

St. Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude Roman Catholic Church



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SATURDAY EVENING MASSES:

5:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m. (Spanish)

SUNDAY MASSES:

8:15, 9:45 (Alternating English & Spanish at St. Gertrude's),
11:30, 1:15

WEEKDAY MASSES:

8:00 & 12:10—Monday thru Wednesday

9:00 at St. Gertrude's & 12:10 at St. Mary's - Thursday

12:10, 7:30 PM (in Spanish) - Fridays

12:10 PM—Saturdays

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays at 3:30 to 4:30 PM, Mondays 7:30 to 8:30 PM
or by appointment.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Every Monday after
the 12:10 Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT: First
Sundays 2:30 - 3:30 PM and First Fridays 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are scheduled for the Third Saturday of each
month in Spanish and the Fourth Saturday of each month in English.
Parents should call for an appointment with a priest to arrange for the
baptism of their child. A Birth Certificate should be presented at this
time.

MARRIAGES: Call the rectory for an appointment with a priest at
least 6 months prior to the wedding.

SICK CALLS: Emergencies - ANY TIME. Home bound - call the
rectory

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: The normal way for being received
into full communion with the Catholic Church is through the R.C.I.A.
Adults interested in being baptized, confirmed or making first
communion should speak with a member of the parish staff to enroll

CORO HISPANO: MIERCOLES 7:30 PM

ENGLISH CHOIR: FRIDAY 7:30 PM

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: SATURDAY 11:00 AM

CIRCULO DE ORACION CARISMATICO: JUEVES 7:30 PM

CURSILLO DE CRISTIANDAD: VIERNES 7:30 PM

SANTO NOMBRE & SAGRADO CORAZON: 4th DOMINGO
DESPUES DE LA MISA DE LAS 11:30

CENÁCULO SACERDOTAL: Rosario el 4to Domingo—11:00
A.M. en Santa Gertrudis

Rosary Society: 4th Sunday of month after 8:15 Mass

Legion of Mary: Spanish: Mon. 7:00 PM - Rectory; St Mary

Legion of Mary: (St. Gertrude's) After the 9:45am mass

Legion of Mary: Spanish: Sats. 10:30 AM -Rectory Basement

St. Vincent De Paul Society: Contact the Rectory

Jornada Youth Group: Fridays 8:00 PM

Haitian Committee: Sunday 10:30 AM

Charismatic Prayer Group: in English - Mondays 7:00 P.M. - 9:00
P.M. in the School Auditorium.

Charismatic Youth Prayer Group: Thursday 7:30 P.M.

**Prayer Group in English every Tuesday at 7:00 P.M. in the
Church.**

Stewardship Committee: 2nd Sunday 2:30 P.M.

Nigerian Committee: 2nd & 4th Sunday after the 8:15 A.M. Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

*Saturday, October 9—St. Denis & his companions
St. John Leonardi*

- 12:10 pm – Mass available
- 5:00 pm – Mass available
- 7:30 pm – Merle Paso Hoyos (dec)
Sebastiana Saldana (dec)
Jose Gabriel Rodriguez (dec)

*Sunday, October 10—Twenty-eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

- 8:15 am – Mass for the People
- 9:45 am – Leocadia Ayala (dec)
Edelio Peralta (dec)
- 11:30 am – Por los Sacerdotes—Acción de Gracias
- 1:15 pm – Mass available

Monday, October 11

- 9:00 am – Mass available

Tuesday, October 12

- 8:00 am – Carmel De Baptiste (birthday)
- 12:10 pm – Mass available

Wednesday, October 13

- 8:00 am – Mass available
- 12:10 pm – Mass available

Thursday, October 14—St. Callistus I

- 9:00 am – Mass available at St. Gertrude
- 12:10 pm – Mass available

Friday, October 15—St. Teresa de Jesus

- 12:10 pm – Mass available
- 7:30 pm – Maria De Garcia (dec)
Juan Garcia (cumpleaños)

*Saturday, October 16—St. Hedwig
St. Margaret Mary Alacoque*

- 12:10 pm – Mass available
- 5:00 pm – Mass available
- 7:30 pm – Misa por la Comunidad
Misa en honor a Jesus Nazareno

