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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

7:00 p.m. Spanish (piano & cantor)

Sunday

8:00 a.m. English (organ & cantor)

9:30 a.m. Spanish (piano & choir/cantor)

11:30 a.m. English (organ & choir/cantor)

1:30 p.m. Vietnamese (keyboard & choir)

Weekdays	8:30 a.m. Spanish (Mon-Fri.)	12:10 p.m. English (Mon-Fri)
	7:45 a.m. Vietnamese (Thu & Sat)	

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION

All those who are called to follow Jesus in the Catholic faith along with Catholics already baptized (adults, youth & children) who desire to celebrate the sacraments of First Confession, First Communion and Confirmation can make contact with the coordinator of this area for information about the various programs available. Registration for these programs are announced in the bulletin during various times of the year. Also appointments can be made in the parish office at anytime.

Parents wishing to baptize their children (ages 1-5) are invited to make an appointment in the parish office to speak with a staff member in order to make arrangements for participating in the Baptismal Program.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday 4:00-5:00 p.m. and at the parish office by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married should call for an appointment six months in advance of the wedding.

VISITS TO THE SICK

In emergency, call the parish office at any hour. Please inform the office of sick or homebound who desire the sacraments.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to all parishioners.

We encourage all parishioners to register at our parish office. We invite new parishioners to make an appointment to meet a member of the parish staff.

ST. NICHOLAS OF TOLENTNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Grades Kindergarten - 8. For registration information call the school office at (718) 364-5110.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon open (12 pm - 1 pm closed)

1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. open (5 p.m. - 6 p.m. closed) 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. open

SATURDAY 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

AWAITING THE SALVATION OF GOD



The world does not seem big enough to contain the jubilation of the first reading. In the Gospel reading, the Roman empire isn't big enough, either. The great powers of Rome are named and made to stand waiting for the arrival of God's salvation. And we find Paul meditating joyfully on what really matters.

According to Baruch, the city of Jerusalem is like a person standing on tiptoe looking for God's salvation, which is coming from the east. Those who were led away on foot, heads down, now come back, a proud people. Why, the very way is smoothed out. The path is lined with fragrant, lush trees.

It can't get any better than this, can it? Well, yes, it can. For a voice calls out in the desert. Here is the beginning of the salvation of God.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on the splendor of glory from God (Baruch 5:1-9).

Psalm — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126).

Second Reading — I am confident that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus (Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11).

Gospel — The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth (Luke 3:1-6).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday

Second Sunday of Advent

Monday

International Human Rights Day

Tuesday

St. Damasus I

Wednesday

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Thursday

St. Lucy

Friday

St. John of the Cross

Become the Secret St. Nick for a New York family in need.

Last year, Catholic Charities provided winter necessities to more than 800 families. We are hoping to do more this holiday season with the support of your parishioners.

Through our Adopt-A-Family program, Catholic Charities matches volunteers who purchase items (coats, blankets and more) for families in need. The volunteers who purchase these essential items are directly paired with the families they will be shopping for this holiday season. Volunteers can adopt one family or more with friends, family members, co-workers or fellow parishioners.

Help us ensure these much needed gifts are received during the holidays.

Parishioners just need to register for the 2018 Adopt-A-Family program online at catholiccharitiesny.org or sign up using the form available in the parish office.

Once they register, we will send them a brief description of their adopted family and list of the family's needs. They will be paired with a special family who will be grateful for the assistance they generously provide.

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LECTORS SCHEDULE

DATE	8:00 AM	11:30 AM
Dec 9	David Le Marilyn Torain	Camille Luke Melissa Rivera-Jovel
Dec 16	Genevive Persaud David Le	Charles Dzubinski Andre Johnson
Dec 23	Marilyn Torain Genevive Persaud	Eugene Mananga Camille Luke

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

DATE	8: 00 AM	11:30 AM
Dec 9	Yvonne Ebea Rosa Susana	Fitzroy Williams Camille Luke
Dec 16	Bethzabe Vera Yvonne Ebea	Marilyn Martin Ed Nolan
Dec 23	Rosa Susana Bethzabe Vera	Fitzroy Williams Dhariana De La Cruz

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NOVEMBER 25, 2018**

Tithing: \$6,630.87	Thanksgiving: \$2,321.21
Children: \$46.00	Turkey Raffle: \$339.00
Total: \$6,676.87	

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK
DECEMBER 10, 2018**

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26
 Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
 Wednesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
 Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15
 Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
 Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
 Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
DECEMBER 10, 2018**

Monday
8:30am
12:10pm Gioan Kim (D)
Tuesday
8:30am
12:10pm
Wednesday
8:30am
12:10pm Gioanbaotixita Phi & Ana (D)
7:00pm
Thursday
7:45am LH Maria Phoi (D)
8:30am Felix Antonio Hernandez (D)
12:10pm
Friday
8:30am
12:10pm Gioanbaotixita & Ana (D)
7:00pm
Saturday
7:45am Lorenzo (D)
7:00pm Darmado Castillo (D); Maximo Rodriguez (D); Eduardo Peralta (D); Acción de Gracias al Divino Niño
Sunday
8:00am People of SNT
9:30am Felix Antonio Hernandez (D); Bernarda Cuy Morales (D)
11:30am
1:30pm Gioan Kim Hoi (D)

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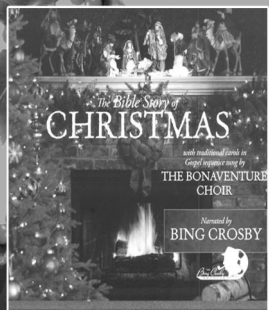
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