

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



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Ms. Carla Ramos - 718-327-2242, Ext. 204

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: Mondays 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 child. 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 Tuesdays 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, November 6

- 12:10 pm – Cristobal Bermudez (dec)
- 5:00 pm – All Souls Novena, John Schiavone (dec)
- 7:30 pm – Guillermo Monestel (dec)
Candelaria Ramos de Rivas (dec)

Sunday, November 7—Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:15 am – Eugene Turner (dec)
June, Michael & Patricia Riley (dec)
Carlton DuVerney (dec)
- 9:45 am – Reuben Vasquez (dec)
Gregory Rodriguez (birthday)
- 11:30 am – Novena por los Fieles Difuntos
Misa por la Comunidad
Carmela M. De La Cruz (dec)
Merle Pasos Hoyos (dec)
Cinthia Contreras (cumpleaños)
Por los difuntos del Sagrado Corazón
- 1:15 pm – Agnes Matlock (dec)
Cristobal Bermudez (dec)

Monday, November 8

- 8:00 am – Cristobal Bermudez (dec)
- 12:10 pm – All Souls Novena

Tuesday, November 9—The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

- 8:00 am – All Souls Novena
- 12:10 pm – Cristobal Bermudez (dec)

Wednesday, November 10— St. Leo the Great

- 8:00 am – Cristobal Bermudez (dec)
- 12:10 pm – All Souls Novena

Thursday, November 11—St. Martin of Tours

- 9:00 am – Mass available at St. Gertrude
- 9:00 am – All Souls Novena
Sylvester Anakhu (dec)

Friday, November 12—St. Josaphat

- 12:10 pm – Cristobal Bermudez (dec)
Josephine Tuccio (dec)

Saturday, November 13—St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

- 12:10 pm – Cristobal Bermudez (dec)
- 5:00 pm – George Anakhu—Thanksgiving
Shirley DuVerney (75th birthday)
- 7:30 pm – Maruja Medina (dec)
Maria Elba Cruz (dec)
Merle Pazos Hoyos (dec)

Sunday, November 14—Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:15 am – Cristobal Bermudez (dec)
- 9:45 am – Lynda Doyle (birthday)
- 11:30 am – Por los Sacerdotes—Acción de Gracias
- 1:15 pm – West Indian Cultural Mass
Mass for the People

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 10-30 & 10-31-2010

Mass Time	# of Attendees	# of Env.	1st Collection	# of Env.	Debt Relief	Total Collection
5:00 PM	93	49	\$788.97	22	\$194.44	\$983.41
7:30 PM	195	31	\$319.87	19	\$158.52	\$478.39
8:15 AM	168	66	\$1,633.52	34	\$288.46	\$1,921.98
9:45 AM	231	56	\$654.80	27	\$233.77	\$888.57
11:30 AM	437	90	\$1,592.57	51	\$385.94	\$1,978.51
1:15 PM	137	39	\$982.39	19	\$217.46	\$1,199.85
All Saints		38	\$169.00			\$169.00
All Souls		58	\$640.13			\$640.13
Totals	1261	427	\$ 6,781.25	172	\$ 1,478.59	\$8,259.84

First Collection Same Sunday Last Year: \$6,142.98

(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.**

Weekday Readings

- Sun * 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14 * Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 * Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38
- Mon * Ti 1:1-9 * Ps 24:1b-4b, 5-6 * Lk 17:1-6
- Tues * Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 * Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 * Jn 2:13-22
- Wed * Ti 3:1-7 * Ps 23:1b-6 * Lk 17:11-19
- Thurs * Phlm 7-20 * Ps 146:7-10 * Lk 17:20-25
- Fri * 2 Jn 4-9 * Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18 * Lk 17:26-37
- Sat * 3 Jn 5-8 * Ps 112:1-6 * Lk 18:1-8

MASS INTENTIONS

It is an ancient Christian tradition to request that Mass be offered living and deceased. You may request an announced Mass at the rectory. The customary offering is fifteen dollars. There are a limited number of Masses available between now and the end of the year.

MEMORIALS THIS WEEK

The bread and wine are available for intentions.

The sanctuary candle is available for intentions.

The flowers are available for intentions.



