

**THE PARISH OF OUR SAVIOUR
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CHAPEL OF THE SACRED HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK**

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE) – 17 DECEMBER 2017

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR

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Our Saviour and Sacred Hearts are both handicapped accessible.

MASS FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday (*Anticipated Mass*): 5:00 p.m. (Our Saviour)
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. (Our Saviour),
11:00 a.m. (Our Saviour), 12:45 p.m. (Sacred Hearts),
3:00 p.m. Korean-English Bilingual (Sacred Hearts),
5:00 p.m. (Our Saviour), 5:30 p.m. (Sacred Hearts)

DAILY MASS

Monday-Friday: 7:45 a.m. (Our Saviour)
Monday-Saturday: 12:05 p.m. (Our Saviour)
Monday-Friday: 5:15 p.m. (Sacred Hearts)

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

As announced.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays after the 7:45 a.m. Mass
until Benediction at 11:55 a.m. (Our Saviour)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSION)

Our Saviour:

Monday-Friday: 7:15-7:40 a.m., 12:35-1:00 p.m.
Saturday: 4:30-4:55 p.m.; Sunday: 10:30-10:50 a.m.

Sacred Hearts:

Sunday: 5:00-5:15 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrange at least six (6) months in advance.
For information, please call (212) 679-8166 x220.

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ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

Inter-parish Program (K-8) at the Church of the Epiphany
(212) 475-1966.

NOVENA DEVOTIONS

after the 12:05 p.m. Mass

Monday: Miraculous Medal

Tuesday: St. Anthony

Wednesday: St. Jude

Thursday: St. Anne

Friday: Sacred Heart

NEW PARISHIONERS

To register, please fill out a registration form
at the Parish Office at Our Saviour.

AUDIO: HOMILIES AND MUSIC

www.oursaviournyc.org/audio

SPACE RENTALS

Please contact Mr. Angel Falcon
at (212) 810-9004 or iknowangel@aol.com.

The Church Undercroft is available for wedding receptions,
Christening parties, meetings, and special events.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 17 December – *Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete)*

(O SAPIENTIA)

5:00 p.m. Eileen V. Johnsmeyer +
9:00 a.m. The Rosselli & Sferrazza Families +
11:00 a.m. Pro Populo
12:45 p.m. Concepcion Sison Dumayas +
5:00 p.m. Albert Samuel +
5:30 p.m. Maria Conza +

Monday, 18 December – *Advent Weekday (O ADONAI)*

7:45 a.m. Emilia A. Rutigliano (L)
12:05 p.m. Marie d'Amato +
5:15 p.m. Paul Epstein (L)

Tuesday, 19 December – *Advent Weekday (O RADIX JESSE)*

7:45 a.m. Leta Seal +
12:05 p.m. Ampero Baez +
5:15 p.m. Feliciano Vergara +

Wednesday, 20 December – *Advent Weekday*

(O CLAVIS DAVID)

7:45 a.m. Donald R. & Mary T. Litner +
12:05 p.m. Catherine Mayer +
5:15 p.m. Livia Iannucci +

Thursday, 21 December – *St. Peter Canisius, Priest,*

Doctor of the Church (O ORIENS)

7:45 a.m. Joan Raynolds (L)
12:05 p.m. Barbara C. George +
5:15 p.m. *No Intention*

Friday, 22 December – *Advent Weekday (O REX GENTIUM)*

7:45 a.m. Jeff Zwiff +
12:05 p.m. Marianne & Clifford Schorer +
5:15 p.m. Peggy Epstein (L)

Saturday, 23 December – *St. John of Kanty, Priest*

(O EMMANUEL)

12:05 p.m. Marcos Lago Cortes DeCampos +

Mass Intentions may be reserved through the Parish Office at the Church of Our Saviour. Please stop by or call (212) 679-8166 x210.

IN YOUR PRAYERS, please remember Diane Bianco, Dominic Bianco, Father Peter M. Colapietro, Pat Coleine, Glenda Coriano, Francis Grealis, James Leung, Loretta Mugno, Joan Murphy, Corazón Natividad, Joseph Policelli, Elizabeth Ray, Patricia Reilly, Ruayrin Sudbandthad, Mateo Tobia, John Yuh, and Doris Zaros, who are ill.

Prayer intentions for the sick will be listed for one month and may be renewed by calling the parish office.

FROM THE HOLY FATHER'S TWITTER

@Pontifex: Christians are called to work concretely in the realities of this world, illuminating them with the light that comes from God.

