



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ January 24, 2016



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me... He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free. *Luke 4:18*

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday January 23

8:00am- † Saverio & Marie Micillo
5:00pm- ~ For Kathy Keenan's Health
7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Sunday January 24

8:30am- †
10:00am- † Ann Garite & Parents
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday January 25

8:00am- † Vincent Esposito
12:05pm- † Mario Mezzacappa

Tuesday January 26

8:00am- †
12:05pm- †

Wednesday January 27

8:00am- †
12:05pm- † Anthony Acona, Jr. & Elvira Ancon

Thursday January 28

8:00am- † Thomas Romano ~10th
Anniversary~
12:05pm - † Robert & Virginia Hallinan

Friday January 29

8:00am- †
12:05pm- † Robert F. Gormley

Saturday January 30

8:00am- †
5:00pm- † Gilda Mammolito
7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Sunday January 31

8:30am- † Mrs. Helen Valentine
10:00am- † Amelia, Luz & Hector Mendez
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions



Mass Intentions

Offered by: daughter, Theresa
By: Delmeter & Louis Carey

Offered by:
Offered by: Crescencia Pascua

Offered by: Annette Esposito
Offered by: Nellie Lauriano

Offered by:
Offered by:

Offered by:
Offered by: daughter, Theresa

Offered by: Family
Offered by: Linda Graves

Offered by:
Offered by: Phyllis Binder

Offered by:
Offered by: Lou Mammolito

Offered by: son, Thomas Valentine
Offered by: Mendez-Pierce Family

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine

Tabernacle Candle

Memorial Candles

Memorial Candles



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Liturgical Minster's Schedule FEBRUARY 2016

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Linda Graves & Tom Ventrudo (*carry Gospel Book*)
E. M.: Linford Smith, Peg & Tom Ventrudo

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Jonathan Codipilly & Samuel Torres (*carry Gospel Book*) *Sub:* Joan Fortunato
E.M.: Maria Oliveras, Linda Torres & Samuel Torres *Sub:* Delmeter Carey

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Thelma Washington (*carry Gospel Book*) *Sub:* Valerie Cappucci
E. M.: Alexis Crowdell, Crescencia Pascua & Mariana Zukowski *Sub:* Dianne Murphy

We are all members of



the one body of Christ. This simple but profound truth proclaimed by St. Paul in his letter to the Corinthians presents a strong challenge to us as Christians.

In baptism, we were incorporated into the life of Jesus Christ. Through our incorporation into the life of Christ, we participate now in the life of God in the hope that one day we will enjoy the fullness of that life forever. The challenge for us is that every day we have to show the world by our words and actions that we do, in fact, participate in the life of Jesus Christ. We do this when our words and actions conform to the life and teaching of Jesus. If the words we speak are full of judgment, condemnation, and prejudice then we betray our participation in the life of Jesus Christ. If our actions demonstrate a lack of respect for the dignity of others, if we fail to show an active concern for the poor and those on the margins of society, and if fail to offer forgiveness to those who offend us, then we betray our participation in the life of Christ.

In baptism, we are also incorporated into the Body of Christ that is the Church. We receive the gift of our baptism through the Church of Christ. We only exist as Christians in communion with our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. Do we recognize the importance of our membership in the Body of Christ that is the Church of Christ? Is the Sunday Eucharist a priority in our lives, that is, do we attend the Sunday Eucharist regularly, arrive on time, and participate actively in the celebration? Do we contribute our time, our talent and our treasure to the Church? Do we listen to what the Church teaches and seek to form our lives according to that teaching? Do we foster a spirit of welcome and acceptance within the Church of Christ? Is the exchange of peace a genuine of exchange of good will that you offer to all your fellow Christians excluding no one from your offer of peace whether overtly or covertly in your heart?

We are members of the Body of Christ by virtue of our baptism. Have we ratified our membership in the Body of Christ by the manner of our lives?

Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page (www.olmcsi.org). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

TODAY: 3rd Ordinary Time

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Next Sun: 4th Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19
1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13
Luke 4:21-30



STAY SAFE- FREE SMOKE ALARM INSTALLATION – The American Red Cross, in partnership with the City of New York, is offering free smoke alarm installations on Saturday, February 6th. If you would like a smoke alarm installed in your home, please call 1-877-733-2767 (Option *) or sign-up at www.redcross.org/GetAlarmedNYC.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) – We offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) every Saturday from 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. and from 6:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. You may also call the office for an appointment.

