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Plans need to be made at least 6 weeks in advance.

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

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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.

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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,

The ministry of women in the Church continues to be an important and very relevant issue.

On May 12th of this year, Pope Francis announced that he will create a commission to study the possibility of allowing women to serve as deacons in the Catholic Church. This certainly indicates the fact that there is now an historic openness to the possibility of ending the global institution's practice of an all-male clergy. This came about at a meeting that was attended by some 900 leaders of the world's congregations of Catholic Women Religious, at which they asked Pope Francis about the possibility of women serving as deacons.

Since the reestablishment of the permanent diaconate at the Second Vatican Council, some 42,000 men have been ordained throughout the world to serve as deacons. At the same time, there has been a parallel conversation about the possibility of women as ordained deacons.

In some ways, it was in fact Pope Benedict who opened up the door to discussion and the doors of possibility for women deacons. In 2009, Pope Benedict changed Canon Law to echo the Catechism. "Priests are ordained to act in the person of Christ, the head of the church; deacons are ordained to serve the people of God in and through the Word, the liturgy and charity." Since doctrinal statements only forbid women priests, and deacons are not priests, it seems as though he removed a large hurdle.

The only person in scripture with the formal job title "deacon" is Phoebe, deacon of the church at Cenchrae (Rom 16:1). Some see the start of the diaconate in Jesus' washing the apostles' feet at the Last Supper, but most see it really beginning with the apostles calling the seven to a more formal ministry (Acts 6: 1-6). There were many women deacons in the early church. While scripturally, the role of the "woman deacon" was unclear, so to was the role of the male deacon. Pope Francis said that female deacons had probably helped the early church, particularly in baptizing women, when the practice of baptism at the time called for full immersion of the person's naked body in water.

Pope Francis frequently uses the phrase "feminine genius" to describe women's role in the church. Francis readily admits that the integration of women into the life of the church has been "very weak," and he said: "We must go forward." Hopefully, this commission will be given legs. Hopefully, all who are part of the commission and all who are involved in discussions will maintain an openness to the promptings and movings of the Holy Spirit. We'll see where all this goes.

Peace,
Fr. Kearney

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos de la Ascensión,

El ministerio de mujeres en la Iglesia continúa siendo un tema muy importante y pertinente.

El 12 de mayo de este año, el Papa Francisco anunció que creará una comisión para estudiar la posibilidad de permitir que las mujeres sirvan de diaconisas en la Iglesia Católica. Esto ciertamente indica el hecho de que ahora hay una franqueza histórica sobre la posibilidad de terminar la práctica institucional global de un clero únicamente masculino. Esto ocurrió en una reunión que fue asistida por unas 900 dirigentes de las congregaciones de Mujeres Religiosas Católicas del mundo en la cual le pidieron al Papa Francisco acerca de la posibilidad de que mujeres sirvieran como diaconisas.

Desde el restablecimiento del diaconado en el Concilio Vaticano II, cerca de 42.000 hombres han sido ordenados alrededor del mundo para server como diáconos. A la misma vez, ha habido una conversación paralela sobre la posibilidad de ordenar mujeres como diaconisas.

De hecho, en alguna manera, fue el Papa Benedicto quien abrió la puerta para la discusión y las puertas a la posibilidad para mujeres diaconisas. En el 2009, el Papa Benedicto cambió el código de derecho canónico para hacerle eco al catecismo. "Los sacerdotes son ordenados para actuar en persona de Cristo, la cabeza de la Iglesia; los diáconos son ordenados para servir al pueblo de Dios en y a través de la Palabra, la liturgia y la caridad." Como las declaraciones doctrinales solamente prohíben a las mujeres sacerdotisas, y como los diáconos no son sacerdotes, parece ser que el papa quitó un gran obstáculo.

La única persona en las escrituras con el oficio formal de "diácono" es Febe, diaconisa de la iglesia en Cencreas (Romanos 16, 1). Algunos ven el comienzo del diaconado cuando Jesús lavó los pies a los apóstoles en la última cena, pero la mayoría ve el verdadero comienzo con el llamado de los apóstoles a los siete a un ministerio más formal (Hechos 6, 1-6). En la iglesia antigua había muchas mujeres diaconisas. Mientras que, según las escrituras, el papel de las "mujeres diaconisas" no estaba claro, tampoco estaba claro el papel del diácono

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masculino. El Papa Francisco dijo que las mujeres diaconisas probablemente ayudaron a la iglesia antigua, particularmente bautizando a mujeres, cuando la práctica en ese tiempo requería de la inmersión completa del cuerpo desnudo de la persona en agua.

El Papa Francisco a menudo usa la frase “genio femenino” para describir el papel de la mujer en la Iglesia. Francisco es rápido en admitir que la integración de las mujeres en la vida de la iglesia ha sido “muy débil” y dijo, “Debemos avanzar.” Esperamos que a la comisión se le den alas. Esperamos que todos los que son parte de la comisión y todos los que estén involucrados en discusiones mantengan una mente abierta a las inspiraciones y movimientos del Espíritu Santo. Veremos a dónde llega todo esto.

Paz,
Padre Kearney



Comite del Divino Niño:

El comite del Divino Niño quiere darles las gracias por su participacion en la fiesta del Divino Niño. Los niños y adultos disfrutaron de la fiesta. Gracias por su apoyo.



Jeanette Chechia, Paula Corredor, Jessica Garcia, Ned Lee, Minear Family, Tadeo Sotomayor Jr, Yuan Su

A person's name will appear for four weeks,

after which it will be removed unless we hear from the family.

