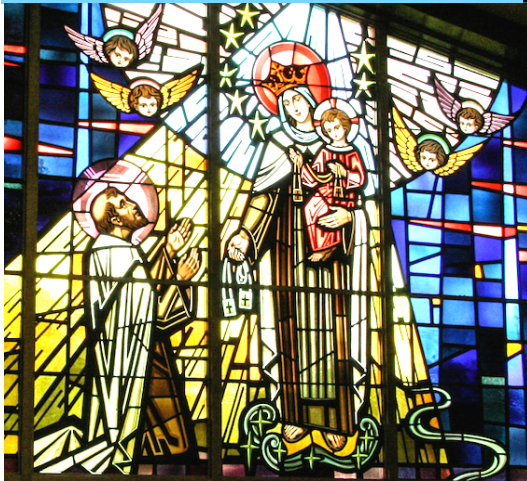


Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday, June 17, 2018
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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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Insignificant beginnings can lead to wonderful and excellent results!

All of us can tell the story of our beginnings so easily. We remember the significant events that took place and shaped our lives. The great heights attained by great men and women did not happen overnight. It is a process that started gradually and finally grow into a huge success. For instance, Christ the Son of God was born as a little baby in a manger in the most least expected place in the world. He touched so many lives and performed so many miracles. He called some fishermen to accompany Him in His earthly ministry. And the faith that would go out and change the world started with some of these fishermen in a backwater corner of the Roman Empire.

Do you know the milestone reached by the Apple company dated back to the 70s when its founders Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak kicked off in his parents garage? Both men worked hard, and in 10 years, Apple had grown from two men in a garage into a \$2 billion company with over 4,000 employees. And today, Apple's rising stock price briefly pushed its market value over \$900 billion. That made Apple the most valuable publicly traded company of all time. This of course did not happen overnight. Big things have small beginnings. That is the story of the Church and the story of God's relationship with humanity. God works in small ways and from those tiny, humble beginnings, He does great things. It's in the places that we least expect it that God does something amazing. In today's gospel, "Jesus compares the kingdom of God with seeds, which start out as small, seemingly insignificant things, that by the grace of God grow into something great — crops that feed whole families of people or great trees where birds come and make their home." The parable in today's gospel reminds us about insignificant beginnings that can lead to wonderful results. Indeed, God can be at work in surprising ways and places we do not expect.

God is constantly working in our lives, transforming our lives and making us into a people after His own heart in such a way we can also touch and make a difference in a countless number of lives we meet. Although the work is seemingly unknown at the beginning but it certainly makes a big difference at the end. Always follow your dream. Whenever you think you are nobody or there is nothing you can do, always remember that God uses the small, the weak, the humble. He uses the situations that seem like failures and transforms them into victories. He could use you to make that difference and transform others-and that insignificant beginnings of your life can lead to wonderful and excellent results.

—Fr. Abuchi

Mass Intentions for the Week**Saturday, June 16**

1 KGS 19:19-21 / MT 5:33-37

8:30am Patrick Murray

5:00pm Pray For All Fathers

Sunday, June 17

EZ 17:22-24 / 2 COR 5:6-10 / MK 4:26-34

7:30am Pray For All Fathers

9:00am Pray For All Fathers

11:00am Pray For All Fathers

Monday, June 18

1 KGS 21:1-16 / MT 5:38-42

8:30am Recovery of Fr. Daniel Kelly

Tuesday, June 19

1 KGS 21:17-29 / MT 5:43-48

8:30am Recovery of Msgr. John Demkovich

Wednesday, June 20

2 KGS 2:1, 6-14 / MT 6:1-6, 16-18

7:00pm Richard Caccavale

Thursday, June 21 - Memorial of St. Aloysius, Religious

SIR 48:1-14 / MT 6:7-15

8:30am Louis Nazzaro

Friday, June 22

2 KGS 11:1-4, 9-18, 20 / MT 6:19-23

8:30am Michael McCarthy

Saturday, June 23

2 CHR 24:17-25 / MT 6:24-34

8:30am Pray For All Graduates

5:00pm Theresa Orso

**Sunday, June 24 - Solemnity of the Nativity of
Saint John the Baptist**

IS 49:1-6 / ACTS 13:22-26 / LK 1:57-66, 80

7:30am

9:00am Intentions of Maria Sarcona

11:00am Intentions of Lester and Patricia Zaleski

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 Samsok, 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, June 10****\$3,194.00****Diocesan Assessment****\$ 617.00**

*This weekends 2nd collection is for Seminarian
Education

Thank you for your generosity!

