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**FEBRUARY 21, 2021**  
**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

**TEMPORARY  
OFFICE HOURS**

**MON - FRI**  
 10am - 4pm

**TEMPORARY  
MASS TIMES**

**SUNDAYS**  
 9am/11am / 12:30 Spanish

**TUES, THURS**  
 8:30am Mass

**WEDNESDAYS**  
 Wednesday Evening Reflection 7pm  
 This is Hosted by Jayne Porcelli

**Reflexión los Miércoles por la noche a  
 las 7:30pm**

**TEMPORARY  
CHURCH HOURS**

**WEEKDAYS**  
 10am - 2pm

**WEEKENDS**  
 10:30am - 2pm

**OUR MISSION**

Taking Jesus' message of loving service to heart, all are welcome in our vibrant, hopeful, diverse, Eucharistic Community where we break the bread and open the Word and discover God in our Midst.

**NUESTRA MISIÓN**

Tomando el mensaje de Jesús de servicio amoroso a corazón, todos son bienvenidos en nuestra Comunidad Eucarística vibrante, llena de esperanza, y diversa, donde partimos el Pan y abrimos la Palabra y descubrimos a Dios en medio de nosotros.

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# THOSE IN OUR PRAYERS

## MASS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2021**

9am– Henry Mendonca (D)

11am - Maxine Schiavone (D)  
Bruce Walcott (D)

12:30am – Peter Sanchez (D)  
Guillermo Ramirez (D)

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021**

8:30am– Augustine Fernandes (D)

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2021**

8:30am – Vincent McDonnell (L)

## SICK & DEPARTED

### SICK

Jovina Ascencios, John Kenny, Mila Ortiz, Laurie Siegal, Elizabeth Finnegan, Thomas Francis Murphy, Jerry Brown, Victoria Criloux, Mirta Velez, Erika Bermejo, Edgar Zacarias, Amanda Santos, John Shea, Alessandra Greenstein, Valerie Chapman Gale, Kathleen Wynne

### DECEASED ☒

Esther Marti, , Kelly Ann Childs, Ashley Childs Santos, Richard Lynch, Juanita Alvarez, Marjorie Sweitzer, Julia Cairo, Thomas Taaffe, Gelbert Rios,, Victoria Mauleon, Prek Jakaj, Ann Kiernan Flores , Robert Dale Horton, Jean-Claude Bouston , Ronald Robles, Virgilio Bracamente, Robyn Geiger, Sahvee Culbertson, Maria Cristina Chavez, Raul Ferreina, Maryann McCool, Theresa Ottolini, Paulino Dominguez, Charles Gioia, Mary Galavan Conway

## HAVE A SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST?

Send us who or what needs a special prayer by using the Prayer Request feature on our new SFDS app—available in the Google Play or Apple App Store. Our parish prayer group will pray upon all submissions.

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**REV. MATTHEW MALONE S.J.**  
**REV. RODOLFO CASALS, SJ**

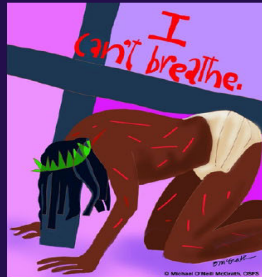
# SFDS + COMMUNITY

## CATHOLIC ANTI-RACISM PROJECT



## Lenten Examen and Stations of the Cross to Recognize and Counter Racism

FEBRUARY 17 2021 - APRIL 5 2021



EVERY MONDAY AT 7PM

Feb. 22, Mar. 1, Mar. 8, Mar. 15, Mar. 22, Mar. 29, and Apr. 5

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83903803910?pwd=N3pvVkFkTmZTSHE3eUZMYVdoeFB0Zz09>

Meeting ID: 839 0380 3910 Passcode: 325607 Telephone: 646-558-8656

To download the Examen please visit the parish websites anti racism page  
[sfdsnyc.org](http://sfdsnyc.org)      [sfxavier.org](http://sfxavier.org)      [sbcchurch.org/anti-racism-project](http://sbcchurch.org/anti-racism-project)



### Weekly Collection

Feb 9th-Feb 15th

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\$1,089.00— Collection 9:00am,11:00am&12:30pm Masses

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Total-\$5,088.30

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# LATEST NEWS

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## HAPPY LENT TO EACH OF YOU!

We've made it through almost a year of pandemic living, and despite the cold weather this weekend the promise of Spring is on the way! This Lent gives us a unique opportunity to take a deep breath and refocus our intentions to live more deeply into our Christian faith and values. What is God calling you to pay attention to for these next 40 days?

We have lots of great opportunities for you to dive more deeply into questions of faith and life this Lenten season. We begin this first week of Lent by welcoming into "**Election**" three young women who have been walking with us since just before Covid 19 changed all our lives. For over a year they have been meeting virtually, and learning more about what our Catholic Faith means to them. They are waiting for their initiation into the Catholic Church this Easter. We ask you all to keep Mica, Kristina and Katrina in your prayers during Lent.

