

Third Sunday in Ordinary time ~ January 26, 2020



Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday – January 25

8:00am-† Theodore H. Spicer
5:00pm-† Nerida Quiles
7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Sunday – January 26

8:30am- † James T. Parsons
10:00am-† Pasquale Loffreno
11:30am-† Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday – January 27

8:00am-† Carlos Amaya
12:05pm-† Christina Paradiso

Tuesday – January 28

8:00am-† Marietta Romano ~40th Anniv~
12:05pm-† Margot Silverman

Wednesday– January 29

8:00am-† Vincent Esposito
12:05pm-† Josephine Rozalski

Thursday – January 30

8:00am-† Vincent Conti
12:05pm-† Russell Carter

Friday – January 31

8:00am-† Irene LaFontante
12:05pm-† Edwin Santiago

Saturday – February 1

8:00am- † Anna Maiorani
5:00pm- † Patricia May

Sunday – February 2

8:30am- † Joseph Bertolini
10:00am-† Marcos S. Castillo



Mass Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
Offered by: Sonia & Tito Morales

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
By: wife, Antoinette & Family

By: daughter, Rocio Babilonia
By: daughter, Antoinette & Family

Offered by: Family
Offered by: Loyola School

Offered by: Annette Esposito
Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish

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By: Nancy & Marcella Mikos
Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish

Weekly Memorials

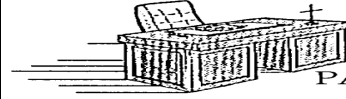
Bread & Wine
Tabernacle Candle
Memorial Candle
Memorial Candle



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The disciples embark on a mission that leads them to teach, preach and heal. Beyond that prophesied by Isaiah, Jesus and his disciples are called to bring the light where there is darkness, life where there was death before. The disciples, like their Master, bring joy, peace and joy where before there was suffering and death. And how do you respond to Jesus' call? Remember that the first disciples followed him leaving everything and everything they found in his heart.

Fr. Hernan, S.J.



FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

“Leaving it all, they Followed” (Matthew 4:22)

“They kept leaving everything and everything they found in their hearts,” is the beginning of a vocational song that is inspired by Jesus' call to the first disciples Andrew and Peter. The vocation is a call by someone and for something. Therefore it implies a free acceptance, confidence and desires to surrender to the mission entrusted to them. Jesus' call to his apostles is still valid today for all who want to hear his voice. Personally, I never tire of thanking God for being chosen to serve the Lord Jesus and his Church.

Twice the Scripture presents to us today the passage that says that "people who walked in darkness have seen a great light." This message of hope wants to be the beginning of Jesus' mission that fulfills the prophecy of Isaiah In that same context that appeals to “that the best is yet to come” let's contemplate the mission to which each of us is called. Needless to say, in a climate of prayer we ask God to make us disciples for the mission.

“The paths of life are not what I thought,” says another popular song and affirm that the paths will not always be easy and bright. Therefore, the Prophet Isaiah proclaims that darkness and discouragement will be replaced by light and joy. Paul implores his audience divided by controversies to be united in the name of Jesus. At the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, the Master calls the disciples to leave everything as a condition of follow-up. Therefore, the challenge of today's readings is to change our perspective and let ourselves be carried away by what is the Light that shines in the darkness.

The Gospel of Matthew serves as a transition between the Old and New Testaments. This Gospel is like a bridge that unites the teaching of the two Testaments. It's very important for Mateo that his audience know from the beginning that in Jesus all the promises of the Old Testament are fulfilled: born in the house of David, son of a maiden in Bethlehem of Judah and forced to emigrate to another country.

It is in that context that we are not surprised that Peter, Andrew, John and James respond to Jesus' call immediately.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

January 26: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 8:23 – 9:3
Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14
1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

February 2: Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Malachi 3:1-4
Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10
Hebrews 2:14-18



PARISH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE - Admissions Applications are now being accepted for Our Lady of Mt. Carmel - St. Benedicta School grades, Kindergarten thru 8th. Visit us on the next open house, **Tuesday, January 28, 2020** from 9 AM to 11 AM. For more information, call the school office 718-981-5131.

FEAST of the PRESENTION of the LORD - Next **Sunday, February 2, 2020**, at all the masses the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus and is also known as Candlemas day which means "the identification of the light with Christ". It was prophesied 'a light has come into the world'. Join us!

BLESSING OF THROATS – Monday, February 3, 2020 is the Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr. The traditional blessing of throats for St. Blaise's Day will be offered immediately following the 8:00am and 12:05pm masses. If you know of someone with a throat malady, please invite them to this traditional blessing of being prayed over for health and protection.

BIBLE STUDY - Join us for our Parish Bible Study, meeting Sundays: **February 9 & 23, March 8 & 22, April 26, May 10 & 31, June 14 & 28**. All dates we will start at 1:00pm and run until 3:00pm. If you do not have a bible, one can be provided for you. Come one, come all.

ASH WEDNESDAY – This year Ash Wednesday falls on **February 26, 2020**. The Mass schedule is as follows: 8:00am & 12:05pm (English Masses) OLMC School Students will attend the 12:05pm Mass; 6:00pm & 8:00pm (Spanish Masses).

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - We will pray the Stations of the Cross on Fridays During Lent after the 12:05pm mass. Beginning **Friday, February 28** join us for this very special Lenten devotion.

CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL - *TEACH + SERVE + SANCTIFY*. New Cardinal's Appeal material is being mailed to homes at this time. Please read it and again respond as generously as you can. PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOAL! The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal serves our spiritual communities across our 10 counties. Remember, you can pledge your gift now and make payments in the coming months. Thank you to all who have already made your commitment – your generosity always is appreciated!

2020 MASS INTENTION BOOK – Dates are available for announced masses in the 2020 Mass Intention Book. The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition. Please contact or visit the rectory at 718-442-3411 for more information.

ONLINE & SOCIAL MEDIA – STAY CONNECTED WITH YOUR PARISH! You can read all our recent parish bulletins on our website; olmcsi.org and other pertinent parish information. You can also follow us on Facebook: Olmcsi.

50/50 RAFFLE - You can be a part of our monthly 50/50. Just submit your \$5 donation in an envelope marked 50/50 in the collection basket before the end of each month. There's a winner every month! Feeling lucky?

DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS - Holy Family Parish is hosting a Discount Defensive Driving Class on Saturday, February 15 from 9am to 3:30pm. This lively and fun DMV approved course entitles New York drivers to a 10% auto insurance discount for three years and as many as 4 violation points reduced from your NY driving record! The cost is only \$39 for those who register by Feb 11, and \$44 after that date. Seats are limited. A catered lunch and refreshments are included. To register send your 1) name, 2) phone number and 3) payment to Defensive Driving, 174 Woolley Ave., S.I. NY 10314. Please make the check payable to Holy Name Society. If you have any questions, call 718-637-3934.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF STATEN ISLAND - Catholic Charities of Staten Island provides help through Food Pantries, Senior Centers, and Case Management Services for eviction prevention & housing stabilization, utility stabilization, emergency food resources, and public benefits. For more information, please call 718-447-6330 x 2892. For help with Drug or Alcohol Addiction, please contact Carl's Recovery Center at 718-412-1851 (option 1).

COLLECTIONS: January 19: \$3,747; Second Collection: \$1,494. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of OUR Parish!

***If a Mass is being said for a member of your family on a Saturday evening or a Sunday, it would be most fitting if someone from the family would bring up the Offertory gifts.
Please let our Hospitality Ministers know before Mass begins.***