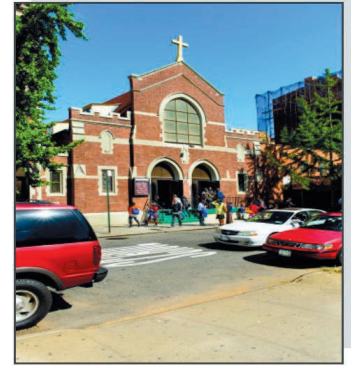


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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday - 5:00 pm

Sunday - 8:30 am

11:15 am

5:00 pm (French)

Tue-Fri - 12:15pm

Friday- 8am to 7pm - Adoration
of the Blessed Sacrament

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Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 24, 2017
Quatrième Dimanche de l'Avent

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

"We are more than Sunday morning"

Please remember in your prayers: Gloria Palmer, Doris Moss, Henry Isom, Marie Landers, Eleanor Jefferson, Ishmael Jackson, Willa Mae Washington, Tyrone Randell, DeCosta Stroble, Elizabeth Young, Tracey Bultron-Lewis, Myrtle Patterson, Walter Thompson, Rivanna Johnson, Dorothy Allen, Kenny Love, Birdell Cotton, Emma Evans, Muriel William-Young, Rose Jean Jacques, Rose Mandazou, Aubrey Woods, Paul Prevost, Rufus Apará, Shirley Cuevas, Souleymane Porgo, Pearl Rollerson, Debra Woodland-Lee, Carol Tull, Lottie Culpepper, Violet Stephenson

"The Scheduling of Masses"
Masses are now available!
The Diocese Stipend is \$15.00.

Letters and cards to Fr. Freddy are to be addressed to St. Mark Parish, 65 W 138th Street, NY, NY 10037 or brought to the parish office.

Religious Education Classes will be every other Sunday at 10:00am for those children wishing to prepare for the sacraments. Registration packets are available in the back of the church. The next class will be January 7th at 10:00am

December Birthdays !!!!!

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 John Alexander | 1 Berta Matos |
| 2 Laurie Hyacinthe | 4 Kayla Ruano-Lumpris |
| 4 Lukas Ruano-Lumpris | 5 Rianna Johnson |
| 6 Brian Enriquez | 6 Winifred Simmons |
| 7 Jacob Martin | 7 Joseph Martin |
| 8 Ligia Clamencia-Satchivi | 8 Joseph Foug |
| 9 Cynthia Hargrove | 9 Isabella Satchivi |
| 9 Cynthia Smart-Ndiaye | 10 Tomatse Ogedegbe |
| 11 Molly Goodrich | 13 Claudia Anderson |
| 13 Stephanie Vamvoukakis | 16 Alicia Maitland |
| 17 John Thompson | 18 Ricoindo Dolcine |
| 18 Rashelle Diaz | 20 Robbina Simmons |
| 22 Cynthia Ellison | 23 Congo Noel |
| 24 Dao Krings | 24 Cody Mahon |
| 27 Rossalyn Quaye | 27 Robin Robinson |
| 28 Myles Raiford | 29 Blanche Bella |
| 30 Maelya Zongio | 30 Mary Vamvdukais |
| Victor Bassole | Prince Raphael Bella |
| Reginald Culpepper | Selena Davidson |
| Justin Elanga | Delores Palms |
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| Richard Tuyna | Ethan Uwiduhaye |
| Pier Washpon | Sidonne Zabsoire |
| Frances Armondo | |

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Volunteers are needed for our parish food pantry. The pantry is open – Saturdays 10am– 1pm– **Please Help!** There is a special need for the assistance of males on Thursdays.



PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Freddy Washington, CSSp, Pastor
 Fr. Jean Pierre Kapumet Tambwe, CSSp, Administrator

Parish Staffed by the Congregation of the Holy Ghost (Spiritans)

**Parish collections for the week of
 December 17th— \$2,815.00**

Mass Collection

Saturday - 5:00 - \$452.00

Sunday - 8:30 - \$ 737.00

11:15 - \$1,258.00

5:00 - \$127.00

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTRY SCHEDULE—

Lectors Eucharistic Ministers

Sunday, December 24, 2017 Christmas Eve

8:30am

Annette Charles Sr. Anastasia
 Nkiru Mbamalu Winifred Simmons

11:15am

Britany Pratt Martha Treminio
 Waymon Carrasquillo Nancy Villar

6:00pm Christmas Vigil

Avis Thomas
 Thomasine Grant-Dimery

Monday, December 25, 2017 Midnight Mass

Winifred Simmons
 Nadine Compaore

Monday, December 25, 2017 Christmas Day

10:00am

Annette Charles
 Christine Nation

Sunday, December 31, 2017, New Year's Eve

8:30am

Avis Thomas Sr. Anastasia
 Nkiru Mbamalu Winifred Simmons

11:15am

Robert Maynard Sr. Precila
 Cody Mahon Nancy Villar

10:00pm

Robin Lockett
 Baptiste Ouedraogo

Bake Goods are wanted for the Midnight Welcome Home Fellowship. Please bring to the rectory on Saturday or Sunday, Christmas Eve. Thank You!

(5:00pm Sat.)

*** For the Health & Safety of the Parish**

(8:30am)

*** Cecilia OBessie & Cecilia Mbamalu, Rest in Peace**

Nikiru Mbamalu

(11:15am)

*** For the Health & Safety of our Children**

(5:00pm)

*** For the Health & Safety of our Family**

**THE SCRIPTURE— December 24, 2017
 Fourth Sunday of Advent**

What is announced to Mary in today's Gospel is the revelation of all that the prophets had spoken. It is, as Paul declares in today's Epistle, the mystery kept secret since before the foundation of the world (see [Ephesians 1:9; 3:3-9](#)).

Mary is the virgin prophesied to bear a son of the house of David (see [Isaiah 7:13-14](#)). And nearly every word the angel speaks to her today evokes and echoes the long history of salvation recorded in the Bible.

Mary is hailed as the daughter Jerusalem, called to rejoice that her king, the Lord God, has come into her midst as a mighty savior (see [Zephaniah 3:14-17](#)).

The One whom Mary is to bear will be Son of "the Most High"—an ancient divine title first used to describe the God of the priest-king Melchizedek, who brought out bread and wine to bless Abraham at the dawn of salvation history (see [Genesis 14:18-19](#)).

He will fulfill the covenant God makes with His chosen one, David, in today's First Reading. As we sing in today's Psalm, He will reign forever as highest of the kings of the earth, and He will call God "my Father." As Daniel saw the Most High grant everlasting dominion to the Son of Man (see [Daniel 4:14; 7:14](#)), His kingdom will have no end.

He is to rule over the house of Jacob—the title God used in making His covenant with Israel at Sinai (see [Exodus 19:3](#)), and again used in promising that all nations would worship the God of Jacob (see [Isaiah 2:1-5](#)).

Jesus has been made known, Paul says today, to bring all nations to the obedience of faith. We are called with Mary today to marvel at all that the Lord has done throughout the ages for our salvation. And we, too, must respond to this Annunciation with humble obedience—that His will be done, that our lives be lived according to His word.

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