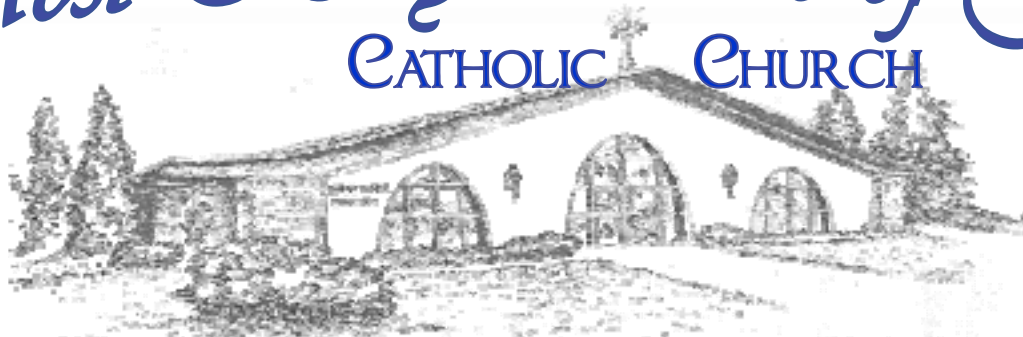


Most Holy Name of Jesus

CATHOLIC CHURCH



Most Holy Name of Jesus parish, nourished by Word & Sacrament, is a Catholic family growing in faith, hope & love, and called to proclaim the Gospel of Christ in both word & deed. Our vision is that every member be renewed in Christ.

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Parish Office Hrs: Mon 9-5, Tue-Thurs 9-3, Fri 9-12 & closed daily from 12-1

◆ The Epiphany of the Lord ◆ *January 8th, 2012* ◆



Sunday Obligation: 4:30pm Vigil, 8am, 9:30am & 11:30am *Español*

Daily Mass: 8am Mon. - Fri., 6pm Fri. & 9am Sat.

Pastor: Rev. James Ruhlin

Deacons: Dcn. Glenn Pickart & Dcn. John Buckley

Parish Secretary: Leah Bonsey

Receptionist: Rachel Dutilly

Office Manager: Geri Bowie

Director of Religious Education: Fran Marinari

Youth Minister: Brianna Sims

Director of Maintenance: Alan Schramek

Music Director: Elisa Hughes

Bus Driver: Joe Feracca 727-384-1366

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Mass Stipends

**Sunday: \$20
Daily: \$10**



This Week's Snapshot

Sunday, Jan. 8

10:30am; Faith Formation & RCIA; GEC
10:30am; Hispanic Adult FF; GEC-CR
10:30am; TRUTH (MS Youth Ministry);
GEC-YR

Monday, Jan. 9

9am; Hispanic Counseling; GEC-FAU
6pm; BINGO; MC
6pm; SVdP; SH

Tuesday, Jan. 10

7pm; Parish Council; **CR—SH**
7pm; LIFELIGHT (HS Youth Ministry);
GEC-YR

Wednesday, Jan. 11

Thursday, Jan. 12

8:45am; Legion of Mary; GEC-FRA
6:30pm; Choir; C

Friday, Jan. 13

7:30pm; Spanish Choir; MC-UMC

Saturday, Jan. 14

4pm; WAY Concert

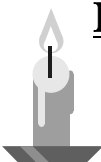
Sunday, Jan. 15

10:30am; Faith Formation & RCIA; GEC
10:30am; Hispanic Adult FF; GEC-CR
10:30am; TRUTH (MS Youth Ministry);
GEC-YR

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40;
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

Remembering Our Loved Ones





Mandatory Usher/Greeter Meeting!!!

Tuesday, Jan. 17th at 6:30pm in the Social Hall

MHNJ Youth Ministry: WAY

(We Are Youth)

*"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one goes to the Father, except through me."
~ John 14:6*



As we celebrate the New Year, it is also a time to celebrate a renewal of our faith. Receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) can help cleanse and prepare you for a better, more Christ-centered life. Also, making a list of the things you hope to achieve in 2012 can help you to remember our dreams and goals. I encourage you to do each of these things, to help make this year a great one!

WAY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wednesday, Jan. 10th is the next TRUTH & LIFELIGHT Meeting.

