

Holy Name of Jesus Parish

2 Broadway, Valhalla, New York 10595

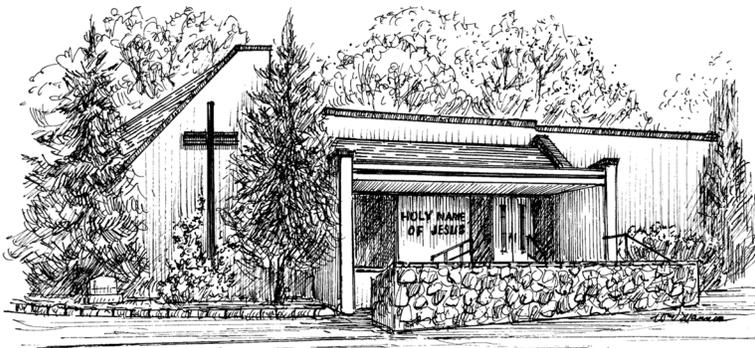
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Deacon

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Organist

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B.A.S.I.C. 9:30 AM
769-4872

Mrs. Suzanne Gerbosi
Children's Choir
946-2221
Sessions from
September through May

WELCOME TO ALL!

Our Parish Family invites all to be active and participating members in every aspect of parish life! We care for each other and want to worship and serve our Lord and one another. Every family moving into the Parish is invited to register at the Rectory. If you change your address, please notify us. AGAIN, WELCOME!

MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00PM

Holy Days: Vigil: 5:00 P.M.
7:15 AM, 9:00 AM, and 6:30 PM.

Weekdays: Monday - Friday: 7:15 AM & 9:00 AM
Saturday: 9:00 AM
Morning Prayer: Daily - 8:30 AM
Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions every
Monday after each Mass.
Holy Hour /Adoration-2nd Monday of the Month
From 12pm to 3pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

Saturday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm or by appointment

BAPTISM:

Baptisms are held on the First and Third Sundays of every month at 1:30 pm To register for a Baptism please call the rectory at least two months in advance as Sundays fill up.

WEDDINGS:

Please contact the priest as soon as you have an approximate date for your wedding. You will be asked to attend preparation sessions and some paperwork is also involved. A year in advance is not too early to see a priest.

RCIA: Catechumenate Program- Persons interested in becoming a Catholic or learning more about our faith, please call Fr. Phil Persico at the Rectory.

MEETINGS:

Parish Council: 4th Monday of the Month at 7:00 PM in the Father Dave Library.
Chairman: Brian Morrow 761-7294

Pancake Breakfast: 2nd Sunday of the month.

Social Concerns: Maureen McLoughlin - 946-9334

Rosary Altar Meetings: 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:00 P.M in the Church. No meetings January & February.
Co-Presidents: Mary Coleman & Joelen Donohue- 422-0990

High School Youth Group:

6:00-8:00PM, 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month.

Sponsor Letters: Please know that if you are in need of a sponsor letter you must be a registered and a active parishioner for at least six months. An active parishioner is one who attends Mass regularly and receives the sacraments. The importance of this is that by being a sponsor you will be taking on active part in raising the child in the Catholic faith.

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 9, 2017

God greatly exalted [Christ]
and bestowed on him the name
which is above every name.

— *Philippians 2:9*

MASSSES for the WEEK

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Saturday, April 8	5:00pm	Dec'd Members of the Abbamont Family (The Abbamont Family)
Sunday, April 9	8:00am	Helen Hallacy (The Vetere Family)
	10:00am	Dominick J. Bologna (Family)
	12:00pm	For All The People
Monday, April 10	7:15am	Philip Waylonis (Larry & Lois Whartenby)
	9:00am	Copola & Candrea Family (Family)
Tuesday, April 11	7:15am	Christine Stephens (Living Birthday) (The Stephens Family)
	9:00am	Joseph Arbore (The Arbore Family)
Wednesday, April 12	7:15am	Phil Waylonis (Diane & Patsy Fucale)
	9:00am	Bart Paganini (Mom, Dad & Family)
Thursday, April 13	7:15am	No Mass
	9:00am	Tennabrae
Friday, April 14	7:15am	No Mass
	9:00am	Tennabrae
Saturday, April 15	9:00am	Tennabrae
	5:00pm	Easter Vigil
Sunday, April 16	8:00am	For
	10:00am	All The
	12:00pm	People

THE CROSS

We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection; through whom we are saved and delivered.—Entrance Antiphon, Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, *Roman Missal*

RESURRECTION TO COME

But from this earth, this grave, this dust,
My God shall raise me up, I trust.—Walter Raleigh



DIVINE MERCY IN MY SOUL (continued)

Jesus said to St. Faustina: "I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy. Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment for sins." "My great delight is to unite Myself with souls. When I come to a human heart in Holy Communion, My hands are full of all kinds of graces which I want to give to the souls. But many souls do not even pay any attention to Me; they leave Me to Myself and busy themselves with others things. How said I am that souls do not recognize Love! They treat Me as a dead object."

