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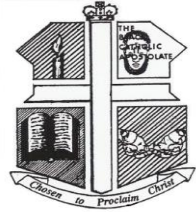
Black Apostolate Mass - Sunday, 10:15am

St. Joan of Arc Masses: Saturday, 4:00pm, Sunday, 9:00am

Daily Mass, Monday-Friday, 8:00am

THE BLACK CATHOLIC APOSTOLATE

website



106.3 FM

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 8, 2026

Third Sunday of Lent – March 8, 2026

First Reading Exodus 17:3-7

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

Second Reading Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel Matthew 4:5-42

Fourth Sunday of Lent – March 15, 2026

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41

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MEETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



☞ **STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT EVERY FRIDAY.**

-Rosary at 5:30pm

-Stations of the cross at 6:00pm.

☞ For only the Season of Lent Fr. Kofi will offer mass on Saturday morning at 8:00AM. You are all invited. All are welcome!

☞ Confession at St. Pius X on March 24, 2026, at 7Pm.

☞ **LENT RETREAT PROGRAM**

MARCH 28TH HOLY WEEK RETREAT 10AM TO 2PM

☞ **MASS INTENTIONS**

Mass intentions can be made for all weekend and daily Masses; weekdays at 8:00am Mass, the 4:00pm Saturday Mass, and the 9:00am & 10:15am Sunday Masses.

Email sjoa@nycap.rr.com or call the office (518-463-0378) and leave your name, phone number and date/time of Mass you wish to schedule, and the name of the person for whom you are requesting the intention. **Please indicate whether the person is deceased or you are requesting Mass for a birthday or special intention.**

Suggested donation: \$10.00 per Mass.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS

Scaling Back and Simplifying.

During Lent the liturgy teaches us repentance. By fasting, we exercise self-control and discipline over our bodies, helping us to focus on God. We change the color of liturgical vestments to deep purple, a symbol of repentance. We scale back and tone down our liturgical celebration, so we will truly appreciate the celebration of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday. In our own lives, one idea is to try slowing down and simplifying by “giving up” technology on Sundays. Instead of everyone in the family focused on their computer, tablet, phone or television, take a walk together or play a board game as a family. (OSV)





Saturday, March 7

4:00pm:

Sunday, March 8

9:00am: James Frechette+

10:15am: - Joan Richards Thanksgiving

Monday, March 9

8:00am: - David Ray

Tuesday, March 10

8:00am: - Shea Forner Strafuss

Wednesday, March 11

8:00am: - Chris Grosse

- Chris Kippins

Thursday, March 12

8:00am: - Yvonne Nelson, Beverly Gray and Family

Friday, March 13

8:00am: - Sharon Murphy

Saturday, March 14

4:00pm:

Sunday, March 15

9:00am: -

10:15am: - Joan Richards Thanksgiving

+ deceased

Baptized in water and signed
with the cross of Jesus, we
gather to give God thanks and
praise.



Faith Formation



Faith Formation/Religious Education classes are held every other Saturday from 9:30am-11:00am for children in grades 1-12.

Next class is on March 21, 2026

- Congratulations to the candidates for the
**Sacrament of Confirmation: Saturday March 14,
2026, at 10am at St. Pius X:**

**Hilda Shalom Nikiema, Ihechi Okezie Ubani,
Jonathan Abraham Pluviose.**

IS SOMEONE IN NEED OF PRAYER?



Light a candle for that special person you
promised to pray for. Candles are **\$5.00** each
and are in the small Chapel behind the main
Sanctuary. Please put your payment in the
marked box by the church entrance.

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MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 4:00pm

SUNDAY MASSES: 9:00am

10:15am (Black Apostolate)

DAILY MASS: 8:00am (Monday-Friday)

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:30pm

BAPTISM: Every first Saturday of the month.

Please call for an appointment.

MATRIMONY: ARRANGEMENTS should be made 6-8 months
in advance and prior to scheduling a reception.

FUNERAL MASSES: WILL be scheduled at **9:00am**.

In the event of the death of a parishioner, please call the
Funeral Home. The funeral director will notify the parish
office and arrangements will be made for a funeral Mass
and burial.

STAFF

Fr. Kofi Ntsiful Amissah, Pastor

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