Our **Spanish Leadership** Ladies continue to meet monthly to sharpen their pastoral skills. Each month on the last Tuesday we gather to pray and plan how to continue to grow our church.

Fr Tony Ciorra's other home: **Sacred Heart University** is hosting a **Colloquia** series that continues this Wed night, Feb. 24. Dr Catherine Mooney, Ph.D will speak to the topic of "[Catholic Women on Racial, Environmental and Gender Justice](#)" at 7pm via Zoom. Details are on the flyer inside this bulletin and on our homepage. Let's gather together and hear what she has to share with us.

On Thursday night we will begin our "**Fratelli Tutti on 96th St and Beyond**" series. Meghan Clark, a professor from St John's University in Jamaica, Queens will lead us over three sessions to a deeper understanding of Pope Francis' letter to the world and how we can best understand and continue to live out his ideas on a 'theology of encounter' and building a 'culture of kindness', among many other points of faith.

On Saturday, our parish leadership team, and invited guests will join in with Fr Tony Ciorra for a two part **Discernment Retreat** as we seek to pray together on the questions and concerns of our day and how we as a parish are called to respond.

All this in just the FIRST week of Lent!!

We invite you to look at our web page and choose one or two activities to get involved with this Lent. May our season of hope be a time of blessing for us all.



## THRIVE FOR LIFE PRISON RETREAT TEAM PROJECT

Br Zach Presutti, SJ and the Thrive for Life Prison Project have invited us, the parishioners of St Francis de Sales, to partner with them to create a new prison retreat team, from OUR parish. We are looking for 5 individuals who will commit to the training process involved in learning how to prepare and assist Thrive for Life in their Behind the Walls Retreat Program. (Once Covid allows for this work to begin again!)

The time commitment, after training, consists of giving one day a month (I think, usually Saturdays?) to go to the chosen prison and be a part of the retreat team for that day. Br Zach says that he is interested in forming a team here at SFDS that will work primarily with the women incarcerated at Bedford Hills and Taconic prisons. A few folks have already expressed an interest in beginning this new ministry project: are there any more interested folks sitting in our pews or watching us on live stream that would like to begin this VERY worthwhile work? Please contact Jayne at [jayneporcelli@sfdsnyc.org](mailto:jayneporcelli@sfdsnyc.org) if interested for more details.



## MASS BOOK IS NOW OPEN!!

For those who would like to offer a Mass intention for a loved one, living or deceased, we are pleased to let you know that our 2021 Mass Book is now open. Intentions are available for our Tuesday and Thursday morning Masses, as well as our Sunday celebrations. Please call or see Kathy in the parish office for more details. You can also submit your Mass Intention online, a brand new feature from our Digital Ministry! Submit your request safely and easily online here! [www.sfdsnyc.org/intention](http://www.sfdsnyc.org/intention)

# ÚLTIMAS NOTICIAS & PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS

ENTÉRATE DE TODO LO QUE ESTÁ PASANDO EN [SFDSNYC.ORG](http://SFDSNYC.ORG)



## ¡¡EL LIBRO DE MISAS 2021!!

Para aquellos que desean ofrecer una intención durante la misa por un ser querido, vivo o fallecido, nos complace informarles que nuestro Libro de misas de 2021 ya está disponible. Las intenciones están disponibles para nuestras misas los Martes y Jueves, así como para nuestras celebraciones dominicales. Por favor llame o vea a Kathy en la oficina parroquial para más detalles. También puedes hacer tu intención de misa en línea—un servicio nuevo de nuestro Ministerio Digital. Envía tu intención de manera fácil y segura en línea



## MANTÉNGATE CONECTADO CON SFDS Y NUESTRO GRUPO HISPANO POR TEXTO

Envía un mensaje de texto al 646 526 9504 para recibir nuestras noticias

¿Te gustaría recibir mensajes de texto con enlaces a misas y otros videos en línea en español? Únete a nuestro grupo de texto en español. Simplemente envíe un mensaje de texto con tu nombre y número de teléfono celular al 646 526 9504—te prometemos que solo recibirás información relevante de la parroquia, no más de 2-3 veces por semana como máximo. Especialmente en estos tiempos de distancia social, queremos asegurarnos de que sepas todo lo que está sucediendo aquí!



## REZA EL ROSARIO EN LÍNEA CON NUESTRO GRUPO HISPANO

Cada viernes @ 7pm por Zoom—mande un texto a 646.526.9504 para unirse

¡Seguimos con la distancia social pero nos conectamos digitalmente! Todos están invitados a participar en nuestro Rosario en línea. Es una excelente manera de conocer a otros feligreses y alimentar nuestra fe durante la semana. Si no sabes cómo conectarte a Zoom en tu teléfono celular o computadora, llama a la oficina parroquial y nuestro Ministerio Digital programará una cita de tutoría para ti.



