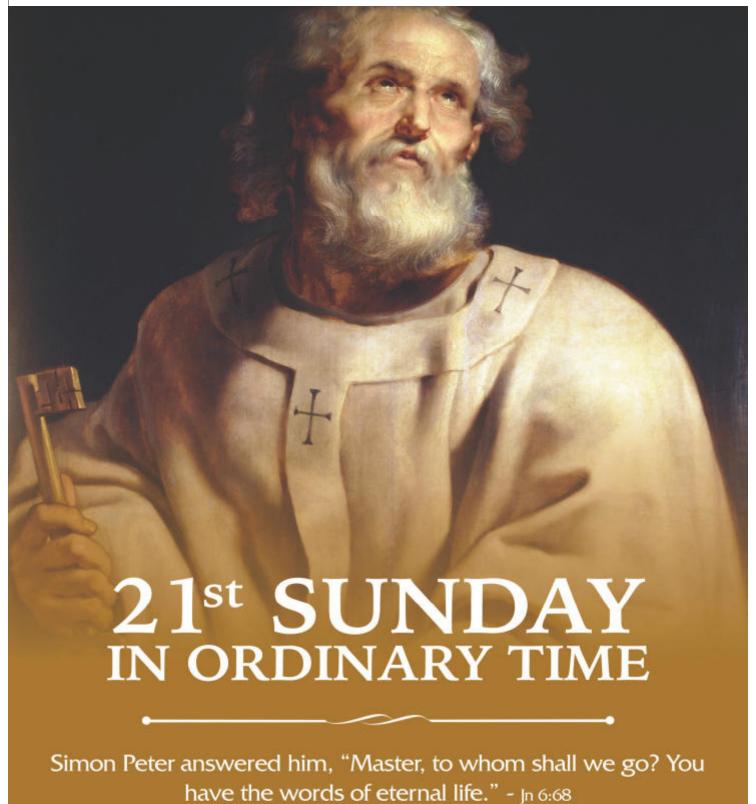
Welcome to the Church of

### Saint John the Evangelist & Our Lady of Mount Carmel

148 Hamilton Avenue, White Plains, NY

August 26, 2018







# Church of Saint John the Evangelist & Our Lady of Mount Carmel

~ Parish Information ~

Office Hours at <u>SJE Rectory</u>: Mon. - Fri. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Mailing Address - please use SJE

SJE: 148 Hamilton Ave., White Plains, NY 10601
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Mount Calvary Cemetery
Mr. Daniel Murray, Director
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#### **Religious Education**

Irma Aguilar, Director
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Saint John the Evangelist

Classes Sun. 9:15-10:45am followed by Family Mass at 11:00 am

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Classes Sun. 10:00-11:30am Family Mass at 9:00 am

#### Confessions

Saturdays:

3:30 pm OLMC 4:30 to 5:15 pm SJE 6:15 to 6:50 pm SJE

#### Mondays:

11:30 OLMC

Or anytime by appointment at SJE rectory

#### Marriage

At least six months notice

### Parish Council Secretary: Andrea Caridi

Parish Trustees

Antonio Capicotto
Michael Joseph Dougherty

#### **Baptism**

3rd Sunday of the month

- after 9:00 am Mass OLMC

#### 4th Sunday of the month

- 10:15 am (English) SJE, Mass to follow - after 12:30 pm Mass (Spanish) SJE

### Baptism Instruction

**1st Tuesday of the month** Class is required for parents and godparents. Parents should register in advance to make arrangements.

#### **Devotions**

Miraculous Medal -Monday after 12:10 pm Mass OLMC

St. Anthony Mary Claret & St. Anthony Padua -Tuesday after 12:10 pm Mass OLMC

Five Wounds of Our Lord & St. Gaspar Bertoni -Friday after 12:10 pm Mass OLMC

#### First Friday -

Mass 5:30 pm SJE Adoration after Mass until 10:00 pm SJE and Mass 12:10 pm OLMC Followed by Holy Hour OLMC

Our Lady of Fatima -First Saturday after 12:10 pm Mass SJE

### Pro-Life Rosary -

Saturday at 3:30 pm OLMC Saturday at 5:00 pm SJE

#### Bingo

Is held Monday nights in the Church Hall at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Bingo Hall and Kitchen open at 5:00 pm, Games begin at 7:20 pm. All are welcome!

#### Church Support

Thank you very much for your continued love & support for the parish. We are especially grateful to those who "make up" for their Sundays away from the parish.

