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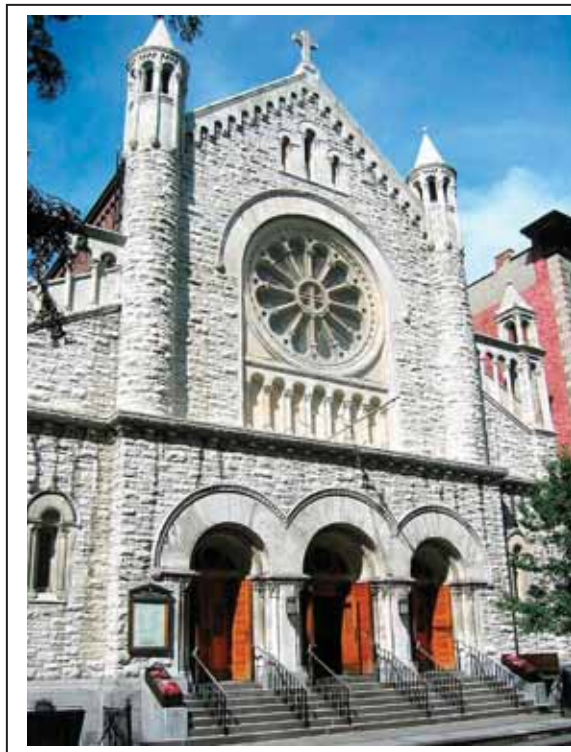
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Second Sunday of Easter
April 3rd, 2016



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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
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 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,

Today is the last day of the octave of Easter and it is Mercy Sunday. Today's celebration goads us to reflect on the mercy God extends so generously to us, and on the mercy we should be extending to others, particularly during this Jubilee Year of Mercy.

I'd like to take this opportunity to try and thank the many people who made our Holy Week/Easter Triduum celebrations so very beautiful. There is always a danger in this, because invariably someone is forgotten. But allow me to try. I wish first to thank the many altar servers coordinated by Michael Elmore and Jose Bernal, who not only served for all of the Holy Week celebrations, they also put in many hours practicing and rehearsing. Many of our altar servers have moved away because of school, but faithfully continue to come back. Their serving is done with such precision. A special word of thanks to Mery Madera and her assistants, who always have the church beautifully decorated for each of these special days. To Peter Steinfels, Nelson Falcon, Jan Dugan, and Manuel Filpo, for all the good work that they have done with RCIA. This year a special word of thanks to Margarita Martinez, Hayden Dewitt, for leading us in our Morning Prayer Services during the days of the Easter Triduum. I'd also like to thank the ushers and those who worked so diligently putting together and coordinating the Good Friday Procession. Certainly one of the things vital to a good liturgy is good music. In that area we do not lack. A word of thanks to Jose Baez and the Walkirios for their music on Palm Sunday, Easter Sunday but most particularly for the wonderful music on Good Friday and during the procession. And finally a word of thanks to Preston Smith and the wonderful choir of Ascension for their well prepared, well sung liturgies. The music provided by our choir is superb - second to none. Thank you to all our parish musicians. Special mention must be given to Dominic Armstrong, David Gordon, and Michael Rice who sang the Passion on Good Friday. I especially wish to thank Paul and Irene Bogoni who generously help make this music possible. And finally, a word of thanks to the many who did so much but would be prefer to not be mentioned by name.

Finally, in your name, I would like to congratulate the 2 catechumens, Jeffrey Cline Skinner and Hector Tejada, and candidates of the parish who received their sacraments at the Easter Vigil! Our prayers are with them!

Our celebration of the Easter Season now continues.

Peace,
Fr. Kearney

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos de la Ascensión,

Hoy es el último día de la octava de la Pascua y es el Domingo de la Misericordia. La celebración de hoy nos incita a reflejar sobre la misericordia que Dios nos extiende tan generosamente y sobre la misericordia que deberíamos extender a otros – en particular durante este Año de Jubileo de la Misericordia.

