

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday, September 30, 2018

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, Council 9920

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am

DAILY MASSES

Monday-Saturday 8:30 am (except Wednesday)

Wednesday 7:00 pm

First Friday Mass 2:00 pm
@Homestead Nursing Home

Holy Days 8:30 am & 7:00 pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 pm

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM, MARRIAGE & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the office to arrange.

Masses for the Week

Saturday, September 29 – Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, archangels

DN 7:9-10, 13-14 or RV12:7-12AB / JN 1:47-51

8:30 am Colin O'Connor

5:00 pm Patricia Bourgal *by Joann Friel*

Sunday, September 30

NM 11:25-29 / JAS 5:1-6 / MK 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

7:30 am Virginia & Antonio Salvatore *by Salvatore Family*

9:00 am Helen McLaughlin *by Marg and Bob Mucha*

11:00 am Carmine Curulli *by Bill and Charlene Nagy*

Monday, October 1 – Memorial of St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

JB 1:6-22 / LK 9:46-50

8:30 am Edward King *by Dan & Dina Salvatore*

Tuesday, October 2 – Memorial of the Guardian Angels

JB 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-13 / MT 18:1-5, 10

8:30 am Jim Scales *by Parish Staff*

Wednesday, October 3

JB 9:1-12, 14-16 / LK 9:57-62

7:00 pm Betty Hume *by Tommy and Pauline Schoonover*

Thursday, October 4 – Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi

JB 19:21-27 / LK 10:1-12

8:30 am Tom & Antoinette Scala *by Salvatore Family*

Friday, October 5

JB 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5 / LK 10:13-16

8:30 am Intentions of Tierney Veliz *by Parish Staff*

Saturday, October 6

JB 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 / LK 10:17-24

8:30 am Intentions of Craig Johnson *by Ann and Ron Johnson*

5:00 pm Cornelio Odorizzi *by Ida Odorizzi*

Sunday, October 7

GN 2:18-24 / HEB 2:9-11 / MK 10:2-16

7:30 am

9:00 am Deceased Members of Muller and Weisser Family *by Deacon Ed and Mary Lou Muller*

Masses for the Week Cont.

11:00 am - For the Intentions of all the newly installed officers and members of the OLMC Knights of Columbus Council 9920

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

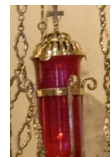
Jennie Apostola, Ann Bott, Ralph Bozza, Walter & Concetta Brock Jr., Bradley Burchfield, Dominic Bongiorno, George Carse, Joseph Colon, Fr. Angelus Croce, Ingrid Diaz, Kara Deserto, Doug Ernst Sr., Linda Flynn, Sr. Thomasina Gebhard, Richard Hennings, Ava Kljajic, Bruce Konar, Joshua Koontz, Alex Krucinski, John Kucinski, Kimberly Lane, Kden LeoGrande, Elizabeth Lacovara, Pete Mahler, Maria Mallozzi, Mary Jo Manno, Deacon Charles Mathias, Susanne Martone, Brett Mershon, Mary Ellen Nienstedt, Stephen Osborn, Margie Palazzo, Jason Parker, Sr., Jerome Pasternak, Lorraine Paxton, Clarence Remke, Peter F. Reynolds, Carol Rock, Bishop Frank Rodimer, Colleen Romano, Olga Romeo, Linda Ross, Joan Royer, Rose Marie Sciascia, Carole Salvatore, John Samsack, James Scales, Greg Schmiditty, Jenna Shammass, Gloria Shope, Carole Sisco, Debbie Smith, Nancy Snook, Stephanie, Richie Sorce, Andrew Sorce, Richard Sorge, Gene Streeter, Michael Sugar, Dale Swoboda, Roberta Treptau, David & Vince Ventresca, Joe Vicens, Brooke Zaleski

A GOOD STEWARD

Sunday, September 23	\$3,268.00
On Line Giving	\$ 250.00

Thank you for your generosity!

*This Week
the Sanctuary Lamp Burns for
Jim Scales*



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, US Army; Pvt. Daniel Michael Mobilio, Army; Captain Richi M. Pazdzierski, US Army; Captain Jane Petrick, Army; Lt. Daniel T. Pevarnik, Jr., National Guard; Captain Cheryl Ryan, US Army; Seaman Recruit Tyler Joseph Salonia; Michael Valeich, Staff Sergeant; Pvt. Zachary Wharton, Robert Williams, Airman



Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi – Patron Saint of Animals
October 4

St. Francis (1182-1226) was born and died in Assisi. He was the son of a rich merchant, Bernardone, received a good education and in the beginning followed the ways of the world. He was taken prisoner in the battle between the Assisians and Perugians and after his release decided to abandon everything for Christ. His father became extremely displeased at his action and disinherited him. In 1220, he founded a new order which in ten years numbered five thousand brothers. His followers were called Friars Minor because they were to consider themselves as the least among religious. Out of humility, Francis never accepted the priesthood but remained a deacon all his life. He had a great love for God's creatures and called them his brothers and sisters. His ardent love of God merited for him the name of Seraphic.



