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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
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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 Wednesday (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,

Allow me to begin by first wishing all of our mothers and grandmothers a very Happy Mother's Day. Today in the United States we celebrate Mother's Day. In 1914 President Woodrow Wilson declared that Mother's Day should be celebrated as a national holiday on the second Sunday in May. Mothers have a tremendously important job and role in our lives and in our society. For that, we are grateful for all that our mothers do. On a human level, we know that God, through the Holy Spirit is ever present and with us always. Particularly for those who are baptized and confirmed, we know that the Spirit is with us in a special way. But on a human level, we want to know the love of God in a more tangible way. We want to know Him in a physical way. And so for that reason, God gave each one of us a human mother. The love of a mother is the closest thing to divine love that we will ever know.

How appropriate that Mother's Day is celebrated in May, the month dedicated to Mary. This Christian custom of dedicating the month of May to Mary arose at the end of the 13th century. At that time, the Church was able to Christianize the secular feasts, which were wont to take place. In the 16th century, books appeared and fostered this devotion. The practice became especially popular among the members of the Jesuit Order — by 1700 it took hold among their students at the Roman College and a bit later it was publicly practiced in the Gesu Church in Rome. From there it spread to the whole Church. The Popes have especially recommended the pious practice of honoring Mary during the month of May. Pope Paul VI wrote a short encyclical in 1965 using May for the Month of devotion to Mary as a means of obtaining prayers for peace. At no point have those prayers for peace seemed more urgent.

While the Second Vatican Council did not intend to suppress popular devotions like the Rosary, the Council did direct that devotions be reformed so that they should not appear to be something apart from the liturgy. The rosary, particularly during the month of May, continues to play a special role in the prayer life of the Church. During the month of May, the rosary is prayed here at Ascension each day at 6:30p.m. (in Spanish) to which all are invited. During this month of May, let's fervently ask the intercession of Mary as we continue to pray for world peace.

Peace,

Fr. Kearney

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos de la Ascensión,

Primeramente, permítanme comenzar con desearles un muy feliz Día de las Madres a todas nuestras madres y abuelas. Hoy en los Estados Unidos celebramos el Día de las Madres. En 1914, el presidente Woodrow Wilson declaró que el Día de las Madres debería ser celebrado como un día de fiesta nacional el segundo domingo de mayo. Las madres aportan un trabajo y papel sumamente importante en nuestras vidas y en la sociedad. Por eso, agradecemos todo lo que nuestras madres hacen. En un nivel humano, sabemos que Dios, a través del Espíritu Santo, siempre está presente y con nosotros. En particular, para aquellos que están bautizados y confirmados, sabemos que el Espíritu Santo está con nosotros de una manera especial. Pero, en un nivel humano, queremos conocer el amor de Dios de una manera más tangible. Queremos conocerlo en una manera física. Y por esta razón, Dios nos dio a cada uno de nosotros una madre humana. El amor de una madre es lo más cerca al amor divino que jamás conoceremos.

Es muy apropiado que se celebre el Día de las Madres en mayo. Esta costumbre cristiana de dedicar el mes de mayo a María comenzó al final del siglo 13. En esa época, la iglesia podía cristianizar las fiestas seculares que ocurrían. En el siglo 16, aparecieron los libros y fomentaron esta devoción. La práctica se hizo especialmente popular entre los miembros de la orden de jesuitas – para el 1700, cogió fuerza entre sus estudiantes del Colegio Romano y poco después se practicaba públicamente en la Iglesia del Gesù en Roma. De ahí se extendió a toda la iglesia. El papa recomendó especialmente la práctica piadosa de venerar a María durante el mes de mayo. El Papa Pablo VI escribió una encíclica corta en el 1965 usando a mayo como el mes de devoción a María como una manera de obtener oraciones por la paz. En ningún momento han sido de más urgencia las oraciones por la paz.

Mientras no era la intención del Segundo Concilio Vaticano de suprimir devociones populares como el rosario, el concilio sí indicó que las devociones fueran reformadas para que no pareciera que eran algo apartado de la liturgia. El rosario, en particular durante el mes de mayo, continúa teniendo un papel especial en la vida de oración de la iglesia. Durante el mes de mayo, aquí en la Ascensión, se reza el rosario cada día a las 6:30 de la tarde (en español), al que todos están invitados. Durante el mes de mayo, pidamos con fervor la intercesión de María mientras continuamos orando por la paz.

Paz,

Padre Kearney



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We can do it TOGETHER!

¡JUNTO Podemos Hacerlo!

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.

