

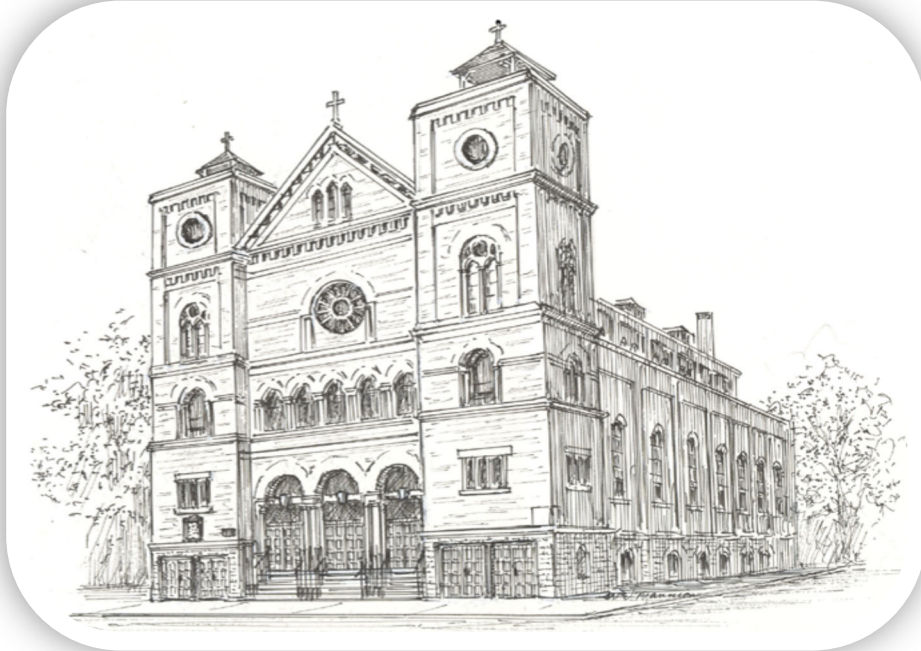
Church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

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Sunday, February 21st, 2016 | Second Sunday of Lent - Year C



Schedule of Masses & Services

Saturday: 8:30am | 12:00pm | 5:00pm (English)

Sunday: 8:30am (English) | 9:30am (Spanish)
11:00am (Italian) | 12:15pm (English)
1:30pm (Spanish)

Weekday: 8:30am / 12:00pm / 6:30pm (All English)

Confessions: Saturdays from 4:00pm to 5:00pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION/HOLY HOURS

Every Thursday from 5:30pm to 6:30pm

Every Saturday from 12:30pm to 1:30pm

First Friday of every month from 12:30pm-6:30pm

Novena Devotions: After each Mass

Monday: *Miraculous Medal*

Wednesday: *Our Lady of Perpetual Help*

Thursday: *Saint Joseph*

Friday: *Divine Mercy Chaplet*

BAPTISMS:

2nd Sunday of every month in Spanish at 2:30pm

3rd Sunday every other month in English at 2:30pm

Please stop by the Parish Center to register or call for more information.

PARISH STAFF

PASTOR

Rev. Fr. Jonathan Morris

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Fr. Urbano Rodrigues

PARISH CENTER

2380 Belmont Avenue

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

9:00am to 8:00pm

Thursday & Friday

9:00am to 5:00pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

COORDINATOR

Sister Edna Loquias, S.M.C.

PARISH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL

Mr. John T. Riley

MARRIAGES:

We will be happy to help any couples who are preparing for marriage. Please make an appointment with a Priest at the Parish Center.

PASTORAL VISITS TO THE SICK:

If you or someone you know is in the hospital or homebound and would be served by a pastoral visit by a Priest, Religious Sister or a lay Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, please contact the Parish Center.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

We invite new parishioners to register at the Parish Center as soon as possible after moving into the parish.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

For information and to register your child for Religious Education Classes, please call the Catechetical Office at (718) 295-3770.