*Sunday, October 17—Twenty-ninth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

- 8:15 am – Vicky Bart de los Reyes—Thanksgiving
- 9:45 am – Mass available at St. Gertrude
- 11:30 am – Ernestina Torres (dec)
Mercedes Becerra (dec)
- 1:15 pm – Mass available

**We Are A Tithing Community Following
God's Plan for Giving**

In return for the Lord's generosity, our people returned to His Church the following:

Offertory Collection

Weekend of 9-25 & 9-26 2010

Mass Time	# of Attendees	# of Env.	1st Collection	# of Env.	Welcome Back	Total Collection
5:00 PM	76	49	\$721.00	18	\$135.00	\$856.00
7:30 PM	231	52	\$442.85	22	\$202.91	\$645.76
8:15 AM	186	68	\$1,380.30	38	\$389.00	\$1,769.30
9:45 AM	226	67	\$980.70	28	\$242.80	\$1,223.50
11:30 AM	350	107	\$1,585.75	57	\$584.64	\$2,170.39
1:15 PM	163	45	\$1,306.01	21	\$212.14	\$1,518.15
Other		10	\$135.10			135.10
Totals	1232	393	\$6,551.71	184	\$ 1,766.49	\$8,318.20

(Parish weekly expenses average: \$8756.25)

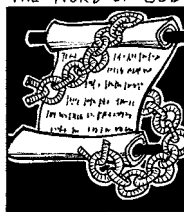
“Our Weekly Offering is One Way of Saying: WE BELONG to the Lord... And One Another. What Does **YOUR** Weekly Offering Say? Pray for His Guidance! THEN Make or Renew Your Commitment to Tithing –

Make your Return to God Easier by using...

PARISH PAY

www.parishpay.com

THE WORD OF GOD



Weekday Readings

Sun * 2 Kgs 5:14-17 * Ps 98:1-4 * Lk 17:11-19

Mon * Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1 * Ps 113:1-5, 6-7 * Lk 11:29-32

Tues * Gal 5:1-6 * Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48 * Lk 11:37-41

Wed * Gal 5:18-25 * Ps 1:1, 1-4, 6 * Lk 11:42-46

Thurs * Eph 1:1-10 * Ps 98:1-6 * Lk 11:47-54

Fri * Eph 1:11-14 * Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13 * Lk 12:1-7

Sat * Eph 1:15-23 * Ps 8:2-3, 4-7 * Lk 12:8-12

MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

The bread and wine are given in memory of **Rev.**

Michael Flannery.

The sanctuary candle is given in memory of **Msgr.**

Joseph Conrad.

The flowers are given in memory of **Rev. Henry**

Zimmer.



Robert Cunningham, Angela Rivara, Zoila Yepez, Beverly Smith, Pedro Bonilla, Juan Vasquez, Ulitt Doyle, Donna Mohammed, Beulah Harris, Luis Rodriguez, Annabel Davis, Wiloby & Lukey Snips, Luis y Lily Santiago, Vivian & Edith Hall, Hyacinth Robinson, Patrick Rountree and our faithful departed.



Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“PLUNGED” AND “CLEANSED”

Clear parallels exist between the characters in today's scripture stories and our own lives as Christians. Just as Naaman was “plunged into the Jordan” (2 Kings 5:14) we were plunged—the word “baptize” is derived from a root word meaning “plunge”—into the waters of baptism. Just as Naaman became “like . . . a little child” (2 Kings 5:14), in baptism we were born into new life as children of God. Just as the lepers in the Gospel turned to Jesus for mercy and “were cleansed” and “healed” (Luke 17:14, 15), we, too, were washed clean and healed of our sins in baptism. Finally, like both Naaman and the Samaritan leper, most of us have never been members of the Jewish people. Yet we are among those of whom the Letter to Timothy speaks: In baptism we were “chosen, so that [we] too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, together with eternal glory” (2 Timothy 2:10).

