

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday, May 20, 2018
Pentecost Sunday



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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
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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Knights of Columbus, Council 9920

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A fulfilled promise that changed the course of history!

A promise is only but a word until it is fulfilled and effective. Spoken words alongside with a promise can have a big impact on a persons life. How sad it is that many people make a promise but they don't follow through. Many people believe broken promises undermine the very foundation of their relationship. When a couple gets engaged, they make a commitment to each other in marriage. At the moment of engagement, they are promising to stick together and marry each other. It is devastating when those powerful words enshrined on what we call 'engagement' is broken. How about Jesus? Did He keep His promise to the apostles? His farewell speech was packed with powerful words not only to keep them together but also to take after Him and continue the mission. He outlined requirements before this mission is to kick off. First of all, the apostles have to remain in Him like a piece of branch that holds tightly on the vine, to love one another and above all to keep His commandment.

Jesus promised He and the Father will send the Holy Spirit to accompany the apostles in their work till the end of time. However, before continuing His mission, He strongly warned them to remain in the city of Jerusalem till they were clothed with the Holy Spirit. Jesus refers to the Holy Spirit as the "Advocate." This is translated in Greek as "Paraclete." It is further translated as the comforter, the counselor and so forth. At Pentecost, Jesus' promise was fulfilled. It was effective. It was accomplished. From this point on, the apostles were never the same. The men who huddled themselves behind locked doors out of fear, saw a light at the end of the tunnel. Fears dissipated and joy and courage became the tools for spreading the gospel. Because, "They were all filled with the Holy Spirit."

The pilgrims who gathered in Jerusalem were unable to see the Holy Spirit but they definitely saw the effects on the apostles. The Holy Spirit broke down the wall of language barrier that separated them from one another, and they were able to hear their own language from the apostles. Now the evangelization is born, the new Church is founded and the Holy Spirit will continue to guide and protect the Church from generation to generation. Promise is only but a word until it is fulfilled. And of course, Christ fulfilled His promise. Thus, today as we celebrate Pentecost, Christ invites us to pray and to let the Holy Spirit guide us in everything we do. Yes, we may not see the Holy Spirit visibly, but according to St. Paul, wherever we find love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control, the Spirit is there at work. Are you willing to let Holy Spirit be in charge?

—Fr. Abuchi

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 19

ACTS 28:16-20, 30-31 / JN 21:20-25
 8:30am Foe All Veterans
 5:00pm John McCarthy

Sunday, May 20 - Pentecost

ACTS 2:1-11 / 1 COR 12:3B-7, 12-13 / JN 20:19-23
 7:30am The Condit Family
 9:00am James Hamilton McCheyne
 11:00am Theresa Orso

Monday, May 21 - Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

GN 3:9-15, 20 / JN 19:25-34
 8:30am Fr. Chidi Osondu

Tuesday, May 22

JAS 4:1-10 / MK 9:30-37
 8:30am Fr. William Santeliz

Wednesday, May 23

JAS 4:13-17 / MK 9:38-40
 7:00pm Kimberly Lane

Thursday, May 24

JAS 5:1-6 / MK 9:41-50
 8:30am Intentions of Fr. Abuchi - Anniversary of Ordination

Friday, May 25

JAS 5:9-12 / MK 10:1-12
 8:30am Fr. Jean Claude

Saturday, May 26 - Memorial of St. Phillip Neri, Priest

JAS 5:13-20 / MK 10:13-16
 8:30am Intentions of Frank Roehrig
 5:00pm All the Confirmed Candidates

Sunday, May 27 - The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

DT 4:32-34, 39-40 / ROM 8:14-17 / MT 28:16-20
 7:30am
 9:00am
 11:00am Private Intention - And All the Priests Celebrating Anniversary

Please Remember and Pray For the Following

Jennie Apostola, Ann Bott, Ralph Bozza, Samantha Brady, Walter & Concetta Brock Jr., Bradley Burchfield, Dominic Bongiorno, George Carse, Joseph Colon, Fr. Angelus Croce, Carmine Curulli, Ingrid Diaz, Kara Deserto, Doug Ernst Sr., Linda Flynn, Thomasina Gebhard, Richard Hennings, Ava Kljajic, Bruce Konar, Joshua Koontz, Alex Krucinski, Kimberly Lane, Kden LeoGrande, Elizabeth Lacovara, Pete Mahler, Maria Mallozzi, Mary Jo Manno, Deacon Charles Mathias, Susanne Martone, Brett Mershon, Mary Ellen Nienstedt, Stephen Osborn, Margie Palazzo, Jason Parker, Sr., Jerome Pasternak, Lorraine Paxton, Clarence Remke, Peter F. Reynolds, Carol Rock, Bishop Frank Rodimer, Colleen Romano, Olga Romeo, Linda Ross, Joan Royer, Rose Marie Sciascia, Carole Salvatore, John Samssock, James Scales, Diane Scarince, Greg Schmiditty, Gloria Shope, Carole Sisco, Debbie Smith, Nancy Snook, Stephanie, Richie Sorce, Andrew Sorce, Richard Sorge, Michael Sugar, Dale Swoboda, Roberta Treptau, David & Vince Ventresca, Brooke Zaleski

A GOOD STEWARD

Sunday, May 13 \$4,413.05
Diocesan Assessment \$ 802.00
Ascension Thursday \$ 451.00
 * There will be a 2nd collection next weekend for Peter's Pence

Thank you for your generosity!

