

Mass Schedule

Monday 5/30 7:30am Fr. Spellman

Acts 16:11-15
 Psalm 149:1-6,9
 John 15:26-16:4

Tuesday 5/31 7:30am Fr. Idomele

Zephaniah 3:14-18 or Romans 12:9-16
 Isaiah 12:2-6
 Luke 1:39-56

Wednesday 6/1 7:30am Fr. Spellman

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1
 Psalm 148:1-2, 11-14
 John 16:12-15

Thursday 6/2 7:30am Fr. Idomele

Acts 18:1-8
 Psalm 98:1-4
 John 16:16-20

Friday 6/3 7:30am Fr. Spellman

Acts 18:9-18
 Psalm 47:2-7
 John 16:20-23

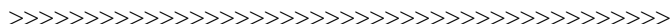
**Saturday 6/4 7:30am Fr. Spellman
 4:30pm Fr. Idomele**

Acts 18:23-28
 Psalm 47:2-3, 8-10
 John 16:23-28

Sunday 6/5 The Ascension of the Lord
8:00am Fr. Spellman
10:00am Fr. Spellman
12:30pm Fr. Spellman

Acts 1:1-11
 Psalm 47:2-3, 6-9
 Ephesians 1:17-23
 Matthew 28:16-20

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



Join us as we pray the Rosary

Every 12th day of the month we will pray the Rosary in the church at 6:00 pm.

In need of our prayers...

Ethel Allen, Genevieve Alexander, Eva Anderson, Cheryl Aubrey, Donald Aubrey, Susan Augustine, Felicia Bagley, Mrs. Oliska Batiste, Tyrone Batiste, Shannon Benjamin, Joshua Bolden, Arleen Bouscher, Jordan Brown, Iola Brown, McCoy Brown, Taylor Brown, Gloria Bunkley, Lucy Byrd, Inez Cameron, Jerry Clary, Sheryl Cooper-McGinest, Elrena Dandy (Sister of Tina Floyd), Edward DeJohn, Thomas Delon-Monroe, Nicholas Dudley, Angie Dupre, Rudi Eagleson, Barbara Ellis, Norma Ellison, Bettye Epps, Pauline Favors, Zelandia Fero, Jose Gonzalez, Raul Gonzalez, Amy Gosey, Henry Green, Joey Green, Olivia Griffin, Margaret Guillory, Charles Haynes, Ruth Howard, (Sister of Tina Floyd), Milton Johnson, Irene Johnson, Thurman Johnson, Ellender Julian, Lorraine Julian, Warren Knox Jr., Aimee Lewis, David Lewis, Ina Lewis, Verna Lipscomb, David Little, Maria Lopez, Jennifer Lynch (niece of Debra Stewart), Karla Martinez Ochaeta (niece of Carmen El-Khouri), Kelly Matthews, Julio Mejia, Audrey Miller, Shirley Miller, Robin Mitchell, Ruben Palamaris, Phyllis Pope, Christopher Ray, Joyce Robinson, Oscar Antonio Romero, Naomi Sealey, Norma Session, Verdell Shelvin, Maria Sierra, Johnnie Singleton, Eva Smith, James Smith, Marcia Sorey, Debra Stewart, Edwin Thomas Sr., Mario Toledo, David Tureaud, Willie Tusan, Jr., Edna Valdry, Ophelia Walker, Elsie Weston, Sandy Wheeler, Irma Williams, West "Ted" Williams, Thad Wiltz, Santiago Zayas, Adrianna Zelaya, those seeking employment, and those struggling during these tough times.

Church Bulletin Board

- Monday, May 30, 2011** 10:30am Journey Through Bible
 7:00pm Spanish Renew
 7:00pm Spanish Prayer Group
 7:00pm Annual General Meeting
- Tuesday, May 31, 2011** 6:45pm Spanish Musicians
 7:00pm Substance Abuse
 7:00pm Spanish Intercessory
 7:00pm Young Adult Bible Study
- Wednesday, June 1, 2011** 6:00pm Mariano Ministry
 6:30pm MSC
 7:00pm Spanish Baptism Class
 7:00pm Youth Group
- Thursday, June 2, 2011** 12:30pm Bible Study
 6:30pm Virtus Training Class
 7:00pm Spanish Prayer Group
- Friday, June 3, 2011** 6:30pm BYC
 6:45pm Spanish Musicians
 7:00pm Bible Study
 7:00pm Baptism Class
- Saturday, June 4, 2011** 11:00am Baptism
 12:00pm Girl Scouts
 2:00pm Baptism
- Sunday, June 5, 2011** 2:00pm Awe Drumming

