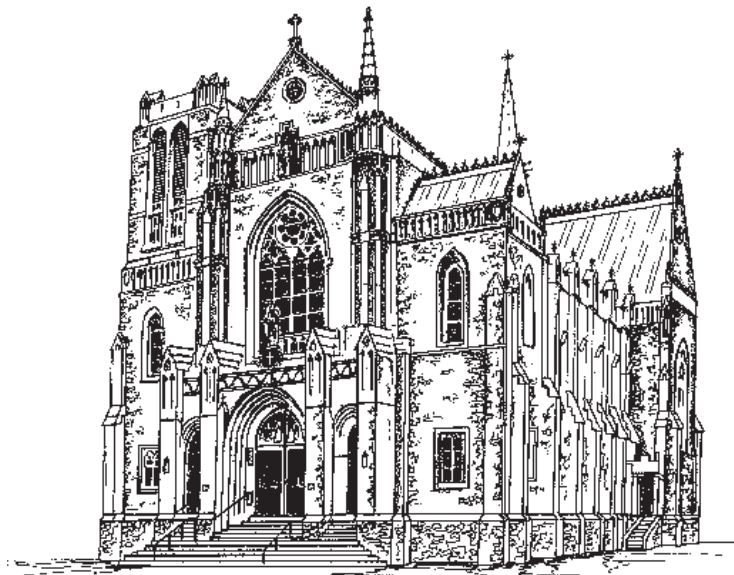


# ST. MARY GATE OF HEAVEN

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### Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 9 AM to 1 PM & 2 PM to 8 PM  
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## WE WORSHIP

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday 8:45 AM  
Mass in Chapel 101-25 104 St.  
Weekend: Saturday 5:00 PM  
Sunday 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM  
12:30 PM in Spanish  
Bi-Weekly 1st & 3rd Wednesday 7:00 PM Prayer  
and Benediction in Church

### Reconciliation (In Church)

Saturday: 12:30 - 1:30 PM or by appointment with a priest

### Misas:

Lunes a Sabado 8:45 AM - en la capilla (Inglés)  
101-25 104 St.

### Fin de Semana:

Sábado: 5:00 PM  
Domingo: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM y 11:00 AM  
12:30 PM en español

Los Viernes Primeros en Iglesia 6:00 PM - Bendición y  
Confesión 7:00 PM Rosario y Misa - español

### Reconciliación (Iglesia)

Sábados de las 12:30 PM hasta las 1:30 PM.

February 14, 2016



First Sunday  
of

Jesus was led by the Spirit  
into the desert for forty days,  
to be tempted by the devil.

Luke 4:1-2

# Lent

**Mass Intentions**  
FOR THE WEEK 

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2016**

5:00 PM Santa Marotta

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2016**

8:00 AM Anna Cerretani

9:30 AM Vincent Napolitano, James Napolitano, Zoraida Concepcion, William F. Brown, Andrew & Bertha Mueller, Peter Colantuoni, Octavio Narvaez, Maria Giovanna Giammatteo, Hugh Johnston

11:00 AM Florence & Herbert Cumming

12:30 PM

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2016**

8:45 AM

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2016**

8:45 AM

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2016**

8:45 AM

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2016**

8:45 AM

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2016**

8:45 AM

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2016**

8:45 AM

5:00 PM Marie Iovino

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2016**

8:00 AM Laura Cerretani

9:30 AM Rosa Mascioli

11:00 AM Margaret & Joseph Baranello, Camille Baranello, Barbara Held, Nicola Auriemma, Andrew & Bertha Mueller, Hugh Johnston, Peter Colantuoni, Maria Antonia Zepeda

