

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

NOVEMBER 5TH 2023 ~ 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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"As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master'; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant." - Mt 23:8-11

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BAPTISM AT MT. CARMEL CHURCH

Parents must be contributing members, regularly attending weekly Mass, for at least 4 months. In preparation for the sacrament, a one hour class for parents must be completed prior to the baptism, please contact the rectory, 652-7660, at least 2 months in advance.

MARRIAGE ARRANGEMENTS

Should be made with the pastor at least six months to one year before the proposed wedding date. One member of the couple must be a registered, practicing member and contributor of record at Mt. Carmel for at least six months. Couples sharing the same abode will be asked to live separately prior to their marriage.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 pm until 3:45 pm, Tuesday 5:00 pm until 5:30 pm. When available Fathers Campbell and McDermott will hear confessions before Sunday Masses.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 7:15 am with 7:00 am Morning Prayer, Rosary after Mass.

Tuesday Adoration 3:00pm until 5:30 pm. Mass at 5:45 pm.

Saturday 8:30 am

4:00 pm (anticipated Sunday Mass)

Sunday 7:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm

PARISH WEBSITE www.olmckenosha.org

MT. CARMEL CHURCH 19th Avenue & 54th Street...

Entrance on 19th Avenue.

MT. CARMEL RECTORY 1919 54th Street

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TOUR of the CATHOLIC FAITH & RCIA CLASS (Combined)

When & Where: Tuesday evenings, 7-9 p.m., at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School (enter through school door facing east/Columbus Park)

Instructor: Fr. Dwight P. Campbell

Basic Text: *Basic Catholic Catechism Course* by Fr. John Hardon, S.J., cost: \$25.

Basic Summary: This course is a year-long, complete tour the Catholic Faith. The course is open to anyone – adults or teens – to gain a better understanding of the Catholic Faith. You may join the class at any time, and come as often as you wish. It is also an RCIA course: any non-Catholic who is interested in looking into the Catholic Faith is invited to attend. Also, any adult Catholic who has received Baptism but has never received other Sacraments (Confession/Holy Communion, and/or Confirmation) is invited to attend.

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Fr. Campbell's Wed 6am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY via Zoom: To get the link, email Fr. Campbell at FrCampbell@olmckenosha.org
Have Bible & Catechism!

A Fall Craft Fair, just in time for Christmas shopping, will be held in the church vestibule after all Masses on Saturday, November 11 and Sunday, November 12. 100% of the proceeds will go to the church. Thank you.

The **Ladies Society will be meeting on Tuesday, November 7, at 6:30pm in the church hall.** The main topics of discussion will be the October spaghetti dinner and the Christmas party. **We will also have Thanksgiving and Christmas games!** A meal will be served. Anyone interested in joining the Ladies Society is encouraged to attend the meeting. We hope to see everyone there!

* **Christmas Party** The Ladies Society will be hosting a Christmas party on **Sunday, December 3 at 1pm at Infusino's Banquet Hall in Racine.** All are welcome to attend. The meal will include appetizers, salad, cheese ravioli, meat ravioli, Italian baked chicken, parsley potatoes, green beans and dessert. There will be a cash raffle, basket raffles and complimentary door prizes. The cost per person is \$25 and is due by November 19. Tickets must be purchased in advance. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please contact Claudia at 262.914.0672 or Cinzia at 262.552.8883.



Please pray for the sick in our parish

Jean Wawiorka, Jeanne George, Maria Savaglio, Gilda Bilotti, Aldo Bosco, Sharon Fair, Dorothy Ramcheck, Rosemary Werwie, Richard Kaminiski, Carol Szulczewski, Tom Komarec, Tom & Matilde Woodbury, Patricia Cascio, Alan Vittori, Marge Jarvey, John Ernst, Bob Pozza, Chris Neugebauer, Santina Lori, Len Hartnell, Gina Missurelli, Sally Knudson, Betty Campbell, and Loretta Hofmann.



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w/Fr. Campbell at

WSFI 88.5 FM & and now also on 750AM

Every 2nd & 4th Wed. Next program Wed. Nov. 8, 2pm

3-WEEK BOOK STUDY

w/Fr. Campbell on

The Synodal Process

Is a Pandora's Box

When: Monday evenings Nov. 6 & Nov. 13, 7-8:30pm at St. Therese Church.

This book, in a 100 Q & A format, analyzes the potential problems with the ongoing Synod on Synodality now taking place in Rome. Copies of the book will be available: \$5 each.

