



Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ November 13, 2016



Sing praise to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and melodious song. ~Psalm 98:5

Weekly Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions

Saturday November 12

8:00am- † Michael Contardo ~*Birthday in Heaven* Offered by: wife, Theresa

5:00pm- † Louis Mammolito Offered by: Parishioners

7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Sunday November 13

8:30am- † Mary & Lawrence Iannucci By: Sue, Pat, Maria & Dominic

10:00am- † Dolores Elizabeth Zukowski By: Victoria & Wilfredo Garay

11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions

1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday November 14

8:00am- † Mary & Lawrence Iannucci By: Sue, Pat, Maria & Dominic

12:05pm- † Louis Renzulli Gervasi Offered by: Bernard Campbell

Tuesday November 15

8:00am- ~ Special Intentions for Christian Pepo Offered by: mom. Joyce

12:05pm- † Ciro "Jerry" Mezzacappa Offered by: Maria Torre

Wednesday November 16

8:00am- † Joseph Fortunato Offered by: Joan Fortunato

12:05pm- † Emilio Oliveras Offered by: daughter, Marta

Thursday November 17

8:00am- † Maria, Frank & Ben Gagliardi By: Sue, Pat, Maria & Dominic

12:05pm- † Dominick Negri Offered by: Family

Friday November 18

8:00am-~*Birthday Blessings for Christopher Raiolo* Offered by: Narcisa Pons

12:05pm- † Vincenzo Palumbo By: daughters, Rosa & Margaret

Saturday November 19

8:00am- † Romeo Almazan Offered by: Almazan Family

5:00pm- † Pancrazio LaMorte Offered by: wife, Rafaella

7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Sunday November 20

8:30am- † Msgr. Augustin J. DiBlasi & Fanny Offered by: Family

10:00am- † Nonso Christian Ugboide Offered by: mother, MaryAnn

11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions

1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine ~ †

Tabernacle Candle ~ †

Memorial Candle ~ †

Memorial Candle ~ †



Liturgical Minster's Schedule NOVEMBER 2016

Saturday 5:00 PM

Lector: Linda Graves & Linford Smith (carry Gospel Book)

E. M.: Peg Ventrudo, Nancy Velez & Cinderella Wonsewitz Sub: L.Smith or T.Ventrudo

Sunday 8:30 AM

Lector: Joan Knighton & Maria Oliveras (carry Gospel Book) Sub: Ceferino Albarracin

E.M.: Diane Carbonaro, Maria Oliveras & MaryAnn Ugboide Sub: Delmeter Carey

Sunday 10:00 AM

Lector: Alexis Crowdell (carry Gospel Book) Sub: Thelma Washington

E.M.: Theresa Contardo, Beverly Maryshow & Crescencia Pascua Sub: Emmanuel Fode



"...We instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work, neither should that one eat." This instruction from St. Paul is often used by persons critical of government nutrition programs. But, in fact, those programs are of crucial importance to many workers.

Given our wealth and resources, there simply should not be the level of food insecurity that there is in our country today. The good news is that there has been a reduction in persons who are hungry in our society, but there is still much work to be done. More than 42.2 million Americans lived in households that struggled against hunger in 2015. This was a significant reduction from 2014. 13.1 million children live in households that do not have consistent access to sufficient food. This is also an improvement but it is still a very significant issue. Studies have shown that a lack of adequate nutrition in early childhood can lead to life-long deficits in what that person can achieve. Hunger is a particular problem for Black and Hispanic households.

The Supplemental Nutrition Program (SNAP – formerly 'food stamps') provides needed assistance to individuals and families who lack sufficient food. Studies of the SNAP program demonstrate that the vast majority of persons receiving SNAP benefits do work. The sad truth is that our nation subsidizes companies that fail to pay a living wage to their employees, or fail to give them sufficient hours to earn a living wage. SNAP not only helps individuals and families to eat, but it provides a larger economic stimulus as it enables SNAP recipients to pay other expenses such as medical care, clothing, home repairs and childcare. Finally, the SNAP program has rigorous safeguards in place to deter fraud and the government reports that the usual source of fraud are stores, not SNAP recipients. It makes sense for us a nation to strengthen the SNAP program given the benefits it provides to individuals and families and our overall economy.

Given the surplus of wealth and resources that our nation enjoys, I am sure that St. Paul would exhort us to do more to ensure that all have sufficient food to eat – especially children.