Assumption Collection 8-15-18 \$ 2,551 8-15-17 \$ 2,311 Sunday Offering 8-19-18 \$ 8,163 8-20-17 \$ 7,749

Next weekend we will have a 2nd collection for Maintenance & Utilities of our churches. *Please be Generous!* 

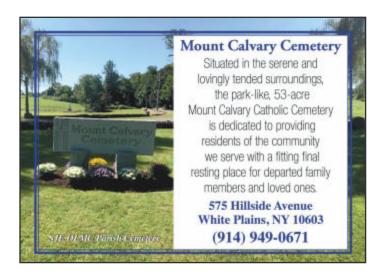
#### New to the Parish?

We invite you to register with the parish by filling out the envelopes found in the church or by coming to the rectory office Mon.-Fri., 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

**Monthly Food Collection** - Will be next weekend at both churches. Please leave non-perishable food items in the designated boxes.

**E-Giving** - We encourage you also to make your donations electronically through WeShare. To do so please go to our website: www.sjeolmc.org and click the link: **Donate Online**. If you have any questions please contact Andrea in the office.

Share Your Blessings - Please remember us with a bequest in your will. The Parish of Saint John the Evangelist & Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is our legacy to our children, our friends and our loved ones. Your thoughtfulness will help insure our future.



### Masses for the Week of August 25th - September 2nd

~ Church of Saint John the Evangelist and Our Lady of Mount Carmel ~

#### Saturday, 8/25 - St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

12:10 pm SJE For the Intentions of Ileana Diaz & Michael Colon and Family

4:00 pm Vigil
5:30 pm Vigil
SJE
Isauro Cambillo - by Zulma Flores
7:00 pm Vigil
SJE
Ramon Chavez- by Vicky Arcila

#### Sunday, 8/26 - Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am SJE Clark Douglass - by Jean & Bert Redegeld

9:00 am OLMC Tina D'Agostino - by Mr. & Mrs. Domenico Gangemi

11:00 am SJE Melquiades & Resurreccion Santos - by Fernando & Loida Cura

12:30 pm SJE Rosa Maria Calderon - by Eloisa Martinez

5:00 pm OLMC For the People of the Parish

6:30 pm OLMC No Intention

#### Monday, 8/27 - St. Monica

7:30 am SJE JoAnn Cerussi - by Albert Cerussi
12:10 pm OLMC E. Robert Giuntini - by Ann Makowski

#### Tuesday, 8/28 - St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30 am SJE Rita Caldarola - by Caldarola Family

12:10 pm OLMC Mary Bilesky & Maria Galente - by Tina & David Bilesky

#### Wednesday, 8/29 - The Passion of St. John the Baptist

7:30 am SJE For the Intentions of Ileana Diaz & Michael Colon and Family

12:10 pm OLMC Monsignor John Caldarola - by Giovanna De Lia

#### Thursday, 8/30

7:30 am SJE For the Intentions of Ileana Diaz & Michael Colon and Family

12:10 pm OLMC In Thanksgiving to St. Jude

#### **Friday**, 8/31

7:30 am SJE In Thanksgiving for the many Blessings - by James Kadavil

12:10 pm OLMC James Pereira (1st Anniversary) - by Wilfred Pereira

#### Saturday, 9/1

12:10 pm SJE In Honor of Our Lady of Fatima - by Blue Army Members
4:00 pm Vigil OLMC Lambert Bridget Broes Family - by Helen Maccabee
5:30 pm Vigil SJE Albert Cerussi, Sr. (29th Anniversary) - by Alber Cerussi
7:00 pm Vigil SJE Jose Navarro - by Delfina Navarro

#### Sunday, 9/2 - Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am SJE Anna DiFabio - by Louisa Maio 9:00 am OLMC In Honor of God the Father

44.00 and Olivio in Honor of God the Father

11:00 am SJE For the Intentions of Albert Cerussi

12:30 pm SJE Brotherhood of the Lord of the Miracles - by Adrian Abrego 5:00 pm OLMC For the Intentions of Grace Dolan - by Kathleen Kean

6:30 pm OLMC For the People of the Parish

SJE Altar Bread & Wine - In Memory of Frances, Frank, Joseph & Rose Maio

**OLMC Altar Bread & Wine -** In Memory of All Souls (Loved Ones)

SJE Sanctuary Lamp - In Memory of John Hutchenson

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish - Josephine Paradiso

**Rest in Peace** - Please pray for the soul of Santa Fanelli who has died this past week.





#### **Weekend Masses**

#### Saturday Vigil:

4:00 pm OLMC 5:30 pm SJE 7:00 pm (Spanish) SJE

#### **Sunday:**

8:00 am SJE 9:00 am OLMC 11:00 am SJE 12:30 pm (Spanish) SJE 5:00 pm OLMC 6:30 pm (Haitian) OLMC