To fittingly observe the Feast of Divine Mercy we may:

1. Begin the Divine Mercy Novena on Good Friday
2. Celebrate the Feast on the Sunday after Easter.
3. Place our complete trust in Jesus.
4. Go to Confession, preferably before that Sunday.
5. Receive Holy Communion on the day of the Feast.
6. Venerate the Image of the Divine Mercy [perform some act or make some gesture of deep religious respect toward the image because of the person it represents – in this case, our Most Merciful Savior.

7. Be merciful to others, through our actions, words, and prayers on their behalf.

(Divine Mercy Novena is posted on our website:
www.HolyNameofJesus.org)

SEEING CHRIST CLEARLY—We start today looking through the portals of Jerusalem, seeing crowds of people, cheering and waving palm branches in the air. The whole atmosphere is one of joy, triumph, and celebration. We can get distracted or enthralled by the scene, and not see clearly the features of Jesus as he enters. But our readings from Isaiah and Paul's letter to the Philippians clarify his features for us. He is the Suffering Servant, meek and mute before his captors and persecutors; he is the very image of the unseen God, yet will not clutch at equality with God before he endures his final confrontation in humility. Isaiah and Paul help us "behold the Lamb of God" before we hear the story of his final and greatest confrontation. It is important that we see Christ clearly before we hear the account of his passion, for we—his Body through baptism, the church—now bear his face. We must, with him, enter into this time of trial so we can, also with him, enter into his final triumph. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Now we have come to the center of the Christian year, beginning with today, Passion Sunday, Holy Week, and culminating in the Pasch, the Sacred Triduum. Some have called the culminating event in this week's journey of faith "The Three Days of Easter." The origins of many of our observances, including today's blessing of palms and solemn entry into the church, harken back to old Jerusalem.

In the late fourth century, a woman living a consecrated life in southern France made a four-year pilgrimage to Jerusalem. There, she encountered the rich liturgies of the city, bursting with Christians. She was a keen observer, and fortunately for us wrote vivid letters of her experience to a circle of women friends she calls her sisters. By the time of her journey, it is clear that even some catechumens were undertaking the dangerous journey so that they could be formed at the very site of the events of Christ's passion and rising. At the heart of the pilgrim experience were processions, such as today's joyous procession to the Mount of Olives, and brilliant catechesis from the bishop every day, as well as intense fasting and prayer. When you resolve to keep this week holy in your own life, and especially when you commit to participate in the full Triduum with worship in church and fasting at home, a very ancient tradition is within your grasp.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



PRAY FOR

To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven.....A time to be healed...

Please remember to pray for:

Tommy Adimari
Edward Altro
Rick Arkin
Ben Balldasamo
Peter Barbieri
Inari Barnes
Gerry Blenkle, Sr.
Mary Bonomo
Nick Cacciola
Jeff Caponera
Robert Carazo
Tony Cestone
Rocco Damiano
Andrea Damato
Lou Dearstyne
Donald DeLandri
Ed Delliveau
Linda Dempsey
Frankie Dezell
Edward DiCapril
Joseph DiCioccio
Alexandra Diemoz
Guido Doria
John Edwards
Family
Jason Fiore

Sabrina Gerstle
Joan
Nick Klaus
Teresa Lingardo
Gavin Little
Holly Lynch
Cynthia Miele
Flavia Mirasole
Francesco Mirasole
Jaspere Miranda
Alexa Nitting
Matthew Philipps
Ginger Ragusa
Frankie Ragusa
Madeline Ragusa
Rosa
Frank Rotelline
Felicia Rosello
Kathy Ryan
Kathy Schilio
Richard Schilio
Daniel Schoen
Traci Sinapi
Joseph Sinopoli
Steve Soderquist
Carol Tucciarone

And for all those who have no one to pray for them....



Pray for all the souls of our faithfully departed, especially Rev. John Baptist Chiang and Rev. James P. Clark, grant eternal rest unto them O lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.