March Collections		April Collections		May Collections	
6-Mar	\$ 5,193	3-Apr	\$ 5,821	1-May	\$ 4,964
13-Mar	\$ 4,168	10-Apr	\$ 4,313	8-May	
20-Mar	\$ 5,734	17-Apr	\$ 4,922	15-May	
27-Mar	\$14,903	24-Apr	\$ 6,190	22-May	
(Easter)				29-May	
Faith Direct: (134)	\$17,389	Faith Direct: (134)	\$12,610	Faith Direct: (134)	
	\$47,387		\$33,856		\$ 4,964

Upcoming Special Collections

May 15th – Aid to earthquake victims of Ecuador
 June 5th – Catholic Missions among Black and Indian People

Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 8 – Acts 7:55-60; Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26 or The Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28, 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53
 8:15am Virgen De Altigracia, Edward "Troy" Harrison
 9:30am Julia Ortiz, Margarita Massol, La Misa sera celebrada por todas las madres vivas y difuntas
 11:00am Mass is offered for all mothers living and deceased
 12:30pm Hilda Antonia Guzman, Carmen Vizcaino, Consuelo Domiguez, Por todas las madres vivas y difuntas
 6:00pm Rick Anthony Diggs, Mercedes Bobea, Familia Larancuent, Familia Bobea, Animas Bendita del Pulgatorio, Abelardo Larancuent, Roy Grullon

Monday, May 9 – Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33
 7:00pm Thelma Sanchez

Tuesday, May 10 – Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a
 7:00pm Juana Diaz Taveras

Wednesday, May 11 – Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19
 12:00pm Bienvenido Cuevas
 7:00pm Nereida Ortega, Eugenia Lanzo

Thursday, May 12 – Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
 7:00pm Mercedes Bobea, Familia Larancuent, Familia Bobea, Animas Bendita del Pulgatorio, Abelardo Larancuent, Roy Grullon

Friday, May 13 – Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19
 12:00pm Carmencita Salvador, Edolgina Salvador, Santa Lucia y los Santos Medicos
 7:00pm Crimilda Caraballo

Saturday, May 14 – Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17
 5:00pm Iris Lake
 6:15pm Juan Perez, Juan Feliciano

Preparate para Peregrinar desde la Iglesia de la Ascension o desde tu Hogar hacia el Santuario de Madre Cabrini, Puerta Santa del Jubileo de la Misericordia

Sabado 4 de Junio



Recibiremos Indulgencias,

Habran Sacerdotes Confesando,

Celebracion de la Santa Misa

Información

Rectoria - Padre Daniel Kearney 212-222-0666
 Mery Madera 646-812-8002

Due to our Parish Pilgrimage to the Cabrini Shrine, there will be no 12:10pm Mass celebrated on June 4th. Mass will be celebrated at the Cabrini Shrine at 2:00pm.

Debido a nuestra Peregrinación Parroquial al Santuario de Cabrini, no habrá Misa de 12:10pm celebrada el 4 de junio. La Misa será celebrada en el Santuario de Cabrini a las 2:00pm.

Thinking and Praying with Pope Francis

Laudato Si workshop series - Chapter 5: Lines of Approach and Action Answer the Pope's Call to Care for Creation
 Speakers from faith-based organizations will introduce us to what is being done to answer this call. Meet the Global Catholic Climate Movement (GCCM), Franciscan Action Network (FAN), Religious Organizations Along the River (ROAR), the Archdiocese, and West Side Deanery's Parish leaders. You will learn and discuss actions you can do. *Participation in previous workshops is not necessary.*

When: Tues. May 17th, Doors will open at 6:30pm for coffee, workshop from 7 to 9pm

Where: St John the Baptist Church (30th Street, between 7th & 8th Ave)

The Archdiocesan Committee of the Marian Parade
is holding a fundraising party

Live Music. . .Salsa, Merengue, Bachata

When: Saturday, May 28th
8:00pm

Where: Ascension Church Parish Center
221 W 107th St.

Donation: \$10 per person

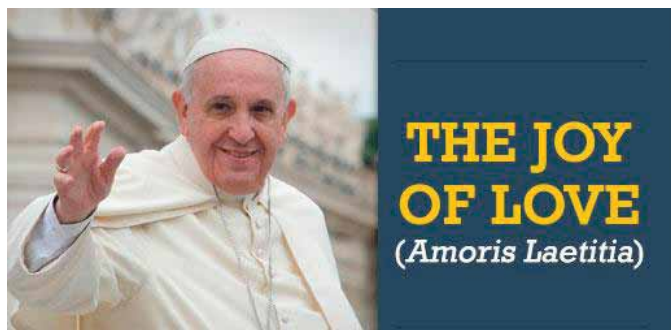
Music at Cabrini Shrine

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Sunday, May 22 at 4:00pm

FULL OF GRACE: MUSIC FOR MARY

Soprano Gudrun Bufler and Tenor Everett Suttle, with Maxim Anikushin, piano. Songs and Readings in praise of the Blessed Mother. Free admission. Free will offerings accepted.



Amoris Laetitia Course

The Pope's latest document is groundbreaking, and indeed, controversial. The print version will be available the first week of May.