GIVING THANKS

We who have received so much healing through Christ should devote our lives to giving God thanks and praise. All of us were “foreigners” until we were baptized. None of us deserves God's daily mercy and care. And it is through our public expressions of thanks for God's grace in our lives that others come to know the saving power of Jesus Christ. Thus, public thanksgiving is central to the life of Christian discipleship.

The Eucharist is our primary means of giving public praise and thanks to God. Together we give thanks for the gifts of creation and the covenant. We give thanks for the gift of salvation that is ours through Jesus Christ and for the gifts of abundant life, unity, and healing that the Holy Spirit continually pours out on us. During the Eucharist we also “sing joyfully to the LORD” (Psalm 98:4) in thanksgiving for the daily gifts of God in each of our lives. In the words that we say before every Eucharistic Prayer, “It is right to give [God] thanks and praise.”

Altar Server Schedule for Oct. 16-17, 2010

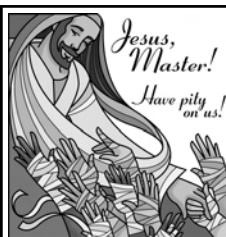
- Sat. 5:00 PM – Thomas & Tatiana Lira, Amilcar & Jonathan Lizama
- Sat. 7:30 PM – Michelle Martinez, Krystal Rivera, Axel & Carlos Lopez
- Sun. 8:15 AM – Isaiah Brown, Matthew Gardner, Queneesha Scott, Mitchell Brandon
- Sun. 11:30 AM – Jeison Fernandez, Elin, Lisbeth & Osbaldo Flores
- Sun. 1:15 PM – Jamal Michel, Sergio & Estefany Caceres, Kevin C.M. Robles

FREE OF FEAR

In today's readings lepers are cured: one through the prophet Elisha and ten by Jesus. For centuries lepers were total outcasts, compelled to live apart with other sufferers. Death did not come quickly to lepers, and loneliness and hunger were often worse than the disease. They survived by begging. Imagine the joy of these sufferers who can now slip back into normal life. Only two of these lepers paused to offer thanks. Neither of them were “sons of Israel.” Naaman at first tried to give the prophet Elisha a gift to show his gratitude, which Elisha refused. Both Naaman and the Samaritan in the Gospel realized that the power of the God of Israel had freed them, not only from their physical suffering, but also from the isolation and fear that went along with it. For that they were truly grateful and said so.

Living Stewardship Now

Whom do you fear: Try volunteering in an AIDS hospice, a mental hospital, a night shelter, or a prison ministry.



VOCATIONS - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” How will you respond in gratitude to the mercy the Lord has shown you? Consider giving thanks as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Speak with a priest or religious or contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or vocations@diobrook.org.

HISPANIC CATHOLIC CONGRESS with the theme: “A New Heart to Love & Serve” to be held on Saturday, October 16, 2010 from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Brooklyn. Admission for the Congress will be \$10 per person. More information to come.

TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY—The Puertorican committee invites you to a trip to Atlantic City Resort Casino on Saturday, November 6, 2010. Departure time is 7:30 A.M. from St. Mary Star of the Sea & St. Gertrude. Cost for the trip is \$35. For more information please call Aida Rodriguez - 718-471-1912.



The Rectory Office will be closed this Monday, October 11th in observance of Columbus Day. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 A.M.

HAPPY COLUMBUS DAY!

Choir News **NOTES FROM THE
MUSIC DIRECTOR**

We have a new season ahead of us and again recruitment of children to join the CHILDREN'S CHOIR starts.

DO YOU WANT THE BEST SEAT IN THE HOUSE? JOIN THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR. Nothing is better than praying twice to God and learn how to sing at the same time.

To sign up for children's choir membership, please contact Joseph R. Villadiego at 516-445-6846 or see him after the masses to register.

ESL (English as a Second Language) at St. Gertrude Tessier Hall on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5:40 pm to 9:00 pm.

ATTENTION VETERANS

The Daniel M. O'Connell Post 272 of the American Legion in Rockaway is looking for new membership. We meet at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 333 Beach 90th Street, on the 1st & 3rd Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. If you have an honorable discharge from the military, please consider joining our organization. We have programs that assists Veterans, children and youth, and the community at large. Please attend a meeting and find out what we are all about. You can contact Mike Honan, 917-685-4974 or Vinnie Calamano, 718-318-4625.