MOUNT CARMEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

The parish school is located at 2465-67 Bathgate Ave. For information please call (718) 295-6080.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Sunday, February 21st | Second Sunday of Lent

- 8:30am Tina Di Palermo
- 9:30am Pro Populo
- 11:00am Gennaro, Mariantonia e Vincenzo Del Vecchio
- 12:15pm Alfonso Criscuolo and Gaetano Anastasio
- 1:30pm Vicky Elizabeth Bailon Cruz

Monday, February 22nd | Chair of Saint Peter

- 8:30am Vincenzo Mulone
- 12:00pm Janet Kaz and Joseph Subranni
- 6:30pm Deceased Members of the Contento Family

Tuesday, February 23rd | Saint Polycarp

- 8:30am Carmine Pistocco
- 12:00pm Modestina and Luigi Pietroluongo
- 6:30pm Antonietta Cardillo

Wednesday, February 24th | Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am Giovanni Santaniello & Deceased Family Members
- 12:00pm Ed Marcone, John Di Noia, Rose Lupo
and Deceased Family Members
- 6:30pm Ugo Albano

Thursday, February 25th | Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am Pierina Cristiano
- 12:00pm Renato Tramontin
- 6:30pm Caryl Borgatti

Friday, February 26th | Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am Cosmo and John De Caprio & Joe Palladino
- 12:00pm Pierina Cristiano
- 6:30pm Richard Pizzonia

Saturday, February 27th | Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am Michele and Carmela Navarra
and Deceased Family Members
- 12:00pm Angela Gourgareas
- 5:00pm Salvatore and Giuseppina Florio

Sunday, February 28th | Third Sunday of Lent

- 8:30am Michele and Anna Maria Pascarelli
- 9:30am Tomas San Pedro
- 11:00am Bernardo Civitarese, Rocco Coletta e Ronnie Barone
- 12:15pm Deceased Members of the Valerio Family
- 1:30pm Pro Populo

WEEKEND MASS COLLECTION - 2/14/2016

Collection\$3,923.54
 Last year's Collection\$2,549.00
Thank you all for your generosity!!

LAST WEEKEND'S ATTENDANCE - 2/14/2016

Adults: 425..... Children: 146..... / **Total.....571**

"From the Desk of Father Jonathan"

I have been inspired to see the number of people attending daily mass increase during this period of Lent. I know some of you have decided to come every day. Others are coming once or twice during the week. What a fabulous way to prepare our souls for Holy Week and Easter. If you have never had the habit of attending mass during the week, why not give it a try for the next few weeks? We have three daily masses (8:30am, 12:00pm, 6:30pm) to make it convenient for diverse schedules. And there are so many other churches in our city that offer earlier and later masses.

I guarantee you that if you go to mass even just once during the week, besides our Sunday commitment, you will see a major boost in your spiritual life. And after you try it, let me know how it goes!

Father Jonathan

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the deceased members of our parish *Anna M. Valentin & our fallen military.*

MEMORIALS OFFERED THIS WEEK

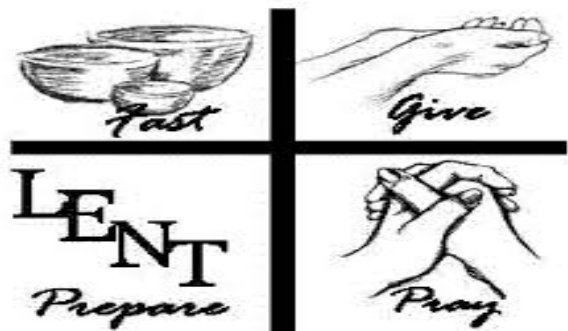
Sanctuary Lamp



In Memory of Antonietta & Bartolomeo Ruocco
Requested by Daughter, Anna



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REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD**Sunday Gospel: Luke 9: 28-36**

Many years ago, a mother wanted to encourage her young son in learning the piano. She took him to a concert featuring the renowned Paderewski. Once seated, the mother spotted a friend and went to greet her. The little boy wandered away from his seat, and pushed open a door labeled "No Admittance." The house lights dimmed as the mother discovered her son was missing. Suddenly the stage curtains parted and there he was, sitting at the Steinway grand, picking out "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star." Paderewski made his entrance, moved to the piano and whispered, "Don't stop. Keep playing!" The great pianist began a bass part with his left hand and a running obbligato with his right. Together, the old master and the novice transformed the situation into a wonderful, mesmerizing experience. That is the way it is with God. We try our best, but we accomplish little on our own. Yet, with the hand of the Master, our life's work truly can be beautiful.