Me gustaría tomar esta oportunidad para tratar de dar las gracias a las muchas personas que hicieron que nuestra celebración de Semana Santa/Triduo Pascual fuera tan bella. En esto siempre hay peligro porque, sin duda, alguien es olvidado. Pero, permítanme intentarlo. Deseo, primero, dar las gracias a los muchos monaguillos, coordinados por Michael Elmore y José Bernal, que no solo sirvieron durante todas las celebraciones de Semana Santa, también estuvieron practicando y ensayando muchas horas. Muchos de nuestros monaguillos se han mudado a causa del colegio, pero fielmente continúan regresando. Su servicio está hecho con tanta precisión. Una palabra especial de gracias a Mery Madera y sus asistentes, que siempre tienen la iglesia bellamente decorada para cada uno de estos días especiales. A Peter Steinfels, Nelson Falcón, Jan Dugan y a Manuel Filpo por todo el buen trabajo que han hecho con RICA. Este año una palabra de gracias especiales a Margarita Martínez y Hayden Dewitt por guiarnos en nuestros servicios de oraciones matutinas durante los días del Triduo Pascual. También me gustaría dar las gracias a los acomodadores y a aquellos que trabajan tan diligentemente armando y coordinando la procesión del Viernes Santo. Con seguridad, una de las cosas vitales para una buena liturgia es buena música. En esa área nos estamos en falta. Una palabra de gracias a José Báez y a los Walkirios por su música el Domingo de Ramos y el Domingo de Pascua pero más en particular por la maravillosa música el Viernes Santo durante la procesión. Y finalmente una palabra de gracias a Preston Smith y el maravilloso coro de la Ascensión por sus bien preparadas y bien cantadas liturgias. La música proveída por nuestro coro es espléndida – segunda a ninguna. Gracias a todos nuestros músicos parroquiales. Hay que hacerle una mención especial a Dominic Armstrong, David Gordon y Michael Rice que cantaron la pasión el Viernes Santo. Deseo dar las gracias a Paul e Irene Bogoni cuya generosidad hizo posible esta música. Y finalmente, una palabra de gracias a los muchos que hicieron tanto pero preferirían no ser mencionados por sus nombres.

¡Finalmente, en nombre de ustedes, me gustaría felicitar a los catecúmenos, Jeffrey Cline Skinner y Héctor Tejada y candidatos de la parroquia que recibieron sus sacramentos en la Vigilia Pascual! ¡Nuestras oraciones están con ellos!
Nuestra celebración de la temporada de Pascua continúa ahora.

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, Altagracia Gomes, Epifanio Gomez, James Griffin, Michael Griffin, Carlos Gutierrez, Rafael Guzman, Marjorie Hanson, Mariana Heras, Raquelly Heras, Yoshie Kato, Cassandra Kirk, Theresa Kubis, Justin Lloyd, Paz Lual, Elba Luciano, 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 3 – Acts 5:12-16; Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31
 9:30am Divino Niño, Maria Garcia (for health), Felix Amadis, Jose Francisco Santana
 11:00am Homer J. Wright
 12:30pm Rufino Peña, Francisca Castillo, Domingo de la Rosa, Felix Brea Titico, Misericordia al Espiritu Santo
 6:00pm Mercedes Albino

Monday, April 4 – Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
 12:00pm Mercedes Albino
 7:00pm Venecia Hernandez

Tuesday, April 5 – Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15
 8:30am Mercedes Albino
 7:00pm Venecia Hernandez

Wednesday, April 6 – Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21
 12:00pm Mercedes Albino, Cesar Reyes Lezama
 6:00pm Cleveland Hart Sr.

Thursday, April 7 – Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36
 12:00pm Mercedes Albino

Friday, April 8 – Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday, April 9 – Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21
 6:15pm Cecilia Mercedes Espinal, José Faria, Eva Nuñez, Sagrado Corazón de Jesus, San Judas



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17-Jan	\$ 4,489	21-Feb	\$ 5,076	20-Mar	\$ 5,734
24-Jan	\$ 2,806	28-Feb	\$ 5,725	27-Mar	\$14,903
31-Jan	\$ 5,637				(Easter)
Faith		Faith		Faith	
Direct:	\$13,175	Direct:	\$ 11,994	Direct:	\$17,389
(125)		(127)		(134)	
	\$37,127		\$ 33,377		\$47,387

Upcoming Special Collections

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



*In Memory of
 Cleveland Hart, Sr.
 (1922-2016)*

This past Wednesday, we bid farewell to Ascension's good friend and former

Sacristan, Cleveland Hart Sr. Cleveland died on Good Friday, March 25, 2015. The Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated by Frs. Kearney, Duffell, and Johnston, Ascension's three most recent pastors. Please keep Cleveland and his family in your prayers. May he be God's sacristan in Heaven.