NAVIGATING YOUR NEW WORLD AFTER A DIVORCE: - Tuesdays – 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. from February 23 through May 10th at St. Ann's rectory basement – 101 Cromwell Avenue. How do you work through the emotions of separation and divorce? How do you heal from the divorce and renew a sense of hope? How do you forgive and how do you navigate the new family dynamics? Is a Church annulment a possibility for you? You will have the opportunity to learn about all these issues and more through the expert facilitation of Anne-Louise DePalo. The cost is \$25 which includes the cost of course materials that you purchase on-line. You also register online at: <http://divorced.nyfamilylife.org>. If you are having problem with navigating the website, please call: Denise or Marcia at 646-794-3185.

BLESSING FOR PREGNANT WOMEN – Starting February 7th, we will offer a blessing for pregnant woman on the first Sunday of the month at the 10 a.m. Mass. Fathers are encouraged to be present to receive a blessing as well. No advanced registration is required. Simply give your name in the sacristy **before** the 10 a.m. Mass.

BIBLE STUDY – Want to learn more about the foundational source of our faith – the bible? We have classes on select Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12 noon under the direction of Mr. Colin Voutrinet, our Director of RCIA. Upcoming classes: February 6 and 13. Classes are in the rectory on the first floor.

FREEDOM TO LOVE – THEOLOGY of the BODY - Friday, February 5th, 7p.m. to 9:30p.m. Holy Family Church (366 Watchogue Road). 7pm – Music in the church. 7:30 Mass. 8:15 – Video and discussion. Fellowship event to follow.

PRACTICAL ACTIONS to be WISE STEWARDS of OUR EARTH: *From Laudato Si, Pope Francis' Encyclical on the Environment:* "Education in environmental responsibility can encourage ways of acting which directly and significantly affect the world around us, such as avoiding the use of plastic and paper, reducing water consumption, separating refuse, cooking only what can reasonably be consumed, showing care for other living beings, using public transport or car-pooling, planting trees, turning off unnecessary lights, or any number of other practices." (211)

DAILY PRAYER for YOUR FAMILY – Could your family make time to pray this prayer together daily? Heavenly Father, please shine your light upon our family. Give us strength to overcome all of the difficulties that we are dealing with now and protect us against any and all problems we may encounter in the future. O Lord, please bring us together as we are meant to be. May the love that binds us only grow stronger as we fulfill the destiny you have laid out for us. Grant our family forgiveness for any sins we have committed. May we also forgive one another Lord, as it is sometimes difficult to do. Bless us Lord, in your name we pray, *Amen*.

PASTOR to BE HONORED – Congratulations to Fr. Mark Hallinan whom Fordham University has selected to receive a Community Service Award for all of his work for the people of our community! Father will be honored at the Staaten on Forest Avenue on Sunday, January 31st from 1PM to 4PM. Tickets to the affair costs \$35. A five-course meal will be served. Please send your request for a ticket to: Marjorie Pugliese -25 Elmbank Street – Staten Island, N.Y. 10312 347-600-6237. Checks should be made out to Fordham University.

WEEKLY OFFERING: January 17th: \$5,258. Thank you for your support of our parish!

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION - The passage from St. Luke's Gospel today helps us understand the relationship between sacred tradition and sacred Scripture. As Catholics, we believe that the Bible is an essential part of divine revelation that goes hand in hand with the teachings that were established by Jesus and passed on by His Apostles. The "Catechism of the Catholic Church" tells us that the Church "does not derive her certainty about all revealed truths from the Holy Scriptures alone. Both Scripture and Tradition must be accepted and honored with equal sentiments of devotion and reverence" (#82). Here, Luke emphasizes that what he writes is a confirmation of what was already being taught. This fact should help us appreciate the gift of the Bible. Although the Bible is not the only source of revelation, it does help us to have what Luke calls "certainty" regarding our faith. We do hear Bible readings at Mass, but we would do well to read the Bible on our own as well. Let us not miss the opportunity to hear God's word speaking to us every day. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.