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**Saturday and Sunday**  
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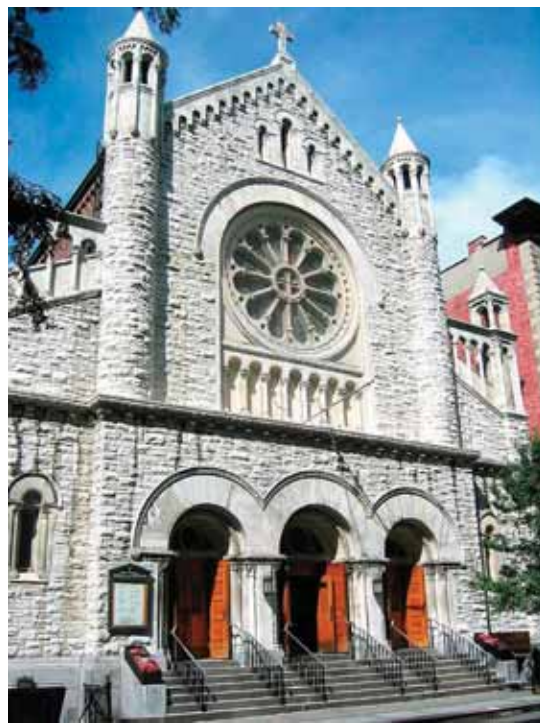
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Third Sunday of Easter  
April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016



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## Sacraments (English)

**Penance:** Saturday 4-5pm

**Baptism:** Second Saturday & third Sunday. Contact Fr. Rafferty at: sacraments@ascensionchurchnyc.org  
*Plans need to be made at least 6 weeks in advance.*

**Marriage:** Please make arrangements in advance with the Pastor or a Priest.

## Los Sacramentos (Español)

**Penitencia:** Sábado 4-5pm

**Bautizos:** 2do Domingo y 3er Sábado del mes. Contacte la rectoría para detalles o visite AscensionChurchNYC.org  
*Planificaciones tienen que ser 6 semanas por adelantación.*

**Bodas:** Favor de hacer arreglos con anticipación con el Párroco o sacerdote.

## Ministry For The Sick/ Homebound

We are anxious to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church because of illness, handicap or age. Please call **Cipriano Lantigua** at the rectory.

## Ministerio Para Los Enfermos

Ayudamos a todos los que no pueden venir a celebrar la Misa por enfermedad o otra razón. Favor de llamar a **Cipriano Lantigua** en la Rectoría.

## Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturdays	Sundays	Weekdays
12:10pm (Spanish)	8:15am (English)	Noon (English)
5:00pm (English)	9:30am (Spanish)	7:00pm (Spanish)
6:15pm (Spanish)	11:00am (Choir) (English)	6:00pm <b>Wednesday</b> (English)
	12:30pm (Spanish)	
	6:00pm (Jazz) (English)	

New Parishioners and Visitors Welcome





Pastor's Letter  
Notas del Pastor

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Ascension,

As we read through the gospels, we readily see that Jesus has special care and concern for the suffering and the marginalized, particularly the sick. The gospels are replete with examples of all kinds of different encounters that took place between Jesus and the sick.

Visiting the sick is not only one of the works of mercy, caring for the sick has always been considered an integral part of the Church's mission.

In the gospel of Matthew, Jesus reminds us, "The poor and the sick you will always have with you." The Church continuously finds them along her path, considering those who are sick as a privileged way to encounter Christ, to welcome Him and to serve Him.

The sick of every parish actually have a very vital role in the life of every parish in that we believe that when a person suffers and unites their sufferings to the sufferings of Christ, they are intimately united with the person of Christ. Therefore, their prayers with and for the community of believers have special value.

Here at Ascension, we would like to create a database of our homebound and shut-ins and those who are sick and thus unable to attend Mass. (We have a bit of a database for Spanish-Speaking parishioners, but not for English-speaking parishioners.) We know that some parishioners are homebound temporarily while others, because of age or chronic illness, are long term. We would very much like to reach out to the sick, and be sure they are visited and cared for on a regular basis by someone from Ascension. We would like to offer the sacraments to them, but very often, someone alone just needs a visit and a smiling face. If you know of anyone who is sick or elderly, we would be grateful if you would put us in contact with him or her or that person with us. You can call the rectory or you can send an e-mail to me at [revdkearney@gmail.com](mailto:revdkearney@gmail.com). This extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy seems like a most appropriate time to reach out to the sick, those who are always the object of God's special care and affection.

Peace,  
Fr. Kearney



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Queridos Feligreses y Amigos de la Ascensión,

A medida que leemos los evangelios nos damos cuenta enseguida de que Jesús tiene un cuidado y preocupación especial por aquellos que sufren y son marginados, en particular por los enfermos.