ITS TIME TO GET INVOLVED!

HEALING MASS – Thursday, October 14, 2010 at St. Francis De Sales Church. Celebrant: Fr. Jeffrey Dillon, Pastor – Christ the King. Sponsored by: Charismatic Renewal, Diocese of Brooklyn, and hosted by St. Francis de Sales' Prayer Group.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR – You are invited to come and see beginning on Thursday (5 weeks) Oct. 21, 2010 at 7:30 pm and ending Thursday, November 18 at St. Francis de Sales Church. For further information call: 718-643-8758.

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE—Saturday, November 6th from 10:00 A.M. to 6:30 P.M. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 68 Wanser Avenue, Inwood. To reserve a table it's \$30.00 for the day. Please reserve your table by October 29th. For more information, please call 516-239-7025 or 516-239-0953.

OPEN HOUSE

Saint Joseph High School
80 Willoughby Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201
Thursday, October 14, 2010
5:30 – 7:30 pm
All 7th and 8th Grade girls and their parents are
WELCOME

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NIEGHBORHOOD SERVICES—QUEENS WIC PROGRAM—WIC is a federal supplement nutrition program for women, infant and children. We offer families checks for healthy foods, nutrition counseling and health education, vouchers for the farmer's market, breastfeeding support and referrals for health care and other social services. We are located at 161-10 Jamaica Avenue Suite 306, Jamaica, NY 11432. Telephone: 718-657-2580.

EL DIEZMO—EL REPORTE DE LAS OFRENDAS

Domingo Pasado: \$8,318.20
Un Promedio de Gastos Semanales: \$8756.25

Si usted es nuevo en nuestra parroquia, puede hacerse miembro oficial de Santa María llenando una tarjeta de inscripción que está disponible en el vestíbulo de la Iglesia. ¡Que Dios les bendiga!

ATENCIÓN VETERANOS

El Post 272 de Daniel M O'Connell de la Legión Americana en Rockaway esta buscando nuevos miembros. Nos reunimos en el Centro de los Caballeros de Colón, 333 Beach 90 Street, el 1er y 3er viernes de cada mes a las 7:30 pm. Si a usted lo licenciaron de forma honorable de la Fuerza Armada, por favor piense en unirse a nuestra organización. Tenemos programas que ayuda a los Veteranos, a los niños, a la juventud, y a la comunidad entera. Por favor trate de venir a una de las reuniones y descubra todo sobre nosotros. Usted puede ponerse en contacto con Mike Honan, 917-685-4974 o con Vinnie Calamano, 718-318-4625.

¡ESTE ES EL MOMENTO PARA INVOLUCRARSE!



La Oficina de la Rectoría estará cerrada este Lunes, 11 de Octubre en observación del Día de Cristóbal Colón. Se celebrará solo una Misa a las 9:00 A.M.

¡Feliz Día de Cristóbal Colón!



Vigésimo-octavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

“SUMERGIDOS” Y “LIMPIOS”

Existen claros paralelos entre los personajes de las lecturas de este domingo y nuestra vida de cristianos. Así como Naamán se sumergió en el Jordán (2 Reyes 5:14) también nosotros nos sumergimos en las aguas del bautismo –la raíz griega de la palabra “bautizar” significa “sumergir”. Y así como Naamán quedó “como ... un niño” (2 Reyes 5:14) nosotros también en el bautismo salimos como recién nacidos a una nueva vida como hijos e hijas de Dios. Al igual que los leprosos en el Evangelio de hoy pidieron misericordia a Cristo, y quedaron limpios y sanos, también nosotros en nuestro bautismo fuimos lavados de toda mancha, y sanados de la lepra del pecado. Al igual que Naamán y que el leproso samaritano, la mayoría de nosotros nunca hemos sido miembros del pueblo de Israel. Y sin embargo, también es de nosotros que habla la carta a Timoteo cuando dice que en el bautismo fuimos elegidos, para alcanzar “la salvación que hay en Cristo Jesús y la gloria eterna”. (2 Timoteo 2:10)

