



East River Catholics

St. John Nepomucene St. John the Martyr St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Slovenský Kostol Sv. Jána Nepomuckého

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ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass: 9:00 am

10:15 am (Slovak)

12:00 pm, 6:00 pm

Daily Mass:

Monday-Saturday: 12:15 pm

DEVOTIONS - FOLLOWING THE MASS AT 12:15 PM

Monday - Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday - Anointing of the sick

Wednesday - Adoration - Benediction

Thursday - St. Peregrine Novena for the ill members of our Parish and those in surrounding hospitals

Sunday 10:00 am Holy Rosary (Slovak)

ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI CHAPEL 564 MAIN STREET, ROOSEVELT ISLAND

Sunday Mass: (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Cabrini Chapel 8:15 am

Cabrini Chapel 9:15 am

Good Shepherd Chapel 11:15 am

Daily Mass (Tuesday-Friday)

Cabrini Chapel: 9:00 am

DEVOTIONS - FOLLOWING THE MASS AT 9:00 AM

Wednesday - Miraculous Medal Novena

Thursday - St. Peregrine Novena for the ill members of our Parish and those in the surrounding hospitals

CONFESSION

Monday-Saturday: 12:00 noon

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday 11:15 am (Slovak - after the Mass)

Sunday: 5:30 pm

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGE

Baptism - by appointment.

Marriage - arrangements six months before wedding.

Please contact Pastor at pastor@eastrivercatholics.org

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24TH CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 pm

10:00 pm - Slovak

12:00 Midnight (Choir)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25TH CHRISTMAS DAY:

9:00 am

10:15 am - Slovak

12:00 pm (Choir and brass)

ST. FRANCES X. CABRINI

LOCATION SUBJECT TO CHANGE, CONSULT WEBSITE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24TH CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 pm (Good Shepherd or St. Frances new church)

10:00 pm (Good Shepherd or St. Frances new church)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25TH CHRISTMAS DAY

11:00 am (Good Shepherd or St. Frances new church)

ROZPIS SV. OMŠÍ POČAS VIANOČNÝCH SVIATKOV

KOSTOL SV. JÁNA NEPOMUCKÉHO

NEDEĽA, 24. DECEMBRA - ŠTEDRÝ DEŇ

5:00 pm

10:00 pm - slovenská

12:00 Polnočná (Zbor)

PONDELOK, 25. DECEMBRA – NARODENIE PÁNA

9:00 am

10:15 am - slovenská

12:00 pm (Zbor a orchester)

KOSTOL SV. FRANTIŠKY X. CABRINI (ROOSEVELT ISLAND)

MIESTO MÔŽE BYŤ ZMENENÉ, OVERTE SI NA WEBSTRÁNKE

NEDEĽA, 24. DECEMBRA - ŠTEDRÝ DEŇ

5:00 pm (Good Shepherd alebo St. Frances nový kostol)

10:00 pm (Good Shepherd alebo St. Frances nový kostol)

PONDELOK, 25. DECEMBRA – NARODENIE PÁNA

11:15 am (Good Shepherd alebo St. Frances nový kostol)

December 24, 2017 ~ Fourth Sunday of Advent

MASS INTENTIONS

December 24 , 2017

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ŠTVRTÁ ADVENTNÁ NEDEĽA

8:15 am Cabrini Chapel - **Natividad Elisio † and Josefa Lacayo †**
rb Yadira Cerrato

9:00 am St. John's - **For Intention of Eileen Kane** rb Eileen Smyth

9:15 am Cabrini Chapel - **At discretion of the Celebrant**

10:15 am St. John's - **John G. Duch †** rb Nina and John Holy

Medzispjev: Tvoje milosrdenstvo, Pane, ospevovat' budem naveky

11:15 am Good Shepherd Chapel - **For Parishioners**

12:00 pm St. John's - **Natividad Luciano †** rb Lourdes Tajiri

CHRISTMAS EVE ŠTEDRÝ VEČER

5:00 pm St. John's - **Vigil Mass - Christmas**

5:00 pm Good Shepherd - **Vigil Mass - Christmas**

10:00 pm St. John's - **Za farníkov - Polnočná omša - Slovak**

Medzispjev: Dnes sa nám narodil Spasiteľ, Kristus Pán.

