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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)

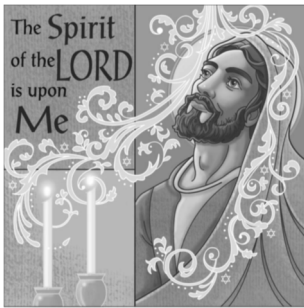
1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. open (5 p.m. - 6 p.m. closed) 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. open

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

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

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TIME



The holidays are well behind us; the year stretches out ahead. And what sort of year will it be? To judge by the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, it will be "a year acceptable to the Lord." And Jesus surely didn't mean only the next three hundred sixty-five days facing his listeners at that time.

When Jesus announced the "arrival" of God's favor, it was a message for all time, for every year. Similarly, we read today in Nehemiah how the people gathered with solemnity to hear God's word as though for the first time. They listened, and then fell to the ground and wept. But the prophet said, "Today is holy . . . do not be sad, and do not weep."

The "year acceptable to the Lord" is this year. The day that is "holy" is this day. The time to listen is now. What sort of year will you have? What sort of day? God's help is always here. What you do with each day can be holy and acceptable to the Lord if you but listen to and act on God's word.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rejoicing in the LORD must be your strength (Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

Psalms — Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we were all baptized into one body (1 Corinthians 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]).

Gospel — The Spirit of the Lord has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21).

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Saturday's feast of the Presentation is a day for the blessing of candles. Why does liturgy require candles? In the first years of the church, worship was often at night, and candles and torches were carried from place to place within the worship space as needed. Candles were also a mark of festivity and hospitality when people gathered for prayer in homes, and later on in large buildings with thick walls and dark corners. But even after gaslight and electricity, candles were kept.

Part of the reason has to do with the warm, clean light of a candle's flame. Candles are a good sign of the partnership of God and creation: wax made by bees, gathered and fashioned by human hands into something beautiful and useful. In order for the light to shine, the candle surrenders itself, almost as if it is pouring itself out so that the light can flood into the world. The candle of baptism, placed into our hands, and carried again and again, speaks silently of that same wisdom. If you would save your life, you must lose it. You must pour your life out like Christ so that you may be filled with the light of his love.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catholic Schools Week

Monday

St. Thomas Aquinas

Thursday

St. John Bosco

Friday

First Friday

Saturday

The Presentation of the Lord;
Blessing of Candles; First Saturday;
World Day for Consecrated Life;
Groundhog Day



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EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED
 SACRAMENT

FIRST FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2018
 9:15AM - 8:00PM

LECTORS SCHEDULE

DATE	8:00 AM	11:30 AM
Jan 27	Genevive Persaud David Le	Edras de Jesus Melissa Rivera-Jovel
Feb 3	Marilyn Torain Genevive Persaud	Ruth Santana Josephine Nguyen
Feb 10	Marilyn Torain David Le	Charles Dzubinski Camille Luke

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

DATE	8: 00 AM	11:30 AM
Jan 27	Bethzabe Vera Rosa Susana	Gregory Ender Pereta Rodriguez
Feb 3	Yvonne Ebea Bethzabe Vera	Marilyn Martin Ed Nolan
Feb 10	Rosa Susana Yvonne Ebea	Gregory Ender Camille Luke

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
 JANUARY 13, 2019

Tithing: \$7,047.00
Children: \$4.00
Total: \$7,051.00

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
 JANUARY 28, 2019

Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30
 Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11;
 Mk 3:31-35
 Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20
 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25
 Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40;
 Mk 4:26-34
 Saturday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;
 Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
 Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;
 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
 JANUARY 27, 2019

Monday
 8:30am Andres Manuel Castillo Castillo (D)
 12:10pm Daminh Hoe (D)
Tuesday
 8:30am
 12:10pm Oscar Guasp (D); Shirley Boyle (D)
Wednesday
 8:30am
 12:10pm Daminh Hoe (D)
Thursday
 7:45am Maria Mien (D)
 8:30am Boris Beltran (D)
 12:10pm
Friday
 8:30am Ysolina Bizcaino, Jose Gomez (D)
 12:10pm
Saturday
 7:45am LH Monica Ngán
 7:00pm Jose La Cruz (D)
Sunday
 8:00am People of SNT
 9:30am Acción de Gracias a la Virgen de
 Guadalupe y la Divino Niño; Blas
 Rodriguez (D)
 11:30am Peter Scavetta (D); Margaret Connolly,
 John Eileen Larranaga, Susan Pelini (D)
 1:30pm

**We pray for the People of St. Nicholas of
 Tolentine.**

We pray for the sick: Jay Martin
We pray for the dead: Altagracia Rosario

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