

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

May 10, 2026



*Like these blossoms,
a mother's faith brings
beauty, life and hope
to everything
around her.*

**Happy
Mother's
Day**

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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 (May 11-May 17)

Monday Acts 16:11-15
Psalm 149
John 15:26ff

Tuesday Acts 16:22-34
Psalm 138
John 16:5-11

Wednesday Acts 17:15ff
Psalm 148
John 16:12-15

Thursday Acts 1:15ff
Psalm 113
John 15:9-17

Friday Acts 18:9-18
Psalm 47
John 16:20-23

Saturday Acts 18:23-28
Psalm 47
John 16:23-28

Sunday Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47
Eph. 1:17-23
Math. 28:16-20

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, Logan Harris, 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 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.

Sunday Reflection

Today's Gospel is a continuation of last week's Gospel: Jesus is speaking to his disciples at the Last Supper. In today's reading Jesus offers encouragement to his disciples, who will soon see him crucified. He reassures them that even though he will leave them, he will not abandon them. Instead he will send them the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, through whom the disciples will continue to live in union with Jesus.

Jesus uses the term *Advocate* to describe the Holy Spirit, whom the disciples will receive. Another word used to describe the Holy Spirit is *Paraclete*, a legal term meaning "one who offers defense for another." Note that Jesus says that he will send "another Advocate." Jesus himself is the first advocate, interceding for his disciples with the Father. In today's reading Jesus contrasts his impending departure with the permanence of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus will leave to return to the Father, but the Holy Spirit will remain with the disciples.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the disciples will come to know and appreciate the unity of the Son and the Father. They will also understand that they too participate in the communion between the Father and the Son: "On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you" (John 14:20).

Today's reading is one example of the contrast that John's Gospel presents between the community of disciples, to whom God will reveal himself, and the unbelieving world, which will remain in darkness. The unbelieving world cannot accept the "Spirit of truth," whom the disciples will receive. Only through the Spirit will God's revelation and love be known.

The mystery of the Trinity can be difficult for us to grasp. Today's Gospel invites us to consider how the three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—work together so that God's salvation is made known to us. Jesus' mission is continued through the activity of the Holy Spirit in the lives of his disciples. We have received this same Spirit through our Baptisms. The Spirit, living and working within us, reveals the mystery of God's love for us. Just as the first disciples were not left orphaned, we are not orphaned; we remain in God's embrace through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Gather your family and invite each family member to say what he or she knows about the Holy Spirit. Read aloud today's Gospel, John 14:15-21. What does Jesus say the Holy Spirit will do for the disciples? Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we come to share in the love of God made known to us in Jesus. Pray together, thanking God for this gift of the Holy Spirit by praying the Prayer to the Holy Spirit.

Stewardship Update

Weekly Goal—\$10,000

May 3rd, 2026

Actual Collection \$ 8,272.00

- \$ 1,728.00

Two Previous Years:

May 4th, 2025 \$ 11,315.00

May 5th, 2024 \$ 9,333.00

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

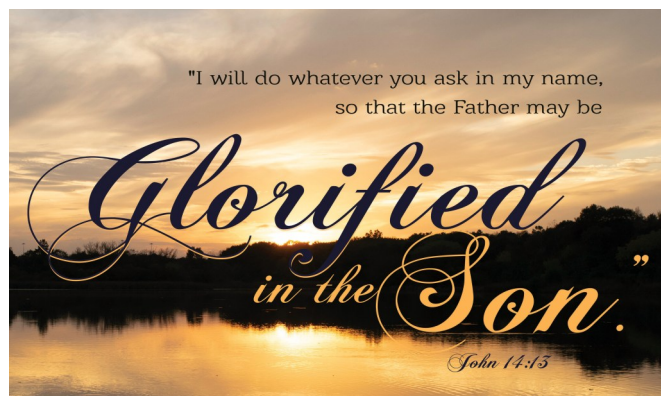
Total Pledge: \$486,650.00

Total Paid: \$215,015.50

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Together in Mission Goal:

\$32,479.00



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.

Confirmation 1st year class is on May 21st at 7 pm.

CCD last class of the year is on May 16th.

**First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 17, 2026 9:00 am (English)
12:00 pm (Spanish)**

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.

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, June 6th at 7:30 am, led by the Mariano Ministry. Everyone is welcome to help.

The Serving Hands Ministry will hold the next Monthly Parish Food Sale on Saturday June 6th and Sunday June 7th, sponsored by CCD/OCIA, Girls Scouts, Shinning Faith YAM Ministries. The menu is on the bulletin All are encouraged to support. Thank you for your generosity!

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

Important Altar Servers training and meetings are now scheduled for every 3rd Saturday of the month, (9:30am-11:30am). All are invited, both current altar servers and new members. Next training is on the 20th of June.

NEXT WEEK we will have a Second Collection for Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity.



Holy Name School

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wed. May 13th at 8:15 am
- Wed. May 20th at 8:15 am
- May Crowning Wed. May 27th 8:30 am
- **Sunday, May 17th Family Mass and First Holy Communion**
- Pentecost Sunday, May 24th Birthday of the Christian church
- Memorial Day Monday May 25th - No School
- Wednesday, June 3rd 9:00 am –Eighth Grade Baccalaureate Mass
- Thursday, June 4th Eighth Grade Graduation 10:30am
- Wednesday, June 10th 11:30 am -5th grade culmination
- Thursday, June 11 10:30 am Kindergarten Graduation
- Fri., June 12th Last day of school Dismissal at noon.



Modeling appropriate behaviors

Small things done well and with love can make a huge difference in the life of a child. A safe adult can model appropriate behavior in his or her daily life by following child safety rules, acting appropriately in front of children, volunteering to help with outreach and safety efforts in parishes and schools, and showing children respect and care. For more tips on how to live out the promise to keep children safe, read the VIRTUS® article “Modeling Healthy Behaviors” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

Thomas St Julien
Chairman