

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday, April 24, 2016
5th Sunday of Easter

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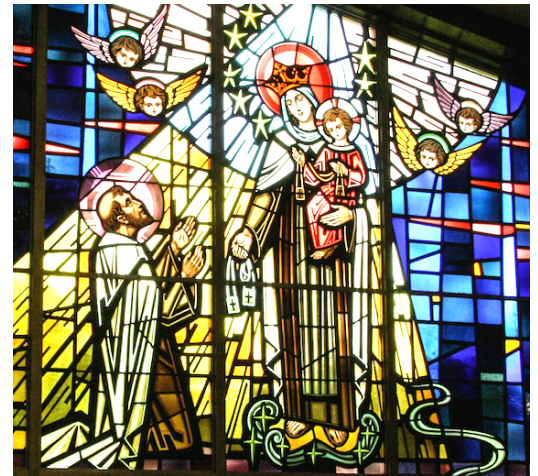
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RCIA

For adults who wish to become Catholic & Catholics who wish to be Confirmed. Please contact Fr. Abuchi.



Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am / 9:00am / 11:00am

Daily Masses

Monday-Saturday: 8:30am (except Wed.)
Wednesday: 7:00pm

First Friday Mass: 2:00pm
@Homestead Nursing Home
Civic Holidays: 9:00am
Holy Days: 8:30am / 7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:15pm-4:45pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 9:00am-12:00pm

Sacraments of Baptism

By appointment

Sacrament of Marriage

Please arrange 1 year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the office to arrange.

Youth Group

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Why go to Mass on Sunday? - continued

Why should we keep the Sunday holy by going to Mass? The Mass was instituted at the Last Supper by Jesus before His Crucifixion. The Last Supper was the first Mass. The Gospel of Luke speaks about the Last Supper as well as the new command given to the apostles. This command is "Do this in memory of me." "And when the hour came, he sat at table and the apostles with him...And he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in memory of me" (Lk. 22:14-20). Similarly he gave the cup telling them it is his blood which will be his new and everlasting covenant with them. Thus, during Eucharistic celebration the priest acts *in persona christi* (in person of Christ) and recites similar words commanded by Christ. When we celebrate the Mass, we repeat the Last Supper, as Jesus commanded us to do. In doing this, we remember and re-present his great act of love for us on the Cross.

Hence the Church teaches that we must fulfill the command of Jesus ("Do this in memory of me") by attending Sunday Mass (or the Vigil Mass the night before). *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* (# 2041-43) explains that Mass attendance on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation is the first of the six Commandments of the Church. Besides these precepts, the Church also requires receiving Communion at least once a year during the Easter season, confessing any mortal sin as a preparation for Communion, and observing the prescribed days of fasting and abstinence. These Commandments obviously spell out the minimal responsibilities of a Catholic. To fail to fulfill them through our own fault, that is, deliberately, the Church teaches, is a serious sin.

- Fr. Abuchi

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 23

Acts 13:44-52 / Ps 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4 / Jn 14:7-14

8:30am Bob Froetscher

5:00pm Betty Kinney

Sunday, April 24

Acts 14:21-27 / Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 / Rev 21:1-5A / Jn 13:31-33A, 34-35

7:30am Arthur P. Petracco, Jr.

9:00am Wilmer Sipple

11:00am William S. Long

Monday, April 25

1 Pt 5:5B-14 / Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 / Mk 16:15-20

8:30am Intentions of Mary Ellen Nienstedt

Tuesday, April 26

Acts 14:19-28 / Ps 145:10-11, 12-13AB, 21 / Jn 14:27-31A

8:30am Dominick & Edna Maniaci

Wednesday, April 27

Acts 15:1-6 / Ps 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5 / Jn 15:1-8

7:00pm Intentions of Tommy Schoonover

Thursday, April 28

Acts 15:7-21 / Ps 96:1-2A, 2B-3, 10 / Jn 15:9-11

8:30am For the Sick & the Poor

Friday, April 29

Acts 15:22-31 / Ps 57:8-9, 10 & 12 / Jn 15:12-17

8:30am Intentions of David Douglas & Family

Saturday, April 30

Acts 16:1-10 / Ps 100:1B-2, 3, 5 / Jn 15:18-21

8:30am For All Our Volunteers

5:00pm Paul Shernce

Sunday, May 1

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 / Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 / Rev 21:10-14, 22-23 / Jn 14:23-29

7:30am Arthur P. Petracco, Jr.

9:00am Deceased Members of the Muller & Weisser Families

11:00am Anthony Barile

Please Remember and Pray For:

Joan Bamrick, Ann Bott, Walter & Concetta Brock Jr., Robert J. Caffrey, Joseph Colon, Carmine Curulli, Luca Dewey, Ingrid Diaz, Linda Flynn, Suzanne Hammond, Ava Kljajic, Bruce Konar, Pete Mahler, Susanne Martone, James B. Nienstedt, Mary Ellen Nienstedt, Sister Peggy Noone, John Samsock, Stephen Osborn, Margie Palazzo, Laura Pasternak, Connie Pyne, Peter F. Reynolds, Colleen Romano, Sal Romano, Joan Royer, Carole Salvatore, Greg Schmiditty, Rose Marie Sciascia, Gloria Shope, Debbie Smith, Richie Sorce, Andrew Sorce, Carol Strand, Dale Swoboda, Roberta Treptau, David & Vince Ventresca, Arthur John Whelan, Laura Whelan, Pat Zaleski

Visitation of the Sick & Homebound: If you would like a visit from a priest, please contact the office. Also, please let us know when someone is admitted to the hospital.