Los evangelios están repletos de ejemplos de todas clases de diferentes encuentros que tomaron lugar entre Jesús y los enfermos. Visitar a los enfermos no es solo una obra de caridad, cuidar a los enfermos siempre ha sido considerado como una parte integral de la misión de la Iglesia.

En el evangelio de Mateo, Jesús nos recuerda, "A los pobres y a los enfermos siempre los tendrán con ustedes." La Iglesia continuamente los encuentra en su camino, considerando a aquellos que están enfermos como un camino privilegiado para encontrarnos con Cristo, de darle la bienvenida y servirle a él.

Los enfermos de cada parroquia tienen un papel muy vital en la vida de cada parroquia, ya que creemos que cuando una persona sufre y une sus sufrimientos a los sufrimientos de Cristo, están íntimamente unidos con la persona de Cristo. Por tanto, sus oraciones con y para la comunidad de creyentes tienen un valor especial.

Aquí en la Ascensión, nos gustaría crear una base de datos de nuestros confinados a casa y aquellos que no salen y los que están enfermos y por tanto, no pueden asistir a misa. (Tenemos un pequeño registro de feligreses de habla hispana, pero no para feligreses de habla inglesa). Sabemos que algunos feligreses están temporalmente confinados a casa, mientras que otros por causa de edad o enfermedades crónicas lo están a largo plazo. Nos gustaría mucho acercarnos a los enfermos y estar seguros de que son visitados y atendidos regularmente por alguien de la Ascensión. Nos gustaría ofrecerles los sacramentos, pero muy a menudo, alguien que está solo solamente necesita una visita y una cara sonriente. Si sabe de alguien que está enfermo o mayor de edad, le agradeceríamos si nos pone en contacto con él o ella o a las personas con nosotros. Puede llamar a la rectoría o me puede mandar un correo electrónico a [revdkearney@gmail.com](mailto:revdkearney@gmail.com). Este extraordinario Año de Jubileo de Misericordia parece como el tiempo más apropiado para acercarnos a los enfermos – aquellos que siempre son el objeto del cuidado especial y afecto de Dios.

Paz,  
Padre Kearney



Olivia Barnet, William Brown, Sylvia Carballo, Yveline Louis Charles, Paola Colon, Mariela Cristin, Luz Marina Cruz, Thomas & Maria Curr, Gina DeGivenchy, Milena Encarnacion, Julio Esteves, Alex Estevez, Sonia Feliz, Florentina Flores, Mary Font, Claire Gaudiani, David Glassberg, Altigracia Gomes, Epifanio Gomez, James Griffin, Michael Griffin, Carlos Gutierrez, Rafael Guzman, Marjorie Hanson, Mariana Heras, Raquelly Heras, Yoshie Kato, Cassandra Kirk, Theresa Kubis, Iris Lake, Justin Lloyd, Paz Lual, Kathleen McNicholas, John O'Sullivan, Joanna Pasquale, Jeffrey Peralta, Rosa Peña, Andres Reyes, Benito Rivera, Carmen Rivera, Gloria Rodriguez, Jennifer Rosario, Roger Rosenblatt, Isabel Sandoval, Ana Thillet Sola, Yuan Su, Jaime Daniel Urena, Carmen Vazquez

### Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

**Sunday, April 10** – Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14  
 8:15am Kevin Colleran  
 9:30am Milagros Ferreira, Gaspar Reynoso  
 11:00am Maria Estela Fermin, George Abed  
 12:30pm Juana Diaz Taveras, Kaily Mejia (Living-Birthday), Por la salud de Evelyn Mena

**Monday, April 11** – Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29  
 12:00pm Bienvenido Cuevas  
 7:00pm Nereyda Ortega, Eddy W. Spies, Delmicidas Diaz Volquez, Andrea Spies, Geraldo Medarno Michel

**Tuesday, April 12** – Acts 7:51—8:1a; Jn 6:30-35  
 8:30am Mercedes Albino

**Wednesday, April 13** – Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40  
 12:00pm Carmensita Salvador, Santa Lucia, Santo Medico  
 7:00pm David Vilma, Crimilda Caraballo, Mariana Horacio

**Thursday, April 14** – Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51  
 7:00pm Juan Perez, Santiago Trejo, Juan Feliciano, Tiburcia Martinez

**Friday, April 15** – Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59  
 7:00pm Nelly Jorge, Michelle Elizabeth Sainvill (Living-Birthday)

**Saturday, April 16** – Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69  
 5:00pm Belinda Johnson



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We here at Ascension are very grateful for the exemplary way you willingly share the precious gifts of **time, talent, and treasure** God has given you.