When you commit to the life of a disciple, listen carefully to the voice of the Master whispering "Don't stop. Keep playing." Feel God's loving arms around you as God's strong hands play the concerto of your life.

Living Stewardship Now

Make a list of what you feel are your God-given skills and talents, small or large. Ask someone you know and trust to check out your list and make any changes they feel are necessary. What did you learn about yourself?

2016 Parish Mission+ *Mission of Mercy* +**FORMATION OF DISCIPLES**

Be a Disciple for the Parish Mission.
Please call the Parish Center to **REGISTER**.
Classes will begin soon.

USHERS NEEDED

Ushers are needed for the 8:30am and 12:15pm Sunday Masses. Prayerfully consider serving your brothers and sisters in Christ through this important ministry.

Please call the office & leave your name.

ALTAR SERVER'S MEETING

The next meeting of Altar Servers will be next Sunday, Feb. 28th at 2:30pm in church.

+ *Card Party - Preston H.S.* +
Saturday, March 19th - 6pm to 9pm
Please call 718-863-9134 for more info

RIFLESSIONE SULLA PAROLA DI DIO**Vangelo della Domenica: Luca 9: 28-36**

Nella Trasfigurazione, Gesù è indicato come la vera speranza dell'uomo e come l'apogeo dell'Antico Testamento. Luca parla dell'"esodo" di Gesù, che contiene allo stesso tempo morte e risurrezione. I tre apostoli, vinti dal sonno, che rappresenta l'incapacità dell'uomo di penetrare nel Mistero, sono risvegliati da Gesù, cioè dalla grazia, e vedono la sua gloria. La nube, simbolo dell'immensità di Dio e della sua presenza, li copre tutti. I tre apostoli ascoltano le parole del Padre che definiscono il Figlio come l'eletto: "Questi è il Figlio mio, l'eletto, ascoltatelo". Non c'è altro commento. Essi reagiscono con timore e stupore. Vorrebbero attaccarsi a questo momento, evitare l'attimo seguente della discesa dalla montagna e il suo fardello di abitudine, di oscurità, di passione. La Gloria, Mosè ed Elia, scompaiono. Non rimane "che Gesù solo", sola verità, sola vita e sola via di salvezza nella trama quotidiana della storia umana. Questa visione non li solleverà dal peso della vita di tutti i giorni, spesso spogliata dello splendore del Tabor, e neanche li dispenserà dall'atto di fede al momento della prova, quando i vestiti bianchi e il viso trasfigurato di Gesù saranno strappati e umiliati. Ma il ricordo di questa visione li aiuterà a capire, come spiega il Prefazio della Messa di oggi, "che attraverso la passione possiamo giungere al trionfo della risurrezione".

Missione Parrocchiale 2016+ *Missione della Misericordia* +

Incoraggiamo a tutti i parrocchiani di pregare, considerando a diventare un 'Discepolo' della Missione Parrocchiale. Andremo incontro ai nostri fratelli e sorelle in Cristo, chiedendoli come meglio potremmo servirli.

~ *Vi preghiamo di registrarvi all'ufficio parrocchiale* ~

Possa la Madonna del Carmine guidarci mentre ci mettiamo in corso.

Se non vi è possibile andare per le strade, vi chiediamo di pregare per il successo della missione.

- VIA CRUCIS -**FRIDAYS + VENERDÌ + VIERNES****11:15am** - English & Italian**7:00pm** - English & Spanish**The Holy Father's pro-life thoughts - March 2015**

Palliative care is an expression of the truly human attitude of taking care of one another, especially those who suffer. It is a testimony that the human person is always precious, even if marked by illness or old age.