Fr. Michael Holleran will be offering a Saturday morning course to explain, interpret, and discuss the document.

When: May 14th, 28th, and June 4th, from 10:30am to noon

Where: Merton Center of Notre Dame Church
(405W 114th St., NYC)



How can you help our 2016 Parish Mission to the Dominican Republic?

- 1) **Online Donation or Check** - If you're able to donate any amount toward this cause, your support would be appreciated no matter the amount. You can donate online by visiting <https://www.youcaring.com/ascension-church-486893> or by writing a check to Ascension Church and put on the subject/Memo of the check "Mission to D.R"
- 2) **Donation of items** - from now and until May 15th we will be collecting specific items for the mission. Please see the list below and put your donations in the box that is located in the rectory.

Medicines: Cough Medicine, Big bottles of: Aspirin, Tylenol, Advil, box of medical gloves.

School supplies: Paper, box of pens, notebooks

Linens: Sheets

Please keep our mission in your prayers. Your thoughts and prayers for a successful mission are appreciated.

Para más información / for more information please visit:
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¿Cómo usted puede ayudar a nuestra Misión Parroquial 2016 a Republica Dominicana?

- 1) **Donación en línea, Cheque/efectivo** - Si está dentro su posibilidad, su ayuda sería apreciada sin importar la cantidad. Puede hacerlo en línea visitando <https://www.youcaring.com/ascension-church-486893> O escribiendo un cheque a: Church of Ascension y especificar "Misión a D.R."
- 2) **Donaciones de artículos** - hasta el 15 de mayo estamos recaudando donaciones específicas para la Misión. Por favor, vea la lista abajo de cosas que se están colectando y favor ponga sus donaciones en la caja que se encuentra en la rectoría:

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útiles escolares: papel, caja de bolígrafos o lápiz, cuadernos

Ropa de cama: Sábanas

Por favor, mantenga nuestra misión en sus oraciones. Sus pensamientos y oraciones para una misión exitosa son apreciados.



654 killed, 58 missing, 16,600 injured in 7.8 magnitude earthquake in Ecuador

On the weekend of May 15th we will have a second collection to assist the earthquake victims in Ecuador. Please be generous.

654 muertos, 58 desaparecidos, 16.600 heridos en el terremoto de magnitud 7.8 en Ecuador

El fin de semana del 15 de mayo tendremos una segunda colecta para ayudar a los demnificados del terremoto en Ecuador. Por favor, sea generoso.

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 Choir 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.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Music before Mass:

Organ, Berceuse from *24 Pieces in free style* – Louis Vierne, 1870-1937

(11 o'clock) Choir, A new commandment – Richard Shephard, b.1949

A new commandment I give unto you: that you love one another as I have loved you. By this shall all men know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another. (John 13: 34-5)

Processional Hymn, Lord, you give the great commission (*tune: Abbot's Leigh*)

470

Hymn at the Sprinkling Rite, *Festival canticle*

458

R. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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Psalm 97

R. The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.

verses: Robert Knox Kennedy, b.1945

Gospel Acclamation – *Celtic Alleluia*

v. I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord. /

I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice.

Prayer of the Faithful – *Byzantine chant*

240

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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Music at the Offertory

(11 o'clock) Choir, The Ascension – Philip Moore, b.1943

Lift up your beads, great gates, and sing, Now glory comes, and glory's king; Now by your high all golden way The fairer heav'n comes home today. Hark! Now the gates are ope, And hear the tune of each triumphant sphere; Where ev'ry angel as he sings Keeps time with his applauding wings, And make heav'n's loftiest roof rebound The echos of the noble sound. (words: Joseph Beaumont)

Hymn, Hail the day that sees him rise (*tune: Llanfair*)

471

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

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The Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei – *Plainsong*

353

Music at Communion

(11 o'clock) Choir, E'en so Lord Jesus – Paul Manz, 1919-2009

Peace be to you and grace from Him who freed us from our sin, Who loved us all, and shed his blood That we might saved be. Sing holy, holy to our Lord The Lord almighty God, Who was and is, and is to come Sing holy, holy Lord. Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein. Rejoice on earth, ye saints below For Christ is coming soon. E'en so Lord Jesus quickly come And night shall be no more, They need no light, no lamp, nor sun For Christ will be their All! (from Revelation 1: 4; 4: 8; 22: 20,5)

Hymn, At that first Eucharist (*tune: Unde et memores*)

733

CONCLUDING RITE

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Blessing and Dismissal

Recessional Hymn, A hymn of glory let us sing (*tune: Lasst uns Erfreuen*)

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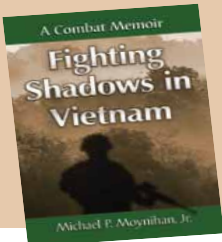


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