

# Church of Saint Joseph

5 Monroe Street, New York, NY 10002



THE MISSIONARIES OF ST. CHARLES  
(SCALABRINIANS)

Rev. Lydio F. Tomasi, c.s., PASTOR

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### Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00am to 7:00pm

Saturday - 9:00am to 12 noon

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## St. Joseph Catholic School

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APOSTLES OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS  
Sr. Deborah Lopez, A.S.C.J., PRINCIPAL

### School Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

School Office: (212) 233-5152

School Fax: (212) 267-4357

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**Religious Education:** The Sacramental Preparation for children's reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation consists of a two-year program. Please call the school or rectory for further information.

**Parish Registration:** We welcome new parishioners and ask that they register at the Parish Office.



### Daily Eucharist

Monday - Friday - 7:10 am (school days), 8 am.

Saturday - 8:00 am

### Lord's Day Eucharist

Saturday - 5:15 pm (Vigil)

Sunday - 9:00 am, 10:30 am (Chinese), 12 pm, 3 pm (Chinese)

**Sacrament of Baptism:** By appointment.

Parents must meet with the priest prior to Baptism.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** It is celebrated in English and Italian on Saturday from 4:30 to 5:00 pm. It is also celebrated in Chinese on Sunday from 2:30 to 3:00 pm. We encourage your frequent reception of this sacrament of God's love. Make an appointment at any time.

### Sacrament of Matrimony:

The couple must speak with the parish priest at least six months before the wedding.

**Anointing of the Sick:** In case of emergency, notify the rectory any hour - day or night. If Holy Communion is requested at home, call the office during office hours. Please notify the rectory when parishioners are in the hospital.



**CHRISTMAS 2005**

**Mon., December 26<sup>th</sup> – St. Stephen, First Martyr**

8:00 a.m. Carmella Scotti by John & Stephanie Molinelli

**Tues., December 27<sup>th</sup> – St. John, Apostle & Evangelist**

8:00 a.m. Carmella Scotti by Grandchildren John & Renee Molinelli

**Wed., December 28<sup>th</sup> – Holy Innocents, Martyrs**

8:00 a.m. Carmella Scotti by Husband Carmine

**Thurs., December 29<sup>th</sup> – The Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas**

8:00 a.m. Richie Kunkely by Dr. Ines Figallo

**Fri., December 30<sup>th</sup> - Holy Family**

8:00 a.m. Gaetano Frazzetto by Wife and Children

**Sat., December 31<sup>st</sup> – The Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas**

8:00 a.m. Paul Lifavi by wife Nancy

**Saturday, December 31<sup>st</sup> – Vigil of the Lord's Day**

5:15 p.m. Josephine De Matteo by M/M Vincent Rullo

**Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup> – Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, Octave of Christmas**

9:00 a.m. Louis Pasini by Joan Pasini

10:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish

12:00 Noon Louis Santorella by Antoinette Piccolo

3:00 p.m. In Thanksgiving by Theresa Wu

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**ALTAR SERVERS FOR THE WEEKEND**

**Dec.31/Jan. 1**

5:15 p.m. Michelle, Stephanie & Kristina Valentino

9:00 a.m. Mass: Lin Kai Jang & Ling Yao Li

12:00 noon Mass: Royce Cheung, Max Sperling & John Molinelli

The first four words of the Christmas angel's message are words that we should relish and remember for the rest of this year and throughout the New Year: "Do not be afraid."

"Why should we have no fear? Because we have been redeemed by God. The Redemption pervades all of human history. It is the light that shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." (Pope John Paul II). If any one is afraid that Jesus is going to condemn you, punish you, shame and blame you, hear what he says to you: Do not be afraid. These are the words that give us a foretaste of the joy that Jesus brings us as his inestimable gift.

May the spirit of the shepherds of Christmas inspire us to return to your homes and your places of work, glorifying and praising God for all we have heard and seen this Christmas 2005: "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us." Today we joyfully accept this invitation of Jesus to grow in love, faith and hope.

**FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

**Mon., Dec 26<sup>th</sup>: No School** from December 26 until January 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Bingo** in the parish hall at 7:00 p.m.

**Wed., Dec 28<sup>th</sup>: Senior Citizens Club** is closed.

**Sat., Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>: No bingo**

**BREAD AND WINE**

In Memory of Jean Menta by sister Millie Mari

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**SANCTUARY LAMP**

In Memory of Rose Gomez by Children Frank & Rosemary

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**ALTAR CANDLE**

In Memory of John Maschi by Pat & Manny Ruggiero

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**ALTAR CANDLE**

In Memory of Louis Santorella by Antoinette Piccolo

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**A BLESSED AND MERRY CHRISTMAS  
TO ALL ST. JOSEPH'S PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS!**



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The Feast of Christmas offers convincing proof of God's infinite Love for us. For Jesus is God's greatest gift to all mankind in a long line of precious blessings bestowed on each of us. Indeed, we have much to be thankful for, even in these trying times.

Thank you for kind cooperation in all our parish activities and your loyalty and generosity. May God repay your graciousness and good will by blessing your Christmas and New Year with an abundance of spiritual and material joys.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Lydio F. Tomasi, C.S., Pastor – Fr. Joseph Ruan – Fr. Paul Tang

**“WITHOUT SUNDAY WE CANNOT LIVE”**

In 304, the Emperor Diocletian forbade Christians, on pain of death, from possessing the Scriptures, from gathering on Sundays to celebrate the Eucharist and from building places in which to hold their assemblies. In Abitene, a small village in present-day Tunisia, 49 Christians were taken by surprise one Sunday while they were celebrating the Eucharist. When before being killed after atrocious tortures they were asked why they had disobeyed the emperor's orders, they reply: “We cannot live without joining together on Sunday to celebrate the Eucharist. We would lack the strength to face our daily problems and not to succumb.”

The Sunday precepts to attend the Mass, stated Pope Benedict XVI, “is not therefore an externally imposed duty, a burden ... Being nourished by the eucharistic bread and experiencing the communion of their brothers and sisters in Christ is a need for Christians, it is a joy.”

**CABRINI MEDICAL CENTER NEEDS EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

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**CATHOLIC NEW YORK**

The Catholic Press is the place to turn for the rest of the story. Please, pick up a **free copy** of the monthly newspaper, *Catholic New York*, on stands at the entrance of the church. Spread the Word!



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