

M A S S S C H E D U L E**Monday 1/11 7:30am Fr. Spellman**

1 Samuel 1:1-8
 Psalm 116:12-19
 Mark 1:14-20

Tuesday 1/12 7:30am Fr. Idomele

1 Samuel 1:9-20
 Psalm 2:1-7
 Mark 1:21-28

Wednesday 1/13 7:30am Fr. Spellman

1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20
 Psalm 40:2, 5, 7-10
 Mark 1:29-39

Thursday 1/14 7:30am Fr. Idomele

1 Samuel 4:1-11
 Psalm 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25
 Mark 1:40-45

Friday 1/15 7:30am Fr. Spellman

1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22
 Psalm 89:16-19
 Mark 2:1-12

**Saturday 1/16 7:30am Fr. Spellman
4:30pm Fr. Spellman**

1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1
 Psalm 21:2-7
 Mark 2:13-17

Sunday 1/17**Second Sunday In Ordinary Time**

8:00am Fr. Spellman
10:00am Fr. Idomele
12:30pm Fr. Spellman

Isaiah 62:1-5
 Psalm 96:1-3, 7-10
 1 Corinthians 12:4-11
 John 2:1-11

CDs of Sunday Masses are available in the Church
 Office on Tuesday of each week.

In need of our prayers...

Ethel Allen, Genevieve Alexander, Susan Augustine, Arleen Bouscher, Iola Brown, Rebecca Braithwaite, McCoy Brown, Inez Cameron, Nicholas Dudley, Bettye Epps, Olivia Griffin, Amy Gosey, Henry Green, Margaret Guillory, Rudi Eagleson, Milton Johnson, Ellender Julian, Irene Johnson, David Little, Ruth Revis, Edna Valdry, James Smith, Eva Smith, Phyllis Troupe, Elsie Weston, West "Ted" Williams, Mary Wiley, Thad Wiltz, Donald Aubrey, Phyllis Pope, Jose Gonzalez, Ruben Palamaris, Elrena Dandy and Ruth Howard (Sisters of Tina Floyd), Ophelia Walker, Sheryl Cooper-McGinest, Naomi Sealey, Berenice Scott, Eva Anderson, Lucy Byrd, Zelandia Fero, Taylor Brown, Jordan Brown, David Lewis, Gerald Winn, Susan Hughes, Karla Martinez Ochaeta (niece of Carmen El-Khoury), Joshua Bolden, Warren Knox Jr., Edwin Thomas Sr., Barbara Ellis, Clyde Mitchell, Lloyd Moses, Oscar Antonio Romero, Thurman Johnson, Edna Bendy, Debra Stewart, Gary Elliott, Mario Toledo, Kelly Matthews, Angie Dupre, Shirley Miller, Emily Lewis, Basil Lewis, Mrs. Oliska Batiste, Tyrone Batiste, Santiago Zayas, Florentino Pulido, Genevieve Tobin those seeking employment, and those struggling to make ends meet during these tough times.

Church Bulletin Board

Monday, Jan 11, 2010 7:00pm Bible Study
7:00pm Renew 2000 (Spanish)
7:00pm School Board
7:00pm Lectors

Tuesday, Jan 12, 2010 7:00pm RCIA
7:00pm Substance Abuse
7:00pm Spanish Intercessory
7:00pm Youth Group

Wednesday, Jan 13, 2010 6:30pm MSC
7:00pm Mariano Ministry
7:00pm Spanish Baptism Class

Thursday, Jan 14, 2010 12:30pm Bible Study
7:00pm Confirmation
7:00pm Spanish Prayer Group
7:00pm Cristo Negro

Friday, Jan 15, 2010 6:30pm BDYC
7:00pm Bible Study
7:00pm Baptism Class

Saturday, Jan 16, 2010 9:30am Religious Formation
9:30am Spanish Bible Study
11:00am Girl Scouts
1:00pm Census Test

Sunday, Jan 17, 2010 9:00am Religious Formation
2:00pm Awe Drumming



Pastor's Letter

We have now officially completed the Christmas season and today we celebrate **the Baptism of the Lord**. As we hear in today's Gospel, Jesus steps into the water of the Jordan River and the Holy Spirit descends upon Him in bodily form, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "*You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.*"

