

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

*These readings are found complete on our parish web page ([www.olmcsi.org](http://www.olmcsi.org)). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."*

### **TODAY: May 17**

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26  
1 John 4:11-16  
John 17:11b-19

### **Next Sun: Pentecost**

Acts 2:1-11  
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13  
John 20:19-23



**\$5,000 RAFFLE!!** – We have begun our annual \$5,000 raffle. If you buy a \$50 ticket, you have the chance to win \$5,000. We also have \$10 share tickets that you give the chance to win \$1,000 for each \$10 ticket that you buy. The total ticket count is 250. 1-150 are \$50 tickets. Tickets 151 through 250 each have 5 shares at \$10 per share. Only 250 ticket numbers go into the drawing. If number 140 is drawn, the person with that ticket wins \$50. If number 165 is drawn, each person who has a share of that number receives \$1,000. Please consider selling tickets to family, friends and colleagues at work. ***Buy now and buy often!***

**HAP in the SUMMER!** – Our annual summer program for youth will be for those entering 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, or 6<sup>th</sup> grade in September 2015. HAP is a program of education and organized activities for youth. You can register your child in the parish office immediately. The program will be from June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 31<sup>st</sup>. There is a fee for cleaning and materials of \$35 for your first child and \$10 for each additional brother or sister. The last day of registration will be June 8<sup>th</sup>.

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE CARDINAL'S CAMPAIGN!**– Your pledges to the Cardinal's Campaign have exceeded our goal of \$18,500. Thank you! Last year, you raised almost \$5,000 through your support of the Cardinal's Campaign. Our parish receives a portion of the funds raised beyond our goal. If you have not had the opportunity to make a gift to the Cardinal's Campaign, there are envelopes available in the vestibule. You can send your donation directly to the Archdiocese or place it in the collection on Sunday and we will mail it for you. If you want to make a gift in cash, simply put it in the envelope and bring it to the office, or place it in the collection next week. We will write a check for you. Thank you for your support!

**IS SOMEONE YOU KNOW INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? – DOES SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEED THE SACRAMENTS of COMMUNION and/or CONFIRMATION?** – We offer a program for adults seeking to become Catholics as well as adults interested in completing their sacraments. If you would like more information please call the parish office (718-442-3411) and leave a message for Colin Vautrinot. Colin is our Director of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

**MEETING to PLAN FOR OUR CELEBRATION of the FEAST of OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL – Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, at 10 a.m. in the chapel.** Please start looking at home for photos and mementos of your years at Mount Carmel. We want to include them in the celebration. This will be a great opportunity for our new community of faith to gather as one in all of our beautiful diversity. More details will be shared next week!

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL FOR YOUR CHILD** – On Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. you can tour our wonderful Catholic school, Our Lady of Mount Carmel + St. Benedicta. Pre-registration is required. Please call 718-667-5350, ext. 1007 and tell them you are interested in visiting Our Lady of Mount Carmel + St. Benedicta School.

**NEW YORK CATHOLIC BIBLE SUMMIT** – Saturday, June 20, from 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Cathedral High School in Manhattan (350 East 56<sup>th</sup> St.) – This major gathering will begin with Mass celebrated by the Most Reverend Bernadito Auza, Apostolic Nuncio to the United Nations. It will feature a keynote address by Rev. Michael Francis Kolarcik, S.J., Rector of the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome. The day will include workshops that you can choose. The fee is only \$25 which includes lunch. Register at: [www.nyfaithformation.org](http://www.nyfaithformation.org). There you will see the many interesting workshops being offered. If you can't register on-line, leave a message for Fr. Hallinan in the parish office and he will give you registration material that you can mail. Register by June 5<sup>th</sup>.

**SOCIETY of St. VINCENT de PAUL GIVES BACK** – OLMC+St. Benedicta will receive \$50/\$100 for each vehicle (car, truck or van) that you donate to St. Vincent de Paul whether the vehicle runs or not. If you don't have a vehicle to donate, maybe a family member, friend, neighbor or colleague at work does. Please call St. Vincent de Paul at 718-491-2525 and be sure to mention Our Lady of Mount Carmel + St. Benedicta.

**WEEKLY OFFERING:** May 10: \$2578 in the first collection and \$710 in the second collection for the Franciscan mission. Thank you for your generosity!