DAR GRACIAS

Nosotros que, por medio de Cristo hemos sido sanados tantas veces, debemos dedicar nuestra vida a dar gracias y alabanza a Dios. Todos éramos “extranjeros” hasta el día de nuestro bautismo. Ninguno de nosotros tiene derecho a la misericordia ni a la atención que Dios nos da día por día. Cuando expresamos públicamente nuestra gratitud a Dios por las gracias concedidas en nuestra vida, los demás pueden llegar a conocer el poder salvador de Jesucristo. Así pues, dar gracias públicamente es un factor central en la vida del discípulo de Cristo.

La Misa es nuestra manera principal de dar gracias y alabanza pública a Dios. Todos juntos damos gracias por los dones de la creación y por la alianza. Damos gracias a Dios por el don gratuito de la salvación que recibimos por medio de Jesucristo y por los dones de vida abundante, de unidad y de curación que el Espíritu Santo derrama sin cesar sobre nosotros. Durante la Eucaristía también “cantamos al Señor con alegría” (Salmo 98:1-4), dando gracias por los dones que diariamente derrama en la vida de cada uno de nosotros. Así pues, demos gracias al Señor nuestro Dios, porque como dice la Plegaria Eucarística, “es justo y necesario”.

CONGRESO CATOLICO HISPANO con el tema: “Con Un Nuevo Corazón para Amar y Servir” que se llevara a cabo el Sábado 16 de Octubre del 2010 de 9:30 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. en la Basílica de Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro en Brooklyn. El costo de este Congreso será \$10 por persona. Mas información mas adelante.

LIBRE DE TEMORES

En las lecturas de hoy algunos leprosos son curados: uno por medio del profeta Eliseo y diez por Jesús. Durante los siglos los leprosos eran parias de la sociedad, marginados y obligados a vivir aparte junto a otros afligidos por la misma enfermedad. La muerte no era inminente para los leprosos, por eso la soledad y el hambre eran peor que la enfermedad. Sobrevivían mendigando. Imagínate la alegría de estos leprosos al verse limpios y poder regresar a su vida normal. Solo dos de estos leprosos se detuvieron a dar gracias. Ninguno de ellos era “hijo de Israel”. Naamán trato primero de hacerle un regalo al profeta como muestra de agradecimiento, lo cual rechazo Eliseo. Tanto Naamán como el samaritano del evangelio se dieron cuenta de que el poder del Dios de Israel los había librado no solo del sufrimiento físico, sino también de la soledad y el temor que traen consigo tal enfermedad. Por eso estaban tan agradecidos y así lo expresaron.

La Corresponsabilidad Viva Ahora

¿A quien le tienes miedo? Ofrece tus servicios voluntarios en una residencia para personas con SIDA, en un hospital de enfermos mentales, en un albergue publico o en el ministerio que da servicio a los encarcelados.



ESL (Ingles como Segundo Idioma) los Lunes, Martes y Miércoles de 5:40 pm a 9:00 pm en el Centro Tessier en Santa Gertrudis.

VIAJE A ATLANTIC CITY—El Comité Puertorriqueño los invita a un viaje a Atlantic City Resort Casino el día Sábado 6 de Noviembre del 2010. Salida a las 7:30 A.M. de Santa María. Costo por boleto \$35. Para mas información y boletos, favor de comunicarse con Aida Rodríguez al 718471-1912.

Coro juvenil **NOTAS DEL DIRECTOR DE MÚSICA**
 Estamos comenzando un nuevo año y una vez mas necesitamos reclutar niños para el **CORO DE NIÑOS**.

¿QUIERES TENER EL MEJOR ASIENTO EN LA CASA? UNETE AL CORO DE NIÑOS. No hay nada mejor que rezarle a Dios dos veces y aprender a cantar al mismo tiempo.

Para unirte al coro de niños, favor de ponerte en contacto con Joseph R. Villadiego al 516-445-6846 o después de las misas.