12:30 PM Rafael Rodriguez

Please Pray For / Favor Orar Por  
The Sick / Los Enfermos

Isabel Ryan, James Winwood, James Fava, Anna Pancotti, Veronica Victoria Godkin, Sarah, Edward Saar, Velma Rivera, Naomi McGee, Lawrence Reade, Rosemary Menechella, Peter Jacobs, Timothy Liello, Anthony Pangiarella, Clare Maran, Angelo Natti, Stanley Butkus, Nicky Lucas, Michael vonHeyden, Luis Munoz, Al Keim, Gary Carosella, Andrew Monte Leone, Damattie Ramnarine, Melinda Brown, Lydia Diaz, Abigail Perez, Elda Zollo, Cheryl & Rosemarie Ferrara, Harry Johnson, Shalem Delva, Stefanie Seminatore, Tina Alves, Angela McGrath, Marge D'Auria, Jennie Delissio, Thomas Paladino, Clementina Amorim, Peter Gerard, Denis Giammalvo, Anita Bonanno, Elizabeth Grace Reyes, Charlotte Butler, Amy Burzotta, Gabriela Vaquero, Ralph Sabatini, Kathryn Aaron, Mildred Hendrickson, Raymond Gillespie, Rosa Cruz, Zobeia Sirju, Isabel Diaz, Christine Markatos, Steven Antaki



The Faithful Departed / Los Fieles Difuntos

Joan Burke

This Week's Remembrance



The Bread and Wine

*In Memory of*

*Santa Marotta*

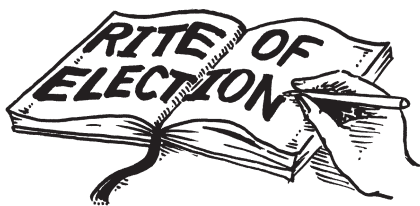
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The Rectory will be closed on Monday, February 15th in celebration of Presidents' Day.

La rectoría estará cerrada el día 15 de febrero en observancia del Día de Presidentes.



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This Sunday, at the 11 am Mass, seven individuals seeking to become Catholic Christians will begin the final stage of their spiritual journey leading to the conferral at the Easter Vigil (March 26) of the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation.

At that Mass, they will sign our parish's official Book of Enrollment signaling the start of the period of final preparation spending the six week period of Lent delving deeper into the Word of God, joining in communal prayer and, as they have been since last October, continuing to learn about our Christian heritage, history, teachings and practices.

The five individuals in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults program are:

Joseph Fanfair  
Michael Montanez  
Adrian Bedasie  
Amanda Placencia  
Colleen Abhiram

In addition, six of our baptized brethren will complete their sacraments at the Easter Vigil as well. They are:

Jaime Alban  
Angelo Borrello  
David Yanzez  
Gilliam Geruson-St. Omer  
Wendy Salazar  
Chrishwantie Fanfair

Please continue to keep all of those on their journey to baptism and completion of sacraments in your prayers.

### First Sunday of Lent

On Ash Wednesday Pope Francis commissioned “Missionaries of Mercy,” priest-confessors sent forth worldwide as “living signs of the Father’s readiness to welcome those in search of God’s pardon.” In a way, though, Pope Francis challenges all of us to become “missionaries of mercy” by living Lent in this Jubilee Year of Mercy “more intensely as a privileged moment to celebrate and experience God’s mercy”. Pope Francis bids us make the prophet Micah’s words our own: “God . . . who does not persist in anger forever, but delights rather in clemency. You will cast into the depths of the sea all our sins” (Micah 7:18, 19). Having experienced God’s mercy ourselves in the unconditional forgiveness of our sins, how eager we should be to invite others to know the peace of God’s boundless mercy; perhaps even to experience, through our reaching out in gentle kindness and compassionate care, something of God’s unconditional love for them.

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### Primer Domingo de Cuaresma

El Miércoles de Ceniza el Papa Francisco comisionó a “Misioneros de la Misericordia”, sacerdotes confesores que fueron enviados alrededor del mundo como “signos vivos de la prontitud del Padre para dar la bienvenida a quienes buscan el perdón de Dios”. En cierta manera, el Papa Francisco desafía a todos nosotros a convertirnos en “misioneros de la misericordia” al viviresta Cuaresma del Año Jubilar de la Misericordia con “mayor intensidad, como momento fuerte para celebrar y experimentar la misericordia de Dios”. El Papa Francisco nos propone hacer nuestras las palabras del profeta Miqueas: “No persistirá en su ira para siempre, porque se complace en la misericordia. Volverá a compadecerse de nosotros, sepultará nuestras culpas” (Miqueas 7:18–19). Ya que nosotros mismos hemos experimentado la misericordia de Dios en el perdón incondicional de nuestros pecados, que tan entusiasmados debemos estar para invitar a todos los demás para conocer de Dios la paz de la misericordia inmensa; más aún por experiencia, a través de nuestro alcance de bondad y cuidado compasivo, algo del amor incondicional de Dios por ellos.

