

Mass Scripture Readings for the Week (Mar 9-Mar 15)

Monday	2 Kings 5:1-15 Psalm 42;43 Luke 4:24-30
Tuesday	Daniel 3:25,34-43 Psalm 25 Matthew 18:21-35
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 4:1-9 Psalm 147 Matthew 5:17-19
Thursday	Jeremiah 7:23-28 Psalm 95 Luke 11:14-23
Friday	Hosea 14:2-10 Psalm 81 Mark 12:28-34
Saturday	Hosea 6:1-6 Psalm 51 Luke 18:9-14
Sunday	1 Samuel 16:1-13 Psalm 23 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-4

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, 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, 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 Sandiford, Andy & 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.

Sunday Reflection

Lent is a season for repentance. It is a season during which we are called to reflect upon and to live deeply the promises of Baptism. The well and the conversation about water immediately recall for us the Sacrament of Baptism. As the Samaritan woman was converted and sent on a mission because of the conversation about water, we too are converted and sent by our Baptism to preach the good news of Jesus to others.

Take this opportunity to reflect upon the importance of Baptism with your family. If you have photos or other mementos of your family's Baptisms, bring them out and take some time to recall the day of Baptism and its importance to you and your family. Create a prayer table that includes these mementos and a bowl of holy water. After you have spent some time talking about Baptism, invite everyone to listen carefully and prayerfully to today's Gospel. Read John 4:5-42 together. Ask how Jesus' meeting with the woman at the well is like Baptism. (Jesus knows the woman's sin and forgives her. The woman comes to know Jesus as the Messiah. The woman invites others to meet Jesus.) Pray a prayer of blessing for each member of the family that God will help each one live the promises of his or her Baptism. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

On this Sunday and the next two Sundays, we break from reading the Gospel of Matthew to read from John's Gospel. The Gospel of John is the only Gospel not assigned to a particular liturgical year. Instead, readings from John's Gospel are interspersed throughout our three-year liturgical cycle.

In today's Gospel, the dialogue between Jesus and a woman from Samaria is among the most lengthy and most theological found in Scripture. The most startling aspect of the conversation is that it happens at all. Jesus, an observant Jew of that time, was expected to avoid conversation with women in public. The animosity between the Jews and the Samaritans should have prevented the conversation as well. The woman herself alludes to the break from tradition: "How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" Yet Jesus not only converses with the woman, he also asks to share her drinking vessel, an action that makes him unclean according to Jewish law.

Stewardship Update

Weekly Goal—\$10,000

March 1st, 2026

Actual Collection \$ 6,913.00

- \$ 3,087.00

Two Previous Years:

March 2nd, 2025 \$ 13,863.00

March 3rd, 2024 \$ 11,237.00

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



Online Giving

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

Call to Renew Commitment

Parish Goal: \$530,000.00

Total Pledge: \$486,650.00

Total Paid: \$206,894.00

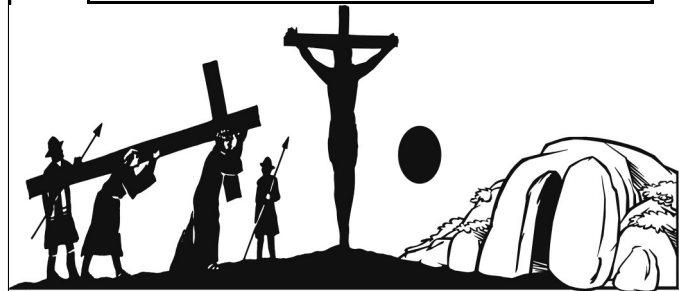
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Together in Mission Goal:

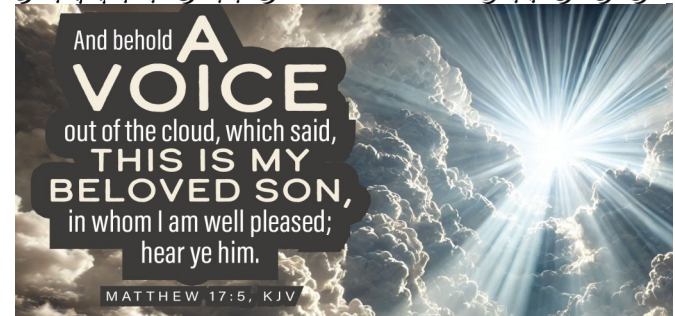
\$32,479.00

ENGLISH-6PM,

SPANISH-7PM



STATIONS of the CROSS



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, **March 17, 2026 Preparation for Easter vigil**. All are welcome.

1st & 2nd year Confirmation classes –Thursday, March 19th.
note date change Retreat on **Sat, March 21 9-5pm**
Religious Formation - classes will be held on **March 14th, and 21st. Mandatory Parent meeting on April 11, 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.

Join our Lenten Station of the Cross every Friday at 6:00pm in English and 7:00pm in Spanish. All are encouraged to attend.

Parish Sacrament of Reconciliation (Lenten Confessions) is Monday **March 23 @ 7PM**

The next group church cleaning is on Saturday, April 4th, 2026, at 7:30 am, led by the Ushers, Hospitality and The Sower Ministries. Everyone is welcome to help.

Registration for the Pilgrimage to Holy Land and Jordan, is ongoing. Call the office for registration.

Join us in the hall for our Lenten Fish Fry Sales every Friday starting from 2PM. Your participation and patronage are greatly appreciated.

Lenten Coin Folders are available for your Lenten Sacrificial Offerings. Get yours from the ushers. Thank you.

Easter Flowers in memory of your loved ones is a beautiful and spiritual act. See an usher for your donation envelope. Don't forget to include the name of your loved ones. The deadline to turn your envelopes is Sunday **March 22**. Thank you.

Remember to call the parish office if you or any parishioner needs communion calls or visitation at home or hospitals.

Thank you for your commitment to Together in Mission and Call to Renew fulfilments. It is a blessing to our parish

Next week we will have a Second Collection for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

Holy Name School

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fri., March 13th

- Stations of the Cross 2pm
- Family Fish Fry 3pm

Fri. March 13th

- Coffee Friday
- Stations of the Cross 2pm/Family Fish Fry 3pm

Fri., March 20th

- Stations of the Cross 2pm
- Family Fish Fry 3pm
- Spring pictures

Sunday, March 22– Family Mass

Fri. March 27th

- Yearbook deadline
- Stations of the Cross 2 pm
- Family Fish Fry 3pm
- Spring break 3/30-4/10
- Re-registration for 26-27 school year begins in March



What to do when a child discloses abuse

Receiving a disclosure of abuse is a huge responsibility — and one that must be handled properly to ensure the child's safety. First and foremost, it is important to remain calm, and to let the child know that you are listening and taking them seriously. Assure them that you believe their words, and that you want to help. As soon as possible, although not while the child is talking to you, take notes and record details, and then report what was disclosed to you to the proper authorities. For more tips, visit lacatholics.org/reporting-child-abuse and read the VIRTUS® article "When a Child Discloses" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

CHAIRPERSON

Thomas St. Julien