SANCTUARY LAMP

This Week The Sanctuary Lamp Burns for the Intentions of Deacon Ed Muller



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 Tyler Joseph Salonia; Michael Valeich, Staff Sergeant; Pvt. Zachary Wharton, Robert Williams, Airman



Knights of Columbus SCHOLARSHIP

The Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Council #9920, will once again award a Scholarship in memory of Brother Knight Joseph A. Lacovara. An award for tuition and/or supplies assistance will be presented to a member of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish for the academic year 2017-2018. Applications are available on the table by the CCD office. Please read the instructions carefully and return the application by noon July 16, 2018. If there are any questions, please ask one of the Knights or email olmckofc9920@gmail.com or wrnagy@ptd.net

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION-MAY 27

There are many things that take place thanks to Peter's Pence collection. For example, in Iraq, many people still live a nightmare of war and violence. As a result, many are displaced, including young people in the midst of their studies. Without an educated population, it will be difficult for the country to gain stability. But through Peter's Pence collection, the Archdiocese of Erbil, in Iraqi Kurdistan, has received funding for 10 scholarships for young displaced persons. With this help, the students can complete their university education and move forward with the hope of rebuilding their country. This is just one of many examples of how the Peter's Pence collection extends charity to those most in need. Your help would be a great blessing to many!

PLEASE JOIN ME TO CELEBRATE MY 10TH ANNIVERSARY!

Time flies! This May 24th will be ten years I was ordained a priest at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson. Since then, a lot has happened. I'm so grateful to many people God put into my life. Most of all, I am thankful to God who not only called me into the priesthood but has also protected and guarded me all this while. In thanksgiving to God, I ask you to please join me if you can on May 27 at the 11 am Mass. There will be a luncheon at the Church Hall. Sign up sheets are on the side doors. —Fr. Abuchi

Save the Date! JOY CLUB Announcement

Our next **JOY Club** meeting will be a luncheon at Bella Italia on Route 206 on **Friday, May 25th at 12:00pm**. \$15.00 cash inclusive. Sign up sheets at the door. If you need a ride, please call Patricia (973)534-7733

Wine and Cheese Social

***Thank you** to **Cassie Liobe** and **Joe Stadler** for planning the Wine and Cheese Social. Special thanks to Joe for donating wine for our upcoming socials. Look forward to seeing you next time!



***Our next Wine and Cheese Social** will be on **Saturday, June 2nd** after the 5 pm Mass. A \$5.00 donation is appreciated. Any questions, please contact **Lester (973)383-5189**

FOOD PANTRY

We are fortunate to be able to help our friends and neighbors through our pantry. Many items are now needed to restock our shelves. Please consider making a donation: pasta, healthy snack items, juice, crackers, cereal, meals in a can (stew, pasta meals, chunky soups), personal items (shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste and toothbrushes, deodorant, etc.), coffee, gift cards for fresh groceries you for your support. Thank you for your support!

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 pour 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!

Thank You to all the people that made my Birthday so pleasant! —Fr. Peter

CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD DRIVE-June 2nd and 3rd

We've been asked as a parish to participate in the Catholic Charities Annual Corpus Christi Food Drive. This food drive helps Catholic Charities, which relies heavily on parishes and schools for food donations, to help replenish the shelves in their food pantry. The items we've been asked to donate are canned vegetables: carrots, peas, mixed vegetables and paper towels. You can drop off your food donations in the hall after every Mass on Saturday, June 2 or Sunday, June 3—Thank you!

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

Stillwater Township's Memorial Day Observance

Please join your neighbors this Memorial Day on Monday, May 28, 2018 at 10:00 am to honor and remember all those who have served our country to ensure our rights and liberties as Americans. The Memorial Day ceremony will be at Veterans Memorial Park on Pond Brook Road. All veterans are encouraged to participate. If you have any questions, please call 570-6402



Knights Of Columbus ANNOUNCEMENTS

OLMC Knights of Columbus Council 9920

***The Knights of Columbus** are presently holding a raffle to help the less fortunate. There will be 3 prizes drawn to give you a greater chance of being a winner. The three monetary prizes will be 35%, 10%, and 5% of all proceeds collected from ticket sales. Tickets are available at the kitchen-side entrance of the church. "The Knights" thank you for your continued support

***The Knights** would like to recognize our Altar Servers for their dedication in helping our Priests celebrate Mass. How wonderful it is to see our young parishioners be a part of this great celebration. To honor those who serve, "The Knights" would like to reward a certificate of appreciation and \$20.00 to each Altar Server. **Thank you for being a part of our Church Community!**

***The Knights of Columbus** is a fraternal organization for Catholic gentlemen in union with the Holy See. All Catholic men, 18 and over, are invited to join.

Visit "WWW.KofC.org/joinus" to learn more about the many benefits of membership in the Knights of Columbus.

For more information contact Bill Nagy, at 973-919-8554, or Terry O'Connor, at 201-874-9836.

Camp Auxilium Job Openings for the Summer

Camp Auxilium is in need of counselors for their summer camp. They are also looking for a few lifeguards and support staff as well as maintenance workers. Camp season runs from June 18 - August 17, 2018. If you or someone you know are interested in a summer job at Camp Auxilium, you can download their application at www.campauxilium.org. Any questions, call Patti Greenhalgh (camp secretary) at (973)383-2621