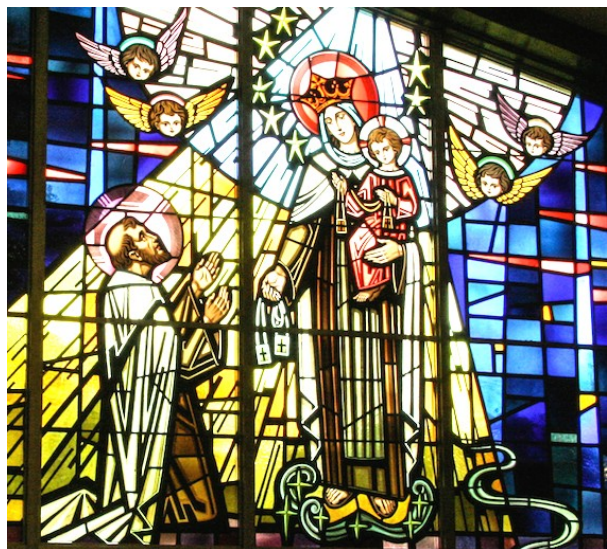


# Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday, December 30, 2018  
Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



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## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday ..... 5:00 pm  
Sunday ..... 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am

## DAILY MASSES

Monday-Saturday ..... 8:30 am (except Wednesday)  
Wednesday ..... 7:00 pm  
First Friday Mass ..... 2:00 pm  
@Homestead Nursing Home  
Holy Days ..... 8:30 am & 7:00 pm

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday ..... 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday ..... 4:15 - 4:45 pm

## SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM, MARRIAGE & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the office to arrange.

*Masses for the Week* **Saturday, December 29**

1 JN 2:3-11 / LK 2:22-35

**8:30 am Marilyn O'Connor***by Parish Staff***5:00 pm Bob Froetscher***by Barbara Froetscher***Sunday, December 30 – Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

SIR 3:2-6, 12-14 / COL 3:12-21 / LK 2:41-52

**7:30 am For Peace in the Families***by Parish Staff***9:00 am Robert Mucha***by Joan Polanski***11:00 am Joe Zukowski, Sr.***by Joe Zukowski, Jr.***Monday, December 31**

1 JN 2:18-21 / JN 1:1-18

**8:30 am Private Intentions***by Anonymous***New Year's Eve****5:00 pm For OLMC Parishioners & Their Families****Tuesday, January 1 – Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God**

NM 6:22-27 / GAL 4:4-7 / LK 2:16-21

**9:00 am For OLMC Parishioners and Their Families****Wednesday, January 2 – Memorials of Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church**

1 JN 2:22-28 / JN 1:19-28

**7:00 pm Intentions of Barbara Froetscher** *by Anonymous***Thursday, January 3 -**

1 JN 2:29-3:6 / JN 1:29-34

**8:30 am Louis & Philomena Nazzaro – John Crivelli***by Marie & Ray Nazzaro***Friday, January 4 – Memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

1 JN 3:7-10 / JN 1:35-42

**8:30 am Oddie Ndeche***by Anonymous***Saturday, January 5 – Memorial of St. John Neumann**

1 JN 3:11-21 / JN 1:43-51

**8:30 am Rich Sinski***by Parish Staff***5:00 pm Carl Weisser***by Larry & Mary Anne Condit***Sunday, January 6 – The Epiphany of the Lord**

IS 60:1-6 / EPH 3:2-3A, 5-6 / MT 2:1-12

**7:30 am Deceased Members of Weisser & Muller Families***by Deacon Ed & Mary Lou Muller***9:00 am Irene***by Marty Chapkosky***11:00 am Thomas Tell, Sr.***by Parish Staff***PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING**

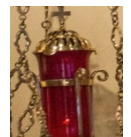
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**A GOOD STEWARD**

Results of last week's collections were not available at the time the bulletin was submitted.