February Collections		March Collections		April Collections	
7-Feb	\$ 5,217	6-Mar	\$ 5,193	3-Apr	\$ 5,821
14-Feb	\$ 5,365	13-Mar	\$ 4,168	10-Apr	
21-Feb	\$ 5,076	20-Mar	\$ 5,734	17-Apr	
28-Feb	\$ 5,725	27-Mar	\$14,903	24-Apr	
		<b>(Easter)</b>			
Faith Direct: (127)	\$ 11,994	Faith Direct: (134)	\$17,389	Faith Direct: (134)	
	\$ 33,377		\$47,387		\$ 5,821

#### Upcoming Special Collections

April 10<sup>th</sup> – Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA  
 May 1<sup>st</sup> – Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe  
 June 5<sup>th</sup> – Catholic Missions among Black and Indian People

### THOMAS MERTON AND THE ENVIRONMENT

On Saturday, April 23, from 2:00pm to 4:30pm, the Corpus Christi Chapter of the International Thomas Merton Society will host a program honoring Earth Day. An exploration of Merton's convictions concerning the care of the earth will be lead by **Monica Weis, SSJ** who will speak on "*Preserving a Sense of Wonder*," and **Patrick O'Connell** who will speak on "*The Traditional Sources of Thomas Merton's Environmental Spirituality*". The event will take place at:

Corpus Christi Church  
 529 W. 121st St.  
 Manhattan

Free to chapter members. \$10 for non-members.

#### Information:

mertonnyc@yahoo.com  
 212-666-9350  
 thomasmertonsociety-nyc.org



The **Ascension food pantry** is very low on Pasta, Rice, Canned Meats, Canned Fish, Canned Fruit, and Canned Soup.

Nuestro despenso de alimentos de la Ascensión estan en necesidad de pasta, arroz, carnes enlatadas, pescado enlatados, frutas enlatadas, y sopas de latas tambien.

### Save the date!

Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm  
 St. Patrick's Cathedral welcomes all to join a presentation on the **Shroud of Turin**.



St. Patrick's Cathedral  
 The Parish House-Lower Level  
 14 E 51<sup>st</sup> St. between 5th Ave and Madison Ave,  
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Legion of Mary Spiritual Director:  
 Rev. Dr. Joseph Marabe, JCD



### Parish & Community Outreach (English)

AA	<b>Tuesday</b> Parish Center 6:00pm, Step Meeting 7:30pm, Beginner's Meeting
Adult Choir	<b>Sunday</b> (Contact Music Director)
Nicotine AA	<b>Saturday</b> 6:00–7:30pm, Rectory Meeting Room
RCIA	<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00 pm, Grace House
SLAA	<b>Wednesday</b> 6:00pm, Parish Center <b>Sunday</b> 4:00pm, Rectory Meeting Room
St. Vincent de Paul	<b>Every Saturday and Second Sunday</b> Clothing give away 9:30am to 2:30pm Parish Center Donations accepted during church hours at the St. Vincent de Paul drop box located at the end of the alley on the right of the church.
Gay Fellowship	<b>Third Tuesday</b> of each month, Rectory Dining Room
Biblical-Literature Discussion Group	<b>Every Other Thursday</b> Rectory Dining Room
Ascension Reading Group	<b>As announced</b> Rectory Dining Room

### Reuniones (Español)

AA	<b>Lun, Miér, Vier Y Dom.</b> 7:30pm Grace House
Círculo de Oración	<b>Lunes</b> 7:45pm, el Centro
Comité Guadalupano	<b>Viernes</b> 7:00pm, la Cafetería
Cursillistas	<b>Jueves</b> 7:45pm, el Centro
La Hermandad del Corazón de Jesús	<b>Primeros Miércoles del mes:</b> 7:30pm en el Centro parroquial
Legión de María	<b>Jueves</b> 5:30pm, la Rectoría
Ministerio Mariana	<b>Sábados</b> 11:00am, La Iglesia
RICA (iniciación adulta)	<b>Martes</b> 7:00pm, Grace House
Los Walkirios	<b>Miércoles</b> 8:00pm, La Iglesia
San Vicente de Paul	<b>Cada Sabado y Segundo Domingo</b> distribución de ropas 9:30am-2:30pm en el Centro parroquial. Donaciones aceptadas durante horas de operación de la iglesia en la caja de San Vicente de Paul situado al final del pasillo a la derecha de la iglesia.
Grupo Jóvenes Adultos	<b>Viernes</b> en el Centro 7:45pm
Grupo de Oración... las Almas del Purgatorio	<b>Primeros Jueves del mes</b>
Grupo Virgen de Schoenstatt	<b>El último miércoles del mes</b> 7:30pm, salón debajo de la Rectoría
Grupo de parejas	<b>Tercer Domingo del mes,</b> 2:00pm el Centro
Divina Misericordia	<b>Viernes</b> 8:00pm, salón debajo de la Rectoría

### Welcome! – Bienvenidos!

If you would like to become members of our parish, please fill out the following information. You may place it in the collection basket, mail it, bring it to the rectory, or visit [www.ascensionchurchnyc.org](http://www.ascensionchurchnyc.org).