WELCOME

If you are a visitor, we welcome you to the Church of Our Saviour and the Chapel of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary and hope that you will come back soon. Those who wish to join the parish may register in the Parish Office, which is located at the Church of Our Saviour.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER

Universal Intention: *The Elderly* – That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Collections for the week ending 10 December:

Our Saviour: Sunday: \$4,158 • Weekdays: \$663
Shrines: \$1,037 • Retired Religious: \$1,554
Immaculate Conception: \$1,850

Sacred Hearts: Sunday: \$4,890 • Shrines: TBA
Retired Religious: \$517
Immaculate Conception: TBA

WeShare: \$1,830 (*Our Saviour and Sacred Hearts*)

Parishioners are encouraged to make their donations online through WeShare, which is accessible via our website, <www.oursaviournyc.org>.

Please make **all** checks payable to the Church of Our Saviour.

To help us meet our expenses, please prayerfully consider a sacrificial offering of twenty dollars for your weekly offering to the parish.

Thank you for your generosity!

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

The second collection this Sunday will be for Christmas flowers and will help us establish the budget for this year's flowers. Envelopes have been placed in the narthex of the church, in the lobby of the chapel, and at the Parish Office.

LITURGICAL CALENDARS FOR 2018

Liturgical Calendars for 2018 are available for you to take home. Special thanks to the Greenwich Village Funeral Home for providing them this year.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

What does “the Lord is at hand” mean? In what sense must we understand this “closeness” of God? The Church, illumined by the Holy Spirit, already at that time understood increasingly better that God’s “closeness” is not a question of space and time but rather of love: love brings people together! This coming Christmas will remind us of this fundamental truth of our faith and in front of the manger we shall be able to savor Christian joy contemplating in the newborn Jesus the Face of God who made himself close to us out of love. — *Benedict XVI*

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

II – Brynne C. Sarsfield & Dylan T. Giordano

This year, the **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT** is 24 December. Please note that the Saturday Vigil Mass and the Sunday Masses at 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 12:45 p.m. will be offered for the Fourth Sunday of Advent. Masses for the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) begin with the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Sunday, 24 December. Catholics, of course, are obligated to attend Mass every Sunday and on holy days of obligation, among them the Nativity of the Lord. Since the Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve fall on the same day, the question has been raised whether attending one Mass on Sunday, 24 December fulfills both obligations. However, the prevailing view of many canon lawyers is that *each obligation must be fulfilled with a separate Mass.*

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE – SUNDAY, 24 DECEMBER

5:30 p.m. Mass – Sacred Hearts

10:15 p.m. A Festival of Lessons and Carols

– Our Saviour

11:00 p.m. Mass during the Night – Our Saviour

with the Choir of the Church of Our Saviour and Strings including Mozart’s Spatzenmesse.

CHRISTMAS DAY – MONDAY, 25 DECEMBER

9:00 a.m. Mass – Our Saviour

11:00 a.m. Mass – Our Saviour

with the Choir of the Church of Our Saviour Music of Darke, Hassler, and Nestor

12:45 p.m. Mass – Sacred Hearts

Please note that there are no evening Masses on Christmas Day.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Monday, 18 December

Confessions at Our Saviour

7:15–7:40 a.m., 12:35–1:00 p.m., 4:00–8:00 p.m.

Confessions at Sacred Hearts

12:00–1:00 p.m.

On Reconciliation Monday, confessions are heard in parishes throughout the Archdiocese of New York.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Choir of the Church of Our Saviour will present its annual Christmas Concert on Wednesday, 20 December at 7:30 p.m. at the Church of Our Saviour. Tickets may be purchased at the Parish Office (*cash or check*) or at <https://oursaviournyc2017.bpt.me> (*credit card*). Tickets are available for \$30 (General Admission). Please join us and consider bringing friends and sharing the great gift of music celebrating the Nativity of Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, with a wider community.

O ANTIPHONS

Beginning on 17 December, the Church prays the *O Antiphons* as the Magnificat antiphon at Vespers. The *O Antiphons* express the Church’s longing and expectation for the Messiah, her startled wonderment at the fullness of grace which the Christ-Child is about to bestow on the world. Their theme is the majesty of the Savior, His wisdom, His faithfulness and sanctity, His justice and mercy, His covenant with His chosen people, who in their ingratitude broke faith with Him. They are concerned with His power and love as King and Redeemer of the world, His relation to every soul as Emmanuel, God-with-us.

The *O Antiphons* were arranged with a definite purpose: If one starts with the last title and takes the first letter of each one – Emmanuel, Rex, Oriens, Clavis, Radix, Adonai, Sapientia – the Latin words *ero cras* are formed, meaning, “Tomorrow, I will come.” Therefore, the Lord Jesus, whose coming we have prepared for in Advent and whom we have addressed in these seven Messianic titles, now speaks to us, “Tomorrow, I will come.” The “O Antiphons” not only bring intensity to our Advent preparation, but also bring it to a joyful conclusion.

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