10:00 pm Cabrini Chapel - **For Parishioners - Midnight Mass**

12:00 am St. John's - **For Parishioners - Midnight Mass**

Monday, December 25

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD NARODENIE PÁNA

9:00 am St. John's - **At discretion of the Celebrant**

10:15 am St. John's - **Margita Bodova †** rb Jozef Bodo & Family

11:00 am Good Shepherd or Cabrini Chapel - **For Parishioners**

12:00 pm St. John's - **For Parishioners**

NO 6 PM MASS

Tuesday, December 26

SAINT STEPHEN

9:00 am Cabrini Chapel - **At discretion of the Celebrant**

12:15 pm St. John's - **For Intentions of Eileen Smyth and Richard Harris** rb Eileen Smyth

Wednesday, December 27

SAINT JOHN

9:00 am Cabrini Chapel - **At discretion of the Celebrant**

12:15 pm St. John's - **Yola Warwizka †** rb Eileen Smyth

12:45 pm St. John's - **Adoration** 1:45 pm - **Benediction**

Thursday, December 28

THE HOLY INNOCENTS

9:00 am Cabrini Chapel - **At discretion of the Celebrant**

12:15 pm St. John's - **Eileen and William McGuire ††** rb Family

Friday, December 29

FIFTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

9:00 am Cabrini Chapel - **At discretion of the Celebrant**

12:15 pm St. John's - **For Intentions of Laura & Jeffrey Truppo and Children** rb Eileen Smyth

Saturday, December 30

SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

12:15 pm St. John's - **For Intentions of Paul, Laure and Hugh Kane** rb Eileen Smyth

5:00 pm St. John's - **Imrich & Helena Hilbocký ††** rb Košťal Family

December 31 , 2017

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

SVĀTÁ RODINA

8:15 am Cabrini Chapel - **At discretion of the Celebrant**

9:00 am St. John's - **For Intention of Fr. Brian McWeeney** rb Patricia Brennan

9:15 am Cabrini Chapel - **At discretion of the Celebrant**

10:15 am St. John's - **Za zdravia a Božie požehnanie pre Mariu Chrenovú** rb Rodina Zemanová

11:15 am Good Shepherd Chapel - **For Parishioners**

12:00 pm St. John's - **Rosanna McGuinness †** rb Marcy and Peggy

6:00 pm St. John's - **For Parishioners**

8:00 am St. John's - **For Parishioners - Slovak**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]

During the Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128: -5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12 -21 [12-17] or Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]

SAVE THE DATE

Cardinal Dolan will bless and dedicate our new church on Roosevelt Island during a Solemn Mass he will celebrate on Sunday, January 7th at 2 pm.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Are you a registered parishioner? We would like to add your name to our list of parishioners. If you are not registered yet, why not do it today either in person, by phone or fill out the registration coupon below and give it to one of the priests or drop it in the collection basket.

COMBINED COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 12/17/17

Collection	\$ 3,776
Second collection	\$ 935
Candles	\$ 1,376
Weekday	\$ 216

Faith Direct for period from 11/1-11/30/17

\$ 2,445

PARISH REGISTRATION FORM

Please return this form in the collection baskets, support box, by mail, or in-person.

____ New Registrant

____ Updating Contact Information

Name: _____

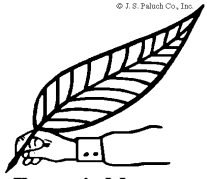
Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Contact the rectory for volunteer opportunities!



BAKER'S BITS

Veselé Vianoce
Christ is Born! Glorify Him!
Christós raždajetsja! Slavite jeho!

