St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church

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Saturday Vigil  7:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Sunday  8:00 a.m. (English)  9:30 a.m. (Spanish with Choir)
       11:30 a.m. (English with Choir)  1:00 p.m. (Bilingual Children’s Mass)
       4:00 p.m. (Vietnamese)  September to June

Weekdays  8:30 a.m. (Spanish/Mon-Fri.)  12:10 p.m. (English/Mon-Fri)
          7:45 a.m. (Vietnamese/Thu & Sat)

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION
All those who are called to follow Jesus in the Catholic faith along with Catholics already
baptized (adults, youth & children) who desire to celebrate the sacraments of First Confession,
First Communion and Confirmation can make contact with the coordinator of this area for
information about the various programs available.
Registration for these programs are announced in the bulletin during various times of the year.
Also appointments can be made in the parish office at anytime.

Parents wishing to baptize their children (ages 1-5) are invited to make an appointment in the
parish office to speak with a staff member in order to make arrangements for participating in
the Baptismal Program.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)
Saturday 4:00-5:00 p.m. and at the parish office by appointment.
Sunday 3:30-4:00 p.m. Vietnamese.

MARRIAGE
Couples planning to be married should call for an appointment six months in advance of the
wedding.

VISITS TO THE SICK
In emergency, call the parish office at any hour. Please inform the office of sick or homebound
who desire the sacraments.

NEW PARISHIONERS
Welcome to all parishioners.
We encourage all parishioners to register at our parish office. We invite new parishioners to
make an appointment to meet a member of the parish staff.

ST. NICHOLAS OF TOLENTINE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Grades Kindergarten - 8. For registration information call the school office at (718) 364-5110.

Parish Office Hours

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<th>Monday - Friday</th>
<th>9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon (12 pm - 1 pm closed)</th>
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<td>(5 p.m. - 6 p.m. closed)</td>
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The word “passion” connotes deep, focused engagement. It also relates to passivity, interestingly. The deeply passionate person in the Gospel narrative from Luke is Jesus. He appears passive, but he is not. He is wholly self-possessed and wholly present for the one day that begins on Thursday evening at his last meal with his apostles and ends with his burial before sunset the next day. Then follows the long Sabbath silence.

The narrative of the Passion is read whole and without pause on the Palm Sunday of the Passion. This story, found in each of the Gospels, is unchanging. We are the ones who change. Each year, we bring ourselves with another year’s history to hear and heed the story we so badly need. Life has its way with us, and we look again to the Passion narratives to learn to follow. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

CARDINAL’S APPEAL - OUR PARISH GOAL
The goal for our parish for the Cardinal’s Appeal is $43,000. Our generous parish has always met the goal and even surpassed it on many occasions. When we give generously and freely, we then know that this very act is a demonstration of how much we have been given.

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2016 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Saturday, June 25th at 1:30 pm or Sunday, June 26th at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish for registration. The closing date to register for the Mass is Tuesday, May 24th, 2016.
**Laudato Si** (Ninth Article)  
**Encyclical on the Environment**  
In his widely praised encyclical, “Laudato Si’: On the Care of Our Common Home.” Pope Francis challenges us to make integral ecology and care for the poor central to Christian spirituality and religious education. To deepen your own understanding of these crucial matters as well as the understanding of your brothers and sisters, Google” “USccb Laudato Si’ On Care For Our Common home. Discussion Guide.”

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A Message from Cardinal Egan about the Good Friday Holy Land collection

Dear friends in the Lord:

On Good Friday, a collection is taken up in all the parishes of the Catholic world for the support of the Church in the Holy Land.

Sometimes, it is identified as a collection that only supports the holy places. Actually, through the good works of the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land and the Holy Father’s Congregation for the Eastern Churches, support is given to all aspects of the life of the Church in that beleaguered part of the world. For example, the generous contributions to the Good Friday collection help to sustain Catholic primary and secondary schools in the Holy Land and the Catholic University in Bethlehem.

The Good Friday collection also helps to maintain the life of the local parishes, a network of clinics and healthcare facilities, and special projects for social development. The Christians of the Holy Land are now a small minority, and they are very much need in our assistance and support these days. Please be as generous as you can.

With prayerful best wishes for a blessed Easter season, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan  
Archbishop of New York

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**Palm Sunday Changes**

For the 9:30 am Spanish Mass and the 11:30 English Mass, weather permitting, we will begin mass outside on the plaza in front of church. This is also where the palms will be distributed.

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**We pray for the People of St. Nicholas of Tolentine.**

*We pray for the sick: Lisa Guida, Santa Santiago, Isabel (Chavela) Gonzalez, Elena Torres, Domingo Castillo*

*We pray for the deceased: Eduvina Garcia*

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**Readings for the Week**

**March 21, 2016**

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<th>Reading</th>
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<td>Monday</td>
<td>Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11</td>
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<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38</td>
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<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25</td>
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<td>Thursday</td>
<td>Chrsim Mass: Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rev 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21</td>
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<td>Lord’s Supper</td>
<td>Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15</td>
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<td>Friday</td>
<td>Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42</td>
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<td>Saturday</td>
<td>a) Gn 1:1 — 2.2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35, or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-16 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16:5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Lk 24:1-12</td>
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<td>Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35</td>
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**Mass Intentions for the Week**

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<td>12:10pm</td>
<td>Victoriano Lago (D)</td>
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<td>MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER</td>
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<td>12:00pm</td>
<td>PASSION OF THE LORD-English</td>
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<td>3:00pm</td>
<td>PASIÓN DEL SEÑOR-Spanish</td>
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<td>7:00pm</td>
<td>PASSION OF THE LORD -Vietnamese</td>
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<td>MORNING PRAYERS</td>
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<td>EASTER VIGIL</td>
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<td>Agueda Rocenda Calderon (D)</td>
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<td>Gina Vil (L)</td>
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<td>Agradecimiento A Dios</td>
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**Offertory Collection**

**March 13, 2016**

Tithing: $ To be announced next week.

Children: Total: $
Come Sail Away on a 7-night Catholic Exotic Cruise starting as low as $1045 per couple. Daily Mass and Rosary offered. Deposit of only $100 per person will reserve your cabin.

Space is limited. Thanks and God Bless,
Brian or Sally, coordinators 860.399.1785

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