



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 2, 2020



Weekly Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions

Saturday – August 1

8:00am- † Bianco Family
 5:00pm- † Camille Vitaliano
 7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
By: Peg & Tom Ventrudo

Sunday – August 2

8:30am- † Lawrence & Mary Iannucci
 10:00am- † Gerald Cocozello
 11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
 1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
 6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
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Monday – August 3

8:00am- † Hermelinda Acevedo
 12:05pm- † Louise Obermayer
 7:00pm- † Emiliana Oropesa

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

Tuesday – August 4

12:05pm- Special Intentions Duanna Kempton
 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intention

Wednesday – August 5

8:00am- † Thomas LaMantia
 12:05pm- † Hugo Renee Chacon
 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
Offered by: Maribel Sanchez

Thursday – August 6

12:05pm- † Daniel Fuentes
 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish

Friday – August 7

8:00am- † Elizabeth Nilsen
 12:05pm- † Dorothy Spicer
 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
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Saturday – August 8

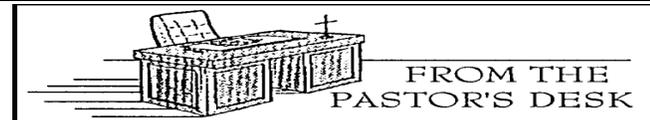
8:00am- † Ralph Frulio ~*Birthday Anniv.*~
 5:00pm- † Louis Bunch

Offered by: Family
Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish

Sunday – August 9

8:30am- † Mary Louise Brown
 10:00am- † Angela & Nicholas Guarino

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
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"They all ate and were satisfied" (Matthew 14: 13-21)

Imagine, just for a minute, the crowds that traveled great distances to see and hear Jesus in Galilee 2000 years ago.

Many of them were poor, hungry, and sick. How we would not have wanted to have Jesus materially during the coronavirus pandemic so that he could share our fear and our pain. How fortunate we are that Jesus is with us every time we gather in his presence and call on his name. Jesus nourishes us at his table, he gives us strength in our weaknesses and He is the light in the middle of the shadows of our lives. Let us pray so that we can eat and be satisfied with his Bread that is broken and given to all.

In a few months the liturgy will present us with the famous passage of Matthew 25. In that chapter Jesus tells his disciples that everyone who feeds the hungry and gives a drink to the thirsty will be received in the Kingdom of Heaven. In today's Gospel Jesus gives us a model to follow his way of acting that far from departing from the needs of his people is present so that everyone can eat and be satisfied. Curiously, we can see how Jesus wants his disciples to be involved in his own actions.

In the midst of personal and family pain it is good to recognize how most of our Catholic pastors were not afraid to defy the pandemic and help their people just as Jesus did. Catholic Charities was always present to help the poor and needy. Our parish, despite its financial limitations, was always attentive to the needs of those most in need, among others from the Native Mixteca community. The Notre Dame Society gave us gift cards to feed the poor. I remember, with tears in my eyes, that some parishioners brought food for the parish priests. One of them was Carmela, an indigenous woman from Guerrero, Mexico who brought tamales as a way to give thanks for the help she received. The words of Jesus touched the hearts of many parishioners "Give them something to eat ..."

Carmela, Rosario, Leno and Micky are just the names of our parishioners who learned from Jesus' disciples to move in the middle of the crowd to distribute food and make sure that everyone will be satisfied. May today's disciples like Jesus apostles could see the eyes of joy of those who ate and were satisfied. The tears of gratitude from those who received help from other caring parishioners will remain in my priestly heart.

When Jesus finds out that they only had "5 loaves and 2 fish" he asks them to bring them in. That food was insufficient to feed the group of 12 and even less to feed 5000 men. But everything is possible if Jesus is with us because he is able to multiply the bread and satisfy the hunger of many. In this miracle of Jesus we must look at the provident hand of God who always wants to give us the abundance of his love and above all wants us to be the ones who satisfy the hunger and thirst of our poorest brothers and sisters. Let's live the holy wish to share what

Weekly Memorials

**Bread & Wine
 Tabernacle Candle
 Memorial Candle**



~ **For all sick members of our Parish**
 ~ **For all lives lost to CoVid-19**
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we are and can. With the Argentine singer-songwriter Fito Páez we can say: "Who said that everything is lost, I have come to offer my heart." Let us ask Jesus for the gift of holy compassion and thus we will all eat and be satisfied. **Fr. Hernán, S.J.**

"Participating in the Eucharist means entering into the logic of Jesus, the logic of gratuitousness, of participation. And as poor as we are, we can all give something. Taking Communion also means taking from Christ the grace that makes us capable of sharing with others what we are and what we have."

