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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Mass of Anticipation
5:00PM- English

Sunday
9:00AM – English
10:30AM – Polish
12:30PM – Spanish

Weekday
Monday - Saturday
9:00AM – English



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1235 George Street
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Religious Education
Wednesday: 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm

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1232 George Street
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Saturday and Sunday: Closed
or by appointment
Monday - Friday: 10:00 am-2:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliations
Saturday: 4:15 pm
By request: After Mass
Sunday - Saturday: Mornings

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday – November 21…Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
5:00PM…+Jerry Signorelli, req. Beverly and Peter Cirino

Sunday – November 22…Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe
9:00AM….+Frank Apisa, req. Maria and David Fame
10:30AM...+ Leszek Rutkowski. (2nd. Anniv), od Zona
+ Jarosławe Stalenyi od rozina
+ Edmund Grzymala (3. Anniv.) z rodziną
12:30PM..+ Marta Consulo Arias Sepulveda, req.Miguel

Monday – November 23…Sts.Clement and Columban and Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro
9:00AM…+Jim and Pat Rushforth, req. Doreen Kruse

Tuesday – November 24… St. Andrew Dung-Lac
9:00AM..+Paula Maricela Deleon, req. Lizandra Cabrara

Wednesday – November 25…St. Catherine
9:00AM…+ Peter Gregory Maiorillo
req. Angela and Elisa Apisa

Thursday – November 26… Thanksgiving Day
9:30AM...+Jerry V. Signorelli,
req. Beverly and Peter Cirino

Friday – November 27… Weekday
9:00AM…+ William E. Kruse, req. Kruse Byrne Family

Saturday – November 28…Weekday
9:00AM…+ All Souls
5:00PM…+ Frank Apisa, req. Pina and John Mastrioanni

Sunday – November 29… First Sunday of Advent
9:00AM…. + Mike Parise, req. Zena Kazmierski
10:30AM... Konrad Radecki 25th Birthday, req. Family
Stanislaw Stalenyi Birthday Blessings,
req. Children and Family
12:30PM…+ All Souls

THE TABERNACLE CANDLE will burn this week for **All Souls.**

THE BREAD AND WINE FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER is in memory of **Jerry Signorelli** at the request of **Beverly and Peter Cirino.**

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED
For those whose health is challenged in any way especially for **Marian Parcinski, Giovani Todaro, Olga Skolka, Helga Gilligan, Zena Kazmierski, Sherif R., Eric Johansen, Barbara Bylecki and Danny Mescallado.**

OUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for all the Faithful Departed.

ANNUAL 2026 APPEAL

The Appeal is continuing. Each year we are invited to participate in the Annual Appeal, which is an opportunity to support essential ministries and programs of our Archdiocese. Your sacrificial support makes it possible for us to carry out the important work that we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus. Please consider participating in this year's Appeal to help make a significant difference in many lives within our Archdiocese. Our parish goal this year is **$29,654.60,** and we already collected **$27,230.00!** Please make a gift online today:

STEWARDSHIP

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me." – MATTHEW 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, real generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient to us, when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's timeline.

Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo

"...Les aseguro que todo lo que hicieron por uno de mis hermanos, aún por el más pequeño, lo hicieron por mí." -MATEO 25:40

La mayoría somos generosos cuando es conveniente para nosotros. Somos generosos cuando tenemos el tiempo o el dinero, pero la verdadera generosidad es lo opuesto a eso. Significa dar nuestro tiempo, el dinero, la compasión, el perdón o la misericordia cuando no es conveniente para nosotros, cuando no está en nuestro horario, sino en el tiempo de la otra persona.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
This passage beautifully describes how the Lord God, as shepherd, will tend his flock. He will rescue those who are lost, bring back those who stray, heal the sick, and "pasture" all.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28
Paul once again stresses the significance of Christ's resurrection in the total divine plan, emphasizing that Christ's rising means that those who believe in him will also rise after death. Christianity, he argues, is meaningless if it concerns only this life on earth. In the end, even death will be destroyed, and "God will be all in all."

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46
With words both poetic and vivid, Jesus tells the disciples that since he is present in all people, whatever they do to "one of my least brothers" they do to him; and whatever they fail to do to his "least," they fail to do to him.

Calling All Women of Faith!

Parish Women's Faith and Fellowship Group.

This ministry invites women of all ages and backgrounds to deepen their relationship with Christ, build meaningful connections with one another, and live out their faith through prayer, reflection, service, and fellowship.

Whether you are a mother, grandmother, student, professional, retiree, or simply seeking a place to belong, this group is for you. We welcome women wherever they are on their faith journey and believe that every woman has a unique gift to share in the life of the Church.

Why Are Women's Faith Groups So Important?

Women's faith groups provide sacred spaces where women can grow spiritually, share their joys and challenges, and find strength in community. In today's busy and often isolating world, women need places where they are seen, heard, and valued, not only for what they do, but for who they are as beloved daughters of God.

Faith groups offer encouragement, deepen understanding of our Catholic faith, and foster lasting friendships rooted in Christ's love. They help women discover new ways to pray, serve, and lead within their families, parish, and community. Together, we learn that we are not alone and that God works powerfully through the support, wisdom, and witness of others.

Women's groups are places of healing, purpose, and mission, where we listen to God and to one another as we discern how the Holy Spirit is calling us to grow and serve.

Join Us!
Next Meeting, Tuesday, December 8th
5:00 PM - 7:00PM



Liturgy of the Word

On Sundays we offer Liturgy of the Word at the 9AM Mass for children K-3 during the Homily and Intercessions in the church Chapel.

If you are willing to help as an assistant once a month, please contact Karole in the office.



Our Religious Education children will present the gifts of Bread and Wine at the 9:30 Mass on Thanksgiving Day.

