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The Rev Joe A Francis, Priest
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MASS SCHEDULE/HORARIO DE MISAS

Sun/Dom. 9 AM (English), 11 AM (Español)
Mon/Lun. 8:30 AM
Tues/Mar. 7 PM Víspera & Misa (Español)
Wed/Mier. 8:30 AM
Fri/Vier. 7 PM Víspera & Misa (Español)
Sat/Sab. 9 AM Mass for Children/Families-
English

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday, 9:30 AM. to 6 PM
(Closed for lunch, 1:00—2:00 PM)

HORARIO DE LA CASA CURAL

Lunes a Viernes, 9:30 AM a 6 PM
(Cerrada, 1 - 2 PM)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Dcn José Luis Velásquez,
Director of Religious Education
(914)-457-4776
Office Hours
Saturday 10 AM - 1 PM
Email: religioused@optimum.net

Sunday/Domingo, September 7th

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 9: 13-18; Phlm 9-10, 12-17 / Lk 14: 25-33

9 AM † John Leo Favareau

11 AM † Andrea Manzueta (2do Aniversario)
† Roselio Polanco
Por las almas del Purgatorio

Monday /Lunes, September 8th

Nativity of the BI Virgin Mary
Mi 5: 1-4 / Mt 1: 1-16, 18-23

8:30 AM Adelo Xelo (Cumpleaños)

Tuesday /Martes, September 9th

St Peter Claver
Col 2: 6-15 / Lk 6: 12-19

7 PM Available

Wednesday /Miércoles, September 10th

Col 3: 1-11 / Lk 6: 20-26

8:30 AM † Elmer Hernandez (2do Mes)

Friday /Viernes, September 12th

The Most Holy Name of Mary
1 Tm 1: 1-2, 12-14/Lk 6: 39-42

7 PM Available

Saturday/Sábados, September 13th

St John Chrysostom
1 Tm 1: 15-17 / Lk 6: 43-49

9 AM Available

Sunday/Domingo, September 14th

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Nm 21: 6-11; Phil 2: 6-11/Jn 3: 13-17

9 AM † Francisco Peña

11 AM † Fernando Tirado

Front Page: Madonna and Child, enthroned in glory. Fiorenzo di Lorenzo.
Inside: The Education of the Virgin (St Anne and the BI Virgin).
Georges de La Tour.

New Air Conditioner System Fund
Fondo para el nuevo sistema de aire acondicionado.

Our church is in need of purchasing a new air conditioning system in preparation for coming summer. We need your support and financial generosity for this cause.

Nuestra Iglesia tiene la necesidad de comprar un nuevo sistema de aire acondicionado en preparación del próximo verano. Necesitamos de su apoyo y generosidad económica para esta causa.

Money raised /Dinero recaudado: **\$28,612.00**
Donations/Donaciones: **\$ 311.00**
Total: **\$28,923.00**
Profits from Raffle \$23,000.00
As of September 2, 2025

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Rosary at 6 pm every Friday followed by Holy Mass at 7 pm. On first Fridays the adoration will begin at 3 pm.

Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento y santo Rosario a las 5pm todos los viernes, seguido por la Santa Misa a las 7pm. Los primeros viernes, la adoración comenzará a las 3 pm.



40 Years of Service

Saving Moms and Babies Since 1985

Jean Rose will share about Good Counsel's Life Saving mission at all Masses on Sunday, September 14.

Good Counsel, founded in 1985 by Christopher Bell and the late Fr. Benedict Groeschel, accepts any homeless, pregnant women and their children providing them with the resources and skills to break the cycle of abuse, addiction and poverty.

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Nativity of the BI Virgin Mary

September 8

The New Testament records only a few events from the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It tells us nothing about her parents, her birth, or her childhood. This information comes to us through the early tradition of the Church, recorded in the mid-second century in an ancient writing known as the Protoevangelium of St James.

Apocryphal writings, such as this one, are early Christian texts that describe events in the lives of Jesus and Mary not included in the New Testament. While the Church does not recognize them as divinely inspired Scripture, much of what they recount reflects traditions cherished by the earliest Christian communities.

From the Protoevangelium of James, we learn that Mary's parents, Joachim and Anna, were righteous and deeply devoted to God. Joachim was descended from the royal house of David, while Anna came from the priestly line of Aaron. Their great sorrow was that they had no children—a condition which, in Old Testament times, was often regarded as a sign of God's disfavor.

Yet, in His divine providence, God was preparing them for an extraordinary blessing. The child they would receive was to become the Mother of Christ, the promised Savior of the world. Like many biblical stories, this account reveals the special presence of God in Mary's life from the very beginning.

The birth of the Virgin Mary was no mere chance; it was part of God's saving plan from the dawn of human history. As early as the Garden of Eden, God promised Adam and Eve a Savior, to be born of "the Woman" whose offspring would crush the serpent's head (Genesis 3:15). That 'Woman' is Mary, and her birth marks a decisive step toward the fulfillment of that promise.