Even though Christmas is over, we are called by God to keep the Christmas theme in our lives throughout this coming year. **We give thanks for the wonderful celebrations that we had in our church, beginning with Advent and continuing through the Epiphany.** I want to personally thank everyone who contributed their time, their talent, and their treasures to making our worship experiences so profound! When you begin to mention names, you run the risk of leaving someone out. So, instead, let us thank those involved in the ministries that shared their gifts with us:

We give thanks for the **Altar Society** who decorated the church so beautifully for the Feast of Christ the King, for the season of Advent, for the Feasts of the Immaculate Conception and Our Lady of Guadalupe, and then the Christmas celebrations!

We give thanks for the **music ministers, the lectors, the commentators, the ushers, the hospitality ministers, and our deacons and priests** who presided in our liturgies.

We give thanks for those who went straight from Mass **to the homes of the sick and elderly** to share the **Eucharist** with them.

And we give thanks for those who **taught our children the true meaning of Christmas!**

I would also like to thank all of those who participated in the **Christmas Midnight Mass** and the **New Year's Eve Healing Mass**. Each of our celebrations helped to deepen our own sense of spirituality and to enrich our community of faith, and there were numerous people who dedicated themselves to making these Mass so fulfilling.

Finally, I want to give thanks to God for the safe arrival home of our parishioners after the Masses, as there were two of our families who were involved in serious car accidents. Thanks be to God that no one was seriously injured! When I saw Felix Ikeokonta's car that was hit by an alleged drunk driver on Jefferson after our Christmas Midnight Mass, I was amazed that no one was seriously hurt. And when I saw Eva Foreman's car that was hit by a driver who ran a red light and sent her car sliding into a telephone pole on New Year's Eve, I could not believe that she escaped with no broken bones! **God is so good to us!**

As we begin the New Year and the new decade, let us give thanks to God for the many ways that He has blessed our parish, and let us continue to remember **the call of our own Baptism**, to be disciples of our Savior and to proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom of God!

May the Lord continue to bless us always and in all ways, *Father Paul*

HNOJ School News

Approximately 130 preschool students and their parents spent a blessed morning December 15, 2009 at Holy Name of Jesus School. The students and their parents were special invited guests to the school's Pre-schools Appreciation Day. The school's band, cheerleaders, praise and modern dance team were among the performers that entertained the preschool students. Later in the program, HNOJ students joined the preschoolers in singing Christmas songs. The students also took photographs with Santa Claus and received a Christmas toy courtesy of HNOJ students.



HNOJ launches Annual Fund Appeal

A warm thank you to the following parishioners who have responded immediately to Holy Name of Jesus School's Annual Fund Appeal for 2009:

Jenny Millender
Verna Lipscomb
Gloria Banner
John Takenaka
Ella Jackson
Martha Hamiter

The appeal will run for the remainder of December and early January. Kindly get in touch with the school if you have not received your Christmas Greetings and appeal forms in the mail. Thank you to all our donors and may God continue to richly bless you! You are making a difference in the lives of our students through your kind contribution.

LAMARATHON.

It is time to get ready for the 2010 Los Angeles Marathon; on a new date and a new route, "from the stadium to the sea" held on Sunday, March 21st. The 2010 LA Bike tour will not be held on the day of the marathon. It has been postponed until a later date. There's also a 5K Run on Saturday, March 20th that ends in the middle of the Marathon Expo at Dodger Stadium! For registration and more information go to www.lamarathon.com and sign up!

Healthy Living...

Differences Between Mild Forgetfulness and More Serious Memory Problems

Jeanne's story:

Jeanne couldn't find her car keys. She looked on the hook just inside the front door. They weren't there. She searched in her purse. No luck. Finally, she found them on her desk. Yesterday, she forgot her neighbor's name. Her memory was playing tricks on her. She was starting to worry about it. She decided to see her doctor. After a complete check-up, her doctor said that Jeanne was fine. Her forgetfulness was just a normal part of getting older. The doctor suggested that Jeanne take a class, play cards with friends, or help out at the local school to sharpen her memory.

What is mild forgetfulness?

