



# Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

## August 25, 2019



### Weekly Mass Intentions

#### Saturday – August 24

8:00am-† Henry A. Phyfer  
 5:00pm-† Jim Obermayer  
 7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

#### Sunday – August 25

8:30am- † Stanley & Marcella Mikos  
 10:00am-† Alfonso D’Addio  
 11:30am-† Parish Community Intentions  
 1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions  
 6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

#### Monday – August 26

8:00am-† Gloria R. Mbirika  
 12:05pm~Special Intentions Duanna Kempton

#### Tuesday – August 27

8:00am~Special Intentions Duanna Kempton  
 12:05pm~Special Intentions Cristina Despereau

#### Wednesday– August 28

8:00am-† Carmen Del Valle  
 12:05pm~Special Intentions Duanna Kempton

#### Thursday – August 29

8:00am~Special Intentions Duanna Kempton  
 12:05pm~Birthday Blessings for  
 Yvonne Simpson Hilburn

#### Friday – August 30

8:00am-† James T. Vastano  
 12:05pm~Birthday Blessings Maria Rosa

#### Saturday – August 31

8:00am-† Robert Breglio  
 5:00pm-† Ann Marie Vardy

#### Sunday – September 1

8:30am†Msgr. Augustin DiBlasi~13<sup>th</sup> Anniv~  
 10:00am-† Grace Palladino



### Mass Intentions

*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish  
*Offered by:* Family

*Offered by:* Mikos Family  
*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish

*Offered by:* Loyola School

*By:* mom, Suzane Dorvily

*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish

*By:* sister, Cinderella Wonsewitz

*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish  
*By:* daughter, Claudia Rozon

*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish  
*Offered by:* Frank Folby

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### Weekly Memorials

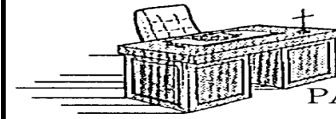
Bread & Wine  
 Tabernacle Candle  
 Memorial Candle  
 Memorial Candle



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The door to God's kingdom remains narrow, but the great ideals become real in the small and rejected of this world. May the grace of God touch our hearts so that we may bring love, goodness and mercy to the crucified ones of today. May our sharing the table with the marginalized open the door of the Kingdom of Heaven.

*Fr. Hernán, SJ*



### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

#### “The Last will be the First and the First will be Last” (Luke 13:30)

We gladly meet today in our parish community as millions of our brothers and sisters do in their own communities across our world. When Isaiah prophesied that "the Lord would come to gather people of all nations" he couldn't even imagine that there would be millions of believers even in countries and continents that had not yet been discovered or imagined. Let us therefore celebrate that beyond time and distance we are ALL welcome to the Table of Salvation as the believers were in the days of Isaiah or Jesus.

Jesus tells us that the door to reach eternal life is narrow and that many will not be able to pass it. Both Isaiah and Jesus, talk about gathering people from the ends of the world and receiving them into the presence of the Lord. Today is a good day to remember what the Lord is asking us and to follow his paths that lead to salvation. The Hebrews recommend discipline in following the Lord.

The constant teaching of Pope Francis, to welcome the poor, the immigrant, the hungry and everyone who has been humiliated, is an image of the call to follow Jesus today. How great and different from our recent past is to see Pope Francis celebrating the day with the poor and sitting at the table with simple people. Not long ago he did it with indigenous people who represented their communities for the upcoming Amazon Synod. Perhaps we had become so accustomed to seeing the popes having dinner with the powerful that today when the opposite happens we admire it. Somehow, we have returned to the purity of the Gospel where the “last will be first and the first will be last.”

A little over a month ago we listened to the parable of the Good Samaritan that Jesus used to answer the question about who is my neighbor? Today we have a clearer picture of those who have access to the Kingdom; that is, those who share their food and resources with the poor, needy, prisoners and refugees.