#### Weekday Masses

Mon.-Fri.:7:30 am SJE 12:10 pm OLMC First Friday: 5:30 pm SJE Saturday: 12:10 pm SJE

#### Holyday Vigil

5:30 pm OLMC

#### **Holyday**

7:30 am SJE, 12:10 pm OLMC, 5:30 pm SJE, 7:00 pm *Spanish* SJE

## Mass for the Hearing Impaired

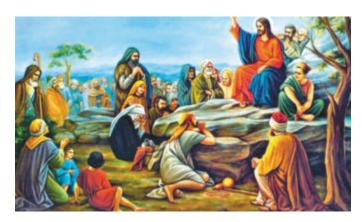
4th Sunday of each month at 2:00 pm OLMC (not in July & Aug.)

#### **Italian Mass**

Palm Sunday, Easter Sunday and Christmas Day at 10:30 am OLMC

#### ~ Pastor's Column ~

### "You have the words of everlasting life"



Why do some find it easier while others find it harder to accept the claims which Jesus made? Many were attracted to Jesus because he offered them something irresistible - a visible sign of God's mercy and favor which Jesus demonstrated in his wonderful works of healing, deliverance, and miraculous signs, including the multiplication of the loaves and fish when he feed the five thousand who had gathered to hear him speak. Many stumbled, however, when Jesus made claims which only God can make. Jesus' discourse on "eating his flesh and drinking his blood" (see John 6:51-59) which pointed to the Last Supper, caused offence to many of his followers.

#### The blessing of full union with God through Christ

Jesus claimed to be the bread of heaven, the very life of God given to us as spiritual food to sustain us on our journey to our promised homeland with the Father in heaven. Jesus did not leave any middle ground for his hearers. They must either accept his word as divine or reject it as the claim of an imposter. Even the apostles admitted that this was a "hard saying". This expression meant that it was not just hard to understand, but hard to accept. Jesus pressed the issue with his beloved disciples because he wanted to test their faith and loyalty to him as the Holy One sent from the Father in heaven. Jesus promised his disciples nothing less than the full blessing of eternal life and union with God. Jesus assures his disciples that it is his heavenly Father who gives the invitation and the grace to believe and follow even in the "hard sayings". Jesus knew that some would not only reject him and his word, but would do so with violence fueled by hatred, envy, and even betrayal by one of his own disciples.

#### "My words are spirit and life"

Jesus told his disciples that his words were "spirit and life" (John 6:63) - his words came from the heavenly Father who is the Author of life and the One who breathes his Spirit into those who believe in him. Through the gift of faith Peter was able to receive spiritual revelation of which Jesus truly is - the Holy One of God, the eternal Son sent from the Father in heaven to redeem a fallen human race and reconcile them with God.

#### Faith is a gift and a personal response to God's revelation of himself

How does God help us grow in faith and trust in his word, even the hard sayings which are difficult to understand? Faith is a gift which God freely gives to those who listen to his word and who put their trust in him. Faith is a personal response to God's revelation of himself. Faith is neither blind nor ignorant. It is based on the truth and reliability of God's word. True faith seeks understanding. Saint Augustine of Hippo (354-430 AD) said, "I believe in order to understand, and I understand the better to believe." The Lord Jesus offers all of his followers his life-giving word and Spirit to help us grow in our knowledge and understanding of God.

#### We can know God personally through his word

Paul the Apostle tells us that it is the work of the Holy Spirit who *enlightens the eyes of our heart and mind* to understand the truth and wisdom which comes from God (Ephesians 1:17-18). Faith is the key to understanding and experiencing God's action and work in our personal lives. Paul the Apostle tells us that "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us" (Romans 5:5). We can know God personally, and we grow in recognizing his voice as we listen to his word and obey his instruction. Do you believe, as Peter did, that Jesus has the *words of everlasting life* and the power to change and transform your life? Ask the Lord Jesus to increase your faith that you may grow in knowing, loving, and serving him as your Lord and Redeemer, Teacher and Healer, Master and Savior.

