

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday, October 1, 2017
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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What matters in the end is not just your words but your actions!

Today, Jesus began his powerful story with a man who had two sons. In this parable, the father asks one of the sons to work in the vineyard. At first the son refuses but later thinks better of it, and does in fact go work in the vineyard just as the father requested. The second son was affirmative. He is a big talker, full of promises but unfortunately no action. His actions do not support his words.

"Now, both of these scenarios are entirely recognizable to us. How many times have you given a poor answer or an immature response to a situation, and then upon reflection summoned your better self to do the right thing? Perhaps you said or did something in haste and emotion in the heat of the moment, and then had to turn around and apologize later, and do the right thing. Besides, there are times we say things we will accomplish, and we might even really mean it when we say it, but when it comes right down to it, our actions do not support our words. How many of us are better at starting a thing than finishing a thing? It matters not as much whether we fail, but what we do after we fail. This first son disappointed his father by his initial refusal to work in the family vineyard, no question about it. But in the end, his actions of obedience and diligence overcame and redeemed his earlier refusal."

At the end of the parable, Jesus asked, "Which of the sons did what the father wanted?" The answer is obvious. Jesus' enemies who are also his audience were forced to acknowledge that it was the son who actually went into the field who pleased the father. Then, Jesus drove home the point to these religious leaders, "I tell you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the Kingdom of God ahead of you, because they are turning to believe in the way of righteousness." It was these unexpected groups who were considered the deplorable and the outcasts that came out to listen to John the Baptist and repented afterwards. It was the same group again that scored the greatest number of conversion and repentance during the time of Jesus.

"It's worth remembering, in the parable that we heard, the son who ultimately does the father's will-and, presumably, is finally saved – isn't the son who said, "Yes." It's the one who at first said, "No." He changed his mind — and changed his heart. And that made all the difference. God gives us that chance again and again, the chance to take another road. He gave it to Paul and Augustine and Dorothy Day. And He also gives it to us."

—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

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 9:00am-12:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:15pm-4:45pm

Sacraments of Baptism, Marriage, & Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the office to arrange.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 30-Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

ZEC 2:5-9, 14-15A / LK 9:43B-45
 8:30am Deceased Members of OLMC
 5:00pm Intentions of Mary Parkyn

Sunday, October 1

EZ 18:25-28 / PHIL 2:1-11 or PHIL 2:1-5 / MT 21:28-32
 7:30am Richard Maylander
 9:00am Intentions of Ann Briggs
 11:00am Thomas Cichon

Monday, October 2-Memorial of the Guardian Angels

ZEC 8:1-8 / MT 18:1-5, 10
 8:30am Frances and William Wilkes

Tuesday, October 3

ZEC 8:20-23 / LK 9:51-56
 8:30am Betty Hume

Wednesday, October 4-Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi

NEH 2:1-8 / LK 9:57-62
 7:00pm Matthew Simpson

Thursday, October 5

NEH 8:1-4A, 5-6, 7B-12 / LK 10:1-12
 8:30am Catherine Chapkosky

Friday, October 6

BAR 1:15-22 / LK 10:13-16
 8:30am Deacon Anthony Signorelli

Saturday, October 7-Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

BAR 4:5-12, 27-29 / LK 10:17-24
 8:30am Josefa Reyes
 5:00pm Deceased Members of Weisser and Muller Families

Sunday, October 8

IS 5:1-7 / PHIL 4:6-9 / MT 21:33-43
 7:30am John Kirk
 9:00am Eleanor Sylvester
 11:00am Salvatore Mione

Please Remember and Pray For the Following

Ann Bott, Walter & Concetta Brock Jr., Bradley Burchfield, Joseph Colon, Terry Comer, Meghan Corcoran, Michael Corcoran, Fr. Angelus Croce, Carmine Curulli, Ingrid Diaz, Kara Deserto, Doug Ernst, Sr., Thomasina Gebhard, Richard Hennings, Les Hummienny, Ava Kljajic, Bruce Konar, Joshua Koontz, Betty Lacovara, Kimberly Lane, Kden LeoGrande, Pete Mahler, Maria Mallozzi, Mary Jo Manno, Deacon Charles Mathias, Susanne Martone, Mary Ellen Nienstedt, Sister Peggy Noone, Stephen Osborn, Margie Palazzo, Mary Parkyn, Jerome Pasternak, Ellie Prakopcyk, Owen Primavera, Connie Pyne, Maryanne Quara, Peter F. Reynolds, Carol Rock, Bishop Frank Rodimer Colleen Romano, Linda Ross, Joan Royer, Rose Marie Sciascia, Carole Salvatore, John Samscock, James Scales, Diane Scarince, Greg Schmiditty, Gloria Shope, Carole Sisco, Debbie Smith, Nancy Snook, Stephanie, Richie Sorce, Andrew Sorce, Michael Sugar, Dale Swoboda, Roberta Treptau, David & Vince Ventresca, Brooke Zaleski

A GOOD STEWARD

Sunday, September 24

\$4032.00

Thank you for your generosity!

