



# Church of the Blessed Sacrament Manhattan

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## **MASSES:**

SUNDAY Masses: Sat. evening at 5:30 PM  
Sunday: 8:30, 10:00 (Family Mass)  
11:00 (Spanish), 12:30 (choir) & 5:30 PM  
WEEKDAYS: 7:30 AM; 12:10 PM; 5:30 PM  
SATURDAYS: 7:30 AM, 12:10 PM  
HOLY DAYS & EVES. OF HOLY DAYS: As Announced.

## **BAPTISM:**

Third Sunday of the Month. Arrangements must be made at the Rectory at least two weeks in advance. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics. Parents, and also godparents when possible, must meet with the priest for a Conference before Baptism.

## **CONFESSIONS:**

Saturday afternoons 4:30 to 5:15 pm, and anytime at the Rectory.

## **MARRIAGES:**

Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance at the rectory to ensure the date and the hour desired. The Nuptial Mass is the ordinary form of celebrating Christian marriage, and should be strongly considered when making Wedding plans. Attendance at the Pre-Cana Conferences, or the equivalent, is required by the Archbishop.

## **MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:**

Mondays, before the 12:10 Mass and before the 5:30 pm Mass.  
Website: [www.blessedsacramentnyc.org](http://www.blessedsacramentnyc.org)  
Spanish Programs Website: [www.nygente.com](http://www.nygente.com)  
Sunday School Website: [www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org](http://www.blessedsacramentsundayschool.org)

## **FATIMA DEVOTIONS:**

The Rosary is said daily after the 12:10 pm Mass. Friday from 6-7 pm there is a holy hour.

## **BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

First Friday - Exposition: 12:35 pm.  
Adoration: All day; Benediction: 5:15 PM.

## **NEW PARISHIONERS:**

We welcome new parishioners, and invite them to register at the Rectory. The registration is our only means of certifying anyone as a member of our parish. If you move to another Parish, or change your address within the Parish, please notify us.

## **BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL**

Our School is located at 147 West 70th Street. For information about the school, please call 212-724-7561.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS:**

Classes in Religion for Catholic children/teenagers, Pre-kindergarten -High School take place on Sundays. The Family Mass begins at 10:00 a.m. in the Church followed by class instruction in the school.

Ongoing religious education is important for the religious development of your children. A child must have at least one year of religious instruction before enrolling in the First Communion or Confirmation class.

## **PARISH BOUNDARIES:**

Central Park West to the Hudson River, from the South side of 77th Street down to the North side of 65th Street.



<b>Saturday Eve</b>	<b>November 8th</b>
5:30	Giuseppe & Rosa Ianni +
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>November 9th</b>
8:30	For All Souls
10:00	Barbara Ritter +
11:00	Maria Rodriguez +
12:30	Sara Peña +
5:30	Olga Peters +
<b>Monday</b>	<b>November 10th</b>
7:30	James Pongo +
12:10	For All Souls
5:30	Len Williams +
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>November 11th</b>
7:30	Elizabeth Deering +
12:10	Maria Veltri +
5:30	For All Souls
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>November 12th</b>
7:30	For the People of the Parish
12:10	Robinson Dacpano & Bruce Montesdeoca +
5:30	Vitale Family +
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>November 13th</b>
7:30	Bernadette M. Philibert +
12:10	Lorenzo Calderon +
5:30	Alice Abou-Halaka +
<b>Friday</b>	<b>November 14th</b>
7:30	Pasqualina Orsini +
12:10	For all the Holy Souls
5:30	Petrychenko Family +
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>November 15th</b>
7:30	Intention of Patria Lee
12:10	Patrick & Cecile Murphy +
5:30	Clemente & Carmela Veltri +

