



Weekly Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions

Saturday – November 7

8:00am-† Anthony G. Rispoli
5:00pm-† James & Elizabeth Mooney
7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
Offered by: Linda Graves

Sunday – November 8

8:30am- † Beatrice DeLizia
10:00am- † Anthony Raisley, Sr.
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 – November 9

8:00am- † Rev. G Simon Harak, SJ
12:05pm-† Rev. Daniel J. Sullivan, SJ
7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
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Tuesday – November 10

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

Wednesday – November 11

8:00am-† *Ciro Frulio ~Birthday Anniv.~*
12:05pm- **NO MASS**
7:00pm- **NO MASS**

Offered by: Frulio Family

Thursday – November 12

12:05pm-† Rev. Neil P. McLaughlin, SJ
7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish

Friday – November 13

8:00am- Special Intentions Duanna Kempton
12:05pm- † Rev. John C. Haughey, SJ
7:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish

Saturday – November 14

8:00am-† Rev. Daniel J. Lusch, SJ
5:00pm-† Angelina & Joseph Forelli

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
Offered by: Vivian Cutrona

Sunday – November 15

8:30am- † Rev. Thomas V. O’Conner, SJ
10:00am- † Maximo Pascua

Offered by: Mt. Carmel Parish
By: wife Crescencia Pascua

Weekly Memorials

**Bread & Wine
Tabernacle Candle
Memorial Candle
Memorial Candle**



~ **For Our Parish Community**
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~ **For All Our Faithful Departed**
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COLLECTIONS: Oct. 31 / Nov. 1 - \$4,138; All Soul’s: \$2,206.
Thank you for your continued generosity and support of OUR Parish.

“How many times does one get lost and live in the darkness. Sometimes some want to put themselves in the light of the other, like these young women who tried to put the oil of the others in their lamps. But each one has his/her light. In each one God has left a particular light, a light that makes him/her be oneself. For this reason, in the Kingdom of Heaven each one has to be him / herself” (Pope Francis).



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"The Wise Virgins and the Fool" (Matthew 25: 1-13)

I hadn't heard the word "wary" until I went to a Sunday Mass with a half-Panamanian and half-Ecuadorian Jesuit. I was 19 years old and from that day on, the foolish virgins are part of my grammatical lexicon when it comes to preaching about the 10 virgins. Beyond simple dualism, when we meditate on this group of women we are invited to shine with our own light as Pope Francis teaches us. Life is short and far from wanting to live in the light of others, we are called to shine our own light that makes us enjoy the consolations that only Jesus could bring to our lives.

We are about to finish the liturgical year in two weeks. This year had been dedicated to the Gospel of Matthew, Cycle A. The readings focus on the end times and the final judgment. We are challenged to think that "we do not know neither the day nor the hour." In our society where everything is planned and nothing is left for last minute surprises, perhaps what we leave unresolved what the final encounter with our Creator will be. Far from being an encounter with an implacable judge, today's readings want to wisely prepare us so that we could live the end of the world without fear of darkness and damnation. St. Paul clearly says "do not be sad as those who have no faith" (1Thess4:13). The ideal of every believer must be to live on the hope of eternal life that God promised to those who love him.

A wedding party serves as a point of comparison to the Kingdom of God. The 5 virgins who wisely prepared themselves for the occasion are rewarded while the foolish are rejected. All the women in the parable fall asleep waiting for the most precious moment. It is interesting to note that the prudent ones do not share with the foolish ones since the only requirement is to carry what one has. Commenting on this Pope Francis says that every believer has to shine with his/her own light. There is no other possibility. Either you are ready or you are not. Last-minute shopping is no longer good for the foolish because the door has been closed and the

party has begun. A few weeks ago we meditated on the clothing required of the guests, in today's parable the only requirement is to have the lamps lit. Today the challenge is to shine with the light that has been given to us at the moment of our baptism. We cannot claim salvation if we live in a world of shadows and left behind of those who need our help. **To be light is to shine so that others can also shine.** Receiving the sacraments is just the beginning of a life dedicated to God. If we want to walk on the paths that lead us to salvation, we are called to share, to be generous and to forgive. If we live loving God and our neighbor, then we already have the oil of the wise virgins that will allow us to enter to enjoy God's Kingdom. Let us live the urgency of the final encounter by doing good work because we do not know neither the day nor the hour.

