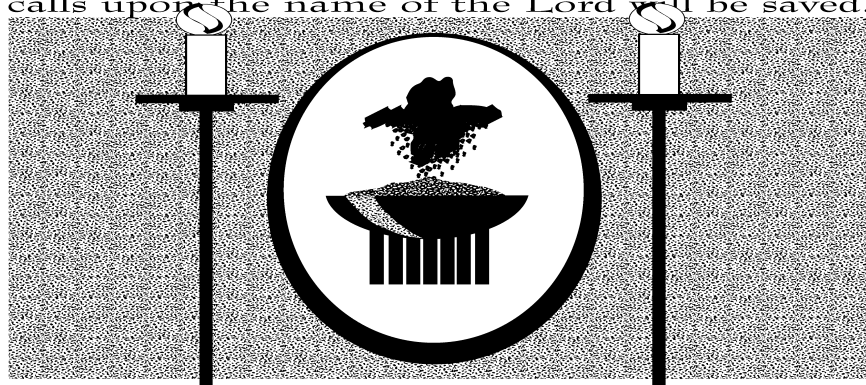


February 21, 2010 - First Sunday of Lent

The Church of Saint John The Baptist

A MINISTRY OF THE CAPUCHIN FRANCISCANS
WITH SHRINES OF SAINT PIO OF PIETRELCINA (PADRE PIO)
AND MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

The same Lord is Lord of all. Everyone who
calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved.



first sunday of lent

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturdays: 4:00 P.M. (*Vigil Mass*)
Sundays: 9:00, 10:30 A.M., 12:00 P.M., 5:15 P.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES

6:45, 7:45 A.M., 12:15, 5:15 P.M. Saturdays: 12:15 P.M.

NATIONAL HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE: One Mass only, at 10:30 A.M.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday through Friday, after the 12:15 P.M. Mass. **ROSARY** at 5:00 P.M.

CONFESSIONS—SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday through Friday: from 7:15 A.M. to 7:45 A.M.
and from 11:45 A.M. to 12:15 P.M. in church;
from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. in the parish office
(Reconciliation Room)

Saturdays: from 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.
and from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. in church

ALL NIGHT VIGIL

Each Friday before the First Saturday from 9:00 P.M. to 5:30 A.M.

SAINT PIO OF PIETRELCINA (PADRE PIO)

NOVENA WITH BLESSING OF THE RELIC
Thursdays, following the 5:15 P.M. Mass

BLESSING WITH THE RELIC OF THE TRUE CROSS

Fridays, following the 12:15 P.M. and 5:15 P.M. Masses

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

NOVENA AND MASS
Wednesdays at 6:30 P.M.

ROSARY: Monday through Friday at 11:55 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Saturdays at 12:00 P.M.

SAINT PIO OF PIETRELCINA PRAYER GARDEN open daily

PRIEST ON DUTY: Monday to Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

SOCIAL WORKER AVAILABLE: Wednesdays and Thursdays, 12:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*The mission of the Parish of St. John the Baptist, in the spirit of the Capuchin Franciscan Order and the tradition of the Catholic Church, is to be **Christ in the City**—to assist in the spiritual, social and personal development of the members of the parish, the community of midtown Manhattan, and the people of the New York metropolitan area. St. John is a **Spiritual Center**, where individuals can seek peace, holiness and sanctuary, alone or in the community. St. John is a responsive and evolving community which encourages growth in our relationship to God and to one another, so that through these relationships we can find strength, joy and happiness.*

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The Church of Saint John The Baptist - New York

CAPUCHIN FRANCISCANS

(OFM CAP) AT SAINT JOHN'S

Bro. Luke Benbrook	<i>Pastoral Assistant</i>
Rev. John Clermont	<i>Honduras, CA</i>
Rev. Edward Conway	<i>Parochial Vicar</i>
Rev. Valerian D'Silva	<i>Parochial Assistant</i>
Rev. Philip Fabiano	<i>Pastor</i>
Rev. Thomas Franks	<i>Parochial Vicar</i>
Rev. Ramón Frias	<i>Parochial Assistant</i>
Rev. Francis Gasparik	<i>Provincial Counselor</i>
Rev. Leonard Glavin	<i>Parochial Assistant</i>
Rev. Thomas Houle	<i>Chaplain, N.Y. State Corrections</i>
Bro. George McCloskey	<i>Comm. and Public Relations</i>
Bro. Salvatore Patricola	<i>Guardian/Parochial Vicar/Deacon</i>
Rev. John Baptist Riordan	<i>Parochial Assistant</i>
Rev. Matthias Wesnofske	<i>SFO Prov. Spiritual Assistant</i>

PARISH PROGRAM COORDINATORS

Mary Bivona	<i>Social Services</i>
Joan Prenty	<i>RCLA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</i>
Laurence Rosania	<i>Director of Music and Liturgy</i>
Joseph Spicketts	<i>Bread of Life Food Pantry</i>