*There will be a second collection on the weekend of October 8th for the Diocesan Assessment. Please be as generous as possible.

SANCTUARY LAMP

This Week The Sanctuary Lamp Burns For The intentions of Mary Parkyn



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; Lt. Jason Gieniewski,

U.S. Army; Pvt. Daniel Michael Mobilio, Army; Captain Richi M. Pazdzierski, US Army; Captain Jane Petrick, Army; Lt. Daniel T. Pevarnik, Jr., National Guard; Captain Cheryl Ryan, US Army; Seaman Recruit Tylor Joseph Salonia; Michael Valeich, Staff Sergeant; Robert Williams, Airman



GERTRUDE HAWK CANDY SALE

The Confirmation Program is now taking orders for Gertrude Hawk Christmas Candy and Christmas Wreaths and Grave Blankets. Please help support this fundraiser by ordering through one of our Confirmation Candidates or pick up a candy catalogue and wreath ordering form available in the Parish kitchen. All orders must be submitted by November 5. Thank you for your past support.

MONDAY ADORATION - 9am-12noon

Everyone is invited to spend some time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. We are considering having adoration in the Church from Monday, October 2nd to November. This will give more opportunity for people who will want a larger space to pray and to meditate.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Our Lady of Mount Carmel's Blessing of the Animals will take place on Sunday, October 8th at 1pm.

RCIA PROGRAM

We are accepting candidates for the RCIA program. Anybody who is inquiring to know more about the Catholic faith and teachings, please call the office or e-mail Fr. Abuchi.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**Reminder**

The next Confirmation gathering will be Sunday, October 1 at 7pm.

2017 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

**2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal
In Giving, We Receive**

The services provided by our Catholic Charities agencies are too long to list in our bulletin-but here are just a few: emergency housing for people in extreme poverty, outpatient and residential substance abuse treatment, group homes for disabled adults, outreach to veterans who are homeless, family counseling, etc. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal helps bring this important work to life. In fact, Catholic Charities receives the largest percentage of Appeal funding. Your help is needed to continue providing this urgent care. Please be as generous as you are able to the 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal. For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2017appeal.org. Thank you!

PARISH LEGACY GIFTS

Many thanks to some parishioners who have graciously remembered the parish in their will.

Lord reminds us of the abundant blessings that come from a generous heart. "Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."

When you give your time, talent and financial resources to your parish, it strengthens our faith community in so many wonderful ways!

Did you know that there are also opportunities to make a legacy gift to Our Lady of Mount Carmel that will touch the lives of parishioners for generations to come? Please prayerfully consider remembering our parish in your will and estate plans. For more information, call our parish at 973-383-3566 or contact our Diocesan Development Office at 973-777-8818, ext. 215 for further assistance and to discuss options that might work for you. Thank you so much for all you do for Our Lady of Mount Carmel—now and in the future!

YOUTH GROUP**Youth Group Pow Wow**

Youth group members new and old (7th grade and up) are invited to join us for our first Pow Wow of this school year on Sunday, October 1st from noon-2pm. We will play some games, get to know each other, and plan for our upcoming Pumpkin Carving Party. You are welcome to join us at 11 o'clock mass before the meeting (meet us in the kitchen). Hope to see you there!

Pumpkin Carving Party

The Youth Group will be sponsoring a Pumpkin Carving Party on Saturday, October 14th after the 5pm mass. Parishioners are invited to bring their own pumpkin and carving tools and enjoy a night of carving, festive music, games, refreshments, and of course the best company in town!

***There's been a change in the time for the Youth Group Pow Wow on October 1st...The new time is 5pm-7pm before the Confirmation gathering. Dinner will be provided.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 50/50 RAFFLE

The Knights of Columbus are currently holding a raffle to support our various charities. There will be 3 winners drawn from 50% of the proceeds, 35%, 10% and 5%. The winning tickets will be drawn at the Knights annual Pork and Turkey Roast on October 21st. Winner need not be present, but we would like to see you at the Pork and Turkey Roast. Raffle tickets are \$20.00 each and available at the side door after mass. Advance tickets for the Pork and Turkey Roast are also available at the side door after mass. As always, The Knights appreciate your generosity and support for our efforts to help the less fortunate.

God Bless You, OLMC Council 9920

SILVER AND GOLD ANNIVERSARY MASS**SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Couples, were you married in 1967 or 1992? You are warmly invited to celebrate you 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Paterson. Bishop Serratelli will be the main celebrant at Mass at The Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson.

Sunday, November 5, 2017, at 4:00pm-Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. Registrations will be accepted through **Tuesday, October 17, 2017**. Information will be sent from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

Pope John XXIII Regional High School invites you to their October Open Houses

Open House for Incoming 9th Grade-October 10, 7:30pm
Open House for Incoming 8th Grade-October 24, &:30pm

Questions? Contact Anne Kaiser, Admissions
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