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## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

### Sundays

5:30 PM Saturday (anticipated); 8:00 AM, 11 AM (High Mass) 8:30 PM

### Weekdays

8:00 AM (Monday through Friday)

12:10 PM (Monday through Saturday)

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### Holy Days of Obligation

8:00 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:30 PM

### Novenas and Devotions - Immediately after the 12:10 PM Mass

Monday: Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday: Recitation of the Holy Rosary for peace in the world

Wednesday: Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

Thursday: Recitation of the Holy Rosary

Friday: **Exposition of The Most Blessed Sacrament from  
12:35 to 2:00 PM**  
Sacred Heart Novena

*(during Lent: Stations of the Cross replace Exposition, Novena and Benediction)*

## CONFESSIONS - SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday from 11:55-12:05 PM and from 5:00 PM to 5:25 PM

Sunday from 10:30 AM to 10:55 AM and 8:15-8:25 p.m.

Monday through Friday from 11:55-12:05 PM

At other times please stop by the rectory

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are administered on Sundays at 12:15 PM. An instruction class is required for the parents and godparents. Please contact Fr. Murray for an appointment.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact Fr. Murray at least six months in advance of your proposed date of marriage. Pre-Cana instruction is required for the engaged couple.

## VISITATION OF THE SICK - COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact Fr. Murray for visitation of the sick at home or in the hospital.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - CCD

For the religious education of children in grades first through seven (including preparation for First Confession, First Holy Communion and Confirmation) please contact Mrs. Elizabeth Rivera at the Parish Office.

Adults who would like to join the Catholic Church are asked to contact Fr. Joseph Chacko. Baptized Catholics who need to receive First Confession, First Communion and/or Confirmation are asked to contact Fr. Joseph Chacko.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

**Welcome to Holy Family!** Please register in the Parish Office or on-line.

## ONLINE GIVING TO THE PARISH

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF  
JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2021

Sunday, January 31 <sup>st</sup> – <i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
5:30 p.m. (Saturday)	<b>Mario, Gloria and Anthony Sergi +</b>
8:00 a.m.	<b>Neville Pack (L)</b>
11:00 a.m.	<b>Geraldine Stephan +</b>
8:30 p.m.	<b>Nancy and Luke A. Foye, Sr. +</b>
Monday, February 1 <sup>st</sup> – <i>Weekday</i>	
8:00 a.m.	<b>Michael and Stacy Pack (L)</b>
12:10 p.m.	<b>Paul R. Cahir +</b>
Tuesday, February 2 <sup>nd</sup> – <i>Presentation of the Lord</i>	
8:00 a.m.	<b>Ann Marie Agli +</b>
12:10 p.m.	<b>Engracia and Jose Gotauco +</b>
Wednesday, February 3 <sup>rd</sup> – <i>Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, Saint Ansgar, Bishop</i>	
8:00 a.m.	<b>Stuart and Carla Pack +</b>
12:10 p.m.	<b>Jacinto Evidente +</b>
Thursday, February 4 <sup>th</sup> – <i>Weekday</i>	
8:00 a.m.	<b>Rosemary Trinidade +</b>
12:10 p.m.	<b>Fr. Piotr Przemielewski +</b>
Friday, February 5 <sup>th</sup> – <i>Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr</i>	
8:00 a.m.	<b>Angelina Lauchangco +</b>
12:10 p.m.	<b>Krzysztof Skutela and Family (L)</b>
Saturday, February 6 <sup>th</sup> – <i>Saint Paul Miki and Companions</i>	
12:10 p.m.	<b>Mateo Rivera (L)</b>
5:30 p.m.	<b>Geraldine Stephan +</b>



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Gospel is from St. Mark 1:21-28. St. Mark makes it clear that, from the very first day of Christ's public ministry, his messianic power began to be manifested to those who saw and heard him. The Jews of Capernaum were "astonished" at his teaching and "amazed" at his power over the evil spirits. "What is this," they asked one another, "a new teaching and the unclean spirits obey him!" But they were still a long way from recognizing him for what he was, the Messiah and Son of God. This is as might be expected, the astounding mystery of the incarnation was way beyond human expectation or human imagination. And it was our Lord's own plan to reveal this mystery, slowly and gradually, so that when the chain of evidence had been completed by his resurrection, his followers could look back and see each link in that chain. Then they would be ready to accept without hesitation the mystery of the incarnation and realize the infinite love and power of God that brought it about. We look back today through the eyes of the Evangelists, and, like them, know that Christ was God as well as man—two natures in one person. We should not therefore be "amazed" at the teaching of Jesus or at his power over the unclean spirits. What should amaze us really is the love that God showed mankind in becoming one of our race.

We are creatures with nothing of our own to boast of. We were created by God, and every talent or power we possess was given us by God. God's benevolence could have stopped there and we would have no right to complain. But when we recall the special gifts he gave man, which raise him above all other created things, we see that he could not, because of his own infinitely benevolent nature, leave us to an earthly fate. What thinking man could be content with a short span of life on earth? What real purpose in life could an intelligent being have who knew that nothing awaited him but eternal oblivion in the grave? What fulfillment would man's intellectual faculties find in a few years of what is for the majority of people perpetual struggle for earthly survival? No, God created us to elevate us, after our earthly sojourn, to an eternal existence where all our desires and potentialities would have their true fulfillment. Hence the incarnation, hence the life, death and resurrection of Christ, who was God's Son, as the central turning point of man's history.