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

August 2: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:1-3
Psalm 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18
Romans 8:35, 37-39

August 9: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 19:9A, 11-13A
Psalm 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14
Romans 9:1-5



MASS SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENTS/CHANGES – Effective August, 2020, there will **NOT** be an 8:00AM morning mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The 8:00AM mass will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. We also have an additional mass in the evening in Spanish; Monday through Fridays at 7:00PM. We want let you know how much we appreciate your support, prayers, and patience during this unprecedented time and appreciate your understanding.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR NEW/RETURNING STUDENTS 2020-21: In order to create smaller than usual classes for the 20-21 Religious Education school year, we are asking parents to register your children as soon as possible. All classes will continue to be offered on the same days and we are preparing for blended learning with a staggered schedule in order to be in compliance with social distancing. Once your child is registered, the schedules will be communicated to the parents. In order for your children to receive First Holy Communion or Confirmation, they must attend two years of consecutive preparation in any religious education program. You can register your child/children by filling out the enrollment form on our website (olmcsi.org), uploading any required documentation and paying the required fees. You may call or email us with any additional questions. Enrolling your children in our program every year helps secure them a solid, joyful foundation in the faith and helps qualify them to receive their sacraments on time with their peers.

BACK TO MASS! - Following the guidelines of the Archdiocese and the requirements of the State of New York, with 25% capacity. Our Church is open for Baptism, Weddings, Funerals, Confessions (Saturdays 4:00pm-4:45pm), and private prayer in the church (9:00am - 4:00pm). We are **ALL** required to follow the following guidelines:

- 1.** Wear a mask at all times in the Church, including the confessional. **NO MASK MEANS NO ENTRY.**
- 2.** Observe the 6 feet distance. (SOCIAL DISTANCING)
- 3.** Sit in designated areas and follow the signs posted around the church.
- 4.** If you think you may have been exposed to the virus or if at any time you feel like you might have **ANY** virus related symptoms, we ask you to definitely stay at home and seek medical attention.

CHANGES IN THE LITURGY - To limit the possibility of contagion, presentation of gifts, shaking hands at sign of peace, receiving on the tongue, and sharing the communion cup will be temporarily omitted. For the same reason, missalettes and hymn books have all been removed. Ushers will direct the communion procession one section at a time so that communicants can maintain a six-foot distance from one another. Holy Communion will be distributed in the hand only, in order to limit the transfer of saliva.

CLEANLINESS - Hand Sanitizers will be positioned at the rear of the Church for you to disinfect your hands as often as needed. You may also wish to bring hand sanitizer with you. The pews and other areas will be disinfected after each Mass. *We continue praying for all who are affected by CoVid-19, their families and all who provide the very best care. May the good Lord help us find prevention and cure for the coronavirus.*

LIVE STREAMING / VIRTUAL MASSES WILL CONTINUE – Keeping you connected with our parish through our Facebook page. Connect and follow us to see these transmissions in your homes. Search "olmcsi" and send a friend request. You may access these masses from your smart phone or computer.

HOW TO REGISTER for ONLINE GIVING - WeShare allows our parish to receive online gifts and give our parishioners a safe and easy way to do so. You are able to set up recurring donations and manage your online giving accounts. If you've never donated online before, signing up is easy! Customer service number 1-800-950-9952 or weshare@4lpi.com.

1) Visit our church website and click Give Online. (Parish Website: olmcsi.org). **2)** Select the collection or event of your choice. **3)** Setup your donation or payment. **4)** If you wish you may choose 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!

RECTORY HOURS – Our rectory has partially resumed normal office hours with the necessary precautions. (Monday-Friday 9am-8pm & Sundays 10am-3:30pm) It would be best to call ahead, we might be able to help you over the phone. We pray that you are all healthy during these unprecedented times.

AUGUST YOUNG ADULT NIGHT - Saturday, August 15th, 7:30 PM at St. Michael's Church, 211 Harbor Road, Staten Island NY 10303. Spend an hour with Jesus! Young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to a night of prayer in Eucharistic Adoration, with live praise and worship music. Confessions will be available. A face mask is required to attend and social distancing will be in place. For more information, search "Catholic Staten Island" on Facebook or email Kaitlyn.Colgan@archny.org.