Pastor's Notes

A Blessed Christmas, Veselé Vianoce to you all. If you are attending Mass for the first time at St. John's on First Ave or St. Frances on Roosevelt Island, you are most welcomed and it is a joy that you have come to celebrate the 4th Sunday of Advent and The Holy Day of the Nativity of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ with us. We are the United Parish of St. John Nepomucene, Martyr and St. Frances X. Cabrini. Our newly united parish (August 1, 2015) serves the community from 59th Street to 74th Street and Third Ave across the East River to Roosevelt Island while still remaining the home and ministerial out-reach to the Slovak Catholic Community. If you live here, I pray you will remain with us. If you are visiting I hope that you will consider our parish your spiritual home in NYC. Pray for us that God's will can be accomplished through the work of our hands!

Today we rejoice as we honor and hold high the feast of the coming of God in the Flesh. We, who were created in his image, He has created himself in our image by taking on human nature in all things but sin. By His birth, He began the final step to restore the union between Heaven and Earth, between the Visible and Invisible, all lost by the sin of Adam. He has come down to us, to lift us up! Let us rejoice and respond to this day with our whole self, mind, body and soul. No matter how far or close you are to God and his Church, God is with us! Let us stand with him. Finally, to those of you who have not been coming to Mass on Sundays I have only one thing to say to you - WELCOME HOME! Stay with us. We need you more than you need us. Whatever I can do to help you to restore your relationship with our God and His Church I will do my best.

ST. MATTHEW THE EVANGELIST SOCIETY, NO. 45 will hold its Meeting on Sunday, January 14th 2018 at 12 noon after the Slovak Mass at the Rectory of the St. John Nepomucene Church. All members are welcome.

RCIA ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COURSE

The RCIA adult religious education course started on Monday, December 4th at the rectory of the church. If you are interested and would like more information please contact John Mulderig at (212) 734-4613.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS

We are still looking for **teachers** for our religious education program. Please help our program grow. If you are interested and can help, please contact Lisa Calabrese at e-mail address parishfin@eastrivercatholics.org.

OUR SICK

Zita Gabric-Peculic
 Maryann Gangi
 Genny Urso
 Malaika Gunawansa
 Mary Dean Dumais

OUR DECEASED

Jozef Bilík
 Reed P. Devlin
 Alex Pacoe
 Harry Chiamulera
 Margaret Mc Andrews
 Getrude Balicki
 Ruth G. Robinson
 Beryl Seaforth
 Maureen Michel
 Jose A. Medina
 Helen Rostak

FORMER PASTORS

Msgr. Stephan Krasula
 Msgr. Stephen Hudacek
 Fr. Robert Tomlian
 Fr. Martin Svitan
 Msgr. Lawrence Connaughton

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

Thank you to the many instrumentalists and vocalists who have been part of our Advent and Christmas celebrations. The choirs of St. John and St. Frances have given so much time and talent in the past months preparing for all of the liturgies with music. Special thanks to the many groups who have been part of our concert series and liturgies: Slovak Jazz singer Ester Wiesnerova, Young New Yorkers' Chorus Women's Ensemble, Angelica Women's Chamber Choir, singers from St. Patrick's Cathedral, Austin Philemon (Children's Choir Director and Assistant Organist), Maria Rechterikova and Peter Pindjak (Organists for Slovak Sunday and live streamed liturgies), Gramercy Brass Orchestra of New York, and Mark Pacoe (Director of Music and Organist, Director of Media Outreach).

CHRISTMAS WAFERS (OBLÁTKY) will be available on Sundays after the 10:15 Mass or during the week at the Rectory, 5 wafers for \$5.00.

HOMEBOUND who cannot come to church can receive the sacraments if you notify us at the Rectory.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Please, see the first page of the bulletin for Mass schedule during Christmas holidays.

SLOVAK AND ENGLISH HOLY MASSES STREAMED LIVE ON FACEBOOK

We are pleased to announce that Sunday Holy Masses at 10:15 am (Slovak) and 12:00 pm (English) will be streamed live every week on FB page East River Catholics and LUX New York.