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## SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

### **August 25: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Isaiah 66:18-21  
Psalm 117:1, 2  
Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

### **September 1: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29  
Psalm 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11  
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24A



**IMPORTANT PARISH INFORMATION** – Starting **September/2019**, when the school has their monthly mass (which is normally the first Friday of the month), the 8:00am mass will be changed to 9:00am to accommodate the children/school mass and to lessen the burden for our overworked priests. We will announce the change with ample time for everyone to be informed and attend the mass at 9am instead of 8:00am. Thank you for your patience and for helping us meet our pastoral needs.

**NEW MUSIC** - We are into Week #4 of our "New Music Marathon" having started a new "Gloria" and a new "Holy, Holy" (*Sanctus*). Are you keeping up?? Let's keep working on these 2 pieces and hopefully let them become natural and spontaneous acclamations of praise to the Lord! Learning anything new may be uncomfortable at first, but open minds and hearts will help a lot. (Please be sure to read the notes at the bottom of the hymn sheet written by Benedict XVI, Pope Emeritus, which should inspire & encourage your singing of the Sanctus.)

**WELCOME to ONLINE GIVING** - ParishPay.com has transitioned to a new online giving system – "WeShare." Similar to ParishPay, WeShare allows parishes to receive online gifts and give their parishioners a safe and easy way to do so. You are still able to set up recurring donations and manage your online giving accounts. If you've never donated online before, signing up is easy!

1. Visit <http://www.paritypay.com>.
2. Register for a new account.
3. Click on the collection you wish to donate to.
4. Click Recurring Donation, then enter your donation amount and frequency.

Once you've added your account information, donations will automatically deduct from your account. It's that easy!  
Customer service number 1-800-950-9952.

**BILINGUAL HEALING MASS** - "JESUS HEALS." Join us for a Bilingual Healing Mass on **Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019** at 7:30pm. This Mass is a special opportunity to invite the Holy Spirit to touch you deeply and heal those emotional, physical, and spiritual places that are in need of God's healing graces. God is always with us to heal us and comfort us in our sufferings. All are invited to Join in on this healing mass and experience Jesus' healing touch for the body, mind and soul. Celebrant: Rev. Dr. Roy Varghese, CMI. Mass and Adoration.

**ALZHEIMERS and YOU** – "Things every family/caregiver should know." You are cordially invited to a free presentation on Alzheimer's disease and dementia. On **Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019** at The Historic Old Bermuda Inn (301 Veterans Rd. West, SI) from 9:30am to 1130am. Presented by the Vicariate of Staten Island; Msgr. Peter G. Finn (Moderator) & John Vincent Scalia, Sr. (President) with guest speaker; Della Frazier-Rios, RN, MS. Topics will include an explanation of Alzheimer's disease and dementia symptoms, stages and common behavior. RSVP to Event Coordinators Ivy Branding & Marketing Group by August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 718-356-2867.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

**Registrations-** Registrations for religious education classes are currently being taken in parish office during office hours. Please register your child(ren) as soon as possible. Any registrations taken after August 31<sup>st</sup> will incur a late fee per child. 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 1<sup>st</sup> year preparation for the sacraments now is the time to reenroll them for 2<sup>nd</sup> year preparation.**

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

**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (better known as RCIA)** - is the process in which non-Catholic adults learn about the Catholic faith and become members of the Church through BAPTISM. The R.I.C.A. is also designed for Catholics who have not yet received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Communion and who would like to know more about their faith. The R.I.C.A. In our parish it is directed by Colin Vautrinot. If you would like more information about this program, please call the rectory and leave your information for Mr. Vautrinot.

**SAVE THE DATE** – for JESUIT FRIENDS & ALUMNI SUNDAY MASSES, an opportunity for alumni and friends of Jesuit Schools to share our common bonds through the celebration of liturgy, followed by a reception highlighting opportunities for continuing spiritual growth and service to the local and global community. **Sunday, October 20, 2019.** Visit [www.JesuitEst.org/AlumniSunday2019](http://www.JesuitEst.org/AlumniSunday2019) for more information.

**COLLECTIONS:** Assumption: \$1,397; Second Collection: \$671. August 18: \$3,065; Second Collection: \$1,147.  
*Thank you for your continued generosity to OUR Parish!*