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

Present

OUR 2010 DINNER DANCE

honoring
Father Jim

At the Sands Atlantic Beach

Friday, November 12, 2010

Let us come together and celebrate as a parish family.

Please contact the rectory to purchase tickets.
718-327-1133 ext. 10



**TIME
TALENT and
TREASURE**



Thanksgiving Day Meal

The parish community of St. Mary Star of the Sea and St. Gertrude is invited to come together to share a meal on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday November 25, 2010. Luncheon will be served between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. in the St Mary's school cafeteria. The stewardship and hospitality committees are coordinating this event and request the generosity of your time, talent and treasure to feed and serve one another. Sign-up sheets for volunteers are located in the vestibule of the church. You may also contact Jose Velez or Vanessa Corchia and leave your name and phone number at 718.327.7591.

PLEASE PRAY for Robert Cunningham, Yvonne Hall, Zoila Yopez, Beverly Smith, Pedro Bonilla, Juan Vasquez, Ulitt Doyle, Donna Mohammed, Annabel Davis, Wiloby & Lukey Snips, Vivian & Edith Hall, Hyacinth Robinson, Yesenia Rivera, Nydia Rodriguez, Lucinda Staten, and our faithful departed.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY	9-12 AM	1-6 PM	
TUESDAY	9-12 AM	1-6 PM	7-9 PM
WEDNESDAY	9-12 AM	1-6 PM	7-9 PM
THURSDAY	9-12 AM	1-6 PM	7-9 PM
FRIDAY	9-12 AM	1-3 PM	
SATURDAY	9-2 PM		

**Veterans
Day**

Thursday is Veteran's Day, a day to honor all who have served our country. When you meet someone in uniform be sure to say "Thank you for your service"

The Rectory Office and our Parish School will be closed.

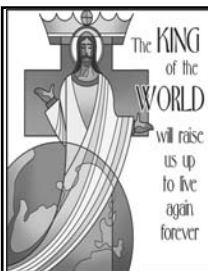
ARMED SERVICES

If you have a family member or friend on active duty in the Armed Forces, please inform the rectory so that we may recognize their service and pray for their safety and swift return home.

TRIP TO FOXWOOD CASINO—St. Mary Star of the Sea School invites you to a trip to Foxwood Casino on Saturday, November 20, 2010. Departure time is 8:00 A.M. from St. Mary Star of the Sea & St. Gertrude parking lot. Cost for the trip is \$50 per person. You will get back \$30 for food and Kino game. For information please call St. Mary's School - 718-327-2242.



VOCATIONS - Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time "May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God." Are you being called to love the Lord with an undivided heart 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.



Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

CHILDREN OF THE RESURRECTION

The possibility or certitude of life after the death of our earthly bodies has fascinated religions throughout the world and across the centuries. It certainly is the topic uppermost on the minds of the Sadducees today. They did not believe in a life after this life or a world where angels or other bodiless spirits dwelled. This constricted their ability, then, to imagine such a world or such a life, and made them imagine or construct it according to the life they knew as mortal creatures. Indeed, such a tendency can be seen—even among Christians—today, when we speak of being rejoined or reunited with the faithful departed in a continued, if improved, version of the relationship we had with them. But God is a living God, Jesus points out, and those who believe in this God are made children of the resurrection to life everlasting. This is important, as today's Gospel dispute concludes Jesus' journey to Jerusalem to face his ultimate confrontation, culminating in his resurrection. His forthrightness foretells what the apostle Paul will write to the Thessalonians: "[T]he Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one" (2 Thessalonians 3:3).

EQUAL IN DIGNITY TO THE ANGELS

Television, greeting cards, and some church ornamentation have done a disservice to the biblical notion of angels. Popular imagination perceives them as gentle, safe, and fluffy. Their job description is cast mostly in human, egocentric terms: to keep danger from us, to console us, to restore a sense of wonder or the miraculous to our narrow-mindedness. Some of this has its basis in the biblical traditions. But, above all else, the biblical angels were direct messengers of God. Their voice was God's voice, their presence was the presence of the celestial throne of the Almighty. People were often startled or outright scared at their arrival, and had to be told not to fear; their messages were often difficult to hear, leading mortals into thorny situations. The children of the Resurrection—all of us, born of the living God—are equal in dignity to these angels. But in Christ we already have the power of resurrected life to be strong herald messengers of God. This is the call of all Christian disciples. For this, Paul tells us, we are made strong in God who is not only a living God, but a faithful and loving God as well. Through God we will be given the endurance in Christ necessary to live out the vocation of our baptism.