Today, while amazed at God's love for us, let us also be justly amazed at the shabby and grudging return we make

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF

January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (Year B, Cycle I). May be found:  
<http://www.ewtn.com/devotionals/inspiration.asp>

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

**Saturdays from** 11:55–12:05 p.m. and 5:00–5:25 p.m.

**Sundays from** 10:30–10:55 a.m. and 8:10–8:25 p.m.

**Monday through Friday from** 11:55–12:05 p.m.

“The primary sacrament of the New Evangelization is the Sacrament of Penance.”

*His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York*

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Christmas - December 25<sup>th</sup>: 12 midnight, 8 am, 11 am \*  
Mary, Mother of God - January 1<sup>st</sup>: 5:30 pm (anticipated),  
8 am, 11 am \* (*\*If Christmas and January 1st fall on a Sunday, there is also an 8:30 PM Mass.*)

Ascension Thursday, Assumption of Mary - August 15<sup>th</sup>.

All Saints - November 1<sup>st</sup>, Immaculate Conception – December 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m. (anticipated), 8 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 5:30 pm\*

*(\*Please note: if January 1st, August 15th or November 1st fall on a Saturday or a Monday, they are not Holy Days of Obligation, as decreed by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops.)*

for love. Many amongst us even deny that act of God's infinite love, not from convincing historical and logical proofs, but in order to justify their own unwillingness to cooperate with the divine plan for their eternal future. This is not to say that their future, after death, does not concern them; it is a thought which time and again intrudes on all men, but they have allowed the affairs of this world which should be stepping stones to their future life, to become instead mill-stones which crush their spirits and their own true self-interests.

While we sincerely hope that we are not in that class, we can still find many facets in our daily Christian lives which can and should make us amazed at our lack of gratitude to God and to his incarnate Son. 'Leaving out serious sin which turns us away from God if not against him, how warm is our charity, our love of God and neighbor? How much of our time do we give to the things of God and how much to the things of Caesar? How often does our daily struggle for earthly existence and the grumbles and grouses which it causes, blot out from our view the eternal purpose God had in giving us this earthly existence. How often during the past year have we said from our heart: "Thank you, God, for putting me in this world, and thank you a thousand times more, for giving me the opportunity and the means of reaching the next world where I shall live happily forevermore in your presence"? If the true answer for many of us is "not once," then begin today. Let us say it now with all sincerity, and say it often in the years that are left to us.

— Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings* by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

**The Mass schedule is:**

**Monday to Friday: 8 AM and 12:10 PM**

**Saturday: 12:10 PM and 5:30 PM**

**Sunday: 8 AM, 11 AM and 8:30 PM**

**The Confession schedule is:**

**Monday to Saturday: 11:55 AM to 12:05 PM**

**Saturday: 5:00 to 5:25 PM**

**Sunday: 10:30 to 10:55 AM and 8:10 to 8:25 PM**

**The church is open for private prayer:**

**Monday to Friday: 7 AM to 9 AM and 11:30 AM to 2 PM**

**Saturday: 11:30 AM to 1 PM and 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM**

**Sunday: 7 AM to 12:00 PM and 8:00 PM to 9:30 PM**

**LECTORS, USHERS NEEDED:** If you are interested in volunteering your time and talents, please contact the rectory.

**LEGION OF MARY:** For more information on the Legion of Mary: please contact Rose Gaddi: 267-546-8204. Meetings are on Thursdays from 1:00 PM-2:00 PM. Suspended until further notice.

**IN YOUR PRAYERS** please remember:

Melody Colligan, Carlos Cuerta, Rachel Dawson, Gene Doyle, Paul Estipona and Family, Dorothy Gerber, Gregory Henry, Ronald Henry, Sr., Ken Majuk, Bea Maviglia, Joanne Perry, Frank Sajeski, Sebastian Sancho, Margie Skeels, Mateo Tobia, Alfredo Thomas, Virginia Vassallo, Dr. Tony Vivera, Nivene Young and Cathy Vukovich, who are ill or disabled.



**Dear Parishioners,**

The *Cardinal's Annual Appeal 2021* is underway here at Holy Family. If you received a mailing from Cardinal Dolan we ask that you prayerfully consider participating in this annual fundraising drive to support the good works of the Archdiocese of New York by mailing in your contribution form. You may also donate online. If you did not receive a mailing, we will soon make available on the table at the back of the church informational brochures and contribution envelopes. Our parish goal this year is \$41,500.

The construction work continues on the elevator project. We anticipate completion of the elevator by March of this year. Other repairs have also become necessary. Two electrical pumps that are part of the heating system failed and needed to be repaired. We will also purchase a spare pump to have on hand in the event of future problems. The small roof on The Family School building next to the church must be replaced due to age and degradation. The installation of a gas clothing dryer in the rectory laundry room will require architectural drawings to be drawn up and submitted to the NYC Department of Buildings to obtain approval for this installation. This is underway. In December gas service was finally restored to the rectory kitchen.

To save money in December we switched our internet, cable and telephone provider. Due to technical problems our telephone line was out of service until last week. It is now working.

Saturday February 6<sup>th</sup> is Timothy Cardinal Dolan's 71<sup>st</sup> birthday. Please pray for our Archbishop on this happy occasion.

**God bless you. Fr. Gerald E. Murray, Pastor**

**HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS:**

**January 2021: Human fraternity**

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

*"Being unwanted, unloved, uncared for, forgotten by everybody, I think that is a much greater hunger, a much greater poverty than the person who has nothing to eat"* –

*Saint Teresa of Calcutta*

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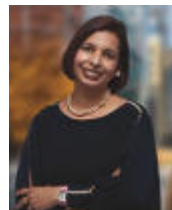


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