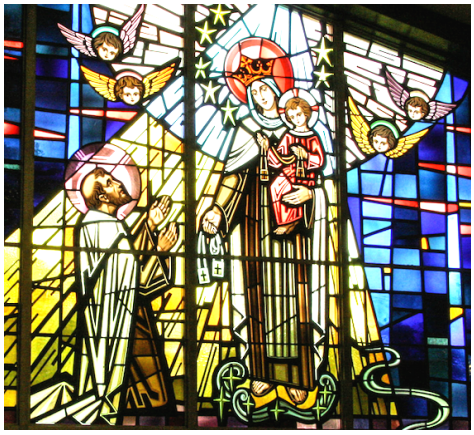
Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday, November 20, 2016
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Weekend Masses
Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am / 9:00am / 11:00am

Daily Masses
Monday-Saturday: 8:30am (except Wed.)
Wednesday: 7:00pm

First Friday Mass: 2:00pm
@Homestead Nursing Home
Civic Holidays: 9:00am
Holy Days: 8:30am / 7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration
Monday 9:00am-12:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 4:15pm-4:45pm

Sacraments of Baptism, Marriage, & Anointing of the Sick
Please contact the office to arrange.

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Christ the King of the Universe

The kingship of Christ is non-political and non-authoritarian. Thus, it is not surprising when Pilate asked Jesus, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." He also added that His kingship was not of this world. Although Christ died on the cross at the hands of ruthless men, nevertheless, he holds real spiritual power, which will be revealed at the end of time. In the gospel today the repentant thief caught a glimpse of this when he called out, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

The core kingship of Christ is justice, protection for the weak, the poor and the helpless. Today's Preface describes Christ's universal kingship: "as king he claims dominion over all creation, that he may present to you, his almighty Father, and eternal and universal kingdom; a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, and a kingdom of justice, love and peace."

We are here today to celebrate His kingdom in heaven and on earth, to give Him thanks for His many blessings, especially for bringing us into the kingdom of His beloved Son. Being part of His kingdom is an honor and a privilege. We should appreciate it and never grow tired of praising and honoring Him in good and bad times and also manifesting His kingship to all the people. The gospel tells us how we are to promote the fuller coming of God's kingdom among us. It comes whenever justice is done for the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, and the oppressed. To behave in this way is to imitate Christ the King himself who is presented in our Gospels as one who is merciful, who welcomes, who rescues from situations of alienation, who feeds, gives rest, heals, forgive and so forth.

- Fr. Abuchi

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 19
Rv 11:4-12 / Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10 / Lk 20:27-40
8:30am Deacon Matthew McMahon
5:00pm Joan Bamrick

Sunday, November 20 (Solemnity of Christ the King)
2 Sm 5:1-3 /Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 /Col 1:12-20 / Lk 23:35-43
7:30am Emily Jane Engallena
9:00am Marie & Rudy Agresta
11:00am Connie Romano
Robert VanHoven

Monday, November 21 (Memorial of the Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary)
Rv 14:1-3, 4B-5 / Ps 24:1BC-2, 3-4AB, 5-6 / Lk 21:1-4
8:30am Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, November 22 (Memorial of St. Cecilia)
Rv 14:14-19/ Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 / Lk: 21:5-11
8:30am Special Intention

Wednesday, November 23
Rv 15:1-4 / Ps 98:1, 2-3AB, 7-8, 9 / Lk 21:12-19
7:00pm Christopher & Joshua Greed

Thursday, November 24 (Thanksgiving Day)
Sir 50:22-24 / Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 / Lk 17:11-19
9:00am For all OLMC Families

Friday, November 25
Rv 20:1-4, 11–21:2 / Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6A & 8A / Lk 21:29-33
8:30am For peace in our Nation

Saturday, November 26
Rv 22:1-7 / Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7AB / Lk 21:34-36
8:30am Duncan Fitton
5:00pm Mary Kinney

Sunday, November 27 (First Sunday of Advent)
Is 2:1-5 / Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 / Rom 13:11-14 / Mt 24:37-44
7:30am Souls in Purgatory
9:00am Intentions of Brian & Tina Johnson
11:00am Private Intentions

Please Remember and Pray For the Following

Ann Bott, Walter & Concetta Brock Jr., Lindsey Brooke, Joseph Colon, Terry Comex, Carmine Curulli, Ingrid Diaz, Doug Ernst, Sr. Thomasina Gebhard, Richard Hennings, Les Humienny, Ava Kljajic, Bruce Konar, Joshua Koontz, Kden LeoGrande, Charles Longo, Pete Mahler, Susanne Martone, James B. Nienstedt, Mary Ellen Nienstedt, Sister Peggy Noone, John Samsock, Stephen Osborn, Margie Palazzo, Jerome Pasternak, Connie Pyne, Peter F. Reynolds, Colleen Romano, Sal Romano, Joan Royer, Rose Marie Sciascia, Carole Salvatore, Diane Scarince, Greg Schmiditty, Rose Marie Sciascia, Gloria Shope, Carole Sisco, Debbie Smith, Richie Sorce, Andrew Sorce, Michael Sugar, Dale Swoboda, Roberta Treptau, David & Vince Ventresca, Pat Zaleski, Virginia Zaleski

A GOOD STEWARD

November 13 , Sunday Collection: $ 3,749.02
Diocesan Collection $ 775.00

This week the second collection is for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Please be as generous as possible.

