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THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY: HISTORY, OBLIGATIONS AND RITUAL

Devotion to the Holy Name goes back to the Old Testament where we find reverence for the name of God enjoined by the Second Commandment. The beginning of the Holy Name Society, as an organized effort to promote the fulfillment of this Commandment, can be traced back to the Thirteenth Century when the heretics of that day, particularly in France and Spain, made violent attacks upon the divinity of Christ, ridiculed His supernatural character and His Holy Name.

The formal beginning of the Holy Name Society is credited to Pope Gregory X, who in 1274 commissioned the newly founded Dominican Order to concentrate its efforts on preaching greater devotion to the Holy Name.

On April 13, 1564, Pope Pius IV instituted the Confraternity of the Most Holy Name, and thus provided Papal recognition and approval for this devotion to the name of God and Christ.

The Holy Name Society, as it is popularly known in North America, has done good that has never been estimated, but the record is available: how it checked profanity and indecent language, and how it taught men to love and respect the Holy Name. It has become a bastion of belief in the divinity of Christ among Catholic men in America and it also has been an outstanding vehicle for an effective lay apostolate.

On February 1, 1970, the National Association of the Holy Name Society was established at a national convention in New Orleans.

This is an excerpt from "In His Name: Official Holy Name Manual." It's published by The National Association of the Holy Name Society 2000. It can be purchased from the NAHNS Store contact: John Chaklos Ph#: (570) 429-0581

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**THE CHICAGO ASSOCIATION
OF THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY
HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION**



**HOLY NAME SOCIETIES, FAMILIES AND
FRIENDS ARE INVITED
TO OUR ANNUAL CITY-WIDE
HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION.**

**WE'LL PRAY FOR THE CANONIZATION
OF BLESSED JOHN OF VERCELLI, THE
FOUNDER OF THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY
(OLDEST CONFRATERNITY FOUNDED 1274).**

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 1ST
(HIS FEAST DAY) Starting at 7PM**

**AT ST. TARCISUS CHURCH,
6020 W. ARDMORE AVE., CHICAGO
60646
773-763-8228**

**FELLOWSHIP AND LIGHT
REFRESHMENTS
WILL BE PROVIDED AFTERWARD**

**BLESSED JOHN OF VERCELLI, PRAY FOR
US!**

HOLY GOD WE PRAISE THY NAME!

**IS YOUR PARISH INTERESTED IN JOINING
C.A.H.N.S. (CHICAGO ASSOCIATION OF THE
HOLY NAME SOCIETY) OR REINSTATING
YOUR HOLY NAME SOCIETY?
PLEASE CONTACT**

**JOHN ORTIZ, PRESIDENT @ 708-846-9443 OR
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Patron of the Holy Name Society

Blessed John of Vercelli (c. 1205-1283)

Feast Day: December 1

Date of Death: November 30, 1283

John Garbella, was born near Vercelli in northwest Italy in the early 13th century. Little is known of his early life. He entered the Dominican Order in the 1240s and served in various leadership capacities over the years. Elected sixth master general of the Dominicans in 1264, he served for almost two decades.

Known for his tireless energy and his commitment to simplicity, John made personal visits—typically on foot—to almost all the Dominican houses, urging his fellow friars to strictly observe the rules and constitutions of the Order. He was tapped by two popes for special tasks. Pope Gregory X enlisted the help of John and his fellow Dominicans in helping to pacify the States of Italy that were quarreling with one another. John was also called upon to draw up a framework for the Second Council of Lyons in 1274. It was at that council that he met Jerome of Ascoli (the man who would later become Pope Nicholas IV), then serving as minister general of the Franciscans. Some time later the two men were sent by Rome to mediate a dispute involving King Philip III of France. Once again, John was able to draw on his negotiating and peacemaking skills.

Following the Second Council of Lyons, Pope Gregory selected the Dominicans to spread devotion to the name of Jesus. John took the task to heart, requiring that every Dominican church contain an altar of the Holy Name; groups were also formed to combat blasphemy and profanity.

Even though the Confraternity of the most Holy Names of God and Jesus was not canonically recognized until the 1500's, Blessed John's effort to promote devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus throughout the entire Church make him the patron of the Confraternity of the most Holy Names of God and Jesus.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OFFICERS BOARD MEETING

PLACE OUR LADY OF VICTORY CHURCH
5240 W. AGATITE AVE., CHICAGO 60630
TIME 7:30PM
Wednesday October 26th 2011

SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY/BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

PLACE ST. CORNELIUS CHURCH
5430 W. FOSTER AVE., CHICAGO 60630
TIME 7:30PM
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 8TH, 2011

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PLACE ST. MARIA GORETTI CHURCH
3929 N. WEHRMAN AVE., SCHILLER PARK 60176
TIME 9:00AM
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19TH, 2011

ANNUAL HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION

THE FEAST OF BLESSED JOHN OF VERCELLI

PLACE ST. TARCISUS CHURCH
6020 W. ARDMORE AVE., CHICAGO 60646
TIME 7:00PM
THURSDAY DECEMBER 1ST 2011

The Holy Name Society promotes reverence and devotion for the Holy Names of God and Jesus and the personal sanctification and holiness of its members. Members work in union to build the kingdom of God by teaching, spreading, and defending the Catholic faith.

Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Jesus

On January 3 the Church celebrates the optional memorial of the Most Holy Name of Jesus. Before the reform of the Roman Calendar this feast was celebrated on January 2. In the liturgical revisions of Vatican II, the feast was deleted in 1970 when the new liturgical calendar went into effect. It was deleted at least in part due to the fact that in the United States the Epiphany was transferred to this Sunday from its fixed date of January 6. Throughout this time a votive Mass to the Holy Name of Jesus had been retained for devotional use - especially by the Dominican and the Franciscan Orders

Pope John Paul II created a new Holy Name of Jesus feast in 2002, to be observed on January 3, bearing the official status of an "optional memorial". The feast was formally restored to the liturgical calendar as an optional memorial with the release of the revised Roman Missal in March 2002.

In addition, the second Sunday of each month is designated in the Roman Catholic calendar as a "Holy Name Sunday", and has its own special Mass, which may be substituted for the regular one that would otherwise be solemnized on that Sunday (except if a major observance such as Easter falls on that day). This is similar to the Catholic devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus which by tradition is practiced on the first Friday of each month, which has its own special Mass (the same Mass as the one used annually on the Feast of the Sacred Heart).

The Feast of the Holy Name is an obligatory memorial for professed members of the Holy Name Society - all professed members are required to attend Mass on this day or pray the Liturgy of the Hours for the Holy Name, or recite the Litany to the most Holy Name of Jesus or make another special devotion to the Holy Name on January 3rd. It is also highly recommended that all novitiates be formally **inducted** into the Confraternity during or immediately after Mass on this very special feast day.

CAHNS 2011 ANNUAL RAFFLE WINNERS

Grand Prize \$5000 Our Lady of Victory HNS
2nd Prize \$1500 Immaculate Conception HNS
3rd Prize \$1000 Tim Locascio
4th Prize \$500 Elizabeth Prusaitis
5th Prize \$250 Lucy Mainardi (NJ)
Early Bird \$250 St. Jude Holy Name Society

Thank to all who participated!

NAHNS NEWS

The 41st Annual National Convention of the NAHNS was held in Baltimore, Maryland from September 21st through September 24th, 2011. This convention was a Constitutional Convention. The delegates ratified a new Constitution and associated Bylaws setting a Bright future for the Holy Name Society.

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