Si quisiera ser miembro de nuestra parroquia, favor de llenar la siguiente información. Lo puede poner en la cesta de la colecta, enviar por correo, traer a la rectoría, o [www.ascensionchurchnyc.org](http://www.ascensionchurchnyc.org).

Date/Fecha: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone/Teléfono: \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Nombre: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Dirección: \_\_\_\_\_

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- New to the Parish/Nuevo en la Parroquia
- New Address/Nueva Dirección
- I will use / Usare [www.FaithDirect.net](http://www.FaithDirect.net)
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**To register as a parishioner:**  
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Do you travel? Do you collect travel toiletries?  
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Ascension's Homeless Shelter Ministry needs your help. If you have any travel sized toiletries that you can spare, we could use them for our homeless. Please bring any donations to the rectory and please specify "Homeless Shelter". Thank you in advance for your generosity.

# MUSIC FOR THE ORDER OF MASS

*Sung Masses in English: Saturday at 5:00 p.m., Sunday at 8:15 and 11:00 a.m., with Cantor and Organ*

Boldface numbers refer to music found in the red Hymnals. The Order of Mass is found in the paperback Missals at Page 6.

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## INTRODUCTORY RITES

Processional Hymn, Come, ye faithful, raise the strain (*tune: Gaudeamus pariter*) **456**

+ *The Rite for the Blessing and Sprinkling of Water replaces the customary Penitential Act, as a reminder of Baptism* +

Baptismal Hymn – *Aurelia* **618**

1. O Christ the great foundation On which your people stand  
To preach your true salvation In ev'ry age and land:  
Pour out your Holy Spirit To make us strong and pure,  
To keep the faith unbroken As long as worlds endure.

2. Baptized in one confession, One church in all the earth,  
We bear our Lord's impression, The sign of second birth:  
One holy people gathered In love beyond our own,  
By grace we were invited, By grace we make you known.

Kyrie eleison – “*New Plainsong*,” David Hurd, 1985 **264**

*At 11 o'clock the Choir sings Franz Schubert's "Deutsche Messe" (1826) setting.*

Gloria in excelsis Deo – Carroll T. Andrews, 1970; rev. Ronald F. Krisman, 2011

Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, We adore you, we glorify you, We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, Receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, Have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Missal Page 26*

Psalm 30

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Gospel Acclamation – *Celtic Alleluia*

*v. Christ is risen, creator of all; / he has shown pity on all people.*

Prayer of the Faithful – *Byzantine chant*

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

**240**

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*Missal Page 116*

(11 o'clock) Anthem, The Easter Song of Praise – Richard Shephard, b.1949

*Sing choirs of heaven! Let saints and angels sing! Around God's throne exult in harmony! Now Jesus Christ is risen from the grave! Salute your king in glorious symphony. Sing choirs of earth! Behold your light has come! The glory of the Lord shines radiantly. Lift up your hearts, for Christ has conquered death! The night is past, the day of life is here! Sing church of God! Exult with joy outpoured. The gospel trumpets tell of victory won! Your Saviour lives: he's with you evermore! Let all God's people shout the long Amen.*

Offertory Hymn, Rejoice, angelic choirs (*tune: Mit Freuden zart*) **455**

Sanctus – *Mode VIII* **348**

Mystery of Faith – *Plainsong*

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Threefold Amen – *Danish* **245**

## COMMUNION RITE

*Missal Page 144*

The Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei – *Plainsong*

**353**

(11 o'clock) Motet, Now the green blade riseth – Simon Lindley, b.1948

*As the Choir sings, the words of John Crum (1872-1958) may be followed in the Hymnal: 453.*

Communion Hymn, This is the feast of victory (*tune: Festival canticle*) **458**

## CONCLUDING RITE

*Missal Page 158*

Blessing and Dismissal

*The People respond:* Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

Recessional Hymn, Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the holy anthem rise (*Trad. American melody*)

*Missal Page 235*

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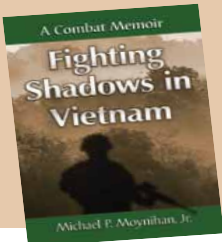


World Peace

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In this memoir, set as deeply in his mind as in the Southeast Asian jungle, a young American soldier embarks on a journey to a war that, for him, will never be over.



The world was a playground for Mickey, a naive Irish American kid bored with his life. His father served in World War II, his brother was a Marine in Vietnam; now it was his turn. His 365 days in Vietnam builds in torment until an attack on a bunker complex in Cambodia. Wounded, his friend captured, he becomes a tormented survivor knowing he is always just a heartbeat from death.

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