Pastor's Letter

Last Monday evening we held our **Annual General Parish Meeting** in which we reviewed the newly proposed **Mission Statement** for our parish, and that will be finalized by the **Parish Pastoral Council** and placed on the cover of the bulletin. We also discussed ways of making our parish grow in the coming years. As many of you know, Holy Name of Jesus Church was built into what it is today by families who moved her from Louisiana and other parts of the southeastern United States in the 1940's, 1950's, 1960's, and 1970's. Those parishioners are the people we now refer to as our "**Diamonds in Our Midst**" and we will be honoring them at all of our Masses this weekend.

However, many of those parishioners have passed away, or have moved out of the Jefferson Park area and worship at churches that are closer to their homes. We have many newer parishioners who join us for Sunday Mass, but some of them live a great distance from the parish and it is difficult for them to participate in our parish activities that take place during the week, especially in terms of Holy name of Jesus School. So, we are continuing our plan of **Evangelization** in which each parishioner is encouraged to invite a family member or friend to join us for Mass. We welcome all visitors and we hope and pray that many of our visitors will decide to become members.

At our meeting on Monday evening we discussed many of **the new ministries that we have developed over the past year**. Virgil Williams spoke about our **Discipleship** program (that emphasizes Evangelization and Stewardship), Deacon Hosea Alexander spoke about our continuing involvement with **One L.A.** (especially as it addresses the need for loan modifications to prevent home foreclosures), Deacon Doug Johnson spoke about our new **Young Adult Ministry** (and the new Young Adult Mass that is held on the first Sunday of each month at 5:00 p.m.), and Father Paul Spellman spoke about our parish's **Social Justice Ministry** (especially as it relates to issues concerning payday advance/loan companies, human trafficking, and the issue of "Life Without Parole" sentences for juvenile offenders).

In terms of **goals for the coming year**, we discussed the areas of **Evangelization and Discipleship**; growing our church community, increasing the number of parishioners serving in our parish ministries, and extending our invitation to worship to the wider Jefferson Park community. We also discussed the issues of Safeguard the Children (an Archdiocese program), the Master Calendar for 2011-2012, and the issue of storage rooms in the Acacia Center.

Finally, we took a close look at **our financial statements for the first ten months of this fiscal year** (the ten months ended April 30, 2011). During this period we have incurred **a loss of \$22,467.95** which means that we are spending about \$500.00 per week more than we are receiving in income. Our parish checking account has dropped from \$35,966.45 on July 1, 2010 to \$13,498.50 on April 30, 2011. If this trend continues, we will soon have to start using our **reserve funds** in order to pay our monthly expenses. And that is not why we have funds held in reserve. **Those funds should be retained for emergencies or unforeseen expenditures.** We cannot rely on our reserve funds to pay our monthly bills or our reserves will soon be depleted.

This was a wonderful meeting, with lots of wonderful ideas being shared. But, as you can see, we have our work cut out for us. However, we know that the Holy Spirit is with us every step of the way, and we know that we are walking in the light of our Savior! So, let us roll up our sleeves and discern how we can best share our Time, our Talent, and our Treasure.

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

Youth Ministry

Holy Name of Jesus Church Youth Ministry invites all Youth between the ages of 14 and 18 to come and join the Youth Ministry. We meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the Month in the Acacia Center from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. For more information, please see Norma Mitchell or any Youth Ministry member.

Duplex for Rent

For Rent - 2 Bedroom plus Den Duplex, newly renovated, parking - \$1,235.00. For more information, please call Anna (323) 295-0621.

Parishioner Looking for a Job

If anyone is interested in a live-in housekeeper/companion with eight years of experience, please call the Church Office for more information 323-734-8888 ext 1.