LECTOR MINISTRY

St. John and St. Frances are in need of lectors for the weekend/Sunday English Masses. Proclaiming the Word of God is one of the many ways to be directly involved in the Divine Mass. If you are interested and would like to serve, contact Judith Quintana, quintanaj25@gmail.com.

DISCOUNTED PARKING FOR PARISHIONERS

Parishioners receive discounted parking at the **Garage Management Company Parking Garage at 337 East 64th Street** between 1st and 2nd Avenues on Sundays from 10am to 3pm. To receive the discount have your parking ticket stamped by a church representative in the downstairs hall at coffee hour following the 10:15am Mass and pay \$3 at that time. When picking up your car present the ticket to the attendant and the church will reimburse the garage.

PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SICK AND DECEASED

Names remain on our Prayer List for the sick for three months and for the deceased for one year.



BAKER'S BITS Z PERA OTCA BAKERA

**Veselé Vianoce
Kristus sa narodil! Oslavujte ho!
Christós raždajetsja! Slavite jeho!**

Pastor's Notes

Požehnané Vianoce, veselé Vianoce vám všetkým. Ak ste prvýkrát prišli na sv. omšu do kostola Sv. Jána na First Ave alebo do kostola Sv. Fratišky na Roosevelt Island, ste veľmi vítaní a tešíme sa, že ste prišli s nami osláviť 4. adventnú nedeľu a sviatok Narodenia nášho Pána a Spasiteľa Ježiša Krista. Sme spojená farnosť svätého Jána Nepomuckého, mučenika a sv. Fratišky X. Cabrini. Naša novo-spojená farnosť (1. augusta 2015) slúži katolíckej komunite od 59. ulice po 74. ulicu a od tretej avenue cez East River až na Roosevelt Island. Naďalej pastoračne slúžime Slovenskej katolíckej komunite a sme duchovným centrom pre slovenských katolíkov. Ak žijete tu v NY, prosím, zostante u nás! Ak ste tu na návšteve, dúfam, že budete považovať našu farnosť za váš duchovný domov v New Yorku. Modlite sa za nás, aby sme prácou svojich rúk plnili Božiu vôľu!

Dnes sa radujeme, lebo slávime a uctievať si sviatok keď sa PánBoh vteliť do ľudského tela. My sme boli stvorení na Jeho obraz, On prijal ľudskú prirodzenosť a pripodobnil sa nám vo všetkom okrem hriechu. Svojím narodením urobil posledný krok obnovenia spojenia medzi nebom a zemou, medzi viditeľným a neviditeľným, všetkým, čo bolo stratené Adamovým hriechom. Zostúpil k nám, aby nás pozdvihol! Radujme sa a reagujeme na tento deň celou svojou bytosťou, myslou, telom a dušou - bez ohľadu na to, ako ďaleko alebo blízko sme k Bohu a Jeho Cirkvi, Boh je s nami! Buďme my s ním.

Napokon vám, ktorí neprichádzate na sv. omšu každú nedeľu, chcem povedať len jedno - VITAJTE DOMA! Ostaňte s nami! My vás potrebujeme viac, než vy potrebujete nás! Budem sa snažiť urobiť všetko, aby som vám pomohol obnoviť váš vzťah s Pánom Bohom a Jeho Cirkvou!

SLOVENSKÉ A ANGLICKÉ SVÄTÉ OMŠE VYSIELANÉ NAŽIVO NA FACEBOOK

S potešením Vám oznamujeme, že nedeľné sväté omše o 10:15 am (v slovenskom jazyku) a 12:00 pm (v anglickom jazyku) budú odteraz naživo vysielané na FB stránke East River Catholics a LUX NY.

ČLENSKÁ SCHÔDZA SPOLKU SV. MATÚŠA ISKJ bude v nedeľu, 14. januára 2018 o 12:00 popoludní na fare kostola sv. Jána Nepomuckého. Na programe bude prejednávanie činnosti na najbližšie obdobie. Všetci členovia sú vítaní.

