



Weekly Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions

Saturday – August 22

- 8:00am- † Josephine Rozalski
- 5:00pm- † James Obermayer
- 7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
Offered by: Family

Sunday – August 23

- 8:30am- † Robert J. Carbone
- 10:00am- † Jay Hatmaker & Harold Robinson
- 11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
- 1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
- 6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
Offered by: Alexis Crowdell

Monday – August 24

- 8:00am- † Louis R. Mammolito
- 12:05pm~Special Intentions Duanna Kempton
- 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish

Tuesday – August 25

- 12:05pm- † Jason Karnatski
- 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intention

Offered by: Theresa Simmonds

Wednesday – August 26

- 8:00am- † Vittoria DiGiovanni
- 12:05pm- † Mary Karen Baker
- 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
Offered by: Theresa Simmonds

Thursday – August 27

- 12:05pm- † Carlos Amaya
- 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

By: daughter, Rocio Babilonia

Friday – August 28

- 8:00am- † Domingo E. Guzman
- 12:05pm- † Mary Ann Fair
- 7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
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Saturday – August 29

- 8:00am- † Thelma Dixon
- 5:00pm- † Christiana Ogedi Okocha

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
By: Michael & Hannah Arimodi & Hilda Oluwaseun Adeniji

Sunday – August 30

- 8:30am- † Stanley & Marcella Mikos
- 10:00am- † Ciro "Jerry" Mezzacappa

Offered by: Family
Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine

Tabernacle Candle

Memorial Candle



~ For all sick members of our Parish

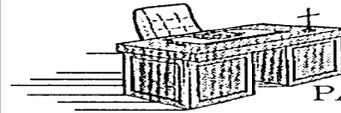
~ For all lives lost to CoVid-19

~ For all Souls in Purgatory

the strength to be faithful. It is the time to recognize ourselves as an active part of a community that is bigger than just ourselves.

Fr. Hernán, S.J.

"Jesus feels in his heart great joy, because he recognizes in Simon the hand of the Father, the action of the Holy Spirit. He recognizes that God the Father has given Simon a "reliable" faith, on which He, Jesus, will be able to build his Church, that is, his community." (Pope Francis)



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"Peter is promised the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven" (Matthew 16: 13-20).

Many times we take for granted that we are the Church, the universal assembly of believers, the Body of Christ, called to build the Kingdom of God. Each of us is part of this institution that can be traced back nearly 2000 years to the impetuous Apostle Saint Peter, the rock on whom we are built, the first who confessed his faith in Christ as the Messiah of God. That is why this Eucharist has to be a grateful recognition of our privileged belonging to the mission-community while we contemplate the task that remains to us to be active builders of God's Kingdom.

In the verses preceding the ones we hear in today's first reading, Isaiah details Shebna's excesses, particularly the tomb he had hewn for himself. Isaiah reproaches this attitude and warns Shebna that the tomb will be used sooner than he expected. Sometimes human ambitions lead us to squander what can be shared with those most in need. Sometimes we forget about others and are proud of our supposed great achievements in life. That is why the prophet does not stop pointing out that a time of change will come in which the proud leaders will be replaced by others who will pity the people and bring salvation to all.

Jesus does not want his disciples' answers about who others say he is. Jesus wants the disciples to answer him directly about him. Jesus awaits today our personal responses. It is ours, not the teachings we have received from our parents, friends and teachers that Jesus needs to hear from us. That is why when Jesus' disciples told him that he is "John, Elijah, Jeremiah or one of the prophets," Jesus does not deny them and in a certain sense affirms that he himself is a prophet. Let us remember that a prophet is not someone who predicts the future but someone chosen by God, sent by God, who speaks on behalf of God and is devoted to spreading his message of life. But Jesus is not a simple prophet in the midst of other prophets. He is "The Prophet" among many prophets, indeed, he is the Son of the Living God. In that sense, Jesus does not transmit a message with his word but that he himself is the Word of God. Jesus not only explains the doctrine of salvation but is Salvation and Eternal Life for all who believe in Him. Peter is the first of all time believers to recognize the uniqueness of the Christ of God and that is why he is given the keys to the kingdom. If our hope and faith seems to decline, it is the time to look at Jesus, God's Messiah, and ask for

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

August 23: Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 22:19-23
Psalms 138:1-3, 6, 8
Romans 11:33-36

August 30: Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 20:7-9
Psalms 63:2-6, 8-9
Romans 12:1-2



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH CARDINAL TIMOTHY DOLAN - The Archbishop of NY, His Eminence Cardinal Timothy Dolan will be visiting our parish on Friday, August 28th. He will give a blessing to our mural in the church parking lot at 6:30 PM and accompany us to Spanish mass at 7:00 PM. It will be a pastoral and spiritual visit. We express our gratitude and with fraternal joy we welcome him.

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. We will also offer 100% remote learning from home. 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.

TREE OF LIFE - serves as a wonderful way to celebrate those you love and is located in the back of the church (by the choir area). Consider gifting a leaf to commemorate a special life event, memorialize a loved one who has passed or simply list your family name - showing your support of our parish and community. The suggested donation for a leaf on the tree is \$300. Please call the rectory and request your form, if you would like to place a name on the tree.

BACK TO MASS! - Following the guidelines of the Archdiocese and the requirements of the State of New York, with 25% capacity, we have resumed mass. Our Church is open for Baptism, Weddings, Funerals, Confessions (Saturdays 4:00pm-4:45pm), and private prayer in the church. 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 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.

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.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP - BECOME AN OFFICAL MEMBER; All Families and individuals are welcome to our parish and be of service to you. Our parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. The priests and ministers are here to serve your needs, to share your joy and to help lighten your burdens. We take seriously the words of Jesus: "Love one another, as I loved you, so you must love one another." (John 13:34)

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.