*Thank you for your generosity!*

*This Week the Sanctuary Lamp Burns for Peace in our Hearts, Peace in our Homes and Peace in the World*

**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: Major Brandon Bennett, NJ Army National Guard (Federal); Larisa Furs, US Navy; Lt. Jason Gieniewski, US 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



*2018 Christmas Flowers  
In Memory of the Following Loved Ones*

James Delaney  
Dorothy Delaney  
Danielle Nazzaro  
Philomena & Lou Nazzaro  
Ida & Howard Grimes  
David Grimes  
Bill Stadler  
John Roecklein  
Josephine Boccuzzo  
Raymond Kane  
Brian Kane  
Leo Powell  
Larry & Judy Makarevich  
Helen & Don Rondinaro  
Members of the Schumacher Family  
Nancy Warren  
Robert Torley  
John Hibbits  
To the Glory of God  
Eric Nakonechny  
Eugene Wyble  
Helen Wyble  
Raymond Liobe  
Brone & Charles Visotsky  
Deceased Liobe Family Members  
Deceased Visotsky Family Members  
Deceased Miksvtu Family Members  
Lay Suy Hing  
Gloria Quindo  
Alfredo Quindo  
Lay Wee Sui  
Virginia Sullivan  
John & Mary Sullivan  
All the Family & Friends who Blessed  
our Lives  
Greshko & Deacon Families  
Ruth Langseder  
Robert & Jeanne Caffrey  
Alex & Helen Nagy  
Dominick Iannacore  
Ronald Hannibal  
Decesed Members of the Pezzatta  
Family  
Kazimiera Sierant  
Chester Tchorzewski  
Adele Tchorewski  
Leon Sierant

Leo Powell  
William S. Long  
Melvin Butrica  
Marion Gross  
Evelyn D'Alberti  
Rev. Msgr. Louis Besiada  
Frankie Saavedrea  
Josephine Ferrante  
Mildred Corrao  
Margaret Ferrante  
Michael Corrao  
Michael Ferrante  
Francesco Saavedra  
Lilia Benitez  
Betty Lacovara  
Joe Lacovara  
George Friel  
Angel Friel  
In Memory of Rev. John J. Quinlan  
In Memory of Rev. Louis Besiada  
Parishioners of OLMC  
In Memory of the member of the  
Muller Family  
In Memory of the Members of the  
Weisser Family  
Daniel Coronoto  
Mary Anne Corino  
Anthony N. Virga  
Lorraine Virga  
James Corcoran  
Helen Larson  
Sister Thomasina Gebhard  
Ascione-Grabin-Zaleski  
Lorraine & Paul Turasik  
Berta Kmetz  
Annmarie Doktor  
Dennis K. Searles  
Richard O'Connell  
Cynthia A. Jordan  
Mary Scarinci  
Laura Pasternak  
Mr. & Mrs. Earl Worman  
Fr. Louis Biesiada  
McCheyne Family  
Murphy Family  
Wyla Jones  
George & Betty Hume

Bob Schoonover  
Jacobs Family  
McMullen Familuy  
Anthony Cerbo, Jr.  
John B. McMahon  
Shammas & Drumm Family  
Karen (Drumm) Lombardi  
Peter Romano  
John Cadmus  
Helen Domanski  
Irene Doyle  
Emma Doyle  
Jane F. Doyle  
Joseph M. Daley  
Mary Daley  
Joseph M. Daley, Jr.  
Bernice Bradley  
Archy Bradley  
Meyer Abraham  
Anne  
Giro  
Aurora  
Doria Rowe  
Alan Foral  
Jonathan Rowe  
Mary Friemuth  
Lynnn Rowe  
Carmine Curulli  
Sam Sorce  
Edna & Dominick Maniaci  
Grandma & Grandpa Maniaci  
Baby Billy Rock  
Lena & Nick Gangale  
Glorie Maniaci



**Holy Day of Obligation – Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**

Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> is the Feast of Mary the Mother of God -- Mass will be at 9:00 am.

A vigil Mass will also be held on Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup> (New Year's Eve) at 5:00 pm. This will satisfy the requirements for the Holy Day.

**Religious Education Announcement**

Sunday, January 6

\*Next Children's Mass-8<sup>th</sup> grade will be actively participating

\*Confirmation Gathering 7pm – 8:30 pm

**Family Promise**

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel helps the homeless of Sussex County by providing meals, fellowship and overnight coverage three times a year at the Frankford Plains Church. our first time to help in 2019 will be Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup> and Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. Please consider cooking and serving a meal on one of these evenings or spending the night (in your own room/classroom). these families who may have lost their homes due to financial or family problems appreciate all the help they are given to get back on their feet. It won't take much sacrifice on your part but will give others the knowledge that God is helping them. For more information call Mary Anne Condit (973)219-3352. Thank you!

