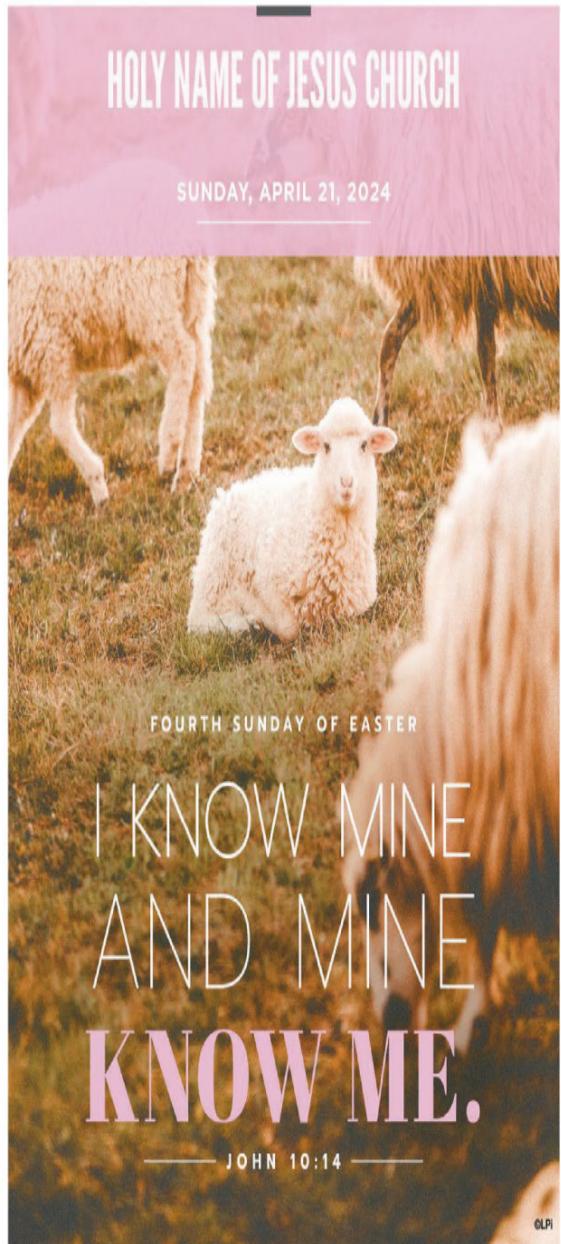


# Holy Name of Jesus Parish

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Rev. Abraham Berko, *Pastor*  
Thomas J. Abbamont, *Deacon*



### MASS SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY:** 5:00pm  
**SUNDAY:** 8:00am, 10:00am,  
12noon

**HOLY DAYS:** Vigil: 5:00pm  
7:15am, 9:00am & 7pm

Monday - Friday 7:15am & 9:00am  
Saturday: 9:00am  
Rosary recited: After 9am Mass

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday: 4pm-4:45pm or by appt.

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**Our Parish Mission:** Welcome to All! Our Parish Family invites all to be active and participating members in every aspect of parish life! We care for each other, we worship with each other and serve our Lord and one another.

## MASS INTENTIONS



*Saturday, April 20th*

9:00am      **Betty & Larry Lonergan**  
5:00pm      **Myra Cacsire**

*Sunday, April 21st*

8:00am      **Joseph Cavazzini**  
10:00am      **Phyllis Phillips**  
12:00pm      **John Cichetti**

*Monday, April 22nd*

7:15am      **Nancy Capozzi**  
9:00am      **Marjorie Mooney**

*Tuesday, April 23rd*

7:15am      **Patrick Levins**  
9:00am      **Augusto & Antonietta Roma**

*Wednesday, April 24th*

7:15am      **For a Special Intention**  
9:00am      **Francesco Fazio**

*Thursday, April 25th*

7:15am      **For All the People of the Parish**  
9:00am      **Albert Vetere**

*Friday, April 26th*

7:15am      **Vincent Zappi**  
9:00am      **Giovanni Capetola**

*Saturday, April 27th*

9:00am      **Carolyn Pappas**  
5:00pm      **Ann E. Coughlin**

*Sunday, April 28th*

8:00am      **Larry & Betsy Lonergan**  
10:00am      **Nick & Grace D'onofrio**  
12:00pm      **Jim Murphy**