*Holy Name of Jesus School News!***Kindergarten and 8th Grade Graduation**

If you remember your 1st graduation, you will recall that it was a very special time indeed for you and your family. This year, the graduation date for kindergarten students is Wednesday, June 15th at 9:30 a.m. and 8th grade graduation is Saturday, June 11, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. Please join us and come celebrate this wonderful occasion with our twenty seven (27) graduating Kindergarten students and twenty nine (29) graduating 8th graders.

HNOJ School Now Enrolling

Holy Name of Jesus School is now enrolling Kindergarten through 8th Grade for the 2011-2012 school years. If you are interested in enrolling your child, testing is conducted every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month. Please call the School Office at 323-731-2255 to make an appointment for testing. Parishioners and CCD parents, please take note.

DID YOU KNOW?**Ensuring Your Child's School Is Safe**

Every teacher, coach, and volunteer who works with children in the Los Angeles Archdiocese's parishes and schools must have a background check before he or she is permitted to work in any school or parish-related job or activity that involves contact with children. But many of our children attend non-Catholic private or public schools. What steps do these schools take? Talk with school administrators and find out what steps they take to protect children from harm. Suggest that they review other abuse prevention programs to ensure that their policies and practices are up to date. And demand that all employees and volunteers who work in the school be properly screened, including background checks, before they are allowed to be near your children. For more information, please call the Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children office: (213) 637-7227.

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

Know the warning signs of an inappropriate relationship with a child.

1. Control access to children by carefully selecting the adults who work with children and youth.
2. Monitor all programs for the safety of children and youth.
3. Be aware of and sensitive to what is going on in the lives of children.
4. Communicate concerns to the appropriate person in authority.

The St. Vincent De Paul Society would like to send a special thanks to the individuals who helped them put on a successful fundraiser last Sunday. They also thank everyone who came out and supported the fundraiser.

*Healthy Living***America's Move to Raise A Healthier Generation of Kids**

Childhood obesity has more than tripled in the past 30 years. The prevalence of obesity among children aged 6 to 11 years increased from 6.5% in 1980 to 19.6% in 2008. The prevalence of obesity among adolescents aged 12 to 19 years increased from 5.0% to 18.1%.

"In the end, as First Lady, this isn't just a policy issue for me. This is a passion. This is my mission. I am determined to work with folks across this country to change the way a generation of kids thinks about food and nutrition." - First Lady Michelle Obama

Let's Move! is a comprehensive initiative, launched by the First Lady, dedicated to solving the problem of obesity within a generation, so that children born today will grow up healthier and able to pursue their dreams. Sure, this is an ambitious goal. But with your help, we can do it.

Combining comprehensive strategies with common sense, *Let's Move!* is about putting children on the path to a healthy future during their earliest months and years. Giving parents helpful information and fostering environments that support healthy choices. Providing healthier foods in our schools. Ensuring that every family has access to healthy, affordable food. And, helping children become more physically active.

At the launch of the initiative, President Barack Obama signed a Presidential Memorandum creating the first-ever Task Force on Childhood Obesity to conduct a review of every single program and policies relating to child nutrition and physical activity and develop a national action plan to maximize federal resources and set concrete benchmarks toward the First Lady's national goal. The Task Force recommendations focus on the five pillars of the First Lady's *Let's Move!* initiative:

1. Creating a healthy start for children
2. Empowering parents and caregivers
3. Providing healthy food in schools
4. Improving access to healthy, affordable foods
5. Increasing physical activity

Everyone has a role to play in reducing childhood obesity, including parents and caregivers, elected officials from all levels of government, schools, health care professionals, faith-based and community-based organizations, and private sector companies. Your involvement is key to ensuring a healthy future for our children.

For more information, log onto www.letsmove.gov and www.cdc.gov.



*America's Move to Raise a
Healthier Generation of Kids*

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

We are called to "bear good fruit," not just for ourselves, but for all. Thank you for the many gifts you share with this community of faith. Please take a few minutes to prayerfully consider your stewardship Gift to God in thanksgiving for the many blessings you have received.

Current Year:

May 22, 2011 = \$ 7,645.00

Two Previous Years:

May 23, 2010 = \$ 7,085.00

May 24, 2009 = \$ 6,739.00

Thank you for your generosity!