The Knights of Columbus Council 973 is sponsoring a **"Personal Hygiene and Household Cleaners Drive"** at the weekends of 11/4 and 11/11 to support St Vincent De Paul's Food Pantry site at St Anthony Church. There is a shortage of the following items: **bar soap, deodorant, dish soap, laundry detergent, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, feminine pads, and baby diapers.** There is a large bin in the back of the church for collections. **Please** consider bringing in items to help local people in need.



At All Saints Catholic School we have incorporated a special time to our school day called "Living Our Faith". It is a focused time to learn about and participate in our Catholic Faith. This time includes attending First Friday Morning Mass as an entire school, taking time to dig deeper into our Virtues in Practice program by focusing on a specific virtue each month, praying the Rosary as a school or participating in "buddy time" allowing our older students to mentor our younger student through a faith-filled activity. We are blessed to be able to have this intentional time to grow in our relationship with Christ. To learn more about All Saints Catholic School call or visit our website. All-saintskenosha.org (262) 925-4000. **Faith. Values. Rigor.**

Untangling Some Crucial Questions [re: Pope Francis Permits Blessing Homosexual Unions]

Fr. Gerald E. Murray, *TheCatholicThing.org/2023/10/14*

As all the world now knows, Cardinal Raymond Burke and four fellow cardinals (Brandmüller, Sarah, Sandoval, and Zen) sent five *dubia* (questions) to Pope Francis this past July. He responded almost immediately. The *dubia* and the pope's responses were not made public, however, until Oct2nd, right before the opening of the current Synod on Synodality. The responses include some very troubling assertions, especially about blessing same-sex unions. Pope Francis has, regrettably, authorized bishops and priests – after some undefined process of “discernment” – to confer a priestly blessing upon same-sex couples. In almost forty years of priestly life, I never dreamed that a pope would do this. I am horrified and saddened.

Pope Francis began his answer to the second of the *dubia* stating that “[t]he Church has a very clear understanding of marriage: an exclusive, stable, and indissoluble union between a man and a woman, naturally open to procreation. Only this union can be called ‘marriage.’” He calls marriage a “reality” that “has a unique essential constitution that requires an exclusive name, not applicable to other realities. . . . For this reason, the Church avoids any type of rite or sacramental that might contradict this conviction and suggest that something that is not marriage is recognized as marriage.”

So far, very good . . . but then, he veers into a justification of blessing same-sex unions. Such unions are usually civil marriages in countries where that's legal, or where the two would-be grooms or would-be brides are likely to consider their de facto unions to be equal to a marriage. Pope Francis argues that “in our relationships with people, we must not lose the pastoral charity, which should permeate all our decisions and attitudes. . . . The defense of objective truth is not the only expression of this charity; it also includes kindness, patience, understanding, tenderness, and encouragement. Therefore, we cannot be judges who only deny, reject, and exclude.”

I don't know anyone who *only* denies, rejects, or excludes, and the emphasis here sets up a straw man. **Pastoral charity which ignores or, worse, contradicts God's revealed truth is not charity, but pseudo-charity.** Kindness or tenderness have their place, but when they degenerate into confirming the faithful in the commission of mortally sinful acts, they become a cruel caricature of the love a pastor of the Church owes to sinners when they come to him. Priests must be trustworthy judges – who reject whatever is contrary to the Gospel and deny any request for a ritual meant to convey the false impression that God and the Church are pleased with any commitment two people make to engage in sodomy.

But Pope Francis persists: “Therefore, pastoral prudence must adequately discern whether there are forms of blessing, requested by one or more persons, that do not convey a mistaken concept of marriage.” Is it possible for a priest to bless the union of two people who are either civilly married, or who consider themselves for all purposes to be married, without giving the false impression that, in the view of the Church, they are in some way married? The couple knows that they cannot have a regular church wedding, so they choose the next available option which is to pretend that the priest's blessing makes it into a “sort of” or “unofficial” marriage. The priest who imparts such a sacrilegious blessing goes along with this make-believe parody of a wedding. Yet Pope Francis tries to have it both ways: “For when a blessing is requested, it is expressing a plea to God for help, a supplication to live better, a trust in a Father who can help us live better. . . . although there are situations that are not morally acceptable from an objective point of view, the same pastoral charity requires us not to simply treat as ‘sinners’ other people whose guilt or responsibility may be mitigated by various factors affecting subjective accountability.”

Let's be frank here. The request for a blessing is not in order to live better in the sense of living according to God's unchangeable moral law. **It's a request for reassurance that the Church agrees with them in considering that God's law forbidding sodomy no longer applies** – not really – **in the more enlightened age in which we live.**

Whatever is objectively morally unacceptable is also subjectively morally unacceptable. No one can exempt himself from God's law by claiming it does not apply to him for some self-interested reason. When someone wants to commit a sin, and denies that it is a sin, this does not make it suddenly no longer a sin. Why is the word “sinners” in scare quotes in the passage above? That usage usually suggests that something is “so-called” or “alleged.” It shifts the word from being an objective description to being a subjective description of an incomplete, if not mistaken, perception of reality. Are people who publicly promise to commit grave sin with each other not sinners, plain and simple?