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

Hello from Deacon Mike

Attention **all** commissioned Lay Ecclesial Ministers, and **all** Coordinators and Leaders of **all** Parish Ministries and Parish Groups and Societies (**all** Languages) . PLEASE CONTACT ME THIS WEEK @ 1(917) 769-4496 OR mcmoss1951@aol.com ... I NEED TO SPEAK TO YOU ABOUT YOUR MINISTRY!!!

We are planning a major Parish endeavor which involves **ALL OF YOU**. We don't want anyone to be left out... so please contact me...

BLOOD DRIVE – At Our Lady of Good Counsel, 68 Wanser Avenue, Inwood on Tuesday, November 9, 2010 - 2:45 pm to 8:45 pm. Your donation will help to save up to **three** lives. Our community hospitals need your help. Please share this lifesaving gift! For information or to schedule an appointment, please contact: Father Larry Duncklee at 516-239-0953.

MEMORIAL PRAYER SERVICE—Monsignor John Brown and the members of the St. Francis de Sales Support Group invite anyone who has recently lost a loved one to join them for a Memorial Prayer Service on Sat., November 20, 2010, at 11:00 A.M. in the Sacred Heart Chapel at St. Francis de Sales Church, Beach 129th St. Everyone is welcome.

AGAPE CENTER – On Sat., November 13th, The Agape Center in Blessed Trinity Parish will sponsor a day of reflection entitled: "Be transformed by a renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God". It will be held at St. Edmund Church from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. Fr. Francis Obumwens, CSSP will speak – a \$10 donation is suggested. For further information call 718-474-PRAY (7729).

EL DIEZMO—EL REPORTE DE LAS OFRENDAS

Domingo Pasado: \$8,259.84
Mismo Domingo Hace un Año: \$6,142.98
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!



Almuerzo del Día de Acción de Gracias

La comunidad de la Parroquia de Santa María Estrella del Mar y Santa Gertrudis les invita a compartir unidos el Almuerzo del Día de Acción de Gracias, el jueves, 25 de noviembre del 2010. Se servirá el almuerzo entre la 1:00 y las 3:00 P.M. en la cafetería de la escuela de Santa María inmediatamente después de la Misa de las 12:10 P.M. El comité de corresponsabilidad y el comité de hospitalidad coordinan este evento y les piden su generosidad a través de su tiempo, talento y tesoro para poder servir nos el uno al otro. En el vestíbulo de la Iglesia encontrara las hojas para los voluntarios que deseen ayudar en este día. Usted también puede llamar a José Velez o Vanessa Corchia al 718-327-7591.



Trigésimo-Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

HIJOS E HIJAS DE LA RESURRECCIÓN

La posibilidad o certeza de la vida después de la muerte para nuestro cuerpo mortal ha fascinado a las religiones de todo el mundo y de todas las épocas. No hay duda que éste es el tema que ocupa las mentes de los saduceos en el Evangelio de hoy. Los saduceos no creían en una vida después de ésta, ni en un mundo donde habitaran ángeles ni otros espíritus sin cuerpo. Esto los incapacitaba para imaginar un mundo o una vida de tal clase y los forzaba a imaginar el mundo futuro como una extensión del mundo que conocían como criaturas mortales. De hecho, esa tendencia se puede ver en el día de hoy –aun entre cristianos– cuando nos imaginamos que nos reuniremos con nuestros difuntos en una versión continuada, aunque mejorada, de la relación que tuvimos con ellos en esta vida. Pero Jesús nos recuerda que nuestro Dios es un Dios vivo y que los que creen en Él se hacen hijos e hijas de la resurrección para la vida eterna. Éste es un punto importante, porque la disputa del Evangelio de hoy concluye la narración del viaje de Jesús a Jerusalén donde afrontará la cruz, y por ella alcanzará la resurrección. La franqueza de Jesús anticipa las palabras de san Pablo a los Tesalonicenses: "El Señor es fiel. Él los fortalecerá y los librará del maligno" (2 Tesalonicenses 3:3).