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On Monday, we remember US presidents, who have served our country—yet all citizens are called to service. How do you serve? You may serve in your family, community,

and work. Even your personal conversion of heart is a service to others and our country according to Scripture:

“If then my people, upon whom my name has been pronounced, humble themselves and pray, and seek my face and turn from their evil ways, I will hear them from heaven and pardon their sins and heal their land”(2 Chr 7:14, NABRE).



The next time the Food Pantry will be opened will be on Thursday, February 18th from 11 am to 1 pm. We thank everyone who contributed to last week’s collection.



*God is love.  
Whoever lives in love lives in God,  
and God in them.*

*1 John 4: 16*

Los lunes recordamos a los presidentes de EE.UU. que sirvieron a nuestro país—sin embargo, todos los ciudadanos están llamados al servicio. ¿De qué manera sirves tú? Tú puedes servir en tu familia, comunidad y trabajo. Incluso, según las Escrituras, tu conversión personal del corazón es un servicio a los demás y a nuestro país:

“Y mi pueblo, sobre el cual es invocado mi Nombre, se humilla, orando y buscando mi rostro, y se vuelven de sus malos caminos, yo les oiré desde los cielos, perdonaré su pecado y sanaré su tierra” (2 Cr 7:14, Nueva Biblia de Jerusalén).



While 17% of people say they never thought about being a blood donor, you’ve joined millions of other donors who took time to donate this week. Through the time you gave, you have quietly helped people in need.

Everyday, hospitals across the nation must give blood and blood products. Regardless of the circumstances, blood is the life-giving force. Your donation helped promote health and save lives. Seventy pints of blood were donated last Sunday.

Again, thank you for volunteering and helping so many.

**Donaciones de Sangre**

Mientras que 17% de las personas dicen que nunca se han pensado en ser donante de sangre, los de acá se han aunido a millones de otros donantes que apartaron el tiempo para donar esta semana. Por esta donación, se ha ayudado a mucha gente necesitada.

Todos los días, las hospitales en el país debe proveer sangre y sus derivados a los pacientes. No importan las circunstancias, la sangre es esencial para la vida. Las donaciones promueven la salud y salvan las vidas. Se recibieron 70 pintas de sangre las semana pasada.

Gracias por su generosidad y la ayuda dada a tanta gente.



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**SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

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Raise your glass to a NEW kind of night out! Paint Nite® invites you to create your own unique piece of art, guided by a professional artist and party host. You'll spend two hours painting, laughing, and flexing your creative muscles. There's no experience necessary and we'll provide all the supplies, so you don't have to worry about a thing (except having a great time!).

We have our own Paint Nite page. Follow the link below to register online. A minimum number of people must register by February 24th in order for this fundraiser to move ahead. PaintNite will donate part of the proceeds to SMGH. To register and see the wonderful picture we will be painting, use the following link: <http://paintnite.com/pages/events/view/newyork/1047541>

<p>It is with gratitude that we acknowledge          A Generous Gift to the          St. Mary Gate of Heaven Food Pantry          donated by The Women of Hope</p>
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**From Fast to Feast**

*We fast from judging others  
 but feast on patience.*

*We fast from apparent differences  
 but feast on unity of all life.*

*We fast on words that pollute  
 but feast on words that affirm.*

*We fast from complaining  
 but feast on appreciation.*

*We fast from bitterness and anger  
 but feast on forgiveness and mercy.*

*We fast from discouragement  
 but feast on hope.*

*We fast from idle gossip  
 but feast on purposeful silence.*

*We fast from problems that overwhelm  
 but feast on prayer that strengthen.*

—William Arthur Ward

