



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 2, 2018



Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. ~James 1:21b

Weekly Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions

Saturday – September 1

8:00am-† Russell Carter
5:00pm-† Bryan Graves

Offered by: OLMC Parish
Offered by: Linda Graves

Sunday – September 2

8:30am-† Sister Marianne Robertson
10:00am- † Robert J. Carbone
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mikos Family
Offered by: OLMC Parish

Monday – September 3

8:00am-† Deacon Anthony Lagotta
12:05pm-~ NO MASS

Offered by: OLMC Parish

Tuesday – September 4

8:00am-† Julio Cintron
12:05pm-† Theresa Vivolo

Offered by: Sisters
Offered by: Mary Guardiani

Wednesday – September 5

8:00am- † William DeLizia
12:05pm-† Devin Powell

Offered by: Diane Carbonaro
Offered by: OLMC Parish

Thursday – September 6

8:00am -† Joe Fortunato
12:05pm-† Peter Murray

Offered by: OLMC Parish
Offered by: Mary Guardiani

Friday – September 7

8:00am-† Norma & John Baccichetti
12:05pm-† Anthony Masterpalo

Offered by: Annette Esposito
Offered by: OLMC Parish

Saturday – September 8

8:00am-† Joe Fortunato ~*Birthday in Heaven*~
5:00pm-† Louise Obermayer

Offered by: Joan Fortunato
Offered by: Family

Sunday – September 9

8:30am-† Msgr. Augustin J. DiBlasi
~12th Anniversary~
10:00am- † Dominic Rubio

Offered by: Family
Offered by: Garay Family

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine ~ *Our Lord Jesus Christ*
The candles will burn this week for the following intentions

Tabernacle Candle ~ **FOR THE**
Memorial Candle ~ **SICK &**
Memorial Candle ~ **SUFFERING**



LITURGICAL MINISTER'S SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 2018

Saturday 5:00 PM

Lector: Linda Graves (carry Gospel Book)
E.M.: Linford Smith, Mary Lou Obermayer & Peg & Tom Ventrudo
Sub: Linford Smith

Sunday 8:30 AM

Lector: Ceferino Albarracin (carry Gospel Book) *Sub:* Joan Knighton
Eucharistic Ministers: Delmeter Carey, Joan Fortunato & Linda Torres
Sub: MaryAnn Ugbo

Sunday 10:00 AM

Lector: Thelma Washington (carry Gospel Book)
Eucharistic Ministers: QAlexis Crowdell, Dianne Murphy & Crescencia Pascua
Sub: Emmanuel Fode



FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

**"The one who does justice will live
in the presence of the Lord"**

(Psalm 15)

We joyfully celebrated Labor Day. This holiday is traditionally associated in our country with the beginning of a new school year. So, it comes to my mind the multiple memories of various activities to make feel at home the freshmen who started their high school.

Some rules and lessons were established for a good kicking of what would be a good student-teacher-priest relationship. The readings of today give us lessons to put into practice in our daily lives. Psalm 15 wins the palm of victory because it gives us a lesson in hope because "if we practice justice, we will live in the presence of the Lord."

The first two readings prepare us for the teaching of Jesus in the Gospel by explaining how our behavior shows others what kind of people we are. Indeed, for Moses if we keep the commandments the other nations will know of the wisdom derived from them. The Apostle James exhorts his readers to put their beliefs into action. For his part, Jesus tries to teach his adversaries, scribes and Pharisees, the importance of what we have in our hearts. As a good teacher Jesus calls them hypocrites for concentrating on unclean hands instead of unclean hearts.

We learn more about another person by watching what they do than by listening to what they say. So, James is clear in saying that it is NOT enough to listen to God's word but to put it into practice: "Be doers of the word and not hearers only." Specifically, James encourages the early Christians to care for the most vulnerable among them. This is what he refers to as living out their faith, "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world."


P. Hernán, SJ

"Sacred Scripture presents us with God as infinite mercy, but also as perfect justice. How are these two things reconciled? How can the reality of mercy be articulated with the need for justice? While these two characteristics can seem like opposites, "in reality it's not like this, because it's precisely the mercy of God that brings the fulfillment of true justice." (Pope Francis)

*Do justice
love-MERCY
WALK humbly*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

September 2: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 James 1:1-17, 18, 21B-22, 27	September 9: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 35:4-7A Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 James 2:1-5	
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RECTORY CLOSED LABOR DAY - The Rectory Office will be closed in honor of Labor Day on Monday, September 3rd. Regular business hours will resume on Tuesday, September 4th. There will be 8am Mass ONLY. (No 12:05pm mass). Have a safe and blessed Labor Day weekend.