ROZPIS SV. OMŠÍ POČAS VIANOČNÝCH SVIATKOV

Rozpis sv. omší počas vianočných sviatkov nájdete na prvej strane buletínu.

VIANOČNÉ OBLÁTKY

si môžete kúpiť v nedeľu po slovenskej sv. omši alebo cez týždeň na fare. Cena je \$5.00 za 5 oblátok.

NOVINKY Z PASTORÁLNEJ HUDBY

Ďakujem všetkým spevákom a inštrumentalistom, ktorí boli súčasťou našich osláv Adventu a Vianoc. Zbory pri kostoloch sv. Jána a sv. Františky v posledných mesiacoch venovali veľa času a talentu na prípravu našich liturgických slávností. Osobitné poďakovanie patrí umelcom, ktorí boli súčasťou našej koncertnej série a liturgii: speváčka Ester Wiesnerova, Young New Yorkers' Chorus Women's Ensemble, Angelica Women's Chamber Choir, speváci zboru pri katedrále sv. Patrika, Austin Philemon (Asistent vedúceho hudby), Mária Rechtoríková a Peter Pindjak (organisti počas slovenských bohoslužieb a živého nedeľného vysielania sv. omši), Gramercy Brass Orchestra v New Yorku a Mark Pacoe (Vedúci hudby a organista, Vedúci Media Outreach).

PARKOVANIE NA PARKOVISKU VEDĽA KOSTOLA

Každý, kto parkuje počas sv. omše na parkovisku vedľa kostola, nech nechá na papieriku za predným sklom auta svoje telefónne číslo na mobil, aby sa mu mohli dovolať tí, ktorí budú potrebovať skôr odísť.

ZĽAVNENÉ PARKOVANIE PRE FARNÍKOV

je pre vás vybavené v nedeľu od 10 am do 3 pm v **Garage Management Company Parking Garage** na 64. ulici, medzi 2. a 1. Avenue (**337 East 64th Street**, tel. 212-879-9796). Parkovací lístok, ktorý vám dajú v garáži, si dajte opečiatkovať po sv. omši v dolnej hale (kde mávame kávu) a zaplatte \$3. V garáži už platiť nebudete, len dajte zamestnancovi opečiatkovaný lístok, a farnosť potom uhradí poplatok priamo garáži.

PRÍPRAVA DETÍ NA PRVÉ SVÄTÉ PRIJÍMANIE

V januári začne príprava detí na prvé sväté prijímanie. Prvé informačné stretnutie bude 7. januára po detskej sv. omši v triede, v škole. Prosíme rodičov, aby na túto prípravu prihlásili svoje deti (tie, ktoré budú mať 9 a viac rokov v 2018) u o. Martina Kertysa osobne, alebo na email adrese fr.martin@eastrivercatholics.org, alebo na farskom úrade (stačí aj telefonicky - 212-734-4613).

SV. OMŠE ZAMERANÉ NA DETI sú zvyčajne v poslednú nedeľu v mesiaci o 10:15 AM. Vzhľadom na to, že posledná decembrová nedeľa je 31. decembra na Silvestra, detská sv. omša sa prekladá na 7. januára, na sviatok Zjavenia Pána - Troch kráľov. Pozývame všetky deti aj rodičov.

NÁVŠTEVA CHORÝCH

Ak máte doma alebo v starobinci chorých príbuzných a chcete, aby sme ich navštívili pri príležitosti prípravy na vianočné sviatky a príchod nášho Pána, nahláste ich mená telefonicky alebo osobne na farskom úrade.

MODLITEBNÝ ZOZNAM CHORÝCH A ZOSNULÝCH

Mená zostávajú na našom modlitebnom zozname chorých tri mesiace a na zozname zosnulých jeden rok.

PARKOVANIE KEĎ IDETE K LEKÁROVI

Farníci, ktorí cez týždeň potrebujú navštíviť lekára v blízkom okolí kostola, môžu zaparkovať na malom parkovisku pri kostole. Ak chcete využiť túto možnosť, musíte sa prihlásiť v kancelárii farského úradu, kde dostanete parkovaciu kartu, ktorú treba nechať za predným sklom auta.