**Homestead Eucharistic Ministries**

On the First Friday of every month, a Mass is held at the Homestead nursing home. Volunteers are needed to bring the residents from their room downstairs to where Mass is being celebrated. The time involved would be approximately 1:30-3:00. Every Sunday we try to bring communion to the Catholic residents of the Homestead who were once active members and even daily Mass attendees at their home parish. Now if we do not bring Communion, the residents may go a long time before receiving Jesus. If you could serve either on the First Friday or on one Sunday of the month, it would help tremendously. Please call the Parish Office to volunteer or for more details (973) 383-3566 or Dan Salvatore (973) 579-1908.

**CELEBRATING NEW YEAR 2019**

The name "January" comes from the Roman god Janus, the god with two faces, one looking to the past and the other looking to the future. This is indeed a time to look back at the year that has just ended and to look forward to the new year ahead of us. How did I spend this one year of my life that has just passed? Did I use it to advance my goals and objectives in life? Did I use it to enhance the purpose of my existence? Could I have done better last year in the way I invested my time between the demands of work, family, friends and society, and the demands of my spiritual life? What things did I achieve last year and what did I fail to achieve? How can I consolidate the achievements of last year while reversing the failures and losses in this new year? Through soul searching questions like these we find that a review of the past year naturally leads to setting goals and resolutions for the New Year.

Today we celebrate Mary the Mother of God – Mary the mother of our salvation. Mary, the one who gave birth to a new beginning. Let us today resolve to listen more to the voice of God and just like Mary did to treasure God's word and ponder it in our hearts. Then shall we be able to realize our New Year resolution of a new life in union with God.

On this New Year, my hope for you, and wishes for you, is the one we heard in the first reading. It dates to the time of Moses...but was popularized by one of the great deacons of the church, Francis of Assisi...and that is my prayer and wish for all of you: "That the Lord bless you and keep you, that the Lord let His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. And that the Lord may look upon you kindly and give you peace"

**Knights of Columbus Council 9920  
Announcement**

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](http://www.kofc.org/joinus)" to learn more about the many benefits of membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information contact Grand Knight Bill Nagy at (973) 919-8554 or Terry O'Connor at (201)874-9836





**“Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety.”  
No family is without ups and downs**

At Christmas, we celebrate the birth of our savior Jesus Christ. This celebration brings family and friends together. Families have meals and also exchange gifts. Today we celebrate the Holy family of Nazareth. This solemnity of the Holy Family focuses us on the family of Nazareth as a model for all Christian families. The readings today speak about ideal family relationships as well as the roles of husband, wife, and children in the family. The first reading from Sirach speaks clearly that children should be respectful and honor their parent. "Love of parent is not an option but is writ into the very character of a godly person." Honoring parents is mandated by the fourth of the Ten Commandments. Children are also advised to be kind and take care of their parents till old age and even when their minds fail. Then, in the second reading, St. Paul highlighted the importance of marriage. He also emphasized the cordial and proper relationship expected between husbands and wives.

Whenever I look at the picture of the Holy Family, Joseph, Mary and Jesus, they looked so calm and peaceful and unruffled, like they never had an argument, or even a misunderstanding. "They didn't seem to have any money worries or fears for their safety or their future or anything else." However, in today's gospel, we get the hint of their struggle and difficult times. Could you imagine the disappointment faced by the poor family of Joseph and Mary when they were rejected and could not find a proper place for giving birth to Jesus. How about the grief and frustration they felt when after giving birth only to realize but also warned that king Herod posed imminent danger to their baby - Jesus? And as Jesus became a teenager, they hit another bumpy road again especially when they found Jesus had wandered off from their group travel and was later considered 'missing.' They searched for him all along the entire road back to Jerusalem, and only two days later did they find him in the Temple in the city center, sitting with the teachers, listening to them and questioning them. Mary's words captured her exasperation at that moment: "Son why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." Do you ever think about how distraught Mary was at the false accusation, the looming of crucifixion and watching His tragedy on the cross of Calvary?

Thus, the Holy Family had their problems, struggles and challenges, just like every family on earth. But they stayed true to each other, because there was so much love, acceptance and respect between them, and they trusted in God. No family is without challenges. Each family has their own ups and downs. However, statistical studies showed the families that are very close to God and regular Church goers tend to survive family crisis and divorce more than those that are not. In the second reading, St. Paul summarizes the best way to achieve an ideal family relationship and I encourage you to do the same: be compassionate, be kind, be humble, be gentle, be patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another. The Holy family survived all its crises through love for each other and faith in God. May your family, your marriage also withstands family and marital crisis with love and support for each other in good and bad times. **–Fr. Abuchi**



**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

“He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of His birth, for He will be great in the sight of the Lord”

**–Luke 1:14-15**