WINTERJAM!!!

*If you are a high school student/member of MHNJ Parish, and you wish to attend WINTERJAM 2012, please let Brianna Sims know by Tue., Jan. 10th.

*What is **WINTERJAM**? A Christian concert where you get to experience **10 AMAZING BANDS FOR \$10!!**

*All students who wish to attend the WINTERJAM 2012 concert must turn in their permission forms before boarding the bus.

*We will be leaving the MHNJ Parking Lot on Saturday, Jan. 14th, at 4pm. We will be leaving the parking lot on time, and anyone who is not there when we are ready to go will lose their spot on the bus.

*Cost is \$10 at the door--please bring cash. Hope to see you there!

COVER CLUB

My how time flies!! Cover Club ends this month. If you have a membership in the Cover Club and you are paid in full – wonderful – BUT to those of you who still owe take note. **All memberships must be paid in full by January 31, 2012 in order to be eligible to receive a dinner invitation and the opportunity to win one of the three prizes.** If you wish to know your membership status, please call Geri at 347-9989 Ext. 301.

Attention!!!



We are cleaning out the Maria Center's large metal refrigerator. If you have items in the

Maria Center's refrigerator, please remove your items by Feb. 1st.

All items will be discarded on Feb. 1st.

Call the Parish Office if you need access to the building to get your items.

Tootsie Roll Drive

This Sunday the Knights of Columbus will be accepting donations for their annual drive to assist citizens with handicaps. Thank you for your generosity!



The Sacrament of Baptism

The sacrament of Baptism is the first sacrament we receive and is the beginning of our involvement in a community of faith. We become a child of God at Baptism. God is our Father. Jesus becomes our brother and the Holy Spirit becomes our guide. This is the first of the three sacraments of initiation – Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. Usually our baptism takes place during the celebration of the Mass and we are welcomed into the Church by the community of faith. We officially become part of the mystical Body of Christ through our Baptism.

Because this sacrament is so important, there are preparations that must be made for it. Since most of us were baptized as infants, our parents and godparents made these preparations for us. They brought us to the church for our Baptism. They spoke for us because we were unable to speak for ourselves. They accepted the responsibility of being our first catechists in the faith. They accepted the responsibility of teaching us what it means to be a Catholic. They were our first role models in the exercise of our faith.

In order for the sacrament Baptism to take place the following must occur first:

- 1) The parents express their desire to have their child baptized.
- 2) The parents select godparents, one man and one woman, to stand for their child in the Rite.
- 3) The parents and godparents participate in a pre-baptismal class which takes place several weeks before the baptism and is one or two hours long and one or two sessions (English or Spanish) long.
- 4) The parents present the church with all the necessary personal information for the baptism, including a copy of the birth certificate.
- 5) The godparents present documentation from their home parish which verifies that:
 - a) they are actively practicing Catholics who have been baptized;
 - b) they have received Confirmation and Holy Eucharist, have been married in the Church, are not divorced and remarried;
 - c) they are at least sixteen years of age or older;
 - d) they may not be the parents of the child to be baptized.

In order for the Rite of Baptism to be celebrated properly, all of these things must be completed and this takes time. A baptism, except in danger of death, cannot be done quickly; therefore the parish requires a minimum of two months in order to complete the preparations before the Rite is performed. It is necessary that parents plan accordingly especially if guests are coming from out of town to celebrate this Rite.

Children seven years of age or older, who have not been baptized, must begin the RCIA process (Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults) in order to be baptized. They will receive all three sacraments of initiation, Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist, at the same time at the Easter Vigil. This process may take from one to three years depending on the age of the individual, the catechesis of the individual, and any other extenuating circumstances.

The members of the Church take great joy in the baptism of a child, regardless of age. We wish to assist the parents and godparents in making this a wonderful, joyous occasion as this child enters the community of faith at Most Holy Name of Jesus. Please help us by planning for your child's baptism with the dignity that this important first sacrament deserves.

I remain your sister in Christ, Fran Marinari, Director of Faith Formation





Monday 9 - 10:30am & Tuesday 7-8:30pm

In the GEC, Conference Room. Light Refreshments.