There is no Religious Education class Wednesday, November 25th.

ROSARY

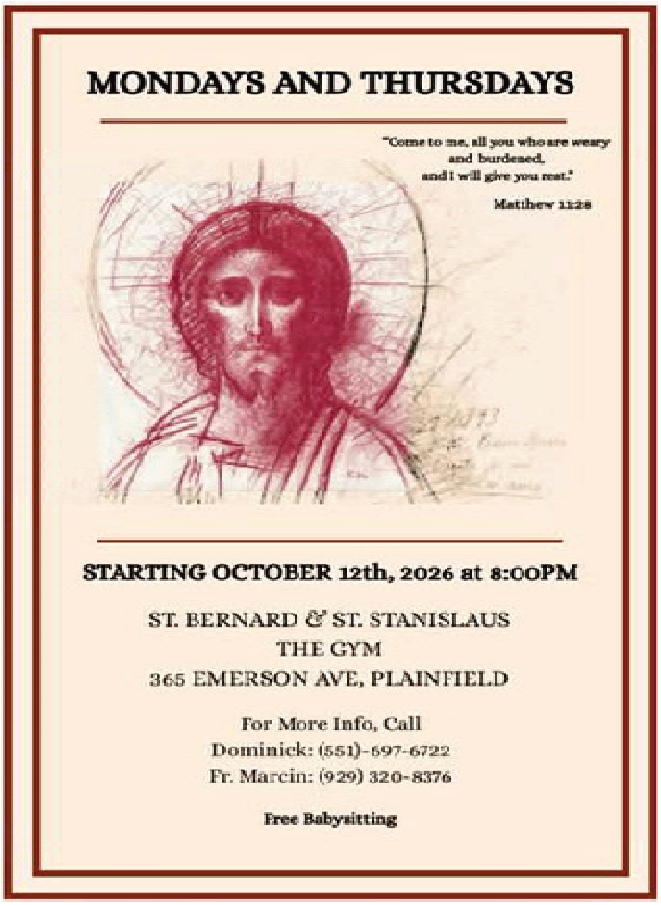


The Rosary is prayed every day before the 9AM Mass followed by the Divine Mercy Prayers.

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed on Thursdays after the Mass concluding with Benediction at 10:45AM



Rosary Bake Sale this weekend after all the Masses





THURSDAY, November 26th
9:30AM – Thanksgiving Mass
The Office will be closed
Thursday and Friday 26th and 27th
The Saints of the Week:



Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich, a sister of Charity of Elizabeth was born in 1901 to a Ruthenian family who had emigrated to New Jersey. She was a smart young woman who graduated high school at the age of 15.

Her intellectual gifts were matched by her charity, as she delayed entering a convent to take care of her terminally ill parents. As a novice, Teresa took the name Miriam Teresa. Before she made her final vows, she was asked by her spiritual director to write down her spirituality for use in the training of other novices. This spiritual work was posthumously published under the title of Greater Perfection.

In late 1926, Teresa fell ill and made her final vows from a hospital bed. She died on May 8, 1927. On October 4, 2014, Miriam Teresa was beatified at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark, NJ, the first beatification in the United States.





Blessed Carlos Manuel Rodriguez Santiago was born in Puerto Rico. Despite health struggles, Carlos enrolled at the University of Puerto Rico, where he deepened his study of theology and the liturgy. He became consumed by the beauty of the Catholic liturgy, particularly the Easter Vigil, which he considered the summit of the Church's year.

His famous saying, "We live for that night," captured his conviction that the Paschal Mystery was the center of all Christian life.

He taught liturgy and catechism to university students, translating liturgical texts and explaining their meaning with infectious joy.

He developed cancer and died on July 13, 1963, at the age of forty-four, just months before the Second Vatican Council promulgated its Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy.

On April 29, 2001, Pope John Paul II beatified him, making Carlos Manuel Rodriguez Santiago the first Puerto Rican and the first Caribbean-born layperson to be beatified.

Whatever you do
to the least
of my brothers and sisters,
you do unto me.



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From Fr. Marcin,

Today's liturgy invites us to fix our gaze on Christ, the King of the Universe. The beautiful prayer of the Preface reminds us that His kingdom is "a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace."

Christ brought His kingdom through His closeness and tenderness towards us. He is the Shepherd, of whom the Prophet Ezekiel spoke in the First Reading. Christ is the Shepherd, who cares and loves His flock: to search, to look over, to gather the dispersed, to lead, to pasture, to bring to rest, to seek the lost sheep, to lead back the confused, to bandage the wounded, to heal the sick and to take care of us.

After His Resurrection, Jesus began to bring His kingdom to us through His Church. Jesus is not a King according to earthly ways: for Him, to reign is not to command, but to obey the Father, to give Himself over to the Father, so that His plan of love and salvation may be brought to fulfilment. The period of Christ's reign is the long period of subjecting everything to the Son and consigning everything to the Father.

The Gospel teaches what Jesus' kingdom requires of us: it reminds us that closeness and tenderness are the rule of life for us also, and that on this basis we will be judged. This is how we will be judged. The King says: "Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me." The righteous will ask him: when did we do all this? And he will answer them: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me."

The starting point of salvation is not the confession of the sovereignty of Christ, but rather the imitation of Jesus' works of mercy through which He brought about His kingdom. The one who accomplishes these works shows that he has welcomed Christ's sovereignty, because he has opened his heart to God's charity. Through His victory, Jesus has opened to us His kingdom. But it is for us to enter into it, beginning with our life now – His kingdom begins now – by being close in concrete ways to our brothers and sisters who ask for bread, clothing, acceptance, solidarity, catechesis. If we truly love them, we will be willing to share with them what is most precious to us, Jesus Himself and His Gospel.

Fr. Marcin

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