



Third Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2019



Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday – May 4

8:00am- † Herman Espinoza
 5:00pm- † Anna DiMauro
 7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Sunday – May 5

8:30am- † Jose Rosa
 10:00am- † Elizabeth J. Fedorcik
 11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
 1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
 6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday – May 6

8:00am- † Mary Goebel
 12:05pm- † Joseph Masterpiero

Tuesday – May 7

8:00am- † Alvin J. Indelicati
 12:05pm- † Ann K. Handelman

Wednesday – May 8

8:00am- † Anne E. Rodin
 12:05pm- † Margaret Mullane

Thursday – May 9

8:00am- † Bryan Graves ~10th Anniv.~
 12:05pm- ~For Jose Contreras's Health

Friday – May 10

8:00am- † David Hallinan ~3rd Anniv~
 12:05pm- † Joseph DePaolo

Saturday – May 11

8:00am- † Josephine Brocato
 5:00pm- † Giovanni (John) Pasquale

Sunday – May 12

8:30am- † Jose Rosa
 10:00am- † Elizabeth J. Fedorcik



Mass Intentions

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Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine

Tabernacle Candle

Memorial Candle



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~ † *For All Souls in Purgatory*

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With the successor of Peter, Pope Francis, we are called to take care of our common home. Like the Apostle Peter we are called to live and to love intensely especially those who have been alienated by our society. Today more than ever we are called to be light for the brothers and sisters who still live in darkness. Easter is the time of joy for all and for all of us to be in solidarity with those who are still hungry because they have not known the joy of the believers in the Risen Christ.

P. Hernán, SJ

Nothing unites us more with God than an act of mercy, whether it be the mercy with which the Lord forgives our sins, or the grace He gives



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"Come and Eat" (John 21:12)

The Easter season that we started only two weeks ago lasts 50 days and makes it possible for us to fully celebrate the many ways in which the Risen Lord manifests. As the trees grow green, the plants bloom and the days grow longer, we rejoice in the life that flourishes around us. Not in vain the entrance antiphon invites us to shout for joy with all creation because our Lord has Risen.

The Paschal event and the Risen Lord were presented in various ways in the years immediately following this great portent. For example, the Gospel of John presents Jesus interacting with his disciples as he did before his death and resurrection. The author of the book of Revelation presents Jesus surrounded by angels and other heavenly creatures while Luke in his book of the Acts of the Apostles presents us the feeling and action of the apostles themselves.

The first reading shows us how the religious authorities wanted to keep the people misinformed about the person of Jesus. The Apostle Peter identifies with them and even calls them brothers since they are children of their same ancestors, but at the same time he distances himself from them by accusing them of the death of Jesus (Acts 5:30). The religious authorities in turn order Peter and the other apostles to stop preaching in the name of Jesus. As is already well known, the apostles and many others chose to obey God and not the simple humans and continued to preach and teach in the name of the Risen Jesus.

In the first chapters of the Gospel of John, Jesus proclaims himself "the Good Shepherd" because he is willing to give his life for his sheep. Today in the last chapter of the Gospel, Jesus orders Peter to Shepherd his sheep. Peter will have the responsibility to shepherd the flock of Jesus. Like his Master, Peter will also end up sacrificing his life for his sheep. Curiously, in the Gospel where Jesus orders Peter to shepherd his sheep we see the apostles who returned to their old fishing profession. It is interesting to note that although they labored all night, they could not catch anything. It is only at dawn when the sun rises that their fishing is abundant and they recognize the one who calls them at their side to celebrate and eat. Two thousand years later we can say that our happiness and joy are intense as we have also been called to share at the table in the celebration of the Bread and the Word to which the Risen One calls us.

Everyone, in our own activities, can enjoy ourselves just as intensely as the joy of the Risen Christ.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

May 5: Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32, 40B-41
Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13
Revelation 5:11-14

May 12: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 13:14, 43-52
Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5
Revelation 7:9, 14B-17



MOTHERS' DAY REMEMBRANCE - Mothers' Day memorial envelopes may be found in your envelope packs or in the par vestibule. You are invited to make use of these envelopes to have your mothers, living or deceased, remembered in Masses on Mothers' Day. Once completed please place your envelope into the collection basket or take to the rectory. envelopes will then be placed on the Altar during the remainder of the month of May.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM 2019-2020; Registrations have begun. Parents interested in registering their children for our CCD program can do so by visiting our Parish Rectory. Our CCD is a two-year program. Please bring you, your child's baptismal certificate when registering. Classes will start in September. For more information call the Parish office at 718-442-3411.