Session 2: The Book of Revelation January 17 & 23 thru April

We will study the Book of Revelation through readings in the Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Workbook and DVD each week. Discussion groups. Cost \$25. There are no prerequisites. All are welcome in this group!

Going to the Hospital & Need the Sacraments?

If you or a loved one is in the hospital or scheduled for a hospital visit, and would like to have pastoral visits, the Eucharist, or anointing of the sick, notify the Parish Office at 347-9989. HIPPA privacy rules prevent the hospital from telling us of your admission, so unless you contact us, we won't know that you are in the hospital and in need of the sacraments. Please let us know of your hospital visits so that we can better minister to you.



St. Mary & St. Anne's Society of Catholic Women

January 2012: There will be an officers' meeting sometime this month with one of the ladies from the Pinellas Deanery attending. Our first general meeting of the year was on Jan. 3. We will have a financial report ready for the next meeting so we can plan on how to best serve our parish this year.

February 2012: We will have Faith in Music at our meeting on the 7th. Joan Naylor will graciously assist us with the music for our hymns. All ladies of the parish are invited to join us and see what we plan for the New Year. We are always looking for new members to share our faith and join us in serving our parish. We will be collecting membership dues at this meeting.

"Do whatever my son tells you." John 2:5. As Catholic women of Most Holy Name of Jesus, we, The Society of St. Mary & St. Anne, inspired by the words of Mary, endeavor to follow the teaching of Jesus, in order to grow in faith and holiness and be of service to others; by recognizing and using our talents and abilities.

SMSA Co-Presidents:: JoAnn Murphy (343-7273) & Cathy Schwartz (321-7775)

The Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving

with Bishop Robert Lynch honoring couples throughout the diocese who will celebrate 25, 50 or more years of marriage during 2012 will take place at St. Jude Cathedral on Sunday, Feb. 12th at 3pm. A reception with light hors d'oeuvres will follow. You must pre-register by contacting the Parish Office no later than **Monday Jan. 17th.**



We are in desperate need of altar servers.

Young or old, all can serve the Lord in this wonderful ministry. Please call the Parish Office (347-9989) if you are interested.

2012 is just around the corner and we are working on tax preparations. If you would like to receive a letter stating your charitable donations to MHNJ for 2011, please contact the Parish Office. (call: 347-9989, email: secretary@mostholyname.org , or fill out the following and drop it off in the offertory baskets at Mass.)

I would like to receive a letter with my Charitable donations to MHNJ in 2011.

First & Last Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

El Sacramento del Bautismo

El sacramento del Bautismo es el primer sacramento que recibimos y es el comienzo de nuestra participación en una comunidad de fe. Nos hacemos hijos de Dios en el Bautismo. Dios es nuestro Padre. Jesús se vuelve nuestro hermano y el Espíritu Santo se hace nuestro guía. Es el primero de los tres sacramentos de iniciación - Bautismo, la Sagrada Eucaristía y la Confirmación. Normalmente nuestro Bautismo se lleva a cabo durante la misa y la comunidad de fe nos da la bienvenida a la Iglesia. Por medio del Bautismo, oficialmente nos hacemos parte del Cuerpo Místico de Cristo.

Este sacramento es tan importante que tenemos que prepararnos. Como la mayoría de nosotros fuimos bautizados siendo bebés, nuestros padres y padrinos se prepararon por nosotros. Nos llevaron a la iglesia para recibir el Bautismo. Respondieron a las preguntas por nosotros porque no podíamos hablar todavía. Ellos aceptaron la responsabilidad de ser nuestros primeros catequistas en la fe. Aceptaron la responsabilidad de enseñarnos lo que significa ser un católico. Ellos fueron nuestros primeros modelos practicando la fe.

Para poder recibir el Bautismo es necesario que:

Los padres expresen el deseo de que su hijo sea bautizado.

Los padres seleccionen a los padrinos, un hombre y una mujer, que representen al niño en el rito.

Los padres y padrinos necesitan participar en clases pre-bautismales que se ofrecen varias semanas antes del bautismo. Se ofrecen una o dos clases (inglés o español) por una o dos horas de duración.

Los padres le entregan a la iglesia toda la información personal necesaria para el bautismo, incluyendo una copia del certificado de nacimiento.