In the liturgy, we rarely celebrate the earthly birthdays of saints, honoring instead the day of their death—their "birthday" into eternal life. Apart from Christmas, the Church celebrates only two other nativities: that of St. John the Baptist (June 24) and that of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Sept 8). These feasts are not about personal glory, but about the unique roles these figures played in salvation history—roles directly linked to the coming of the Redeemer.

As we honor Mary's birth, we are reminded that God's work in our lives often begins long before we see it. Mary was chosen and prepared to be the Mother of Jesus, and she now intercedes for us, her spiritual children.

O Mary, born to be the Mother of the Savior, pray for us and lead us always to Jesus. Amen.

La Natividad de la Virgen

8 de septiembre

El Nuevo Testamento cuenta solo unos pocos momentos de la vida de la Virgen María. No nos dice nada sobre sus padres, su nacimiento o su infancia. Esa información nos llega por la antigua tradición de la Iglesia, que fue escrita a mediados del siglo II en un libro muy antiguo llamado Protoevangelio de Santiago.

Los libros apócrifos, como este, son escritos cristianos antiguos que cuentan hechos de la vida de Jesús y de María que no están en la Biblia. La Iglesia no los reconoce como inspirados por Dios, pero muchas de sus historias vienen de las primeras comunidades cristianas.

En el Protoevangelio de Santiago se dice que los padres de María, Joaquín y Ana, eran personas justas y muy devotas de Dios. Joaquín descendía de la casa real de David y Ana de la familia sacerdotal de Aarón. Su gran tristeza era no tener hijos, algo que en el Antiguo Testamento se veía como un signo de que Dios no estaba contento.

Pero Dios, en su providencia, les preparaba un regalo muy especial: la hija que nacería sería la Madre de Cristo, el Salvador prometido al mundo. Desde el principio, Dios estuvo presente en la vida de María.

El nacimiento de la Virgen María no fue casualidad. Era parte del plan de Dios desde el inicio de la historia de la salvación. En el Jardín del Edén, Dios prometió a Adán y Eva un Salvador, nacido de una "Mujer" cuyo hijo vencería a la serpiente (Génesis 3:15). Esa "Mujer" es María, y su nacimiento fue un paso importante para cumplir esa promesa.

En la liturgia casi no celebramos el cumpleaños de los santos, sino el día de su muerte, que es su "nacimiento" al cielo. Solo celebramos tres nacimientos: el de Jesús (25 de diciembre), el de San Juan Bautista (24 de junio) y el de la Virgen María (8 de septiembre). Lo que celebramos es su papel único en la historia de la salvación, unido a la venida de nuestro Redentor.

Al honrar el nacimiento de María, recordamos que la obra de Dios en nuestra vida muchas veces comienza mucho antes de que podamos verla. María fue elegida y preparada para ser la Madre de Jesús, y ahora intercede por nosotros, sus hijos espirituales.

Oh, María, nacida para ser la Madre del Salvador, ruega por nosotros y condúcenos siempre a Jesús. Amén.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism – Please call the Rectory to schedule an appointment. We request:

- Attendance of parents for the appointment.
- Registration in the parish.
- Birth certificate.
- If you belong to another parish, authorization from your parish priest.
- Godparents should have received the sacrament of confirmation and should bring sponsorship letters from their parishes

Parish Registration – All members over 18 years of age are invited to join our parish. Once registered, you will be able to use the contribution envelopes. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Parish Life – You are cordially invited to participate in the Eucharist and other sacraments.

Soup Kitchen, Sundays from 2 PM to 4 PM.

Food Pantry, Saturdays from 7:30 AM to 8:30 AM.

ANUNCIOS IMPORTANTES

Sacramento del Bautismo – Por favor llame a la Casa Cural para programar una cita. Se solicita:

- Asistencia de madre y padre a la cita.
- Registración en la parroquia.
- Certificado de nacimiento.
- Autorización de su párroco en caso de pertenecer a otra parroquia.
- A los padrinos se les pide haber recibido el sacramento de confirmación y traer cartas de patrocinio de sus parroquias.

Inscripción Parroquial – Todos los miembros mayores de 18 años se les invita a formar parte de nuestra parroquia. Una vez registrados podrán utilizar los sobres de contribución. ¡Se les agradece mucho su ayuda!

Vida Parroquial – Están cordialmente invitados a participar en la Eucaristía y otros sacramentos.

Comedor Parroquial, servimos comida caliente a todos los necesitados, los domingos desde las 2 PM a 4 PM.

Dispensa de comida, todos los sábados desde las 7 AM—8:30 AM. En el comedor parroquial del edificio escolar.

COLLECTIONS/COLECTAS AUGUST 31, 2025

Sunday Collection	\$3,028.00
(9AM \$1,523.00- 11AM \$1,505.00)	
WeShare	\$75.00
Missionary Cooperative	\$1,126.00

May God repay you for your generosity!
¡Que Dios los bendigas a todos por su generosidad!



Thank you for your support of our parish! To support our parish please use the following link:

<https://stjosephyonkers.weshareonline.org>

¡Donación en línea!



Goal: \$16,200.00

Pledge: \$13,849.00

Paid: \$12,704.00

Gifts: 39

As of September 2, 2025

**O Maria, sine labe originali concepta -
ora pro nobis qui ad te confugimus!**



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