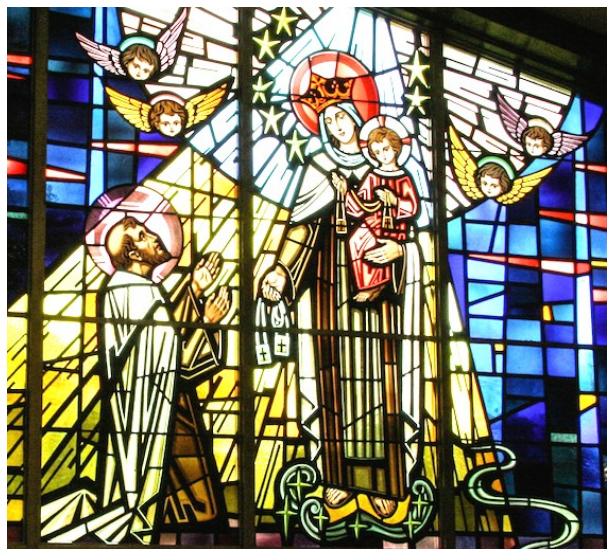


# Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday, June 2, 2019  
Seventh Sunday of Easter



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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, Council 9920

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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, June 1 – Memorial of Saint Justin, Martyr**

ACTS 18:23-28 / JN 16:23B-28

8:30 am Edward Burns *by Parish Staff*  
 5:00 pm Marty Snover *by Boettcher Family*

**Sunday, June 2**

ACTS 7:55-60 / REV 22:12-14, 16-17, 20 / JN 17:20-26

7:30 am Deceased Members of Muller & Weisser Families *by Deacon Ed & Mary Lou Muller*  
 9:00 am Paul Turcsik *by Vinny Kornmeyer & Sharon Searles*  
 11:00 am David Weir *by Parish Staff*

**Monday, June 3 - Memorial of St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs**

ACTS 19:1-8 / JN 16:29-33

8:30 am Eugene Streeter *by Parish Staff*

**Tuesday, June 4**

ACTS 20:17-27 / JN 17:1-11A

8:30 am Duncan Fitton & Barbara Froetscher *by Parish Staff*

**Wednesday, June 5 - Memorial of St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr**

ACTS 20:28-38 / JN 17:11B-19

7:00 pm Jerry Pasternak *by Tom & Darlene Scarince*

**Thursday, June 6**

ACTS 22:30; 23:6-11 / JN 17:20-26

8:30 am Sal Romano & Rich Sinski *by Parish Staff*

**Friday, June 7**

ZEP 3:14-18A / LK 1:39-56

8:30 am Ed Williams *by Parish Staff*

**Saturday, June 8**

ACTS 28:16-20, 30-31 / JN 21:20-25

8:30 am Intentions of Valerie Derbyshire *by Parish Staff*  
 5:00 pm Jeff Weddle *by Boettcher Family*

**Sunday, June 9 – Pentecost Sunday**

ACTS 2:1-11 / 1 COR 12:3B-7, 12-13 / JN 20:19-23

7:30 am \_\_\_\_\_ *by \_\_\_\_\_*  
 9:00 am Knas Family *by Knas Family*  
 11:00 am Elenita Nucum Obligation *by Tom & Darlene Scarince*

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING**

Jennie Apostola, John and Lucy Barrett, Ann Bott, Walter & Concetta Brock Jr., Bradley Burchfield, Dominic Bongiorno, Joseph Colon, Fr. Angelus Croce, Stephanie Cuomo, Ingrid Diaz, Kara Deserto, Doug Ernst Sr., Linda Flynn, Donna Gatto, Richard Hennings, Eva Kieger, Ava Kljajic, Ziggy Knop, Bruce Konar, Joshua Koontz, Alex Krucinski, John Kucinski, Kden LeoGrande, Pete Mahler, Maria Mallozzi, Mary Jo Manno, Deacon Charles Mathias, Susanne Martone, Brett Mershon, Bob Metroke, Deacon Ed Muller, Bill Nagy, Mary Ellen Nienstedt, Stephen Osborn, Margie Palazzo, Jason Parker, Sr., Lorraine Paxton, Clarence Remke, Peter F. Reynolds, Carol Rock, Colleen Romano, Olga Romeo, Linda Ross, Rose Marie Sciascia, Carole Salvatore, Diana Salvatore-Hiler, John Samssock, Greg Schmiditty, Gloria Shope, Marianne Skrocki, Debbie Smith, Nancy Snook, Stephanie, Richie Sorce, Andrew Sorce, Dale Swoboda, Roberta Treptau, David & Vince Ventresca, Brooke Zaleski, Virginia Zaleski

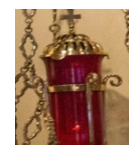
**A GOOD STEWARD**

<b>Sunday, May 26</b>	<b>\$2,581.50</b>
<b>Online Giving</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>
<b>Peter's Pence</b>	<b>\$731.00</b>

*Thank you for your generosity!*

*\*There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection this weekend for the Holy Land and next weekend for the Diocesan Assessment*

*This Week the Sanctuary Lamp Burns for Jerry Pasternak*



**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. Pazdziarski, 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



**SACRAMENTAL NEEDS**

**Ministry to the Sick:** Please call the parish office for a priest visit to the physically handicapped, aged, hospitalized, sick and shut in.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated individually every Saturday afternoon at 4:15pm or by individual appointment with Fr. Abuchi at any time.

