

M A S S S C H E D U L E**Monday 3/9 7:30AM Fr. Spellman**

Daniel 9:4-10
Psalm 79:8-9, 11, 13
Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday 3/10 7:30AM Fr. Idomele

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20
Psalm 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23
Matthew 23:1-12

Wednesday 3/11 7:30AM Fr. Spellman
(School Mass) 9:30AM Fr. Spellman

Jeremiah 18:18-20
Psalm 31:5-6, 14-16
Matthew 20:17-28

Thursday 3/12 7:30AM Fr. Idomele

Jeremiah 17:5-10
Psalm 1:1-4, 6
Luke 16:19-31

Friday 3/13 7:30AM Fr. Spellman

Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28
Psalm 105:16-21
Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday 3/14 7:30AM Fr. Spellman
4:30PM Fr. Spellman

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20
Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Third Sunday of Lent**Sunday 3/15 8:00am Fr. Spellman**
10:00am Fr. Idomele
12:30pm Fr. Spellman

Exodus 20:1-17
Psalm 19:8-11
1 Corinthians 1:22-25
John 2:13-25

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

In need of prayers...

Ethel Allen, Genevieve Alexander, Susan Augustine, Arleen Bouscher, Iola Brown, Rebecca Braithwaite, McCoy Brown, Inez Cameron, Regina Christian, Nicholas Dudley, Bettye Epps, Rita Gaudin, Olivia Griffin, Amy Gosey, Henry Green, Margaret Guillory, Rudi Eagleson, Milton Johnson, Irene Johnson, David Little, Anita Polite, Ruth Revis, Edna Valdry, James Smith, Eva Smith, Phyllis Troupe, Elsie Weston, West "Ted" Williams, Mary Wiley, Thad Wiltz, Donald Aubrey, Phyllis Pope, Yvonne Hill (sister of Pansy Greene), Jose Gonzalez, Ruben Palamaris, Elrena Dandy and Ruth Howard (Sisters of Tina Floyd), Ophelia Walker, Sheryl Cooper-McGinest, Naomi Sealey, Eva Anderson, Lucy Byrd, Zelandia Fero, Taylor Brown, Jordan Brown, Sheila Marshall, David Lewis, Gerald Winn, Alberta Cannon (sister of Debra Stewart), Lawanda Jackson, Susan Hughes, Karla Martinez Ochaeta (niece of Carmen El-Khoury), Joshua Bolden, Yvonne Peebles, Warren Knox Jr., Edwin Thomas Sr., Barbara Ellis, Betty Menzies, Thurman Johnson, and Deacon Edgar Borne.

Church Bulletin Board**Monday, Mar. 9, 2009**

7:00pm Lectors
7:00pm School Board

Tuesday, Mar. 10, 2009

7:00pm RCIA
7:00pm Substance Abuse
7:00pm Youth Group

Wednesday, Mar. 11, 2009**6:30pm MSC****Thursday, Mar. 12, 2009**

12:30pm Bible Study
7:00pm Confirmation
7:00pm Charismatic Group

Friday, Mar. 13, 2009

6:00pm Station of Cross
6:30pm Youth Choir
7:00pm Baptism Class
7:00pm Bible Study

Saturday, Mar. 14, 2009

9:30 am Religious Formation
11:00am Seniors
11:30am KPCLA Scholarship Committee
12:00am Girl Scout

Sunday, Mar 15, 2009

9:00am Religious Formation
2:00pm Awe Drumming

Pastor's Letter

Last month our parish made our pledge commitments to our **Bishop's Annual Appeal**, better known as "**Together In Mission.**" As you know, each parish has a goal of ten percent of their previous year's annual collection and **our goal for 2009 is approximately \$40,000** (based on our annual collections of \$400,000). During the pledge process, we received pledges of **almost \$14,000** which is about **35 percent** of our goal. To those of you who made pledges, I thank you! For those who are still considering a pledge, I ask you to pray about it and then to make a pledge based upon your own financial circumstances.

Together In Mission provides financial assistance to parishes and schools that are struggling financially and **our school** receives over **\$30,000** per year from Together In Mission. In addition, last year our parish received a special allocation from Together In Mission for **\$45,000** to make the necessary repairs on **our rectory** (remember what a mess it was?) and we recently received notice that Together In Mission is going to give us an additional **\$13,000** for the repairs to **the kitchen in the Acacia Center** - including new stoves, new ovens, new sinks, tile flooring, new lighting, new counter tops and repairs to the cabinets!