WOMEN AND MEN OF THE ARMED FORCES

We ask God the Father, through the intercession of St. Michael the Archangel to protect all the men and women in our Armed Forces. May they be brought back safely to those whom they love: Larisa Furs, US Navy; Lt. Jason Gieniewski, U.S. Army; Pvt. Daniel Michael Mobilio, Army; Captain Richi M. Pazdzierski, US Army; Captain Jane Petrick, Army; Lt. Daniel T. Pevarnik Jr., National Guard; Cpl. Garrett Michael Reynolds USMC; Captain Cheryl Ryan; US Army, Seaman Recruit Tylor Joseph Salonia; Michael Valeich, Staff Sergeant; Robert Williams, Airman

VISITATION OF SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If you would like a visit from a priest, please contact the office. Also, please let us know when someone is admitted to the hospital.

THANKSGIVING DAY

On **Thursday**, November 24th Mass will be celebrated at **9 am**. God has given us all so very much, please take this time to say Thank You for all the graces and blessings He bestows on us each day!

PRAYER FOR HEALING OF OUR NATION

Almighty God, our Rock and our Salvation, we beg you to pour out Your Holy Spirit upon our fractured nation. Heal the divisions that separate us and remove all obstacles to authentic unity.
May you guide this great country of ours and lead our citizens to embrace one another as neighbors and fellow countrymen created in your own image and likeness.
Give us a fresh opportunity for renewal and true solidarity for the common good of our homeland.
May we return to our true identity as a people of faith & charity.
Help us to always remain One Nation, Under God, Indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

Amen.

SAVE THE DATE !!!

Bishop Serratelli will be celebrating Mass on ***Sunday, November 27th, at 11 am***, at which time he will be formally installing Fr. Abuchi Nwosu as our Pastor. A light luncheon will follow Mass at the church hall. Please use the **sign up sheets** for the luncheon at the doors of the church which will help us in planning for the luncheon.

THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION

Our Thanksgiving Food Collection will be next weekend, **November 19th & 20th**. By your food donation, you will have the privilege of fulfilling Christ's call to feed the hungry.

ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING & COVERED DISH

This year our annual tree lighting and covered dish dinner will be on Saturday, **December 3rd** immediately after the **5 pm Mass**. Please plan on attending. For further information, call the office between 9 am and 1 pm. If you can volunteer to bring a dish or help with setup/cleanup, please sign up at the doors of the church.

MOVIE NIGHT

A DVD on ***Our Lady of Guadalupe*** will be shown after the 7 pm Masses on Wednesday, **November 30th** and **December 7th** by the Knights of Columbus in preparation for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe which is celebrated on December 12th. The DVD is approximately 60 minutes and will be shown in the Community Center. For further information, contact Lester Zaleski at 973-383-5189.

PRAYER FOR THANKSGIVING DAY

Father all-powerful, your gifts of love are countless and your goodness infinite. On Thanksgiving Day we come before you with gratitude for your kindness: open our hearts to concern for our fellow men and women, so that we may share your gifts in loving service.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Thanksgiving food baskets on **November 20th at 5 pm**.
Confirmation candidates can obtain in-church service hours by assisting. Pizza dinner will be provided for the candidates who volunteer. If time permits, we will also show a movie before the Confirmation gathering.
There is a Confirmation gathering on **November 20th** from **7 to 8:30** pm.
There are no CCD classes on **November 27th** due to the Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend.
Next Children's Mass will be **December 4th at 11 am**. Second year confirmation will be actively participating.
Attention Youth Group and all Church members: Please see the youth group bulletin board for all upcoming youth group events. The board is located in the entry way to the hall. For more information on the youth group and upcoming events, please email olmcyg@gmail.com.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

A pastoral council is a consultive body in the parish that serves to advise the pastor about pastoral issues. You may contact Fr. Abuchi or any of the council members if there is anything you think needs to be addressed in our parish. Here are the members of the OLMC parish council:

Beth Nugent	Mary Ann Condit
Terry O'Connor	Frank Lomardo
Cassie Liobe	Dan Salvatore
Patricia Cholasta	Phil Sweeney

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp which burns near the Tabernacle in the Church is a reminder of the Lord's Presence in the Most Holy Eucharist. The candle can burn in memorial of a loved one. Please contact the office to arrange for Sanctuary Lamp intentions or Mass intentions.

LEGACY GIFTS

Lord reminds us of the abundant blessings that come from a generous heart. "Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."
When you give your time, talent and financial resources to our parish, it strengthens our faith community is so many wonderful ways!
Did you know that there are also opportunities to make a legacy gift to Our Lady of Mount Carmel that will touch the lives of parishioners for generations to come? Please prayerfully consider remembering our parish in your will and estate plans. For more information, call our parish at 973-383-3566 or contact our diocesan development office at 973-777-8818, ext 215 for further assistance and to discuss options that might work for you. Thank you so much for all you do for Our Lady of Mount Carmel — now and in the future!