SANCTUARY LAMP

*This Week The Sanctuary Lamp
Burns for the Intentions of
Mary Anne Hartman*

**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

**MEMORIAL of SAINT ALOYSIUS - June 21**

From an early age, around 12 or 13, Aloysius knew he wanted to become a priest. Coming from an aristocratic family, Aloysius was like any teenage boy, he wanted to have fun. He had plenty of opportunities for amusement. He enjoyed horse racing, banquets and the elaborate parties held in palace gardens. Not only did he want to be good but to be holy and on this point he could be tough and uncompromising. Aloysius was trying to become a saint by sheer willpower. It wasn't until he entered the Jesuit novitiate in Rome that he had a spiritual director—St. Robert Bellarmine—to guide him. He knew he was a twisted piece of iron that needed straightening. When the plague hit Rome in 1591, the Jesuits sent every priest and novice to work. Aloysius was not comfortable with this but learned to be compassionate for the sick. He went into the streets of Rome and carried the ill and the dying to the hospital on his back, caring for them. Such close contact with the sick was risky and within a few weeks, Aloysius contacted the plague himself and died. He was 23 years old.

St. Aloysius Gonzaga's outstanding quality was his radiant purity and the Church praises this perfect innocence with the words, "Thou has made him little less than the angels." He was baptized in the womb because his life was in danger and he made a vow of chastity at the age of nine. **Patron of teenagers, AIDS patients and caregivers, Jesuit students and sore eyes**

COME TO OUR PARISH FEAST DAY

July 16 is the memorial of Our Lady of Mt Carmel. It is the feast day of our parish. In honor of our Lady, there will be Mass at 7pm and the brown scapular of our Lady of Mt Carmel will be vested on interested parishioners. Since our parish is blessed with good cooks and bakers, we are going to have pot luck dinner. There will be sign up sheets at the doors of the church. Therefore,

I request you to cook or bake if you can. Please plan on joining our beautiful parish community to celebrate and to socialize on **Monday, July 16 at 7pm followed by pot luck dinner.**

Why Not Spend Time With Me On Mondays

Just as you can't be exposed to the sun without receiving its rays, neither can you come to Jesus exposed in the Blessed Sacrament without receiving the divine rays of His grace, His love, His peace. Do you know the best time you spend on earth is with Jesus, your Best friend, in the Blessed Sacrament! Pope Paul IV wrote, "How great is the value of conversation with Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, for there is nothing more consoling on earth, nothing more efficacious for advancing along the road of holiness!" Your hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament will repair for evils of the world and bring about peace on earth.

Day and night, Jesus dwells in the Blessed Sacrament because you are the most important person in the world to Him. Remember Christ said, "Come to me all of you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you..." "Cast all of your anxieties upon the one who cares for you..." "My peace is My Gift to you." (MT 11:28; PT 5:7; JN 14:17) Why not come to the Blessed Sacrament, adoring Him and telling Him all your problems and your needs. Spend some time with the Lord anywhere but you may also join us to adore Him on **Mondays from 9 am to 12 noon.**

JOY CLUB MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The next JOY Club meeting will be Monday, June 18th in Biesaida Hall at 12pm. Lunch will be served. Come join us for good company and some fun. \$5 for lunch and \$2 dues. If you have any questions or need a ride, please call Patricia (973)534-7733.

OLMC BLOOD DRIVE

OLMC will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive to be held in Biesaida Hall on Sunday, July 22, 2018 from 8am to 1pm. On the day of donation, eat a healthy breakfast, drink plenty of fluids and bring picture ID. Appointments are preferred. To schedule an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org and enter the sponsor keyword: Our Lady Of Mt. Carmel

SICK and HOMEBOUND

Anyone who is homebound or sick and needs a priest, please call the office to make arrangements — **(973)383-3566**

CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA and CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION-June 23rd and 24th

This month, parishes throughout our Diocese are asked to take up a collection for the Church in Latin America and for Catholic Relief Services.

*Although people in Latin America are eager to practice their faith, obstacles beyond their control make it extremely difficult. For example, in Cuba, people have not had the opportunity to share their faith and essentially no place to worship as a community. Through the collection for the Church in Latin America, religious education, retreats and evangelization efforts are now beginning. This has given the faithful the hope and joy of the Gospel.

*Catholic Relief Services has been a beacon of hope for many people in need around the world. In Central America, a great effort has begun to reach out to the massive number of young people who are uneducated and therefore unemployed. With the help of Catholic Relief Services, they are being provided with school reentry, job skills training and social services. Offering this help now will guide many on the road to opportunity, making them productive citizens.

FATHER'S DAY

"Fathers young, fathers old-Remembering good times are our gold-Value earned through given-Helping us go forth in livin'-Each father adding to our trove-A treasure chest of love untold-Remembering fathers in our lives-Taking time to realize-Fatherly love brings wealth to living-Remembering this, we go forth giving-Fathers young, fathers old-we remember you all-as life unfolds"—Susan Kramer

Knights Of Columbus ANNOUNCEMENTS**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

**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 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.