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: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Malachi 3:19-20a
2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
Luke 21:5-19

Next Sun: Christ the King

2 Samuel 5:1-3
Colossians 1:12-20
Luke 23:35-43



GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING at OUR GRAMMAR SCHOOL – It is exciting to see that our grammar school is growing – even if it is slowly! If you have a child for whom you are considering Catholic education, the school will have a **"TOURING TUESDAY, THIS TUESDAY, November 15th**, from 9am to 12pm. Please spread the word among your family and friends about the possibility of attending Our Lady of Mount Carmel School. Financial aid is a possibility, so don't dismiss the idea simply because you think that you can afford it. If you, or someone you know, cannot visit this Tuesday, please call the school office at 718-981-5131 to arrange a visit.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE FOR OUR PARISH – We will be raffling off a number of gift baskets for Christmas. If you would like to donate premium liquor or gift certificates to stores, restaurants or for professional services, please leave your donation in the parish office. We will use your gifts to grow the number of baskets that we can offer. *Thank you!*

FOOD DRIVE - We have parishioners who do not have sufficient food to feed their families. Rather than giving them traditional Thanksgiving food items, it would be helpful to them if you could contribute any of the following items: large bags of rice; shelf-safe milk; bags of dried beans; canned black or red beans; cereal; coffee; peanut butter and jelly; pasta; pasta sauce; sugar; canned vegetables; canned fruit. Food items can be left in the vestibule of the church in the area that is designated for donations. We can also accept food gift cards from Stop and Shop, Key Food or Shoprite. Those should be given to the parish secretary. *Thank you for your help!*

PASTOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Monday, November 21st at 5 p.m. in the Meeting Room. *All are welcome!*

BIBLE STUDY – November 26th. Classes begin at 10 a.m. in the rectory. *All are welcome!*

WORDS OF SIMPLE WISDOM FOR THOSE ELECTED TO PUBLIC OFFICE – "Every man, every woman who has to take up the service of government, must ask themselves two questions: 'Do I love my people in order to serve them better? Am I humble and do I listen to everybody, to diverse opinions in order to choose the best path?' If you don't ask those questions, your governance will not be good." *Pope Francis*

THANKSGIVING MASS – We will offer a bi-lingual Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 10 a.m.

St. JOHN VILLA ACADEMY – 'SISTER ACT' – Join the St. Villa Academy Community for a fun performance of 'Sister Act', November 17, 18 or 19 at 7 p.m. in the gymnasium (8 Narrows Road South). Tickets \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. To reserve your tickets please call Irma Cruz at 718-442-6240, ext. 170.

CHRISTMAS FAIR – ASSUMPTION/St. PETER/St. PAUL – Saturday, November 19, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 129 Clinton Avenue (St. Peter-St. Paul School). Free admission. Many great vendors. Photo booth with Santa. Breakfast and lunch for sale. Wonderful raffle prizes including a 50" flat-screen Samsung TV. For more information, please call 718-727-2672.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER IN COMMUNITY – Manresa Christian Life Community (CLC). CLC is a worldwide organization composed of small groups of men and women who come together twice a month to share community, spirituality and mission, bringing gospel values to family, workplace and community. Recognized as a lay vocation within the Church, the unifying experience among these CLC groups is the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola as a way of life. **Introductory meeting and Mass: Tuesday, November 15th, 7 p.m. St. Sylvester – Moore Conference Room – 854 Targee Street.** Enter through the side walkway beneath the parish house.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS 55 and OLDER – The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of the Community Service Society is seeking volunteers to work in a variety of organizations. They will do their best to match your interests and your availability with an organization on Staten Island that needs help. Please call Tami DiConstanzo 718-494-3222 or e-mail at tdicostanzo@csny.org. A little of your time can make a big difference!

WEEKLY OFFERING: November 6: \$5,622 – What we need each week! *Thank you!!*

THE FEAST OF CHRIST KING - the Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ as Christ the King of the Universe was instituted in 1925 by Pope Pius XI for the Roman Catholic Church. For this reason it is considered relatively recent. Held the last Sunday of ordinary time (last Sunday after Pentecost) before the beginning of Advent. It is to remind us that Christ is the King of the Universe, honor and celebration that suggests to us to give thanks to the Lord for His goodness. Between the celebration of Thanksgiving and the first Sunday of Advent, Christ the King also invites us to kneel before the Lord, to give thanks and pray for all whom have given their lives, exalting "Long Live Christ the King!" Yes, always "Long Live Christ the King!"