A Good Steward

April 17th, Sunday Collection: \$3,327.50

Human Development Collection: \$611

This weekend's second collection will be for the Diocesan Assessment. Please be as generous as you are able.

Thank you.

Attention: Please have all bulletin announcements submitted at least 12 days in advance (or Tuesday a week and a half in advance) to guarantee that it will appear in the bulletin. Thank you!

Our **Food Pantry** is available by appointment to those in need. Please contact the office.

We encourage those who are **new to the parish** to contact the office and register! Thank you!

Lectors Needed: Directly assisting at Mass is a source of tremendous additional graces. Lectors are needed to assist at weekend & Holy Day Masses. Training will be provided. Please contact Fr. Abuchi or Dina Salvatore @973-579-1908 for more information.

Our annual **God Bowl** will be held Sunday, **May 1st at 12:00 noon**. Religious Education students in grades 5-8 are expected to participate. Parents are encouraged to attend and support their students!

The Auxilium School/Camp Auxilium OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, April 24th from 12 – 2 PM

Saturday, May 21st from 1 – 3 PM

Come see our school and our summer camp programs!

For more information, please call 973-383-2621 x3 or visit www.campauxilium.org

Women and Men of the Armed Forces

We ask God the Father, through the intercession of St. Michael the Archangel to protect all the men and women in our Armed Forces. May they be brought back safely to those whom they love:

Larisa Furs, US Navy; Lieutenant Jason Gieniewski, U.S. Army; Pvt. Daniel Michael Mobilio, Army; Captain Richi M. Pazdzierski, US



Army; Captain Jane Petrick, Army; Lieutenant Daniel T. Pevarnik Jr., National Guard; Corporal Garrett Michael Reynolds USMC; Captain Cheryl Ryan; US Army, Seaman Recruit Tylor Joseph Salonia; Michael Valeich, Staff Sergeant; Robert Williams, Airman

Our **Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner** will be Saturday, April 30th at 6pm, after the 5pm Mass. We invite everyone who has volunteered to help our parish throughout the year. Please RSVP at the doors of the church by April 23rd, as we need a head count for the caterer. Thank you!

The Lord's presence dwells in families, with all their daily troubles and struggles, joys and hopes.

-Pope Francis
@Pontifex

Our **Food Pantry** is in need of the following items: coffee, tea, juice, water, instant potatoes, jar pasta sauce, canned meals, frozen meals, frozen meat, canned fruit, tuna, cereal, peanut butter, parmalat (milk), shampoo, toothpaste, soap, assorted personal care items, snack food items.



Note: School-aged children are required to bring a snack to school. We need all types of snacks for this reason. Thank you!

Attention Youth Group and all Church members: Please see the youth group bulletin board for all up coming youth group events. The board is located in the entry way to the hall. For more information on the youth group and up coming events, please email olmcyg@gmail.com.

Thursday, May 5th is the Solemnity of the **Ascension of the Lord**. Being a Holy Day of Obligation, Masses will be at 8:30am and 7:00pm. The office will be closed this day.

First Holy Communion will be at 10:30am, Saturday, May 7th. The First Communion students are invited to attend the 11am Mass on Sunday, May 8th in their First Communion attire in order to participate in the **May Crowning** following the Mass.

"Have you strayed from the path leading to heaven? Then call on Mary, for her name means "Star of the Sea, the North Star which guides the ships of our souls during the voyage of this life," and she will guide you to the harbor of eternal salvation."

-St. Louis de Montfort, The Secret of the Rosary
The Feast of St. Louis de Montfort is Thursday, April 28

Are you an active or a retired Registered Nurse? Would you like to become more involved in the parish by joining the **Parish Nurse Ministry**? I am trying to revive this ministry. Please call me, Cassie Liobe, at 973 383-3337, so we can schedule at date to meet and discuss some future plans.

Monday, April 25th is the Feast of St. Mark.

St. Mark is known for being the author of the second Gospel. Often associated with Sts. Paul and Barnabas, he accompanied them on their first missionary journey out of Jerusalem to Cyprus. He is credited with writing what St. Peter preached as he was not one of the 12 apostles. He died as a martyr while bishop of Alexandria, Egypt. St. Mark is the patron saint of notaries.

Bible Study meets in Biesiada Hall every Wednesday evening at 7:30pm. We are studying Acts of the Apostles. New members welcome! Please contact Phil Sweeney for more information 973-202-7205.

Our annual **Bike Blessing** will be Sunday, May 15th at noon.

The Golden Angels Senior Group's next meeting will be Thursday, May 19th at noon.

The home is the place where we learn to appreciate the beauty of the faith, to pray and serve our neighbor.

-Pope Francis
@Pontifex

Religious Education Catechists are needed for the 2016-2017 school year. Religious Education is a wonderful way to help our children understand their faith. Our goal is to have two teachers in each classroom so that the students have continuity throughout the year should one teacher be unavailable. It is an easy, rewarding, and faith-filled undertaking! Training will be provided to everyone; all the work is outlined in the teacher's manual - even what to write on the board! And I will guide you as you go. It is a worthwhile endeavor and the children appreciate it. Substitutes are needed when teachers are unavailable as well! Please contact the Religious Education office at 973-579-2355 if you would like to share your faith with our children. Also, Catechists do not pay tuition for their own children to be enrolled in our program. Please prayerfully consider joining this ministry.

Thank you and God bless,
Dan Salvatore, CRE

Our **8th Grade Lock-In Retreat** will be Friday, June 3rd and Saturday, June 4th. Please keep these dates available. Dinner on Friday, and breakfast and lunch on Saturday will be provided. Please be on the lookout for more information in the upcoming weeks.