PARISH PROGRAMS

Bread of Life Food Pantry	<i>Wed 1 to 2:45</i>
Christ in the City Silent Retreat	<i>Sat 4 to 10 (twice a month)</i>
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	<i>Sun 9 to 10:45</i>
Tuesday Together at the Friary	<i>2nd Tue 7, 12 and 5:30</i>

ORGANIZATIONS

Charismatic Prayer Group	<i>Tue 6 to 8</i>
Edith Stein Guild	<i>1st Sat 10 to 12</i>
Father Solanus Guild	<i>2nd Sat 10:30 to 12</i>
Fatima Blue Army Cell Prayer Group	<i>Wed 5:45</i>
God the Father Cenacle Devotion	<i>3rd Sun 1 to 4</i>
Padre Pio Prayer Group	<i>4th Sat 12 to 3:30</i>
<i>(Blessing with the Relic of St. Pio after the 12:15 p.m. Mass)</i>	
Singles for Christ	<i>3rd Sun: 5:15 Mass, 6:30 Rec.</i>
Two Thousand Hail Marys	<i>3rd Sat 7 to 5</i>

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER—FRATERNITIES

Immaculate Heart of Mary	<i>1st Sun 12 noon</i>
Sts. Elizabeth and Louis	<i>2nd Sun 12 noon</i>
St. John's Fraternity	<i>4th Sun 12 noon</i>

OUTREACH

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)	<i>Mon and Wed 6 to 7</i>
<i>Tue and Thu 12 to 1</i>	<i>Sat 3 to 4</i>
Al/Anon	<i>Fri 12:30 to 1:30</i>
Catholic Council of Electrical Workers	<i>3rd Fri 4 to 8</i>
Debtors Anonymous (BDA)	<i>Tue 5:30 to 7; Wed 5</i>
Japanese Bible & Prayer Study	<i>4th Sun 4 to 7</i>
Police & Fire Line of Duty Widows	<i>4th Sun 1 to 3</i>
SMA	<i>Sat 4:30 to 5:30</i>
Sexaholics Anonymous (SA)	<i>Thu/Fri 6 to 7:30</i>

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS LOCATED AT SAINT JOHN'S

Ar-Rahman Foundation	<i>Fri 12:30 to 2:30</i>
Central City Chorus	<i>Thu 6 to 10</i>
Visiting Nursing Care Service	<i>Mon 1; Tue 2; Fri 9:30</i>

OTHER MINISTRIES LOCATED AT SAINT JOHN'S

Capuchin Franciscan Development Office
 Capuchin Franciscan Foreign Mission Office
 Courage—National Office; Lamp Ministries

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY

9:00 A.M.
 10:30 A.M.
 12:00 P.M.
 5:15 P.M.

FEBRUARY 21, 2010

(dec.) Helen Byrne, *req. by Eleanor*
 All parishioners and benefactors of St. John's Church
 For the intention of Nancy Rivera [in thanksgiving]
 Living and deceased members of the Allicha Christman family
req. by Catherine Christman

MONDAY

6:45 A.M.
 7:45 A.M.
 12:15 P.M.
 5:15 P.M.

FEBRUARY 22, 2010

(dec.) Josephine Motisi
req. by Phyllis McQuillan
 Canonization of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha
req. by Mr. and Mrs. Marty O'Grady
(dec.) James Donovan and George Tracey
 [birthday remembrance], *req. by their families*
 Jeanne Hélène Kemanjou
req. by Marie Hélène

TUESDAY

6:45 A.M.
 7:45 A.M.
 12:15 P.M.
 5:15 P.M.

FEBRUARY 23, 2010

Living and deceased members of the Secular Franciscan Order
req. by the three Fraternities of St. John's church
 K.I.A. U.S. Military Forces
req. by Mr. and Mrs. Marty O'Grady
(dec.) Michael Rega, *req. by Jeanette Salerno*
 Yanick Noël [in thanksgiving]

FEBRUARY 24, 2010

6:45 A.M.
 7:45 A.M.
 12:15 P.M.
 5:15 P.M.
 6:30 P.M.

(dec.) Dorothy J. and Sigmund A. Willant
req. by Veronica Willant
 Thomas and Amy O'Grady
req. by Mr. and Mrs. Marty O'Grady
 Norman Capiral [in thanksgiving]
req. by Victoria Capiral
 Maria Doucet and family
req. by Camille Armelle Ferdinand
 For those enrolled in the Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

THURSDAY

6:45 A.M.
 7:45 A.M.
 12:15 P.M.
 5:15 P.M.

FEBRUARY 25, 2010

Jimmy Coleman, *req. by Kathleen Gormley*
 K.I.A. U.S. Military Forces
req. by Mr. and Mrs. Marty O'Grady
(dec.) Ralph Borzello
req. by Phyllis McQuillan
(dec.) Milagros Abucay
req. by Emy and Chita

FRIDAY

6:45 A.M.
 7:45 A.M.
 12:15 P.M.
 5:15 P.M.