"Lord Jesus, you have the words of everlasting life. Help me to cast aside all doubt and fear so that I may freely embrace your word with complete trust and joy. I surrender all to you. Be the Lord of my life and the Ruler of my heart. May there be nothing which hinders me from trusting in your love and following your will."

### Saint of the Week

# August 29 - The Passion of St. John the Baptist



The Church celebrates the passion of St. John the Baptist who died approximately A.D. 30. We know from the Bible that he was the cousin of Jesus, the son of St. Elizabeth, and also the nephew of our Lady. King Herod knew that John was a holy man, and he liked to hear John's words, although he didn't take them to heart. He knew

that he had to get control of him. Because of the crowds he was starting to build, he was afraid to kill him, so instead he had him imprisoned.

According to the Gospels, Herod had imprisoned John because he spoke out about Herod divorcing his wife, and unlawfully taking the wife of his brother. On Herod's birthday, his new wife's daughter danced before the king and his guests. Her dancing pleased Herod so much that in his drunkenness he promised to give her anything she desired, up to half of his kingdom. When the daughter asked her mother what she should ask for, she was told to ask for the head of John the Baptist on a platter. Herod was appalled by the request but reluctantly agreed and had John the Baptist executed in prison. St. John the Baptist was beheaded, and his head was placed on a platter and given to Herod's daughter.

Herod also feared that St. John's influence and power over the people might cause a rebellion. Over time, Herod had suffered military disaster at the hands of Aretas his father-in-law, and many believed it was God's punishment for his unrighteous behavior, and for taking the life of John the Baptist.

#### **Practical Take Away**

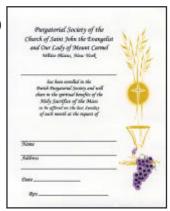
St. John the Baptist spoke the truth with great courage in calling others to a true change of heart, and to embrace the ways of God. He did this not only by preaching, but also by example. He fasted in the desert, and prepared the way for Jesus. He had such great courage, that he wasn't fearful of speaking out about the immoral activities of his day. This was the reason that led to his death. We can learn a lot from his life. We too, can embrace the ways of God and again speak out the immorality of our day, and with the help of St. John the Baptist, we can prepare the way for Jesus to those around us.

### Memorializing a Loved One

Mass Cards - Mass intentions can be requested for loved ones, both living and deceased. An announced Mass refers to a Mass celebrated on a specific day and time, where your loved one's name will be remembered during the Prayer of the Faithful. An unannounced Mass refers to a Mass where the priest silently prays for your intention. Cards suitable for sending are available for both types of intentions. The suggested donation is \$25 for weekend Masses, \$15 for weekday Masses, \$10 for unannounced Masses.

**Purgatorial Society** - On the last Sunday of each month a Mass is celebrated in our parish

(alternating each month at SJE & OLMC) and is offered for all our deceased who are enrolled in our Purgatorial Society for the deceased. We offer a padded Mass card that can be given to the family of the loved one. The suggested donation is \$25.



Sanctuary Lamp - The lighted candle in the sanctuary indicates the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Donations of \$15 can be made to reserve the Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a loved one (living or deceased) for one week. An acknowledgement of your memorial will appear in the Sunday bulletin.

Weekly Altar Bread and Wine - Can be memorialized for a loved one (living or deceased) for \$15. An acknowledgement of your memorial will appear in the bulletin.

**Liturgical Memorials** - Parishioners are encouraged to make a donation for any item that will be used in our churches for years to come (such as vestments and chalices). This is a wonderful practice that gives honor to a loved one.

Please also remember your parish in your will and other charitable donations. If you would like to memorialize an item, please call or the Parish Office for more information and specific needs.



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On Saturday, September 8, pro-life Americans throughout the country will gather at the gravesites of aborted babies and other memorial sites dedicated in their honor for the fourth annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

Solemn vigils will be held at these sites to commemorate the more than 60 million children who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child. Please join us for the memorial service in our community:

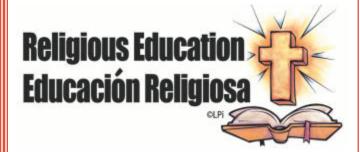
**Event:** National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

When: Saturday, September 8, 1 p.m.

**Where:** Gate of Heaven Cemetery, <u>10 West Stevens</u> Avenue, Hawthorne, NY 10532

**More Info:** Contact Gerald Yeung at (914) 837-7008 or broger8@gmail.com

Together let us remember the victims of abortion and pray for a final end to this injustice in our land during the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.