With all that Together In Mission provides to our parish, I believe that, despite this weak economy, we can make a valiant effort to reach our parish goal of \$40,000 in donations. ***Pledge envelopes are available in the church vestibule or please call the parish office and we will make sure that you receive one.*** Pledges may be paid over a five-month period and monthly billing will be provided by the Archdiocese.

Remember, we are merely **stewards** of the gifts that God has given us; let us share our gifts with one another!

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

Two weeks after I was ordained a priest in **2001** I had the opportunity to travel to **Cambodia**, a poor country in Southeast Asia. I went with a group of other priests and seminarians in conjunction with **Catholic Relief Services** to visit their relief sites and to get a better understanding of what **Catholic Relief Services** is doing in **100 countries** throughout the world to help the poorest of the poor. I witnessed extreme poverty, but I also met the simple people who were benefiting from the wonderful programs that **Catholic Relief Services** has put in place. **CRS** began soon after the end of World War II providing **Emergency Response** services to those who were affected by the war, and over the past **65 years** CRS has expanded into **Agriculture** programs, **HIV/AIDS** projects, **Community Health** programs, **Education** programs, and **Micro finance (Village Banking)** programs.

Next weekend, **March 15th and 16th**, all of the parishes throughout the Archdiocese will be taking up a **Second Collection** for **Catholic Relief Services**. Envelopes have been placed in the pews this weekend. I invite you take the envelopes home with you and to return them next weekend, making a donation that is as generous as your means will allow.

Thank you for your concern for our less-fortunate brothers and sisters!

Father Paul

Lenten Facts

- **The word "Lent" comes from an Anglo-Saxon word which means "lengthening", a reference to lengthening days as spring approaches.**
- **Lent lasts for 40 weekdays, beginning Ash Wednesday and concluding at sundown on Holy Thursday.**
- **The remainder of Holy Week beginning with the Mass of the last Supper on Holy Thursday and including Good Friday and Holy Saturday are called the "Triduum", which means three days.**
- **The Lenten liturgical color is purple, the color of royalty, which symbolizes the suffering of Jesus and anticipates the glory of the Resurrection.**
- **During Lent the *Gloria* and the word "alleluia" are omitted from the Mass.**

300 Students for 2009

Holy Name of Jesus School has set an enrollment goal of 300 students for the 2009/2010 school year.

This means that we have to recruit over 100 new students over the next 6 months. HNOJ Church Parishioners can help the school achieve this goal by helping us with:

- **Word of Mouth Marketing**
- **Joining a Volunteer Group**
- **Participating in Fundraising Events**

Review the announcements below to see where you and your family can make an input.

Word of Mouth Marketing

Please inform all your family members (brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, cousins) that Holy Name of Jesus School is currently enrolling and is offering \$1,000 scholarships.

Deadline to sign up for the scholarships is March 16, 2009. Please call **323-731-2255** for more information.

Joining a Volunteer Group

Many school activities occur during the months of March and April. The school will certainly need more volunteers. Parishioners are encouraged to join one of the following groups:

- Speakers Bureau.
- Promotional Materials Development.
- School Website Management.
- Community Outreach.

Register with the Marketing and Development Director today!

Participating in Fundraising Events

The financial contributions of our parishioners are critical to the development of Holy Name of Jesus School. As a result, we continue to appreciate and look forward to your patronage for fundraising events.

Please take note of the following events for the month of March.

- **Pancake Breakfast – March 22, 2009**

Hosted by the PTO Board, Holy Name of Jesus School will be selling pancake breakfasts starting immediately after the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the School Cafeteria.

- **Evening of Music – March 26, 2009**

Parishioners and Alumni are invited to an Evening of Music featuring HNOJ's Choir starting at 7:00 p.m. HNOJ's Scholarship Drive for the 2009/2010 will be launched at this time.

Healthy Living...

How to Get a Second Opinion

Even though doctors may get similar medical training, they can have their own opinions and thoughts about how to practice medicine. They can have different ideas about how to diagnose and treat conditions or diseases. Some doctors take a more conservative, or traditional, approach to treating their patients. Other doctors are more aggressive and use the newest tests and therapies. It seems like we learn about new advances in medicine almost every day.

Many doctors specialize in one area of medicine, such as cardiology or obstetrics or psychiatry. Not every doctor can be skilled in using all the latest technology. Getting a second opinion from a different doctor might give you a fresh perspective and new information. It could provide you with new options for treating your condition. Then you can make more informed choices. If you get similar opinions from two doctors, you can also talk with a third doctor.