**Baptisms:** Parents may contact the parish before or after their child's birth. The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated every Sunday at the 11 am Mass or after. We also accommodate other days. You will be invited to attend a Pre-Baptismal session either before or after the birth of your child.

**Sacramental Marriage** ~ The couple should contact the office several months before the desired date for the marriage to insure proper preparation for this Sacrament. Those who are civilly married may also contact the priest to help them convalidate their marriage in the Church.

**Parish Membership:** Our Parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into the parish is requested to register. If you move to another parish, or change your address, please notify us.

**Corpus Christi Food Collection for the Poor**

Due to the unprecedented requests for assistance from Catholic Charities' food pantries and in order to fulfill our obligations to the poor, Bishop Serratelli has authorized a Diocesan-wide food collection in all parishes and agencies on the Feast of Corpus Christi, Saturday/Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. We are being asked to bring assorted food products on that day. **We have been asked to provide canned carrots, peas, mixed vegetables/paper towels.** Cash/Check donations will also be accepted made payable to Catholic Charities or online at [www.ccpaterson.org/corpus](http://www.ccpaterson.org/corpus).

Please mark Saturday and Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> as the food collection day in order to help those in need in our Diocesan communities of Morris, Passaic and Sussex Counties.

**PARISH TRIP TO ROME: SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10 – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2019**

Cost per person: \$2,500 – Two in a room  
\$3,200 - Single Occupancy

Visits includes Rome, Vatican City, Assisi and Florence. Some of the highlights of the trip will be attending an audience with Holy Father (Pope) and celebrating Mass each day in Basilicas such as St. Peter's in Rome and Basilica of Saint Francis in Assisi.

**COST INCLUDES:**

- Round-trip motorcoach transportation – Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish/Newark Internal Airport
- Professional check-in service at Newark International Airport
- Round-trip economy airfare – Newark/Rome-Florence/Newark
- Transportation in Italy by private motorcoach with the services of a professional tour manager
- 5 nights' hotel accommodations in centrally located First Class Hotels, twin bedded room with private bath
- Full breakfast and dinner daily
- Entrance fees
- Hotel baggage handling
- Taxes and service charges on all included features
- Tips to tour manager, guides, motorcoach drivers, dining servers.

**Brochures are available in the Rectory.**

For further information, call the parish office or the travel agency: Great Experience, Inc. (201)825-3725.

**Knights of Columbus Announcements**



*The Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Council # 9920 will once again award a tuition and/or supplies assistance Memorial Scholarship Award to a member of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish for the academic year 2018-2019, in memory of Brother Knight,*

*Joseph A. Lacovara. Applications are available on the table by the CCD office. Please read the instructions carefully and return the application by noon July 15, 2019. If there are any questions, please ask one of the Knights, or email [olmckofc9920@gmail.com](mailto:olmckofc9920@gmail.com), or [wrnagy@ptd.net](mailto:wrnagy@ptd.net).*

**For the Protection of Children and Young People**

If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor’s Office and the Diocese’s Victims Assistance Coordinator: **Dr. Ken McNiel** at **(973)879-1489**. You may also be in touch with either of the Diocesan Response Officers: **Rev. Msgr. James T. Mahoney, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, (973)777-8818 ext. 205** or **Sister Joan Daniel Healy, S.C.C., Chancellor/Delegate for Religious, (973)777-8818 ext. 248**.

The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan Web site: [www.patersondiocese.org](http://www.patersondiocese.org).

**10 SIGNS OF A SAFE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH**

1. **Screening** of staff / volunteers.
2. Adults trained in **safe environment strategies** and **signs of abuse**.
3. **Code of conduct** enforced.
4. **Open communication between parents and staff/ staff and children / children and parents**.
5. **Parents always welcome**.
6. Children educated in **right relationships & what to do if a relationship isn’t right**.
7. All children treated with **Dignity and Respect**.
8. Clear **Rules** and **Expectations**.
9. **Adequate supervision of youth team approach—accountability—no 1:1 isolation**.
10. **All abuse is reported**.

**Wine and Cheese Gathering**

The next Wine and Cheese Gathering will be Saturday, June 8 after the 5 PM Mass. Good opportunity to meet and get to know more of our parishioners in a relaxed manner with beverages of all types and cheese and fruits.