IGUALES A LOS ÁNGELES EN DIGNIDAD

La televisión, las tarjetas de Navidad y ciertas decoraciones en nuestras iglesias nos han hecho malentender el concepto bíblico de lo que son los ángeles. La imaginación popular los percibe como amables, seguros y plumosos. Imaginamos su misión en términos humanos y egocéntricos; o sea, los ángeles existen para alejar de nosotros los peligros, consolarnos y devolvernos el sentido de lo maravilloso o de lo milagroso. Hasta cierto punto, esto tiene su base en la tradición bíblica. Pero en la Biblia los ángeles son, ante todo y sobre todo, mensajeros directos de Dios. Su voz es la voz de Dios; su presencia es la presencia del trono celestial del Todopoderoso. Al ver a un ángel la gente se asustaba o hasta se aterrorizaba, y el ángel tenía que decirles que no temieran. Sus mensajes a menudo eran difíciles de entender y ponían a las personas en situaciones difíciles. Hoy el Señor nos dice que los hijos e hijas de la resurrección –o sea, nosotros, los hijos y las hijas del Dios vivo– somos iguales a los ángeles en dignidad, puesto que en Cristo ya tenemos el poder de la vida resucitada, para ser heraldos poderosos del mensaje de Dios. Ésta es la vocación de todos los discípulos cristianos. Es para eso que, según nos dice san Pablo, el Dios vivo, que también es fiel y amoroso, nos ha dado un consuelo eterno y una esperanza espléndida. En Cristo, Dios nos dará la paciencia y el tesón que necesitamos para vivir la vocación que nos viene de nuestro bautismo.

Hola de parte del Diácono Mike,

Atención a todos los Ministros Laicos Eclesiales, a todos los Coordinadores y Líderes de todos los Ministerios, Grupos y Sociedades de la Parroquia (de todos los Idiomas):

¡¡POR FAVOR PÓNGASE EN CONTACTO CONMIGO esta semana al (917) 769-4496 o a mi correo electrónico mcmoss1951@aol.com ... TENGO QUE HABLARLES SOBRE SU MINISTERIO!!!

Estamos planeando un esfuerzo Parroquial muy importante que implica a TODOS USTEDES. No queremos que nadie se quede afuera ... por favor póngase en contacto conmigo lo mas pronto posible...

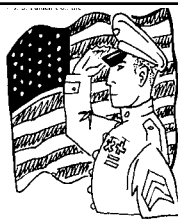
ESL (Ingles como Segundo Idioma) los Lunes, Martes y Miércoles de 5:40 pm a 9:00 pm en el Salón Tessier en Santa Gertrudis.

CAMPAÑA ANUAL CATÓLICA—Les estamos muy agradecidos a las 393 familias que han apoyado a la campaña este año. Las promesas de nuestra parroquia hicieron un total de \$76,161 del objetivo de \$49,488. Cada dólar que se colecte sobre nuestro objetivo nos será devuelto para las necesidades de nuestra parroquia. Por favor haga todo lo posible por saldar su promesa en su totalidad antes de que finalice el año.

VIAJE A FOXWOOD CASINO—La Escuela Santa María los invita a un viaje a Foxwood Casino el Sábado 20 de Noviembre del 2010. Salida a las 8:00 A.M. de Santa María. Costo por boleto \$50 por persona. Usted recibirá de regreso \$30 para el almuerzo y un juego Kino. Para mas información, favor llamar a la Escuela Santa María al 718-327-2242.

LAS FUERZAS ARMADAS

Si usted tiene a un familiar o un amigo en servicio activo en las Fuerzas Armadas, favor de informar a la rectoría para que podamos reconocer su servicio y orar para que regrese a casa pronto.



Día de los veteranos

Este Jueves es el Día de los Veteranos, un día para honrar a todos los que sirven nuestro país. Dígame "Gracias por su servicio" a todo aquel que usted vea en su uniforme militar.

La Oficina de la Rectoría y nuestra Escuela Parroquial estarán cerrada este día.

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS

Ha sido una antigua tradición cristiana solicitar que una misa sea ofrecida por una persona en vida o fallecida. En la rectoría usted podrá solicitar que una misa sea anunciada. La donación de una misa es quince dólares. Hay un número limitado de misas disponibles desde ahora hasta el final del año.