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**OUR PRAYER FOR UNITY** - Last Sunday, we heard the final words Jesus spoke before his ascension into heaven, words recorded by Saint Mark. Today we listen to a portion of what has become known as Jesus' "final discourse" from John's Gospel. Once again, the Lord's words contain a commissioning of his disciples for ministry to the world. One important part of this discourse is Jesus' prayer for unity: "Keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one." As the Easter season comes to an end, a season that has seen us deepening our awareness of the Paschal Mystery, it is fitting that today we hear this prayer for unity among the Lord's followers. Let us celebrate the unity we have with other Christians and work together to heed the Lord's great commission to bring the Good News to our weary world. Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.



# Seventh Sunday of Easter ~ May 17, 2015

If God so loved us, we also must love one another. ~1 John 4:11



## Weekly Mass Intentions

### Saturday May 16

8:00am- † Michael Contardo

5:00pm- † Brian Cahill

### Sunday May 17

8:30am ~ Special Intentions Albert Sevorwell

10:00am- † Mrs. Helen Valentine

11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions

6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

### Monday May 18

8:00am- †

12:05pm- †

### Tuesday May 19

8:00am- †

12:05pm- †.

### Wednesday May 20

8:00am- † Liza & Leon Bombard

12:05pm- †

### Thursday May 21

8:00am- †

12:05pm- † Josephine Bruno

### Friday May 22

8:00am - †

12:05pm - † Baby Anthony Pastoressa  
~3<sup>rd</sup> Birthday in Heaven~

### Saturday May 23

8:00am- † Anthony Ancone, Jr.

~27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in Heaven~

5:00pm- † William M. Frickenstein

### Sunday May 24 ~Pentecost Sunday~

8:30am- † Stanley & Marcella Mikos

10:00am- † Mrs. Helen Valentine

11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions

6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions



## Mass Intentions

Offered By: wife, Theresa

Offered By: Linda Graves

By: Delmeter & Louis Carey  
& Family

By: son, Thomas Valentine

Offered By:

Offered By:

Offered By:

Offered By:

Offered By: Annette Esposito

Offered By:

Offered By:

By: daughters, Barbara & Mary

Offered By:

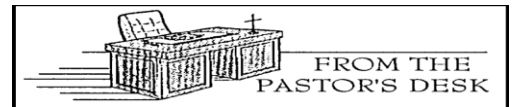
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### Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, is Memorial Day.

For the majority of Americans, it is simply the informal start to summer – barbecues, beaches and celebrations. But it should be for all of us a day of solemn remembrance.

At the close of 2014, the longest war in U.S. history came to an end when the U.S. ceased all combat operations in Afghanistan. The United States continues to have 11,000 troops in Afghanistan providing support to the Afghan Army and police. The United States is also continuing anti-terrorism operations. More than 2,300 service members lost their lives in the Afghan War. Many of those who served in the Afghan war also served in the Iraq War. The Iraq War claimed the lives of almost 4,500 service members. The Department of Defense reports that more than 52,000 service members were wounded in action in the two conflicts, but the Veterans Affairs Department reports that close to one million disability claims have been filed by veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The human cost of these two wars has been enormous and there is ample evidence that the Department of Veterans Affairs is simply not equipped to deal with all those who are in need of on-going physical or mental health treatment.

All of the members of the armed forces who died in our nation's wars died in our name. Each of us, therefore, has a personal responsibility to insure that our political leaders do not commit American forces to combat without grave and sufficient cause. They must also have clear objectives in place that allow us to see how the war will end. We owe this to the men and women who serve in our name. The vast majority of American military personnel served with honor and distinction in Iraq and Afghanistan in spite of the often inept management of these wars by civilian leaders. As a nation, we owe them a deep debt of gratitude.

As Catholic Christians, we must remember that all of our recent Popes have been of one mind in declaring, "War, never again!"

**Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J.**

## Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine  
Tabernacle Candle  
Memorial Candle



## Liturgical Minister's Schedule for MAY 2015~

### Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Lectors: Linda Graves & Angelo Sabella (carry Gospel Book) Substitute: Bill Hinton

Eucharistic Ministers: Bill Hinton, Angelo Sabella & Linford Smith Substitute: Bill Hinton

### Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Lectors: Johnathan Codipilly & Linda Torres (carry Gospel Book) Substitute: Maria Oliveras

Eucharistic Ministers: Delmeter Carey, Linda Torres & MaryAnn Ugbo

Substitute: Diane Carbonaro

### Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Valerie Cappucci (carry Gospel Book)

Substitute.: Victoria Garay

E. M.: Dianne Murphy, Lydia Mora & Beverly Marryshow Substitute: Emmanuel Fode