And why are factors mitigating subjective culpability introduced here? God alone knows the degree of culpability for any sin one commits. Christians who want to follow God's law examine their conscience to discover where they are conscious of having turned away from God. Pastors are called to make that law known to sinners, and to warn them to refrain from any behavior that violates God's law, no matter what they may claim to justify their behavior. The claim that one is often unable to fulfill God's commandments may be true – due to weakness and bad habits. **But it is false if it means that obedience to God's commandments, with the help of God's grace, is impossible. . . .**

Intentionally or not, Pope Francis is encouraging people to enter into, and remain in, immoral sexual relationships. He is encouraging bishops and priests to suggest that God will favor such relationships with his grace, and therefore such relationships deserve not to be condemned but to be blessed. He claims that pastoral charity consists in confirming people in what is in fact sinful, and not in rebuking them to turn away from sin. All this, he claims, falls under the rubric of pastoral charity, [which] will undoubtedly produce much harm for the salvation of souls, and for the doctrinal unity of the Church.

We must pray and offer penances for our pope and for our Holy Mother the Church in her affliction.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mount Carmel: Tuesdays 3-5:30 pm. Please come and adore Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament! Benediction at 5:30 pm, Mass 5:45 pm.

St. Therese: Fridays at 8:30am-5pm. (1st Friday Adoration continues through Sat 6 am)



Readings & Observances

Readings for the week of November 5, 2023

Sunday: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time; Daylight Saving Time Ends;

National Vocation Awareness Week

Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Election Day

Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Friday: St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day

Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

Parish Support for October 29, 2023

Budgeted Need \$6,800.00

Parish Support \$4,832.00 **Under \$1,968.00**



Please Pray for the Soul of The Faithful Departed:

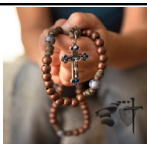
Fr. Campbell, Fr. McDermott & the parishioners of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel extend our deepest sympathies to the family of:

Giovannina Apostoli

O Lord, comfort them in their sorrow and grief. Eternal rest grant unto Giovannina, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

Sign Up for FLOCKNOTE! To sign up: Text the word LOOP (in all CAPS) as a text message and send to 84576. Then you'll be in our parish "loop" and will receive texts, news & emails from Fr. Campbell.

Please join us **Sunday nights 6pm at St. Therese** to **pray the Rosary & litany** for our world & personal intentions before Jesus in the Tabernacle.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday November 4

4:00 pm **Luigi Aiello** (Gina Aiello & Family)
Sally Granger (Chuck Aiello)

Sunday

7:00 am **Roger Martine** (Wife Carole)
Deceased Ladies Society Members
(OLMC Ladies Society)

10:00 am

The Deceased members of the Gentile & DeFranco Families

(Mr. & Mrs. Luigi DeFranco)

12:00 pm **Pro-Populo ~ OLMC Parishioners**

Monday November 6

7:15 am **Silvana Presta** (Silvana Casalena)

Tuesday November 7

5:45 pm **Richard Tetzlaff**

Wednesday November 8

7:15 am **Rosetta Morrone** (Alfonso Morrone)

Thursday November 9

7:15 am **Josephine Alfano** (Diane Spallato)

Friday November 10

7:15 am **Phyllis Bonofiglio** (Ladies Society)

Saturday November 11

8:30 am **Hildegard Neugebauer** (Family)

4:00 pm **Teresa Gallo & David Dummer**

(Schneider / Dummer Family)

Gil Bose (Dave & Ann Willems)

Sunday November 12

7:00 am **Giuse Ty Dinh and All Souls in Purgatory**
(Doan Family)

10:00 am **Gabriel Conforti & Maria Conforti-Miller** (Family)

The Deceased & Living members of the Morano, Villani & Ponce Families

(Morano Family)

12:00 pm **Pro-Populo ~ OLMC Parishioners**

LECTORS

Saturday November 11 **4:00 pm** **Dave Willems**

Sunday November 12 **7:00 am** **Wes Ricchio**

10:00 am **Bob Ellison**

ALTARBOYS

Jaxson Anderson, Dominic & Pascal Blome, Christopher Doan, Vinnie & Dominic Gentile, Robert, Peter, Nicholas & Timmy George, Samir Khoury, Isaac Purdy, Christian Roushia, Tony, Richard, Stephen, Paul Hazinski, Domenico Chiappetta.



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