It is true that some of us get more forgetful as we age. It may take longer to learn new things, remember familiar names and words, or find our glasses. These are usually signs of mild forgetfulness, not serious memory problems.

If you're worried about your forgetfulness, see your doctor. You also can do many things to help keep your memory sharp. Finding a hobby, spending time with friends, eating well, and exercising may help you stay alert and clear-headed.

Here are some ways to help your memory:

What is a serious memory problem?

Serious memory problems affect your ability to carry out everyday life activities such as driving a car, shopping, or handling money. Signs of serious memory problems may include:

Getting lost in a place you know well may be a sign of a serious memory problem.

- Asking the same questions over and over again.
- Becoming lost in places you know well.
- Not being able to follow directions.
- Getting very confused about time, people, and places.
- Not taking care of yourself — eating poorly, not bathing, or being unsafe.

What to do about serious memory problems

If you or a loved one are having any of the problems listed above, see your doctor. It's important to find out what might be causing a serious memory problem. Your treatment depends on the cause of the problem.

For more information regarding dementia and Alzheimer's Disease, log onto www.webmd.com.

DID YOU KNOW?**Get Involved in Parish Safety Programs**

Parents and guardians play a key role in the success of parish programs for young people. Parents and guardians who are involved in parish programs and events will be in the best position to protect their own children as well as all the children in the parish community. Involvement and communication are important factors in helping to ensure safe environments for all of our children. Contact the parish office for more information on how you can become actively involved in the safe environment training programs in our parish.

**SHARMAINE HAYLOCK, CHAIRPERSON
HOLY NAME CHURCH SAFEGUARD
THE CHILDREN COMMITTEE**

The Central District of the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all women of the parish to its district meeting on Friday, January 15th at St. Michael's Church, 1016 W. Manchester Blvd., Los Angeles. The day begins at 9:30am and includes a speaker, Rev. Damien Kabot, SVD, Mass, a Luncheon and concludes at 1:30pm. Reservations are not necessary. All are welcome to attend.

Together In Mission

As we come to the end of the year, it is time to make the final payments on our **Together In Mission** pledges that we made last spring. Together In Mission is the Bishop's Annual Appeal where by low income schools and parishes receive financial assistance from the 297 parishes throughout the Archdiocese. **We are currently about \$12,000 short of our goal, and the deficit must be made up from parish funds.** If you have made a pledge to Together In Mission and have not paid your balance in full, please send your check to the parish office or directly to Together In Mission in the envelope that they have provided. If you have not made a pledge, we invite you to do so. Please make your check payable to **Together In Mission** and send it to us in the parish office, or simply drop it in the weekly collection with a note stipulating that it is for Together In Mission.

Remember, **our school receives over \$35,000 each year** through the generosity of families who contribute to Together In Mission. And, last year, our parish received an additional **\$58,000** in funds from Together In Mission for the remodel of the exterior of the Rectory. Please be as generous as your means will allow.

Parish Photo Directory

If you missed taking your picture with Olan Mills and would like a Family Portrait to be in the Parish Photo Directory please submit a photo to the Church office by Monday, January 25, 2010..

All ministries that wish to have their picture in the Photo Directory need to submit it to the church office no later than Monday, January 25, 2010.

Stewardship Report***Stewardship: A Definition from Scripture***

Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.

-Matthew 10:8

Current Year:

January 3, 2010 = \$ 11,745.67

Two Previous Years:

January 4, 2009 = \$ 8,551.75

January 6, 2008 = \$ 9,209.00

Thank you for your generosity!

For Sale: Brand New 2009 in the box, never been open, Goodman Gas Furnace 95% AFUE performance. The heat exchange has a 10 year warranty as well as all the functional parts. Replacement is free. Please get in touch with Ardis at 323-298-7766.

If anyone knows an elderly person who needs home care, please call Cheryl Wilson at 323-931-6119.

A parishioner has a Duplex/Apartment for rent. Please call Carole Hawkins for more information, (323) 733-3657.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Healing Revival

Fr. Joseph Idomele

"Change us, Lord, Change us!"

Church of the Transfiguration

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**Friday, January 15; Saturday, January 16;
Sunday, January 17**

Each evening begins at 7:00pm
Hospitality Following Each Night!!!