**VISITING FRIENDS PROGRAM**

Blessed Sacrament Church is starting a new and exciting ministry called The Visiting Friends Program. Volunteers will visit the homebound (the elderly, disabled, ill) in the neighborhood to provide the comfort of company and social interaction. To start, we'll be visiting only people confined to their homes rather than those in nursing homes. If you know of someone (relative, friend, neighbor) who might benefit from and would welcome such a service, please contact us by email at the following address: [joyj.blessedsacrament@aol.com](mailto:joyj.blessedsacrament@aol.com). Be sure to put "Visiting Friends Program" in the subject box. Please include your name, address, phone and email address as well as the same information of the person you're referring to us. If you prefer, you can leave this information at the Rectory, noting it's intended for the Visiting Friends Program. Referrals need not necessarily be parishioners, but we request that they live within the geographic confines of our parish. This program is provided with the assistance of JoyJ members.

**PARISH NOTES**

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

On this Thursday, we celebrate the Feast of St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, Mother Cabrini - the great immigrant saint.

Recently, a priest friend of mine said: *Last Sunday, I held a woman in my arms as she shook with tears. On Monday, she would learn whether her husband would be deported to Mexico – not for any crime, per se, but simply for lack of legal status. At that moment, I must confess words failed me but words do not fail me now. The faith community has a simple and direct message for you: Stop the deportations. Stop the real violence these deportations are doing to wives, to husbands, to children, and communities here and throughout the world.*

I would ask the President to remind us of the hope he once embodied. Call on all our leaders to make a recommitment to its fundamental values. Stop the deportations. Liberate our brothers and sisters from the slavery of fear in which they now live.

Pray for peace.

*Fr. Duffell*

**FOOD FOR FAMILIES COLLECTION**



*Feed the Hungry*

***JUST A REMINDER: NEXT WEEKEND*** is our monthly non-perishable grocery collection for FOOD FOR FAMILIES. **Please be especially generous as many families will be**

**depending on food for this Thanksgiving.**

*(In order to provide the highest quality service to those who seek our help, we may only accept freshly bought, unopened non-perishable items. If this is not convenient, we also accept monetary donations)*

**MAKING ALL THINGS NEW--**

Important Changes Announced

Based on the input Cardinal Dolan received from the 368 parishes in the Archdiocese and 75 parish clusters; a 40 person advisory committee comprised of clergy, religious men and women, and the faithful from across the archdiocese; the priest council; other close advisors and key staff, he has decided that: All parishes will work together more collaboratively within their clusters in providing services and ministries.

48 parishes will merge with a nearby parish, resulting in 24 new parishes, with Masses and sacraments celebrated at both churches. There will be an evaluation every two years of these newly merged parishes, and every parish throughout the archdiocese. To accomplish this, the archdiocese has established a parish planning office, to be directed by Eileen Mulcahy.

64 parishes will merge with a nearby parish, resulting in 31 new parishes, and while this new parish will have two churches, Masses and sacraments will only be celebrated on a regular basis at one church as of August 1, 2015.

For more detailed information visit [archny.org](http://archny.org).

***Blessed Sacrament Church is not closing or merging. Please pray for those parishes affected by these mergers.***



**LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS****Saturday Eve November 8th**

5:30 L Tom Caffrey  
EM Tom Caffrey  
EM Carolyn McZinc  
EM Cabrina Carnevale

**Sunday November 9th**

8:30 L John Hunt  
EM John Hunt  
EM Eileen Simpson  
EM John Simpson

11:00 L Edith Ramirez  
EM Marina Che  
EM Sylvia Clark  
EM Maite Marles

12:30 L Jose Luis Martell  
EM Jose Luis Martell  
EM Thomas Alexander  
EM Elsa Alvarez

5:30 L Mark Murphy  
EM Mark Murphy  
EM Jacquelyn White  
EM Vivienne Singer

**NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES**

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos;

Este jueves celebramos la fiesta de St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, la Madre Cabrini, la gran emigrante y Santa.