**The United Parish of
St. John Nepomucene
St. John the Martyr
St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Intentions:

8:15 am Cabrini Chapel - **Natividad Elisio † and Josefa Lacayo †**
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11:15 am Good Shepherd Chapel - **For Parishioners**

SAVE THE DATE Cardinal Dolan will bless and dedicate our new church on Roosevelt Island during a Solemn Mass he will celebrate on Sunday, January 7th at 2 pm.

ROOSEVELT ISLAND BUILDING UPDATE The construction of the new church at 504 Main Street is basically complete. We anticipate announcing when we will be able to have our first liturgies and parish events in the new space once all the inspections and certificate of occupancy are obtained. Thank you for your continued prayers and understanding as we prepare for a new, great chapter as Catholics on Roosevelt Island!

COLER-GOLDWATER HOSPITAL AND NURSING FACILITY Fr. Antonio Ferrer leads the outreach ministry of our parish by celebrating weekly Mass every Saturday at 10:30am in the hospital chapel. Sacraments of Anointing and Reconciliation are also administered on a regular basis. For pastoral visitations, please contact Fr. Antonio at 212-734-4613.

PRAYER INTENTIONS You are invited to include any prayer intention at Sunday or weekday Mass. The basket will be brought up with the gifts and left on the Altar. The basket is available every day in the chapel.

MASS INTENTIONS If you are interested in offering a Mass for someone, please stop by the Rectory on 66th Street during regular office hours or call them at 1-212-734-4613.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Religious education classes at St. Frances Cabrini Chapel began in early September (Sundays 10-11am) and at St. John Nepomucene (Wednesdays 6-7 pm). If you are interested and would like to register please contact Lisa Calabrese at e-mail address parishfin@eastrivercatholics.org.

ALTAR SERVERS If your child would like to become an altar server, please contact Guenther via email at guenthergross1@gmail.com.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR We are in the early stages of forming a children's choir, led by Austin Philemon. Currently, the Religious Education program is incorporating musical formation into limited dedicated time in class. Once we have our classroom and meeting space in the new church, more time will be dedicated to the Children's Choir. Stay tuned!

MUSIC MINISTRY Beginning in January, we will begin weekly rehearsals in our new space! If you have a passion for singing and would like to join the choir, please consider joining! Many exciting preparations are underway for our liturgical choir, the children's choir as well as concert events this Spring. If interested or inquiring, please contact Mark Pacoe, 212-734-4613 x 116 or e-mail: pacoe@eastrivercatholics.org.

ST. ANNE'S CIRCLE FOR CHRISTIAN SERVICE This Roosevelt Island based ministry has been formed to assist our clergy with our community outreach to the sick and those in need of our prayer. During this Advent Season we can do something good for somebody else. Participants will pray the rosary for our priests, for our parish, assist Fr. Tony with small tasks for our homebound and in-hospital parishioners, and support the sacristans to make our Church setting welcoming and clean. Please see Regina or Judy at the back of the Good Shepherd Chapel after the 11:15am Mass or contact Fr. Tony at 212-734-4613

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS We are still looking for **teachers** for our religious education program. Our mission is to help our children to nurture and foster growth in the Catholic faith. To accomplish this we need help from volunteers of our Parish who are willing to give of their time and talents. Please help our program grow, If you are interested and can help, please contact Lisa Calabrese at e-mail address parishfin@eastrivercatholics.org.

COFFEE HOUR AT GOOD SHEPHERD Our next coffee hour will be in celebration of our first Mass in the new space. Please watch the bulletin or e-Newsletter for announcement of exact date and time.

Cabrini Chapel hours: Monday Chapel is closed
Tuesday to Friday Chapel open 9:00 am to 10:00 am
Saturday Chapel is closed
Sunday Chapel open 8:15 am to 10:15 am