El nombre de una persona aparecerá durante cuatro semanas, después de lo cual se eliminará al menos que la familia se comunice con nosotros.

Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 24 – Gn 18:20-32; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13
8:15am
9:30am Mildred Patricia Lopez, Heroína Lopez, Mercedes York, Martha York, Maria Florinda Heras Marin
11:00am
12:30pm Maria Florinda Heras Marin, Altagracia Aguero, Guillermina Gutierrez Mendez, Desfile Mariano
6:00pm All Saints

Monday, July 25 – 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
12:00pm St. James the Apostle
7:00pm Nereida Silva

Tuesday, July 26 – Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43
12:00pm
7:00pm Flor Gallego, Maria E. Montas

Wednesday, July 27 – Jer 15:10, 16-21; Mt 13:44-46
12:00pm Enercida Altagracia de la Rosa
6:00pm Constancio & Jaima Olvido Jr.
7:00pm

Thursday, July 28 – Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53
12:00pm Valding Duran
7:00pm Juan Vargas, Sofia Mendoza, Jose Santana

Friday, July 29 – Jer 26:1-9; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
12:00pm Patricio Soto
7:00pm Lidia Pichardo

Saturday, July 30 – Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12
12:10pm
5:00pm
6:15pm Francisca Colon



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8-May	\$ 4,631	12-Jun	\$ 4,645	10-Jul	\$ 5,169
15-May	\$ 5,147	19-Jun	\$ 3,971	17-Jul	\$ 3,984
22-May	\$ 3,388	26-Jun	\$ 5,187	24-Jul	
29-May	\$ 4,681			31-Jul	
Faith Direct: (134)	\$ 12,970	Faith Direct: (136)	\$ 12,599	Faith Direct: (134)	\$ 9,528
	\$ 35,781		\$ 30,378		\$ 22,215

Upcoming Special Collections

August 6th - 7th – Church in Latin America and the Caribbean Catholic Home Missions Appeal
September 11th - Mission Sunday



Registration for Fall Religious Education classes has begun. We offer Sunday morning and after-school weekday classes, Spanish language classes, Special Education classes and a Pre-K and K Early Education

program, which utilizes the Montessori technique; “Catechist of the Good Shepherd”. Classes are open to children ages 3 through 18, and are filling up fast! Lock in your “early bird” reduced-rate tuition now! Registration forms are available in the Rectory, on-line, (ascensionchurchnyc.org), or by contacting Robin Klueber at rklueber@ascensionchurchnyc.org or [917-363-4564](tel:917-363-4564). Financial assistance is available.

Noche de Adoración, Evangelización, Alabanza
LUNES EUCARISTICO
1 de Agosto
7:00 PM

Todo lo que respire alabe al Señor



celebrante
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Classes start Wednesday, July, 20 and will be held once every Wednesday from 6:30 PM to 10:30 PM.

Please visit ascensionchurchnyc.org/ascension-culinary-institute and fill out the [2016 ACI Application](#).

If you need more information please contact Chef Paul at [212.203.8759](tel:212.203.8759) or aci@ascensionchurchnyc.org

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July 17th, 24th, 31st, August 7th, 2016

"There is urgent need to work for a world free of nuclear weapons, in full application of the non-proliferation Treaty, in letter and spirit, with the goal of a complete prohibition of these weapons."

~ Pope Francis in his September 2015 address to the U.S. Congress

Please join Pax Christi Metro New York for our annual Hiroshima/Nagasaki Memorial at which we heed Pope Francis's call. We will sing, pray, listen, and act for a nuclear weapons free world. Emilie McGlone, International Coordinator of Peace Boat, will speak to us about Peace Boat's Global Voyages for a nuclear-free world and the Hibakusha Project. Then we will hold a public silent vigil. The afternoon begins on Sunday, August 7th, at 2:30 PM in Casserly Hall, St. Joseph's Greenwich Village Church, Sixth Avenue and Washington Place, and concludes at 4:30 PM in nearby Fr. Demo Square. For further details www.nypaxchristi.org or info@nypaxchristi.org or [212-420-0250](tel:212-420-0250).

MUSIC FOR THE MASSES IN ENGLISH

5:00 P.M., 8:15 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M.

Boldface numbers refer to music found in the red Worship hymnal. The Order of Mass may be followed in the missals.
The summer music is led by Cantor and Organ while the Ascension Choir is on vacation until mid-September.

“A COMMUNITY MASS” – RICHARD PROULX, 1937-2010

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INTRODUCTORY RITES

- Organ Voluntary
Processional Hymn, At the Lamb’s high feast we sing (*tune: Salzburg*) **459**
Kyrie eleison
Gloria in excelsis Deo

LITURGY OF THE WORD

- Psalm 138 *Missal Page 108*
R. Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.
Gospel Acclamation – *Melchior Vulpius, ca. 1560-1616* **286**
v. You have received a Spirit of adoption, /
through which we cry, Abba, Father.

Homily

The Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; Through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

- General Intercessions **296**
R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

- Offertory Hymn, Lord of all hopefulness (*tune: Slane*) **568**
Sanctus
Memorial Acclamation
Threefold Amen

COMMUNION RITE

- Agnus Dei
Communion Hymn, In the breaking of the bread (*Michael Ward, 1986*) *Missal Page 270*

CONCLUDING RITE

- Recessional Hymn, Go, be justice to God’s people (*tune: Nettleton*) *Missal Page 282*
Organ Voluntary
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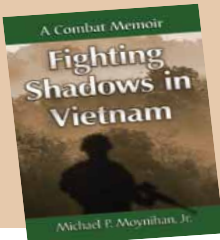


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