

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 24, 2026



Born of the Spirit

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 25-May 31)

Monday	Gen 3:9-15,20 Psalm 87 John 19:25-34
Tuesday	1 Pet 1:10-16 Psalm 98 Mark 10:28-31
Wednesday	1 Pet 1:18-25 Psalm 147 Mark 10:32-45
Thursday	1 Pet 2:2-5,9-12 Psalm 100 Mark 10:46-52
Friday	1 pet 4:7-13 Psalm 96 Mark 11:11-26
Saturday	Jude 17:20b-25 Psalm 63 Mark 11:27-33
Sunday	Exodus 34:4b-6,8-9 Daniel 3:52,53-56 2Cor 13:11-13 John 3:16-18

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 Esquiviel, 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 Vello, 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

The Season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the Feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, John 20:19-23, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Yet the event in John's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts. It is enough that we know that after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

We already heard today's Gospel proclaimed on the Second Sunday of Easter this year (Lectionary Cycle A). That Gospel passage, however, also included the description of Jesus' appearance to Thomas. In that context, we were led reflect on belief and unbelief.

In the context of the Feast of Pentecost, John 20:19-23 reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. Jesus' act of breathing the Holy Spirit mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam at the time of Creation. In fact, both the Greek and Hebrew words for "spirit" can also be translated as "breath."

This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. The reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are cleansed of sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God through the forgiving of sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.

Stewardship Update

Weekly Goal—\$10,000

May 17, 2026

Actual Collection \$ 4,849.00
- \$ 5,151.00

Two Previous Years:

May 18, 2025 \$ 6,019.00
May 19, 2024 \$ 9,380.00

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

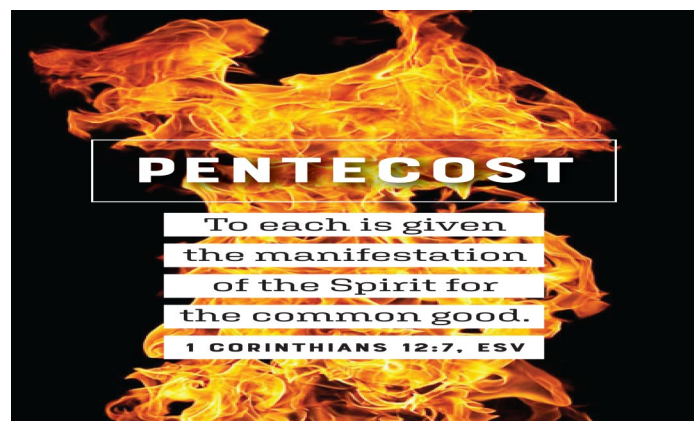
Total Pledge: \$486,650.00

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.

Congratulations to the 2025-2026 First Holy Communion candidates, *Kaylani Bailey, Kayior Bailey, Carter Bishop, Noah Hughes, Hailey Ortiz, Harley Ortiz, Eli Sabi, August Sabi, Jaylah Smith, Ka-lana Smith, Ka-lani Smith, Mason Smith, Bria Wall, and Jordan Wall*, please keep them in your prayers.

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.



Holy Name School

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Memorial Day Monday May 25th - No School
- 8th Grade Retreat - May 26th
- May Crowning Wed. May 27th 8:30 am
- 8th Grade Awards Ceremony & Dinner Dance 6:30pm-9:30pm - May 29th
- Sunday, May 13st The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
- 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.



Digital Safety Video Series

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children debuted a new video series called Into the Cloud™ discussing online safety for children. The video series presents digital safety lessons in a fun and age-appropriate manner including strategies for handling cyberbullying, recognizing and reporting unsafe/inappropriate interactions and content, and preventing online exploitation. To watch the series in both English and Spanish visit <https://www.missingkids.org/netsmartz/intothecloud>.

Thomas St Julien
Chairman