FEBRUARY 26, 2010

(dec.) Carmela De Stefano
req. by Teresa Marri
(dec.) Joan Shanahan Kearney
req. by Patrick J. Kearney
(dec.) Marie Laurence Kerby
(dec.) Maureen Landy
req. by Florence Lanlenou

SATURDAY

12:15 P.M.
 4:00 P.M.

FEBRUARY 27, 2010

Living and deceased members of the Padre Pio Prayer Group
req. by the Prayer Group
(dec.) Francesco, Santina and Teresa Giordano, *req. by Teresa Marri*

EVENTS OF THE WEEK
February 20 to 28, 2010

Sat 20 > **Two Thousand Hail Marys**
7:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., church hall/church



Sun 21 **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**
> *God the Father Cenacle Devotion,*
1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M., church hall

Tue 23 > *Charismatic Prayer Group, 6:00 P.M., church hall*

Wed 24 > *Food Pantry, 1:00 P.M. to 2:45 P.M., church hall*
> *Fátima Blue Army, 5:30 P.M., church*

Sat 27 > **Side by Side Celebration**—*Light breakfast and reflection, 10:00 A.M., rectory office conference room.*
Renewal of Marriage Vows, 12:15 P.M. Mass
> *Padre Pio Prayer Group, 12:00 noon, church/hall*



Sun 28 **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**
> *St. John's SFO Fraternity, 12:00 noon, church/hall*

SIDE BY SIDE CELEBRATION IN THE MONTH OF YOUR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

The Capuchin Franciscan Friars invite you to attend a *Side by Side Celebration* in the month of your wedding anniversary. Couples gather at 10:00 A.M. (**this month, on Saturday the 27th**) for breakfast and reflection, followed by Mass and renewal of vows at 12:15 P.M. *For more information, call Brother Salvatore at 1-212 564-9070, extension 247.*



PENNIES FOR OUR PANTRY: Our Bread of Life Food Pantry asks you to donate your pennies to help us feed the needy. A jar has been set up in the parish office where you can deposit any loose change you may have. *Help us feed our needy neighbors. Every penny counts!*

EASTER NOVENA MASS CARDS are now available at the parish office.

THE NEW PADRE PIO ORGAN: Our new organ was heard for the first time on the Feast of Christ the King and Saint Cecilia (*Patron Saint of Sacred Music*) Day (November 22, 2009.) Since 2010 will be a remarkable year because it marks the double centennial of Padre Pio and the 170th anniversary of our parish (see below), our new organ will be formally blessed and dedicated on the Feast of St. Pio (September 23, 2010.) *Please consider supporting this once-in-a-lifetime event—donation envelopes are available in the church lobby.*



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) is a Catholic formation / education program for people interested in full initiation into the Catholic Church through the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist (*Sundays 10:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.*). It is also for Catholics who have been baptized and have not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist (*Sundays 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.*) *Those who are interested please call Joan Prenty at 1-212 564-9070, extension 217 and leave your name and phone number.*

NO GREATER LOVE—A PASSION PLAY FOR THE SEASON OF LENT— will be presented by the Xavier Company from February 28 until April 10. This is a musical drama performed in the sanctuary of churches. *Admission is free but a free will offering is asked.* For more information, please contact Carol Ferrone at 1-212 627-2100, extension 217.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: STRENGTHENING FAMILIES AND RESOLVING CRISES. Each year, more than 3,000 families are helped to stay together through services that prevent children from being placed in foster care; 4,000 families are given financial assistance in a crisis; and 26,000 helped with social services and counseling—all by Catholic Charities of the Archdioceses of New York. *To learn more, log on to www.catholiccharitiesny.org.*

A VOCATION VIEW: If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, please call Fr. Charles Szivos at 1-914-968 1340 (*Priesthood*), Sr. Deanna Sabetta at 1-212-371 1000, extension 2803 (*Religious*) or Deacon Anthony Cassaneto at 1-914-968 6200, extension 8269 (*Diaconate*).

OUR CHURCH IS HERE FOR YOU! As cold winter weather is here, we ask for your assistance in surrounding the needy with the warmth of God' love. If you can, please contribute fast food certificates, supermarket and drugstore gift cards, and/or MTA metro cards. These will meet the immediate needs of those facing difficult times. Even if you cannot give these material gifts, we ask you to please pray for those who truly need to feel hope instead of despair. If you have any questions, call our social worker, Mary Bivona, at 1-212 564-9070, extension 204. *She is present on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 12:00 noon to 5:00 P.M.* She can also be contacted on other weekdays at the above number. Do not hesitate to contact us if you feel the need to talk to someone. This includes anyone who feels he or she might have a problem with possible addictions to drugs, gambling etc. *Help is available, and we assure you of full confidentiality as well as our prayers and interest in every individual situation.*

BULLETINS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ONLINE AT OUR WEB SITE: www.padrepio Shrine.com.