### *Memorial Offerings April 20th to April 26th*

#### **SANCTUARY LAMP**

*Albert Vetere*

#### **THE BREAD & WINE**

*Peter Balic*

*Eternal rest  
grant unto them,  
O Lord, and let  
perpetual light shine  
upon them.  
May they rest  
in peace. Amen.*

*Pray for all the souls of our  
faithfully departed, especially  
Patricia Smith and for all those  
who have no one to pray for  
them. Grant eternal rest unto  
them.*



## PRAYER REQUESTS

*Teresa Agar  
David Alderisio  
Clare & John Ahern  
Justina Antonio  
MaryEllen Avolesse  
Ben Balldasam  
Christa Blenkle  
Lisa Bloss  
Brandi Bonanno  
Cabrera Family  
Jeff Caponera  
Nick Carpenteri  
Franco Castellano  
Cherico Family  
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Jason Fiore  
Claire Fontanella  
Emily Gerstle  
Fred Gillu  
Robert Gonzalez  
Suzanne Holden  
Kathleen Johnson  
P.A.L.*  
*Gavin Little  
Joyce Lopez  
Marianne Lubbers  
Theresa Luparrello  
Holly Lynch  
Mark McDonald  
Julian Lucas McRandall  
Maria Magnotta  
Penelope R. Maculuso  
Jaspere Miranda  
Dave Murray  
Angela Naughton  
Alexa Nitting  
Sue Oderfiero  
Craig Paler  
Matthew Phillips  
Dennis Pierce  
Dita Pjeca  
Art Prudhomme  
Ginger Ragusa  
Frankie Ragusa  
Madeline Ragusa  
Joan Ramono  
Frank Rotelline  
Sofia S.  
Luz Savarese  
Daniel Schoen  
Marion Sheenan  
Traci Sinapi  
Andrew Smith  
Peggy Thompson  
Joy Xhudo & Family  
Summer Vachna  
Meredith Grace Windisch*



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Lieutenant Louis DePaolis, U.S. Coast Guard  
Lieutenant Maxwell Dopsch, U.S. Navy  
Lieutenant JG, Ian Dopsch, U.S. Navy  
Capt. Brendan Flynn, U.S. Army  
Fireman, Liam E. Flynn, U.S. Coast Guard  
Lt. Kathryn Flynn, U.S. Navy  
Major Peter M Kavanagh 111, U.S. Army  
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Sgt. Alyson Oderifero, U.S. Air Force  
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Clayton Perry, U.S. Air Force  
Edward J. Ritter, U.S. Navy  
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Capt. Daniel Spies, U.S. Army  
Major Michael Tillson, U.S. Army  
Ryan Vitale, U.S. Navy*



Sunday, April 14th

Regular Collections	\$ 6,014.00
Catholic Education	1,129.50
Parishpay	1,157.14
Easter Catchup	310.00



### FATHER NANA'S BOOK!

For those of you who know Father Nana, he has been helping physically disadvantaged children throughout New York State, especially in the areas of Westchester and the Bronx.

Holy Name of Jesus is proud to announce that Father has just written a book on Forgiveness! But before he can submit his final draft to his publisher, his manuscript must be edited. If any parishioner has experience in editing, or knows of someone to be referred to Father Nana, please contact the rectory.

EMAIL: hnJValhallaNY@gmail.com



Remember a loved one, living or deceased in a special way with a Mass. Masses are available for announced Mass Intentions. The offering is \$15.00 Also, there is the remembrance with the Sanctuary Lamp and The Bread and Wine for \$15 each

If you are unable to come in person, please call the office to reserve a date and the mass card can be prepared for you to be picked up or mailed for you.

### **(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS** By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

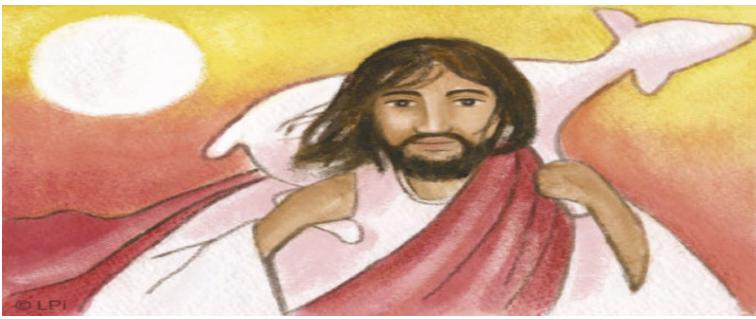
#### **The Good Shepherd and the Wolf**

I remember very clearly the first movie I watched during my pregnancy with my eldest child. In this film, there is a scene where a young boy is kidnapped and shoved into the back of a van guarded by vicious dogs. His mother persists in trying to free him, even as the dogs snap at her. Their bared teeth and full-throated snarls don't slow her efforts in the slightest.