"YOUNG but not FORGOTTEN"

ALL are invited to join the F.A.I.T.H. Young Adult Ministry and Shining Faith Young Adult Choir for our Monthly Young Adult 1st Sunday Mass on SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2011 at 5:00pm

Fr. Gus Taylor will be presiding.

This will be a spiritual uplifting like none other. Come Get Fulfilled, Anointed, Inspired, Through Him.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Your wedding was just one day in your life, but your marriage is forever. The weekend is a powerful experience for couples who believe that their Sacrament of Matrimony is a sign of love in a world that hungers for stability and commitment. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is July 22-24, 2011. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information, visit our website at: ilovemyspouse.org or call Jacob & Sarah Flores at (562) 923-7335 or Brian & Denise Keckeisen at (562) 461-7278.

Men's Retreat Reflection

While I've been telling so many people how much I was encouraged to attend the Men's Retreat for so many years yet failed to go, what I learned at the Retreat is how the Lord finally called me to be there, and I came. We tune-up our cars, we tune-up our computers, and the Men's Retreat is a tune-up for our faith, our lives as servants of Christ. The backdrop of the Sierra Madre Mountains may be enough to calm the soul, but almost 3 full days of reflection and prayer satisfied as nothing else I've experienced. I thank God daily for no harmful addictions, yet I praise him now for the addiction of attending this wondrous, fulfilling retreat every year if it be God's will. Just as Christ spent his days in the desert strengthening his spirit, the Retreat during Lent is a time to fortify our faith so as to live more deeply God's word on earth. I pray that many more men of Holy Name heed the Lord's call to refresh their soul.

Please keep our Newly Confirmed and RCIA Newly Received in your prayers:

Newly Confirmed: Nnamdi Abaekobe, Jonathan Brice, Chanel Davis, Ashley De La Paz, Linwood Foy, Bernard Franklin, Carlos (Andy) Gonzalez, Barbara King, Osmar Molina, Jacquelyn Nwagwu, Olaedo Ofona, Reginald Paige, Marcus Rudolph, Rosalind Smith, Taylor Turner, Augustin Valencia, Sandy Mecinas Ventura, Tyler Vicknair, Gregory Warner, and Jourdyhn Williams.

RCIA Newly Received: Tiffany Brown, Derick Calbert, Nola McBroom, Stone Shelton, and Melissa Vargas.

Welcome Visitors!

Holy Name of Jesus Church would like to welcome all visitors to the Hall after the Masses on Sunday for fellowship and complimentary refreshments.

First Communion 2011

Please keep the following students in your prayers as they have just made their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 14th.

Destiny Alexander, Kaylynn Banner, Michon Barnes, Jacob Bryant, Frank Contreras, Gisselle Contreras, Yesenia Contreras, Alexander Cook, Mia Cotton, Juan Escalante, Myles Foy, Shirley Garcia, Jared Gomez, Adreanna Griffin, Meesha Griffin, Rocio Guerrero, Morgan Henderson, Amber Johnston, Kathryn Johnston, Bridgitt Jordan, Brianna Juarez, Rebecca Maldando, Angelica Matul, Jesus Mecinas Ventura, Lillian Mecinas Ventura, George Medina, Jario Mendez, Bryan Molina, Katherin Montes, Daniel Navarro, Diego Navarro, Cristal Nieto, Mary Carmen Nieto, Crystal Ortiz, Juan Ortiz, Rafael Ortiz, Atziry Pena, Jaime Pena, Angel Perez, Gisselle Perez, Kimberly Perez, Edgar Pitones, Yulimar Ramos, Desoray Rivas, Julio Rivas, Deshawn Robinson, Jared Rodriguez, Christian Saaveda, Cesareo Sanchez, David Sanchez, Juan Sanchez, Robert Sanchez, Valerie Sanchez, Edwin Sandiford, Kaylon Sandiford, Jeremiah Scott, Christopher Solomon, Jonathan Solis, Julian Zavala, and Luis Zavala.

**VIRTUS TRAINING CLASS**

There will be a Safeguard the Children Awareness Session on Thursday, June 2nd from 6:30pm to 9:30pm in the Acacia Center. And on Thursday, June 9th from 7:00pm to 8:30pm for those who took the class in 2007 and need recertification. For sign ups and more information please call the parish office (323) 734-8888 ext. 1 or 2 for Cathy Brown.