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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)

Messe en français, mardi 13h10 (septembre – juin)

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

Online Giving is available with WeShare. You can set up a recurring weekly or monthly transaction using your checking, savings, or credit card account. To enroll visit churchholyfamily.churchgiving.com.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
FEBRUARY 7TH, 2021



Sunday, February 7 th – <i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
5:30 p.m. (Saturday)	Geraldine Stephan +
8:00 a.m.	Juliana Balacuit +
11:00 a.m.	Holy Souls in Purgatory +
8:30 p.m.	Catherine and Patrick Gorman +
Monday, February 8 th – <i>Saint Jerome Emilani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin</i>	
8:00 a.m.	Jose Borrani +
12:10 p.m.	Paul R. Cahir +
Tuesday, February 9 th – <i>Weekday</i>	
8:00 a.m.	Brendan J. Reilly +
12:10 p.m.	Krzysztof Skutela and Family (L)
Wednesday, February 10 th – <i>Saint Scholastica, Virgin</i>	
8:00 a.m.	Gavin Rivera, Carmen Machado & Mercedes Borrani (L)
12:10 p.m.	Laura Carrapatoso +
Thursday, February 11 th – <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i>	
8:00 a.m.	Edward Gorman +
12:10 p.m.	Sal Tharani +
Friday, February 12 th – <i>Weekday</i>	
8:00 a.m.	Dorris Horbachevsky +
12:10 p.m.	Rosario I. Gahol +
Saturday, February 13 th – <i>Weekday</i>	
12:10 p.m.	Nataly Thakur (L)
5:30 p.m.	Mario, Gloria and Anthony Sergi +

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF

February 7th, 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 25th: 12 midnight, 8 am, 11 am *

Mary, Mother of God - January 1st: 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 15th

All Saints - November 1st, Immaculate Conception – December 8th, 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.)*

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The **Gospel** is from St. Mark 1:29-39. Surely the people of Capernaum saw enough that first day of Christ's public ministry among them to make them realize that this man from Nazareth who had come amongst them was no ordinary preacher, no ordinary rabbi, no ordinary man. They saw that he preached as one having authority; they saw that by a simple command he cast out demons and removed all bodily ailments. Yet though they were astonished and amazed at his power, their worldly outlook did not let them rise above their own small interests. Our Lord did not blame them or criticize them, he knew and fully understood their slowness of mind in regard to things spiritual, and he knew also that they would eventually give themselves wholeheartedly to his kingdom. While he was prepared to wait for the desired effects which his miracles and preaching would eventually have on them, he hastened the arrival of that day by praying to his heavenly Father to send the graces necessary for their conversion into their hearts.

When the four Apostles found him praying in a lonely place, they told him that all Capernaum was searching for him, but he knew why they were searching for him. They wanted to see more miracles and very likely they were hoping that he would stay on in Capernaum and the sick and the maimed from the whole of Galilee would be brought there for healing. This would increase their earthly business and prosperity. His answer to the Apostles, while not directly condemning this worldly outlook, shows that his mission had an entirely different objective. He had come on earth not to bring earthly prosperity to any town or country but to bring spiritual salvation and blessing on all people. That very morning he began to carry out his mission and for the remaining two years or more he went from town to town preaching the kingdom of God.

We Christians of today have many advantages over the people of Capernaum of that day. They saw Christ with their bodily eyes as a man of power amongst them; we see him with the eyes of faith as he really was and is — the Son of God who came on earth as man in order to make us sons of God. We know who he really was and we know the full meaning of his mission. We have seen that mission completed amongst us by his death on the cross and his resurrection. By his death he conquered death for us; by his resurrection he opened the gates of heaven for us and led the way there for all who will follow him.

This is the good news Christ brought to our world. This is the meaning of Christianity; this is why we are Christians. We are members of Christ's kingdom on earth, so that when our life here ends we shall be members of his everlasting heavenly kingdom. Yet, with all of this knowledge and with the example of the thousands and millions of saints who have lived according to this knowledge over the past nineteen hundred years and more, and who are now enjoying the reward Christianity promised them, how active and how effective is our Christian faith in our daily thoughts and deeds? In my daily dealings with my fellowmen would I be picked out as a Christian? Do I, by my words and deeds, prove to those with whom I live and work that I am convinced there is a future life after death, that reaching that life is the most important thing in this world for me, and that it is through living my short earthly life as a true Christian that I can earn that eternal life?

If I can say yes to these questions I am, thank God, on the right road. But if my answer is "no" then it is time I had another good look to see where I went off the road, and to find out that I can return to that right road once more. God is merciful; Christ is patient with followers who straggle and wander, but it could be fatal to postpone for too long our call to the God of mercy. It will be too late if we delay turning to our patient Christ until we are about to die. Stop straggling and wandering off the highway today and the patient Christ will welcome you and help you back. There may be no tomorrow for you, you have no guarantee of it.

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

IN YOUR PRAYERS please remember:

Melody Colligan, Carlos Cuerta, Rachel Dawson, Gene Doyle, Paul Estipona and Family, Deborah Feudo, Dorothy Gerber, Gregory Henry, Ronald Henry, Sr., Ken Majuk, Audrey Marshall, 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.

Thank you to our parishioners and friends of Holy Family Church who have contributed to the \$100,000 matching grant challenge for our new elevator. We have raised \$27,200 so far. An anonymous benefactor has pledged to match every dollar raised for the elevator project up to \$100,000. If you would like to donate, please speak with Fr. Murray (917-292-6160) or email him at gmurray@churchhollyfamily.org.

Please remember in your prayers all those who are suffering from COVID-19 and all those taking care of them

God bless you.

Fr. Gerald E. Murray, Pastor

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.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS:

February 2021: Violence against Women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

JESUS TELLS us not to hold back these little miracles. Instead, he wants us to encourage them, to spread them. He asks us to go through life, our everyday life, encouraging all these little signs of love as signs of his own living and active presence in our world. – Pope Francis (Closing Mass of the Eighth Word Meeting of Families, 27 September 2015)

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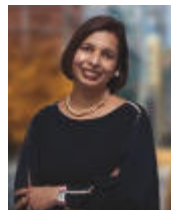
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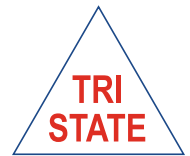
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