It wasn't a great movie or even a particularly great scene, but I'll never forget this scene. I'll never forget those dogs. I had just learned that I was a mother a few days ago. The life growing deep within seemed to me as frail as a whispered secret, but I loved it powerfully. I worried constantly if the baby was safe and healthy. I agonized over signs — real or imagined — that could tell me if the poppy seed -sized child was thriving or failing.

I understood, for the first time in my life, why a woman would charge a pack of attack dogs without hesitation — not because she should, but because she has to. She could choose not to fight, certainly. She could walk away. But why would she? A future without her son is so much more painful than any physical wound. She may fear for her life, but she fears a life without her child so much more.

The Good Shepherd discourse reveals to us the motivation behind God's actions throughout all of salvation history. From Adam to Noah to Abraham, all the way down to the time of the Messiah and beyond, He keeps trying to get us back. He keeps braving the attack dogs, time after time. He never stops. He never grows weary. And it baffles us: what's in it for Him? we wonder, because we are quicker to give up on ourselves than He is. Why does He keep trying? He could choose not to fight, sure. But why would He? He doesn't want a future without us. "I will lay down my life for the sheep." — John 10:11 ©LPi



## MEN'S PANTS COLLECTITONS



Thanks so much to all our parishioners who donated men's pants for those in need. Your donations went out to the soup kitchen in White Plains and to the homeless shelter at Grasslands in Valhalla. We also gave sneakers, socks, toiletries, and backpacks to the homeless shelter. Thanks to Margot Ronin for helping to transport the items. We will continue to collect men's pants through the end of April. Most needed are jeans, sweatpants, and khaki's. No dress pants please.

## SERVED BY

**Pastor:** Reverend Abraham A. Berko  
**Deacon:** Thomas J. Abbamont  
**Parish Manager:** Fran Berger  
**Parish Office Asst:** Jennifer Cipri  
**Director of RE:** Maria Gallo  
**Asst. to DRE:** Nikko Marino  
**Parish Council President:** Joe Naughton  
**Trustees:** Dr. Susan Guiney & Steve Giuliano  
**Choir Director:** Erin Sica  
**Organist:** Frank Squillante  
**Folk Guitarist:** Brian Clifford  
**Children's Choir:** Suzanne Gerbosi  
**Bereavement:** Virginia Andriola  
**Bingo Boys:** Phil Adimari  
**Rosary Altar Society:** Fritzi McClintock  
**CYO:** Paul LoBoen  
**Website/Digital Media:** Angela Giustino  
**Livestream/Tech:** Rick Kline  
**Prayer Shawl:** Maureen McLoughlin/Christine Stephens



## BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held on the First and Third Sundays of every month at 1:30 pm. To register for a Baptism please call the rectory. For any reason you have an older child that has not been baptized please call the office so we can arrange a baptism.



If you know any of our parishioners who may be homebound and would like a visit from Fr. Abraham, receive Holy Communion or receive a friendly telephone call now and then; please contact the office.

## SPONSOR LETTERS

To receive a sponsor letter for a Baptism or Confirmation, you must be a registered and practicing HNJ parishioner, have completed all your sacraments. Please call the rectory.



## REGISTRATION 2024-2025 Religious Education Classes.

Our RE office hours for Registration are Monday through Thursday from 10-1 pm or by appt. To schedule an appointment, please call the RE Office at 914-949-1422 or email us at [re.registration2023@holynameofjesuschurch.org](mailto:re.registration2023@holynameofjesuschurch.org). You can also drop off the Registration forms in the mail box found outside the RE office. Also, registration forms can be found on the parish website. You may fill them out online and email back to the above email address. Please do not wait as classes are filling up fast. If you are interested in volunteering for Religious Education, please call Mrs. Maria Gallo at 914-949-1422

## SOCIAL CONCERNS

**Maureen McLoughlin**

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## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

**Christine Stephens**

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## FOOD DONATION WEEKEND

This weekend we will be collecting food for the Interfaith Food Pantry in Thornwood. Most needed items- cereal, pasta, canned vegetables and fruits, rice, beans, tuna fish, peanut butter and jelly. No glass jars and no perishable food items please. Please place all donations in the black bins in the church vestibules before or after all masses this weekend of the 20th & 21st. Thank you for helping people who are food insecure in our community.