Tips: What To Do

- **Ask your doctor for a recommendation.** Ask for the name of another doctor or specialist, so you can get a second opinion. Don't worry about hurting your doctor's feelings. Most doctors welcome a second opinion, especially when surgery or long-term treatment is involved.
- **Ask someone you trust for a recommendation.** If you don't feel comfortable asking your doctor for a referral, then call another doctor you trust. You can also call university teaching hospitals and medical societies in your area for the names of doctors. Some of this information is also available on the Internet.
- **Check with your health insurance provider.** Call your insurance company before you get a second opinion. Ask if they will pay for this office visit. Many health insurance providers do. Ask if there are any special procedures you or your primary care doctor needs to follow.
- **Ask to have medical records sent to the second doctor.** Ask your primary care doctor to send your medical records to the new doctor. You need to give written permission to your current doctor to send any records or test results to a new doctor. You can also ask for a copy of your own medical records for your files. Your new doctor can then examine these records before your office visit.
- **Learn as much as you can.** Ask your doctor for information you can read. Go to a local library. Search the Internet. Find a teaching hospital or university that has medical libraries open to the public. The information you find can be hard to understand, or just confusing. Make a list of your questions, and bring it with you when you see your new doctor.
- **Do not rely on the Internet or a telephone conversation.** When you get a second opinion, you need to be seen by a doctor. That doctor will perform a physical examination and perhaps other tests. The doctor will also thoroughly review your medical records, ask you questions, and address your concerns.

For more information, log onto www.4woman.gov.

DID YOU KNOW?**INTERNET SPAMMERS TARGET KIDS, TOO**

Does your child know what to do when he or she gets an email from an unknown person? If you are allowing your children to communicate with other online, be aware that they will be exposed to spam. The easiest way to avoid spam is to make sure that your children do not give out their personal information or e-mail address to anyone they do not know. Adjust the security setting on their e-mail account to filter or block unwanted messages. Encourage your children to delete any messages they get from anyone they don't know. Even when your children get e-mail or instant messages from people they know, make sure that they scan everything they are downloading for viruses first. You can do this by making sure that you have your antivirus software up to date.

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

Anyone who took the VIRTUS Training class in 2004 must re-certify their training. You will have to take a class for an hour and a half. Look to the Bulletin for more information or call Cathy Brown at 323 734-8888 ext. 2.

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent in the church at 6:00pm in English and 7:00pm in Spanish. For any questions, please call the Parish Office at 323-734-8888 ext 1.

**Office of Religious Education**

- Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) are on Tuesdays at 7:00pm in the Acacia Center.
- Spanish First Communion Meeting is on March 14, 2009 at 9:30am.
- First Reconciliation Saturday, March 21, 2009 9:30am-11:00am English and Spanish.
- First Communion Celebration Saturday, May 16, 2009 10:00am English and 12:30pm Spanish

For more information, please contact Cathy Brown at (323) 734-8888 ext. 2.



**Holy Name of Jesus Retreat for Men
April 17-19, 2009**

This year's men's retreat will be held at Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center in the city of Sierra Madre. The retreat, which is preached by the passionate retreat team, begins Friday evening and concludes early Sunday afternoon. The lovely grounds and peaceful atmosphere of Mater Dolorosa makes this a perfect spot for a weekend of spiritual renewal and growth. The theme for this year is: Communion of Saints...Our everyday heroes. Requested donation: \$170.00 \$50.00 non-refundable deposit completes registration (no one is turned away because of financial inability to make the requested donation).

To register or for additional information, please call Clyde G. Sparrow 213-392-1916 (cell) or 323-770-4708 (office).

Holy Name of Jesus would like to thank Mrs. J.O. Irune from Nigeria (mother of Aineakho Ojior, parishioner) for her donation of beautiful African woven fabrics used to decorate the altar during Black History Month.

Holy Name of Jesus School News

Holy Name School has open enrollment for grades K-8. If interested, please call the School Office 323-731-2255 for further information.

- Find out how you too can become a part of the school's activities. We are seeking volunteers for Reading and Student supervision. We also welcome donations of supplies, books and copy paper.
- Are you retired? Come speak to the students about a topic of interest. Call 323- 731- 2255 for more information today!
- Stations of the Cross - Friday, March 12th at 2:00pm - 6th grade.
- Family Mass Sunday, March 22, 2009 - 3rd Grade

We are recycling plastic bottles, aluminum cans and Cell Phones to help raise money for the school.

Thank you for your support!

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

Probe me, God, know my heart; try me, know my concerns. See if my way is crooked, and then lead me in the ancient paths.

Psalm 139:23-24

Weekly Collections**Current Year:**

March 1, 2009 = \$ 10,626.00

Two Previous Years:

March 2, 2008 = \$ 7,430.00

March 4, 2007 = \$ 7,987.00

Thank you for your generosity!