Pray for Our Military
Please pray for those who are serving our country in the military, especially,
Nicholas Capasso, U. S. Marine
Ensign Louis DePaolis, U.S. Coast Guard
Capt. Peter M Kavanagh III, U.S. Army
1st Lt Kyle J. Kavanagh, U.S. Marine
Sgt. Kyle Ross Martin, U.S. Marine
Alyson Oderifero, US Air Force
Christopher T. Oderifero, Sr. Airman, Air Force
Lt. Daniel Spies, U.S. Army
Capt. Michael Tillson, U.S. Army

May the Lord watch over and protect them!

2017 Remember and Rejoice Donor Remembrance

Ecumenical Ceremony is being held at St. Patrick's Cathedral April 22, 2017 at 2:00 PM. Our parishioner, Frank J. Oderifero, who saved four lives with his donation, will be remembered along with countless donor families. The families come to celebrate the lives of their lost loved ones. Also recipients come to thank the families and let them know that something remarkable came from their personal tragedy.



Our next **HOLY HOUR** will be Monday, April 10th in the afternoon from 12-3pm. At noon there will be the Exposition and the Rosary and at 3 pm three will be Benediction and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. From 3pm to 8pm there will be Reconciliation. Fr Phil will be leaving the Exposed on the Altar.



During Holy Week Monday through Wednesday, the 9am Mass will be combined with morning prayer There will be no morning mass on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Saturday morning

On **HOLY THURSDAY**, April 13th at 9am Tenebrae will be prayed and chanted. Tenebrae is the psalms and lamentations of the day. At 7:30pm will be Mass and Washing of the Feet, following Mass there will be an Adoration of Repose in the gym until Midnight.

On **GOOD FRIDAY**, (a day of Fast and Abstinence) April 14th at 9am will be a Tenebrae service.

At 3pm will be a Prayer service and at 7pm will be the Stations of the Cross.

On **HOLY SATURDAY**, April 15th at 9am there will be Tenebrae service

EASTER SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

The **EASTER VIGIL** will be celebrated at 7pm.

On **EASTER SUNDAY**, April 16th, Mass will be celebrated at 8am, 10am and 12pm

EASTER DUTY- the Catholic Church requires that all Catholics who have made their First Holy Communion, go to confession and receive the Holy Eucharist sometime during the Easter season. The Easter season begins with Holy Saturday and ends with Pentecost Sunday.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA—Divine Mercy Novena—

The 9 day Novena begins Good Friday. A Plenary Indulgence can be obtained on this day under the usual conditions (sacramental confession which should be done during your Easter Duty, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father) To learn how to pray the Novena see the page on our website at www.HolyNameOfJesus.org.

EASTER FLOWER OFFERING ENVELOPES are available in the Church vestibules. If you would like to remember a loved one by donating toward the flowers that will decorate our Church, please put their name (s) on the envelope. You may put the envelope in the collection basket or drop it at the Rectory.

Couples celebrating their 50th WEDDINGANNIVERSARY

anytime during 2017 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Dolan at St Patrick's on Sunday, June 11th at 2pm Preregistration at our rectory is required and the closing date Tuesday, May 23rd

FLOCKNOTES-We'd like to connect with you! Through Flocknotes Fr Phil can communicate more effectively with you especially in an emergency as in the recent snowstorm when the church was closed. But we also want to make it easy for you to control what types of announcements you get from HNJ. Any questions call the rectory at 949-2323. our parish at: <https://new.flocknote.com/HNJvalhalla> or www.flocknote.com/HNJValhalla

Holy Name of Jesus has a website that is constantly updated so that you may be in the know....**WWW.HolyNameofJesus.Org**

Banns of Marriage

Banns II— Jennifer Massaro and Joseph Tatta

LAST MAN STANDING RAFFLE drawing will take place here at Holy Name of Jesus on May 13th at 6PM and the tickets are on sale at the rectory during normal business hours.

LAST MAN STANDING RAFFLE / REVERSE DRAW

HOW IT WORKS AND RULES –The trick is to be the last man standing. A last man standing raffle is the opposite of a normal raffle in that it is the LAST number drawn wins the prize

RULES: – Tickets are \$100 each and may be purchased by an individual or split to make a purchase i.e.: 2 people at \$50 each = 1 ticket. There will only be 300 tickets sold. Winner NEED NOT be present to claim a prize. Monetary prizes for the tickets will be drawn during the night as stated below:

1st drawn wins \$250 200th drawn wins \$250
25th drawn wins \$100 225th drawn wins \$100
50th drawn wins \$250 250th drawn wins \$250
75th drawn wins \$100 275th drawn wins \$100
100th drawn wins \$250 296th drawn wins \$500
125th drawn wins \$100 297th drawn wins \$500
150th drawn wins \$250 298th drawn wins \$500
175th drawn wins \$100 299th drawn wins \$500
300th drawn wins \$10,000.