BIBLE STUDY - Join us Friday, September 7th, and Friday September 21st at 7:15pm as we continue our journey into God's word with our Bible Study program! We will be meeting in the Parish Office Basement, and will be continuing with the Book of Exodus. If you don't have a bible at home, extras will be available. No need to pre-register. Dates to follow; October 5th & 19th, November 2nd & 16th, December 7th & 21st. All are welcomed to participate!

SOLEMN EVE OF REMEMBRANCE - We are all invited to the 17th Annual Solemn Remembrance of the Events of September 11, 2001. Monday evening, September 10th, 2018 at Our Lady of Pity Church (1616 Richmond Ave). Sacred Music by Maura Molly begins at 7pm followed a concelebrated Mass with reading of the names of Staten Islanders lost on 9/11 and candlelight Reflection. Bishop John J. O'Hara will be the Celebrant and Homilist. Sponsored by The University of Notre Dame Alumni Club of Staten Island.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) - Have you or anyone you know expressed an interest in becoming a Catholic? Were you baptized a Catholic but never received the sacraments of Communion and Confirmation. We offer the opportunity for people to come together in small groups to learn more about The Catholic Faith. These sessions center on the teachings and experiences of the Gospels and the Church while preparing individuals to celebrate the sacraments of baptism, communion and confirmation. Candidates will make their sacraments during the Easter season. Call the rectory if you or someone you know is interested for more details.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Registrations - We will continue taking registrations as long as there is space available. If you have not registered your child for religious instruction, please call the parish office to register your child(ren) as soon as possible. If you have any questions regarding the classes for the Religious Education program please contact the parish office.

Important: If your child was enrolled last year in 1st year preparation for the sacraments now is the time to reenroll them for 2nd year preparation.

- If your child is entering the 1st grade in September, it is time to register for First Holy Communion preparation.
- If your child is entering the 6th grade in September, it is time to register for Confirmation preparation.

For parents who have not yet picked up your children's sacramental certificates and/or pictures, please do so AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. We do not have the space to hold them. Thank you.

SOLEMN MASS OF REMEMBRANCE - Matthew Funeral Home is sponsoring a Memorial Mass to remember all those who funerals they conducted during the past few years. This Solemn Mass of Remembrance will take place this year on Saturday, September 15th, 2018 at 1:00pm at O.L. of Pity Church (1616 Richmond Ave). This is a wonderful way to support other families who have lost loved ones and struggle with the feelings coming from grief. For more information, contact Matthew Funeral Home at 718-761-5544.

PROTECT OUR CHILDREN - Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P., at 212-371-1000, x2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the website of the Archdiocese - www.archny.org. In keeping with the archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

REGIS HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE - Regis H.S. is an all-scholarship Jesuit school for Catholic boys. They have announced an Open House for students and parents. to occur on Columbus Day, October 8th, from 1pm-4pm. For additional information, please write, e-mail or call: Eric DiMichele, Directors ,of Admissions, Regis High School, 55 East 84th Street, New York ,NY 10028, 212-288-1100, Ext. 2057, edimichele@regis.org

VOLUNTEER OPORTUNITY - Clove Lake Health & Rehabilitation Center, located at 25 Fanning Street, is looking for volunteers to assist in the coffee shop. Hours and days of volunteering are flexible. To hear more information about this and other volunteer opportunities, please contact Eileen Bardel, Volunteer Coordinator at 718-289-7114.

COLLECTIONS: August 26: \$3,538; Second Collection: \$1,184. *Thank you for your continued generosity to our Parish!*

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY - "Bringing Hope to the Hungry". The date for the food pantry distribution is scheduled for Thursday, August 23rd from 9am to 11am and 4pm to 7pm. Distributed on a first-come basis. The distribution will take place in front of the church and we invite all families of our parish in need of this type of assistance. For more information please contact the Parish office 718-442-3411. Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.