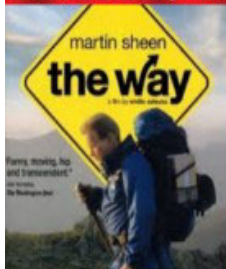
## EDÚCATE SOBRE LA VACUNA CONTRA COVID

[www.sfdsnyc.org/bienvenidos](http://www.sfdsnyc.org/bienvenidos)

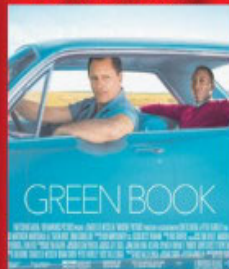
Las estadísticas muestran que los latinos están recibiendo la vacuna en menor cantidad en comparación con la población general. Vacunarse es muy importante para la salud de nuestra comunidad. Visite nuestra página web en español para ver videos y más información. Si es elegible para recibir la vacuna y necesita ayuda para hacer una cita, por favor llame a la Oficina Parroquial porque nuestro equipo estará listo para ayudarte.

# A FILM SERIES ABOUT FAITH

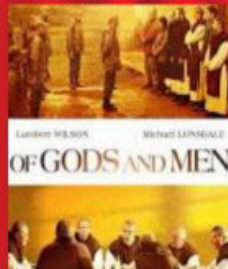
Thur, February 11



Thur, March 4



Thur, March 18



## FRANCINEMA—A FILM SERIES ABOUT FAITH

### THIS WINTER, LET'S EXPLORE OUR FAITH TOGETHER THROUGH FILM!

#### How it works:

- 1) Stream or rent the movie on your own—or better yet, organize a watch party with your family, friends, or fellow parishioners!
- 2) Join us on the designated date for our parish film discussion via Zoom.

#### For your consideration:

Thur, February 11 @ 7pm—*The Way* film discussion on Zoom

A father heads overseas to recover the body of his estranged son who died while traveling the "El camino de Santiago," and decides to take the pilgrimage himself. (2010)

Thur, March 4—*Green Book* discussion on Zoom

Set in 1962, the film is inspired by the true story of a tour of the Deep South by African American classical and jazz pianist Don Shirley and Italian American bouncer Frank "Tony Lip" Vallelonga who served as Shirley's driver and bodyguard. (2018)

Thur, March 18—*Of Gods and Men* film discussion on Zoom

(In French with subtitles) Centers on the monastery of Tibhirine, where nine Cistercian monks lived in harmony with the largely Muslim population of Algeria, until seven of them were kidnapped and assassinated in 1996 during the Algerian Civil War. (2010)



# LENT 2021 AT SFDS



**This Lenten season, we have a wide variety of virtual events planned!  
Join us digitally so that we may LIVE JESUS together online!**

## 'FRATELLI TUTTI' ON 96TH STREET AND BEYOND

A 3-part discussion series on 'Fratelli Tutti,' the recent encyclical from Pope Francis led by theologians Meghan Clark (St John's University) and Leo Guardado (Fordham University)

Thur, February 25 @ 7pm

"The call of discipleship rooted in the parable of the Good Samaritan" with Dr. Meghan Clark

Tue, March 9 @ 7pm

"Good politics: ways to build dialogue and friendship" with Dr. Meghan Clark

Tue, March 23 @ 7pm

"People of good will" with Dr. Meghan Clark and Dr. Leo Guardado



## FRANCINEMA films about faith

This Lenten season,  
let's explore our faith together through films!

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## DISCERNMENT WITH FATHER TONY

A 2-PART RETREAT FOR SFDS MINISTRY LEADERS

These two sessions will help us discern which, of all the needs facing our parish and our community in the present moment, most call for our attention.

Sat, February 27 @ 10-11:30am via Zoom

Sat, March 27 @ 10-11:30am via Zoom

## CENTER FOR CATHOLIC STUDIES Sacred Heart University

## THE HUMAN JOURNEY COLLOQUIA

**Our friends at Sacred Heart University have an exciting lineup of speakers this spring and the SFDS family is invited to join in online!**

February 17 @ 2pm—Building a Bridge: Reaching out to LGBTQ Catholics with James Martin, S.J., *America Magazine*

February 24, 2021 @ 7pm—Catholic Women on Racial, Environmental & Gender Justice with Catherine Mooney, *Boston College*

March 10, 2021 @ 2pm—A Symposium on Pope Francis's Fratelli Tutti: Finding Justice in an Unjust World with Sacred Heart Professors Charlie Gillespie, Chelsea King, Brent Little, Jill Plummer and Dan Rober

March 17, 2021 @ 2pm—Our Lady of Guadalupe: The Art of Solidarity with Nichole Flores, *University of Virginia*

March 31, 2021 @ 2pm—Experiencing God in the Struggle for Liberation with Andrew Prevot, *Boston College*

April 7, 2021 @ 7pm—Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Catholic Thought: A Proposal with Nancy Dallavalle, *Fairfield University*

April 14, 2021 @ 7pm—Reshaping Our Imagination of Salvation with Sr. Elizabeth A. Johnson, *Fordham University*

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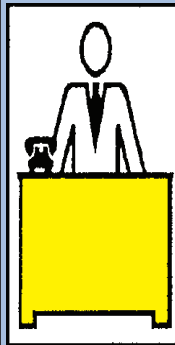
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