Recientemente un cura amigo me dijo: El domingo pasado tuve una señora en mis brazos que temblaba y lloraba. Al día siguiente sabría si su esposo sería deportado a Méjico, no porque cometió un crimen sino simplemente porque estaba indocumentado. Puedo confesar que en ese momento me faltaron las palabras, pero no ahora. La comunidad de fieles tiene un mensaje simple y directo para ustedes: No deporten a nadie más. Paren la verdadera violencia que estas deportaciones causan a esposas, esposos, hijos y comunidades aquí y a través del mundo.

Yo le pediría al Presidente que nos recordara la esperanza que en algún momento nos prometió. Llamemos a nuestros líderes y pidamos que vuelvan a adoptar nuestros valores fundamentales. No más deportaciones. Liberen a nuestros hermanos y hermanas del miedo profundo que ahora viven.

Roguemos por la paz.

*Fr. Duffell*

**DIA DE LOS VETERANOS**

El *Martes, Noviembre 11* estaremos celebrando el día de los veteranos. La oficina estará abierta de 10-2.

**VETERAN'S DAY**

Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veteran's Day. *Our office will be open only from 10am-2pm.*

Originally this day was celebrated as Armistice day.

It marked the end of World War I, which ended on

Nov. 11, 1917 at 11am. Unfortunately, we fight on. So we remember all of our war dead in prayer.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT YOUNG ADULTS GROUP**

monthly *Second Sunday Social* will be held today, Sunday, after the 5:30 pm Mass. In the Rectory. Parishioners in their 20's and 30's are welcome to come for a get-together

with others in the area over food and drink. Please join in us!

**COLLECTION**

Our collection last Sunday came to \$13,105. We also received \$1,500 from ParishPay bringing that total to \$14,605. In addition, we collected \$2,543 for our Soup Kitchen. Thank you for your continued support.

**VOLUNTEER FESTIVAL**

Thank you to the Ministry Volunteers and to everyone who stopped by last month's Volunteer Festival. We had a great response with 58 parishioners signing up to get involved within the Blessed Sacrament Community. We are always looking to welcome more people to participate in the numerous Ministries we serve and become a true part of our community. If you haven't returned your form, or would like to know other ways to get involved, send us an email [blessedsacramentparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:blessedsacramentparishcouncil@gmail.com) or stop by the rectory where volunteer forms are still available.

**COLECTA**

La colecta del último domingo ascendió a la cantidad de \$14,605. También se recibieron \$2,543 para nuestro Soup Kitchen. Damos las gracias a los generosos donantes.

**RECOGIDA DE ALIMENTOS PARA FAMILIAS**

El próximo Fin de Semana se recogerán alimentos frescos para el Food for Families. La lista de estos alimentos estará visible en el último banco de la Iglesia. Ponga su donación en las cajas al frente de los Altares del Sagrado Corazón y de Ntra. Señora. Damos las gracias a los donantes.

(No se admiten contenedores abiertos, ni alimentos pasados en tiempo)

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE HOMEBOUND NEEDED**

Do you feel called to become a Eucharistic Minister to the home bound, Riverside Nursing Home, or 74th Street assisted-living facility?

Any parishioner interested in learning how to serve our elderly neighbors who cannot attend mass, please contact the people below.

For the *West 74th Street Assisted Living* facility (bringing communion Sunday mornings from 11:15 to 11:45 am) e-mail Andrew Jenkins ([ajenkins3@nyc.rr.com](mailto:ajenkins3@nyc.rr.com)).

For the *Riverside Nursing Home* (85 street) on Wednesdays from about 1-3 pm (bringing communion) and/or Tuesdays (to pray the rosary), e-mail Helena Maria Lim ([mottalim@aol.com](mailto:mottalim@aol.com)).

For bringing communion to the homes of individual parishioners, please contact Joan Tedeschi ([jtedesc14@yahoo.com](mailto:jtedesc14@yahoo.com)).

For those who do not have access to e-mail, leave a message for one of us at the rectory.