JOY CLUB ANNOUNCEMENT
(For Parishioners over 55)

***Change in date**

Our next JOY CLUB meeting will be **Wednesday, September 26 at 12pm** changed from Thursday, September 27, in the church hall. Lunch will be served. Come join us for good company and some fun. \$5 for lunch and \$2 dues. If you have any questions or need a ride, please contact Patricia (973)534-7733

Confirmation Program Fundraiser

The Confirmation Program is now taking orders for Gertrude Hawk Christmas Candy and Christmas Wreaths and Grave Blankets. Please help support this fundraiser by ordering through one of our Confirmation Candidates or pick-up a candy catalogue and wreath ordering form available in the Parish Kitchen. All orders must be submitted by October 28. Thank you for your past support!

Online Giving Options
For Weekly and one-time Gifts

Enrolling in Online Giving is a great way to ensure your gifts to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel are received even when you are away or traveling.

Please visit: <https://olmcswartswood.churchgiving.com>

Bishop's Annual Appeal-2018

Here I Am, Lord

One of the benefits of giving to our Bishop's Annual Appeal is the knowledge that the funds support important needs in Morris, Passaic and Sussex Counties. The local connection means that you may be helping your next-door neighbor, your co-worker, the store owner you see each day as you shop in your community – perhaps even a family member. In this context, when you give to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, you truly say: *Here I Am, Lord – Making a better life for my brothers and sisters in the area.* Please consider making a pledge today.

TRAVELING OUT OF TOWN?

Are you traveling out during the weekend for a vacation, visit or for business?

In order to attend Mass while you are away for the weekend, go to **www.Masstimes.org** or get the phone app from Apple Store, "Mass Times for Travel." This will show you the closest Church nearby.

Family Promise

Thank you to the faithful volunteers who served the homeless at the Frankford Plains Church: Dan and Dina Salvatore, Maureen Logi, Anita Schweizer and Mike Monahan. God will surely reward you for giving of yourselves to those without a home. Our next time to serve will be Thursday and Friday, January 31 and February 1, 2019. If anyone would like to help, please call Mary Anne Condit at (973)219-3352. Thank you!

Knights of Columbus Announcement

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their **Annual Pork and Turkey Fundraiser** on Saturday, October 13th at the Old Swartswood Firehouse next to the church.

Take-outs available 5:45-6:15 pm, Doors open at 6:30 pm.
Adults - \$18.00, Seniors - \$16.00, Children 5-12 - \$10.00

Please come and support the Knights Charities. Live music!
Tickets available after Mass or call Bill at (973)919-8554 or Joe at (973)943-6789

Come and enjoy a great meal "cooked in the pit" by The "Knights"

**Come Spend Time with Me
9 am - 12 Noon**

Everyone is invited to spend some time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Beginning from October 1, we will be having the adoration in the Church. This will give more opportunity for people who will want a larger space to pray and to meditate. This will continue hopefully till the end of November. Your hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament will repair the evils of the world and bring about peace on earth.

Day and night, Jesus dwells in the Blessed Sacrament because you are the most important person in the world to Him. Remember Christ said, "Come to me all of you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you..." "Cast all of your anxieties upon the one who cares for you..." My peace is My Gift to you." (MT 11:28; PT 5:7; JN 14:17).

Blessing of the Animals

Our Lady of Mount Carmel's annual Blessing of the Animals will take place on Sunday, October 7th at 1 PM.

Passing

Sr. Thomasina Gebhard passed away September 21. There will be a Memorial Service for her at The Immaculate Conception Church in Franklin. More information as to the time and date will follow.

Welcome

NEW PARISHIONERS

Our parish community joyfully welcomes all new parishioners. We invite you to introduce yourself to the Priest or Deacon after Mass if you can. You may also visit us at the office to register. If you have been attending our Church regularly but have not registered, we encourage you to do so. Besides, if you would like to have your house blessed, please give us a call at (973)383-3566. We look forward to meeting you.

Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima at Corpus Christi Parish, Chatham, NJ

You are invited to pray before an official Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima which comes from the Shrine in Portugal. She will be visiting Corpus Christi Parish (234 Southern Blvd. Chatham, NJ 07928) from October 11-15. There will be daily Mass, rosary and opportunity for silent prayer and reflection. The highlight will be Mass to be celebrated by the Most Rev. Arthur Serratelli, DD on Oct. 13th at 5 PM. Please see www.corpuschristi.org or contact Fr. Lem Camacho at (973)635-0070 for other details.

Newly Married



Congratulations to newly married Mike Ponte and Kelsey Ing who were married on Saturday, September 22.

Religious Education Announcement

10/14 – Our next children's Mass at 11 AM-
Grade 4 will be actively participating
- Confirmation Gathering at 7 pm

Parents of OLMC Confirmation Candidates

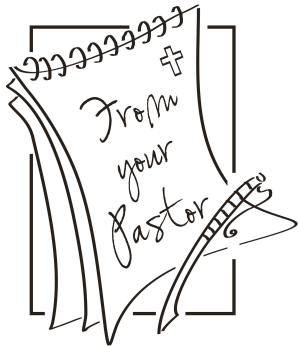
We are in serious need of adult volunteers (one adult for each Sunday) who are willing to supervise a small group (3 or 4) of Confirmation candidates at the Doughnut Service on Sunday mornings. The hours of service are from 9 am until approximately 12:30 pm following sales and clean-up after the 11 am Mass. We are required to provide adult supervision. The candidates serve the parishioners and collect the payment, and the supervisor is present to provide adult guidance from the time they start until after clean-up. You are also asked to attend the 9 am or 11 am Mass with the candidates to make sure they go to Mass.

Thank you for your continuing support—Dan Salvatore

Quote of The Week

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love."

—St. Francis of Assisi



Exclusive invitation makes the recipient feel fortunate and special but...?

Exclusive is a very powerful word. It is the word that is so prized today. "We want to belong to *exclusive* private clubs. We want to have access to *exclusive* member benefits, reserved for only the elite top tier of the organization. We clamor for invitations to *exclusive* sales at stores, in advance of sales offered to the public, reserved for only their best customers." Exclusive clubs, exclusive hotels, and exclusive invitations sound very good. "Of course, they make the recipient feel fortunate, special, and remarkable, as if they are totally unlike the rest of the huddling masses of humanity." Sadly, the "exclusivity"

divides people into artificial rankings and sets people into unhealthy competition with each other. Exclusivity tends to protect the self-interests of the status quo, and separates the world into the small group of haves and the enormous group of have-nots.

The practice of exclusivity is not new or only confined to our modern day cultural practice. It is as old as the stories in the scripture. At the beginnings of the early Church, the Jewish people felt that God's blessing is exclusive to them. This conception of exclusiveness among the Jewish, consequently, caused problems in the early church for the admission of Gentile converts into their worship community.

Our readings today from both the Old Testament and the Gospel illustrates exclusive attitude and division among God's people. For instance, in today's first reading from Numbers, God poured His spirit upon the 70 elders Moses had selected to help him govern the people of Israel during their wilderness wanderings. Moses had gathered these men for a retreat outside the camp. When the spirit came upon these elders, they began to prophesy. But two (Eldad and Medad) of the 70 elders were not present for the meeting. But the text tells us the spirit of God, and the gift of prophecy, fell upon those two men back in the camp, just as upon the other 68 who attended the retreat. When word of their prophecy back in the camp reached Moses and the others, Joshua entreated Moses to stop them. And why not forbid them, Joshua and others reasoned? The answer of Moses is as profound as it is gracious; Don't be jealous. And in our Gospel reading from Saint Mark, is a similar story. An exclusive member of Jesus' disciple was casting out demons in His name. They wanted Jesus to stop him because he's not part of their group. "But rather than endorse the stated proposal to forbid this practice, protect His brand, and keep a tighter control on the movement He was launching, Jesus replied, *"Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. **Whoever is not against us is for us.**"*

Sadly, exclusivity is highly prized in today's political culture. This brings about a lot of unhealthy completions, divisions and ugly practices. In a world filled with opponents and competitors, Jesus offers us a much gentler, kinder, more inclusive way to view the world. He says, *"Whoever is not against us is for us."* Besides, Jesus' lesson, as we lean to exclusivity, we must also be sensitive to those who have not. Because we may not be in the same political party, the same group or circle of friends, we must neither monopolize the right to do good, nor belittle the good and the great things others do.