El miércoles pasado, nos despedimos de un buen amigo de la Ascensión y ex Sacristan, Cleveland Hart Sr. Cleveland murió el Viernes Santo, 25 de marzo de 2015. La liturgia eucarística fue concelebrada por los padres. Kearney, Duffell, y Johnston, tres pastores más recientes de la Ascensión. Por favor, mantenga a Cleveland y a su familia en sus oraciones. Que sea el sacristán de Dios en el Cielo.



Martini Night Fellowship

For the month Of April, Martini Night will go back to the 1st Sunday of the month. Please join us for food, fun, and fellowship on **Sunday, April 3rd** after the 6pm Jazz Mass.

Para el mes de abril, Martini Night volverá al 1er domingo del mes. Por favor, únase a nosotros para la comida, diversión y comunión el **domingo 3 de abril**, después de la misa Jazz a 6:00pm.



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.



The Paschal Candle this year has been donated in loving memory of **Francis Xavier Goodwin.**

Lunes Eucarístico

2015-JUBILEO DE LA MISERICORDIA - MISERICORDIAS COMO EL PADRE - 2015

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Parish Mission



Ascension's 2016 Mission to the Dominican Republic

Donations needed/we need your help: We will be collecting specific donations for this year the Mission to the D.R.

Please see the list below and please put your donations in the box that is located in the rectory.

February 7 – March 6 - we will be collecting Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Cough Medicine, Big bottles of: Aspirin, Tylenol, Advil, Baby Wipes, Clorox Wipes, Adult diapers

March 6 – April 10 - school supplies: Paper, boxes of pens, notebooks, Linens / Sheets, Towels

April 10 – May 15 – Food: Canned Goods, pasta, tomato sauce, rice, beans, cooking oil, sugar.

For more information, please visit:

ascensionchurchnyc.org/mission-to-dr

Misión a La Republica Dominicana

Para nuestra Misión se necesita Donaciones / Necesitamos su ayuda: Vamos a recoger donaciones específicas para la Misión. Por favor, vea la lista a continuación y Por favor, ponga sus donaciones en esta caja que esta en la rectoria.

7 de Febrero al 6 de marzo - estaremos colectando paquete de jabón, pasta dental, cepillos dental, Medicamentos de la tos, Botellas Grande: Aspirina, Tylenol, Advil, Baby Wipes, Toallitas Clorox, pañales para adultos.

6 de marzo al 10 de abril - útiles escolares: papel, caja de bolígrafos o lápiz, cuadernos, ropa de cama / Sábanas, Toallas

10 de abril al 15 de mayo - Comida: Productos enlatados, pasta, salsa de tomate, arroz, frijoles, aceite de cocina y azúcar.

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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.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Processional Hymn, The strife is o'er (*tune: Victory*) **451**

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

Baptismal Hymn, O Christ the great foundation (*tune: Aurelia*) **618**

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

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Psalm 118

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his love is everlasting.

Gospel Acclamation – *Celtic Alleluia*

*v. You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; /
blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!*

Homily

Profession of Faith

Missal Page 112

Prayer of the Faithful – *Byzantine chant*

240

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

Prayer for Peace (*tune: Finlandia*)

1. This is my prayer, O God of all the nations,
A prayer of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
But other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

2. My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
And sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;
But other lands have sunlight, too, and clover,
And skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations,
A prayer of peace for their land and for mine.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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Offertory Hymn, Jesus Christ is risen today (*tune: Easter hymn*) **442**

Sanctus – *Mode VIII*

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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*

COMMUNION RITE

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The Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei – *Plainsong*

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Communion Hymn, O sons and daughters (*tune: O filii et filiae*) **447**

CONCLUDING RITE

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Blessing and Dismissal

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

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

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The Ascension Choir and Mr. Smith are on Easter vacation this Sunday.

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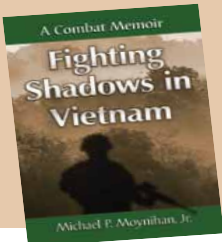


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