Los padrinos presentan documentación de sus parroquias verificando:

Que ellos son católicos practicantes activos que han sido bautizados.

Que han recibido la Confirmación y la Sagrada Eucaristía, son casados por la Iglesia y no se han divorciado y vuelto a casar.

Tienen al menos 16 años de edad.

No pueden ser los padres del niño que se va a bautizar.

Para que el Rito del Bautizo se celebre adecuadamente, tenemos que completar todas estas cosas y esto toma tiempo. Un bautizo, exceptuando ante el peligro de muerte, no se puede hacer rápidamente, por lo tanto la parroquia exige un mínimo de dos meses para completar todos los preparativos antes de celebrar el rito. Es necesario que los padres hagan todos los planes con tiempo, especialmente si vienen invitados de otros lugares. Los niños de más de siete años, que no han sido bautizados, necesitan comenzar el proceso del RICA (Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos) para poder ser bautizados. Ellos recibirán los tres sacramentos de iniciación – Bautismo, Confirmación y Sagrada Eucaristía, en la Vigilia Pascual. El proceso puede tomar de uno a tres años dependiendo de la edad, la catequesis y otras circunstancias extenuantes que pueda tener el estudiante.

Los miembros de la Iglesia sienten gran alegría con el bautismo de un niño, no importa la edad. Nos da gusto ayudar a los padres y padrinos para que sea una ocasión de gran gozo la entrada del niño a ser parte de la comunidad de la Parroquia del Santísimo Nombre de Jesús. Por favor, ayúdenos planeando con cuidado para que el bautismo de su niño tenga la dignidad que este primer sacramento se merece.

Su hermana en Cristo, Fran Marinari

SNJ Ministerio de la Juventud



WAY (We Are Youth)

“Yo soy el Camino, la Verdad y la Vida.
Nadie va al Padre sino por mí”

~ Juan 14, 6

Al celebrar por el Nuevo Año, debemos también celebrar renovando nuestra fe. Recibiendo el sacramento de la Confesión puede ayudar a limpiar nos y prepararnos para una vida centrada en Cristo. También podemos hacer una lista de las cosas que queremos lograr en el 2012 para que nos recuerde cuales son nuestros sueños y metas. ¡Los animo a que hagan todo esto para que tengan un buen año!

AVISOS DE WAY

- El miércoles, 10 de enero tendremos la próxima reunión de TRUTH y LIFILIGHT.

-Si eres un estudiante de la escuela superior/miembro de la Parroquia del MHNJ y deseas asistir al WINTERJAM 2012, por favor habla con Brianna Sims para el martes, 10 de enero. ¿Qué es WINTERJAM? ¡¡Es un concierto cristiano donde pueden escuchar DIEZ BANDAS MARAVILLOSAS POR 10 DÓLARES!! Todos los estudiantes que deseen participar en el concierto WINTERJAM 2012 deben de entregar sus permisos antes de montarse en el bus. Saldremos del estacionamiento de nuestra parroquia el sábado, 14 de enero a las 4 pm. Saldremos del estacionamiento a tiempo y quien no esté allí cuando estemos preparados para salir, pierde su lugar en el bus. El costo es \$10 en la entrada – por favor traigan dinero en efectivo. ¡Espero verlos allí!



!!!AVISO!!!

Vamos a limpiar el refrigerador plateado del María Center. Si tiene algo en ese refrigerados, por favor recójalo antes del 1° de febrero. **El 1° de febrero todo se va a botar.** Si tiene que recoger algo, pueden ir a la oficina parroquial para que le abran.

¡¡NECESITAMOS ACÓLITOS!!

Jóvenes y adultos, todos pueden servir al Señor en este lindo ministerio. Si está interesado, puede llamar a la oficina parroquial (347-9989).



Misa dominical \$20

Misa diaria \$15

AVISO DEL COVER CLUB

¡Como pasa el tiempo! El Cover Club termina este mes. Si es parte del Cover Club y ya pagó su parte – maravilloso – PERO si no ha terminado de pagar, note que hay que pagar antes del 31 de enero del 2012 para ser elegible para ser invitado a una cena y tener la oportunidad de ganar tres premios.