**OLMC Clothing Drive Weekend**

We will be having our Clothing Drive on the weekend of Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> – (drop off all day) and Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> - (drop off after the 11 AM Mass) in the Church Hall. You can donate new or gently used clothing.

**Confirmation for 8th Graders**

Some of our parishioners have left to St. Jude's Church in Blairstown so that their children can make their confirmation in the eighth grade. Some of the parishes in our diocese have also experienced the same departure from their parishioners looking for a shorter religious education program. Statistics have revealed that children in the grade 8 are more receptive to learning about their faith than children in their sophomore year of high school.

Before the bishop approved for the eighth graders in our parish to make their Confirmation beginning in 2020, he insisted they must be active members of our Youth Group. Thus, joining our Youth Group is highly recommended from 7th grade up. The Confirmation Program is a two-year program. In the past, the first year was 9th grade and in 10<sup>th</sup> grade is Confirmation. Now with the change from 10<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade, **every student must have attended CCD the previous year before Confirmation**. If your child attended CCD in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade either here or at another parish, they will be eligible to receive their Sacrament in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The same if your child is going into the 9<sup>th</sup> grade, they will be eligible to make their Confirmation **only** if they attended CCD in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

In the coming weeks, we will provide you more details about accommodating those presently in 7th & 8th grade to be able to do Confirmation next year. However, we would likely be having all the Cconfirmation classes on Sunday mornings.

**SAVE THE DATE**

**OLMC Parish Tricky Tray 2019**

We will be holding our annual Tricky Tray on Friday, August 30, 2019. As you might know, this is our biggest fundraiser of the year which benefits the entire church a great deal. We need volunteers to assist the Tricky Tray team. Please call the office or contact Kelly Kays (201)317-7881 [kellymariekays@yahoo.com](mailto:kellymariekays@yahoo.com) or Kaitlin Voris (973)903-2176 [ksheehyk@gmail.com](mailto:ksheehyk@gmail.com) if you can volunteer. We will have more information for you in the coming weeks.



**“I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you.”**

In some weddings, the groom and the bride light a unity candle to express their oneness with each other. In fact, the two separate candles besides the unity candle “symbolize couple’s separate lives, separate families and separate sets of friends, in other words, their lives before the wedding.” So, lighting the center candle (unity candle) represents that their two lives are now being joined together as one.

In sacramental marriage, the couple cling to one another, express their commitment to one another and they become one flesh. Two separates people begin a new life and a new family. It is always good to have a unified couple and a unified relationship. “United we stand, divided we fall.” We should always stand together because unity gives us not only strength but also helps us to win and survive.

Jesus emphasized this theme of unity in today’s gospel reading. It was part of His lengthy farewell address in the Upper Room with his disciples at the night of the last supper-the crucifixion eve. He concluded His farewell speech with a “priestly prayer”. In this prayer, He revealed the greatest concern in His heart more clearly than He has ever done before. At the core of Jesus' petitions is His desire for the apostles, "that they may be one." In addition, He also indicated that He is not praying solely for the unity of His apostles but for that unity to be extended to their followers. “For those who will believe in me through their word,” He said. He also prayed the love He shared with the Father may be in His disciples as well.

The apostles that night are like a band with great promise, and Jesus sees that promise within them, but He also knows that they will carry the gospel, embody its message, in a hostile and curiously unwelcoming world. He knows these apostles are going to face tough challenges when He has gone but this prayer to the Father would help them to stick together and to defy the odds. The reading of the previous weekend from the Acts of the apostles, we can attest that the apostles were not only united but they also united Jewish Christians in resolving the early problem posed by assimilation of the newly converted Gentiles. It is always good to be united.

Flag symbolizes the unity of a country. In fact, United States Flag is the symbol of the United States of America united with fifty different states. And while reciting the pledge of allegiance, we are reminding ourselves of the unity of this great country is symbolized in our flag. Thus, we say, “I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

Today we reflect Christ’s priestly prayer for the unity of His apostles and also for those who are going to believe through the teachings of the apostles. And today we are among the successive generations of those who believed through the teachings of the apostles. Therefore, Christ also prayed for our unity. Of course, He prayed for Christian unity. On this day, it will be worthwhile to reflect on the possibility of unity among us all and to do all we can to ensure unity especially; for the unity among the government elected officials-the Democrats and Republicans, unity in the families and communities. And most of all to be a beacon of hope to the broken relationships and a beacon of hope to the broken world marred down by hatred, war and violence.

**–Fr. Abuchi**



**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*“See my children, we must reflect that we have a soul to save, and an eternity that awaits us. The world, its riches, pleasures and honors will pass away; heaven and hell will never pass away. Let us take care, then. The saints did not all begin well; but they all ended well. We have begun badly; let us end well and we shall go one day and meet them in Heaven.”*

**–St. John Vianney**