## FOOD TRANSPORTATION HELP

We collect food every third weekend of the month for the Interfaith Food Pantry of Mt Pleasant in Thornwood. This Sunday, April 21st, we need volunteers to pick up and transport the food after the 10am mass on the 21st and someone to pick up/transport the food after the 12pm mass. We meet the staff at the pantry (located near Berger's Hardware) to drop off the food at 1pm. If you think you would be available on April 21st to pick up/transport the food after the 10am mass or 12pm mass, (meeting at the food pantry at 1pm), please get in touch with Deirdre Sullivan at [deirdresullivan@gmail.com](mailto:deirdresullivan@gmail.com) Thanks for your help!

## SING-ALONG AT MARYKNOLL



We will be having a Sing-Along for retired Maryknoll Priests and Brothers living in Ossining on Saturday, May 18th, from 2-4. Come join us!! Our church organist Frank has graciously agreed to accompany us on the piano. You don't have to be a great singer, but have enthusiasm!! We will sing for about an hour, then have a "social hour" for about an hour. We will chat with the men about their missionary lives, about the Yankees/Mets, about current events.... whatever they want to talk about, while they are enjoying delicious snacks. Please call or email Maureen if interested in lending your voice- 946-9334 [m.mccloughlin@holynameofjesuschurch.org](mailto:m.mccloughlin@holynameofjesuschurch.org) We hope to hold a practice session before we go. Check bulletin/website for updates.



## BAKED GOODS FOR MARYKNOLL

We will be having a Sing-Along and "Social Hour" at Maryknoll on Saturday, May 18th. Could you provide a snack to be shared with the Priests and Brothers who will be there? We have been told about 40 to 50 men will be in attendance. We would love to bring some cookies, brownies, cakes, soda bread.... with us. Whatever items you would like to donate would be appreciated!! Please call or email Maureen if you can provide a snack. Items should be dropped off the morning of the Sing-Along, May 18th, from 11-12, in the HNJ school vestibule, where a volunteer will be waiting. Or call Maureen to make other arrangements. Thanks so much for helping us to make this a great afternoon for these special retirees!!



Couples celebrating their FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY anytime during 2024 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at St Patrick's on Sunday, June 2nd at 2:30 Preregistration at our rectory is required and the closing date is Tuesday, May 13th.

### THE CARDINAL'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of April 15th, 105 families have pledged a total of \$31,190, towards our goal of \$76,100. It would be wonderful if we could both raise our goal and make a strong showing with the number of families committed to the *Appeal*.

The *Appeal* needs all of us to play a role in order for it to be successful. We ask that all parishioners who have not yet made a gift to the 2024 Cardinal's Appeal to please prayerfully consider giving. Envelopes are in the Church vestibules, or you can make your gift online and our Church # is 551. Please be as generous as possible. You can make your gift online at [www.CardinalsAppeal.org](http://www.CardinalsAppeal.org)

### CHERISH THE CHILD

Elizabeth Seton Children is hosting their 10th Annual Cherish the Child luncheon on May 2nd at Sleepy Hollow Country Club. Their mission is to give a full and happy life to children and young adults who have some of the most challenging and limiting medical conditions on earth. Lidia Bastianich, a key figure in America's culinary landscape, will be the featured guest.

We are blessed to live in a time in which modern advances in medical care allow more of their children to thrive past childhood and teenage years than ever before. However, pediatric placement ends at age 21. Elizabeth Seton Children's center is urgently raising money to pioneer a loving home for young adults with medically complex conditions.

For more information, please visit [Cherishthechild.givesmart.com](http://Cherishthechild.givesmart.com). Thank you.

### 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



### LAST MAN STANDING RAFFLE

Tickets for the parish only fundraiser are available at the rectory. The drawing will take place here at Holy Name of Jesus on May 18th at 6PM. Cash, checks and credit cards are accepted. Stop by to purchase your lucky ticket. As of April 15th we have sold 201 tickets. Please help us to sell the 300 tickets and reach our goal

The trick is to be the last man standing. This raffle is the opposite of a normal raffle in that it is the LAST number drawn that wins the prize. The tickets are \$100 each with 18 chances to win and only 300 tickets sold. As of March 26th when this bulletin went to press we sold 156 tickets. To see the prize information visit our website.

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TO BE IN IT TO WIN  
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