REFLEXIONEMOS LA PALABRA DE DIOS

Evangelio del Domingo: Lucas 9: 28-36

Hace muchos años una madre quería dar ánimo a su hijo en sus estudios de piano. Lo llevó a un concierto del renombrado pianista Paderewski. Al llegar a sus puestos, la madre se fijó en una amiga y fue a saludarla.

El pequeño, por su parte, se alejó de su puesto y abrió una puerta con un letrero que decía "Prohibido pasar". Las luces ya habían bajado cuando la madre se dio cuenta que su hijo no estaba. De pronto se abrieron las cortinas y ahí estaba el niño, sentado al gran piano Steinway y tratando de tocar las notas de "La pájara pinta". Paderewski hizo su entrada, se acercó al piano y susurró: "¡No pares; sigue tocando!" El gran pianista comenzó a tocar las escalas mayores con su mano izquierda y un arreglo melódico con la derecha. Juntos, el viejo maestro y el novicio transformaron la situación en una experiencia hermosa e inolvidable. Así sucede con Dios. Tratamos lo mejor posible, pero poco logramos por nosotros mismos. Sin embargo, con la mano del Maestro, las obras de nuestra vida pueden ser verdaderamente maravillosas. Cuando te comprometes a una vida de discípulo, debes estar siempre a la escucha de la voz del Maestro que susurra: "¡No pares; sigue tocando!"

Siente a Dios que te abraza amorosamente y entiende que las manos de Dios están tocando el concierto de tu vida. • Ten un crucifijo cerca. Acuérdate de la muerte de Jesús.

Viviendo la Palabra de Dios

Haz una lista de las habilidades y los talentos que tú crees Dios te ha dado, así los consideres grandes o pequeños. Pídele a alguien que conoces y en quien tienes confianza que compruebe tu lista y le haga los cambios que crea necesarios.

ENCUENTRO DE PAREJAS

"La pareja que ora unida siempre se mantendrá unida"

Hoy, Domingo, 21 de Febrero

2:30pm a 5:00pm

Salón de FATIMA HALL

Invitación:

Parejas casadas, no casadas,
parejas de novios y solteros

¡¡LOS ESPERAMOS!!

MISION PARROQUIAL 2016

+ *Misión de la Misericordia* +

FORMACION DE DISCIPULOS

Si desea ser parte de la Misión Parroquial y siendo un Discípulo, por favor regístrese en Centro Parroquial o bien puede llamar al 718-295-3770.

Lectors for February 27th & 28st

5:00pm Gina Vaccaro and Richard Powers
8:30am Nicky Watson
9:30am I. Ramirez y A. Cardona
11:00am N. Trombetta & F. D'Orsogna
12:15pm C. Zombek
1:30pm Cesar Diaz & Adriana Trujillo

NOCHE DE ALABANZA Y ORACION



*“Alaba y Glorifica al Señor
todos los días de tu vida”*

*¿Quieres orar y alabar a Dios
de una manera diferente?*

*Te esperamos en esta noche, será
un encuentro entre tu y el Señor.*

Próximo, Viernes, 26 de Febrero, 2016

***7:30pm a 11:00pm
Fatima Hall***

***Predicador
Dario Contreras***

***Música
Juan Grullon
y
Sebastian Amaro***

VIA CRUCIS 2016 - CONVOCATORIA - ENSAYOS

Los ensayos para el Vía Crucis serán los días Lunes y miércoles a las 7:00pm en Fatima Hall. También hacemos una invitación a aquellas personas que deseen participar por favor comuníquese con Pedro Flores o Sebastian Amaro al finalizar la Santa Misa, o bien puede comunicarse al 718-295-3770 o 347-825-6945. Contamos con tu apoyo.

REUNION MINISTERIO HISPANO

La próxima reunión del Ministerio Hispano será el Lunes, 29 de Febrero a las 7:15pm en el Centro Parroquial. Aquellas personas que deseen ser parte del Ministerio son bienvenidos. ¡Los esperamos!

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