REMEMBER YOU HAVE TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT!

SOCIAL CONCERNS

PRAYER SHAWL REQUESTS- Do you know someone who is ill or bereaved, or is feeling the effects of aging and could use a shawl for comfort and warmth? We will be happy to donate a shawl to them. You can also select one for yourself. Please call or email Christine at 761-7243, CRoseStephens@optimum.net or Maureen at 946-9334, MMCL16@optonline.net to request a shawl. They will be happy to arrange a time to give you one.

PRAYER SHAWL DONATIONS- Can you help out the ladies of Prayer Shawl by donating complete skeins of yarn (cotton or acrylic, not wool) Each shawl takes approx. 3 skeins of yarn (of the same color) to complete. Yarn can be purchased at Michael's, Walmart, or AC Moore. Please leave all yarn donations in the Social Concerns bins in the church vestibules. If you can't buy yarn, buy boxes, ribbon, etc.

WOMEN'S CLOTHING COLLECTION- During the month of April we will be collecting Women's Clothes which will be given to the Don Bosco Community Center in Port Chester. We are accepting both casual and dress clothes, as well as women's shoes and sneakers. Please leave all clothing items in the Social Concerns bins in the church vestibules.



FREE 6-Week Employment/Networking Support Group – Sponsored by The RDC Center and given at The White Plains Education & Technology Center, 303 Quarropas St., White Plains – 6:30-8 on April 10, 17, May 1, 8, 15 & 22 - Topics: Job Trends, The Myers Briggs Inventory, Resume Preparation, Interviewing and LinkedIn – To register or for more information – psherdan@divinecompassion.org or 914-798-1103

Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries presents: The Living Stations of the Cross. Everyone is invited to join us for this powerful prayer service reflecting on the journey of Christ's suffering and death, concluding with Eucharistic Adoration. Passion Sunday, April 9th, 3:00 pm Outdoors, rain or shine. Please dress for the weather. Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries • Route 9D •

GIANT TAG SALE –American Legion Hall, Valhalla on Saturday, April 22nd from 10-4pm. Household good, jewelry, tools toys, clothing, seasonal items and more. Donated items accepted April 17th to 21st from 6-8pm at the post. Please no books, sofas, tv's monitors or any large or heavy items. Thank you. Please contact Rosemary at 946-4261 or Kathy at 761-4036 for further info. Fundraiser to support and benefit veterans, youth and community programs sponsored by the Valhalla American Legion Auxiliary.

Did you know that Catholics must go to Mass every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation

When asked why Catholics go to Mass on Sunday, the third commandment is quite often given as an answer. This commandment is definitely not the only reason why we are obligated to participate in Mass, but it is a good place to start. In the earliest days of Christianity, Sunday replaced the Sabbath as the Lord's Day because it was on Sunday that Jesus rose from the dead, Sunday on which He appeared to two of His disciples and broke bread with them. It was from that first day onwards that the faithful began to celebrate the memorial of Christ's sacrifice and rising.

Still today, it is in the breaking of the bread that we recognize Jesus. The Second Vatican Council also recognizes that Sunday as the foremost day to celebrate the Eucharist and was handed down from the day of the resurrection.

Therefore attending Sunday Mass is an obligation to attend each and every Sunday and all holydays of obligation. Missing these Masses without grave reason is a mortal sin. Also today many think that attending Mass is optional but it is not. According to Christ's instruction we celebrate Mass, "Do this in memory of Me"

This leads us to the Precepts of the Catholic Church where the first precept states the following: "You shall attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor" requires the faithful to sanctify the day commemorating the Resurrection of the Lord as well as the principal liturgical feasts honoring the Mysteries of the Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the saints; in the first place, by participating in the Eucharistic celebration, in which the Christian community is gathered, and by resting from those works and activities which could impede such a sanctification of these days. Also we as Catholics, at Mass we come together to celebrate and hear the Word of God and share in the Eucharist. However there are some Catholics who choose to skip Mass and we have to ask why wouldn't they want to be there sharing with other parishioners Christ's resurrection.

Perhaps they haven't been taught by example or perhaps they find something else they want to do. Let us begin: first, by example and attending Mass each and every Sunday and all holydays of obligation; Secondly, talking with our family and friends about the importance of going to Mass. Thirdly, explaining that this is where we encounter Jesus in the form of Bread and Wine, His own Body and Blood.

Of course when we go to Mass we are always reminded of God's love for us as individuals and as a whole. There is nothing better than attending and participating at Mass as we thank God for all that He has given us, receive spiritual nourishment as we live our lives in this hustling and bustling world, and thanking God for all that He has given us.

Thank You

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