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Fr. Hernán, S.J

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

November 8: Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 6:12-16
Psalms 63:2-8
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

November 15: Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Psalms 128:1-5
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6



HOLIDAY CLOSURE - Our Parish Office will be closed on **Wednesday, November 11th, 2020** for the Veteran's Day Holiday Commemoration. We will resume normal rectory hours on Thursday. The **ONLY MASS** offered that day will be at **8:00am**.

PASTOR'S ADVISORY MEETING – We are resuming our parish's Pastor's Advisory Meeting which will be held on **Monday, November 16th, 2020** at 5:00pm in the Fr. Miguel Meeting Room. All parishioners are welcome to attend and help propose suggestions and advise on parish related topics. We continue to work on enhancing communication and transparency. We maintain a healthy environment and will implement all COVID precautions and restrictions.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES – **We are happy to welcome back our students! Registrations are still ongoing.** All classes will continue to be offered on the same days and we have prepared for blended learning with a staggered schedule in order to be in compliance with social distancing. We also offer 100% remote learning from home. 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.

Important: If your child was enrolled last year in 1st year preparation for the sacraments now is the time to re-enroll them for 2nd year preparation.

- If your child is entered the 1st grade this September, it is time to register for First Holy Communion preparation.
- If your child is entered the 6th grade this September, it is time to register for Confirmation preparation.

THE CHRISTIAN INITIATION RITE for 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 RICA program is also designed for Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Communion and Confirmation and would like to know more about their faith. The RICA in our parish it is directed by Colin Vautrinot. Please call the rectory if you would like more information about this program and how you may register for these classes that are starting soon.

TREE OF LIFE – Help us fulfill our "Tree of Life" and celebrate those you love. Consider gifting a leaf for your special life event, for a loved one who has passed or simply list your family name. Please fill the request form at the rectory. Your participation is greatly appreciated. The suggested donation for a leaf is \$300 and can be made in 3 installments.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP - All new families and individuals are welcome to our parish. We request that you register in the rectory when you move into our community so we can 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. A registered parishioner will receive weekly envelopes to assist with day to day operations of the parish. **A person must be a registered parishioner in order to obtain a sponsorship form.** We take seriously the words of Jesus: "Love one another, as I loved you, so you must love one another." (John 13:34) Please contact the parish for more information about this process.

LIVE STREAMING / VIRTUAL MASSES - Keeps you connected with our parish through our Facebook page. Connect and follow us to see these transmissions from the comfort of your homes each Sunday. Just search "olmcsi" and send a friend request. You may access these masses from your smart phone or computer.

Sunday Streamed Mass Schedule: 10:00am (English) & 11:30am (Spanish)

YOUR OFFERTORY ENVELOPES - Please continue, to the best of your ability, your financial support of our parish. Your offering envelopes may be placed in the collection baskets at mass, dropped off at the rectory office, or mailed to us. **Better and easier: Make your secure online donations by visiting: olmcsi.churhgiving.com** and select the collection you wish to donate to and click to enter an amount, then enter your payment information (it can also be setup to be recurring). That's it. You'll be able to give to any of our collections, and you can return at any time to edit your donation or to view your financial records. Thank you for considering online giving for your support of our parish.

PANDEMIC RESOURCES - Mental health resources are available to any New Yorker who needs them. The ongoing effects of this pandemic are impacting many people's mental health. New Yorkers can call the state's hotline at 1-844-863- 9314 to get free emotional support, consultations and referrals to a provider or visit headspace.com/ny for free meditation and mindfulness resources. One of the greatest concerns of this pandemic is making sure all New Yorkers have access to food. No New Yorker should go to bed hungry. To find a food pantry that services your county, visit ny.gov/foodbanks

CHRISTMAS FAIR - Monsignor Farrell High School will have an outdoor Christmas Fair and Food Truck Festival on Saturday, November 21st from 9am-4pm in their parking lot. Free admission. (Rain date Nov. 22)