OLMC SCHOOL NEWS:

Registration is ongoing for Kindergarten to 8th grade for the new school year 2019-2020 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel - Benedicta School. For more information, please call the school office at 718-981-5131.

OLMC School Fundraiser; Chili's Good Eats for a Good Cause - Stop by Chili's Restaurant located at 1497 Richmond Ave on **Wednesday, May 8th, 2019** at any time of the day and 10% of your bill will be donated to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School. Just mention our school name. Thank you for your support!

ALTAR SERVERS - We are always looking for boys and girls to become altar servers. If you are in the fifth grade or older and are a practicing Catholic and have received your first Holy Communion you can join. If anyone is interested, please contact the Rectory at 718-442-0058. Being a server not only increases one's spiritual experience at Mass but also is a great way to get involved in the parish.

ST. VINCENT DePAUL SOCIETY –the St. Vincent DePaul Society in our Parish is underway. If anyone is interested in helping others in need, please call the Parish Office and sign up so we can begin this worthwhile activity.

What is the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (or "Vincentians") are men and women who strive to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to individuals in need. We are young and old. Our members come in every shade of skin color, but ALL are blessed with an awareness that our blessings (time, talent, or treasure) are to be shared with our brothers and sisters in need. We know that we are not alone. We are part of an international society of friends united by a spirit of poverty, humility, and sharing, which is nourished by prayer, reflection, mutually supportive gatherings, and adherence to a basic Rule. We welcome you ALL!

GODPARENT / CONFIRMATION SPONSOR LETTERS - Church law mandates that a sponsor for baptism and confirmation be an active Confirmed Catholic. An active Catholic is a parishioner who is registered (at least 6 months), attends Mass weekly, contributes to the support of the church, is in a valid Catholic marriage and publicly leads a life compatible with Church teaching. We can offer these letters of eligibility for parishioners who meet these criteria.

2019 CARDINAL'S APPEAL - The Annual Cardinal's Stewardship Appeal has commenced and our parish goal has been set at \$35,000. Many parishioners have already received mail regarding the appeal and have responded generously. We have already **received \$9,495** in pledges! We only ask that you be as generous as your means will allow. Our parish consistently met its goal every year and we thank our parishioners for their immense sacrificial support.

MAY CROWNING - The Shoenstatt Sisters will be having a May Crowning at their Shoenstatt Shrine on Wednesday, May 22nd at 7 PM. The Shrine is located at 337 Cary Avenue, SI, NY 10310. There will be a Rosary, placing of a crown, flower procession to the shrine, Mass and refreshments.

MARIAN CONFERENCE - St. Joseph Hill Academy will be having a Marian Conference on Saturday, May 18th from 9:00 AM to 5 PM. The conference will be located in the convent at 850 Hylan Blvd and cost for admission is \$35 per person. Children are free. The day will consist of The Rosary and a May Crowning as well as talks from people of Good Counsel Homes Pro Life, Elderly and Homebound Club Inc. Monsignor Peter Finn, pastor of Blessed Sacrament, will be the homilist and celebrant of the Mass at 10 AM. For more details, please see the flyer in the vestibule.

FLEA MARKET - The Franciscan Handmaid of Mary (St. Edwards Food Pantry) is hosting a Flea Market on Saturday, May 18th (Rain date: May 19th, 2019) from 10:00am to 5:00pm in the parking lot of Mt. Loretto Friendship Club (6581 Hylan Blvd). They will accept and appreciate any donations for the flea market and Vendors are also needed. For more information please call 718-984-1625 / 347-996-0827 / 347-852-2306. Proceeds benefit the St. Edward's Food Pantry.

COLLECTIONS: April 28: \$3,756; Second Collection: \$1,557. *Thank you for your continued generosity to your Parish!*