We welcome Irma Aguilar, our new Director of Religious Education. You can reach her via email: irma@sjeolmc.org

#### Religious Education Registration: DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR OUR 2018-2019 YEAR.

Registration dates & times:

Registration is ongoing at SJE rectory
Tues. – Fri. 9am - 3:45pm.

**Sunday**: 8/26 10:00—11:00 am OLMC Church Hall 11:30—3:30 pm SJE School

Information and forms can be found on our website under the religious education section.

# Religious Education Classes begin Sunday September 9th:

<u>Classes at Saint John the Evangelist Church</u>:

Children attend Classes Sunday 9:15-10:45 am, followed by Family Mass for Parents and Children at 11:00 am SJE.

**Classes at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church:** 

Parents and children attend 9:00 am Family Mass OLMC. Children attend classes immediately after Mass until 11:15 am.

**BINGO** - is held Monday nights in the Church Hall at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Bingo Hall and Kitchen open at 5:00 pm, Games begin at 7:20 pm. All are welcome!

**BINGO** - Will be **OPEN** on <u>August 27th.</u>

BINGO - will be CLOSED on Sept. 3rd, Labor Day.

**BINGO -** Will be **OPEN** on <u>Sept.10th</u>

### 21er Domingo Ordinario

"Mi carne es verdadera comida y mi sangre es verdadera bebida"



El evangelio de hoy nos muestra cómo el "pan" del escándalo terminó en abandono de muchos: algunos seguidores más o menos firmes, y también muchos discípulos de Jesús lo dejaron al escandalizarse porque les daría a comer

el "pan" que es su propio cuerpo.

"Mi carne es verdadera comida y mi sangre es verdadera bebida". Nos cuenta el evangelio que al oír esto muchos discípulos de Jesús dijeron, pensaron y comentaron que ya eso era "intolerable, inaceptable". Y Jesús, lejos de ceder un poco para tratar de impedir la huída de muchos de los suyos, más bien exige una elección. Los presentes no lograban entender, mucho menos aceptar, cómo los alimentaría con su propia carne. Y Jesús da una explicación un tanto difícil de captar: "¿Qué sería si vieran al Hijo del hombre subir a donde estaba antes? El Espíritu es quien da la vida; la came para nada aprovecha".

¿Qué puede significar esa explicación del Señor? Eso de comer la carne, que parece cosa muy terrenal, se justifica en el caso del pan de vida, porque esa carne es la de Cristo resucitado. Es decir: El Señor nos está hablando de una realidad material transformada en una realidad espiritual por el Espíritu. Y como es el Espíritu el que actúa, por eso da vida, vida eterna.

Pero para aprovechar este alimento hay que tener fe. Quien cree recibe esa realidad espiritual que no se puede ver. Quien cree participa de la vida de Cristo resucitado. Quien cree se une a la vida de Dios mismo. Y al recibir ese "pan" e ir dejándonos santificar por ese "pan de vida" Cristo nos llevará a donde El se fue cuando ascendió al cielo, a donde los Apóstoles que permanecieron fieles, lo vieron subir: a donde estaba antes. Cristo bajó del cielo, para rescatarnos a nosotros y llevarnos con El. Y eso será posible si no nos escandalizamos. si creemos en su palabra, si seguimos su camino, si -como El- cumplimos la voluntad del Padre. Y seguirlo a El significa optar por El en cada circunstancia de nuestra vida. No basta elegirlo una sola vez y nuestra elección tiene que ser renovada, constante y permanente.

#### SAN JUAN BAUTISTA

Mártir – 29 de agosto



Tenemos sobre San Juan Bautista las narraciones de los Evangelios, en particular de Lucas, que en ellos habla de su nacimiento, de la vida en el

desierto, de su predicación, y de Marcos que nos refiere a su muerte.

Por el Evangelio y por la tradición podemos reconstruir la vida del precursor, cuya palabra de fuego parece en la verdad con el espíritu de Elías. Negó categóricamente ser el Mesías esperado, afirmando la superioridad de Jesús, que apuntó a sus seguidores por ocasión del bautismo en las orillas del Rio Jordán. Su figura parece irse deshaciendo, a la medida que va surgiendo "el más fuerte", Jesús. Todavía, "el mayor de entre los profetas" no cesó de hacer oír su voz donde fuese necesario para concertar los sinuosos caminos del mal. Reprobó públicamente el comportamiento pecaminoso de Herodes Antipas y de la cuñada Herodíades, mas la previsible susceptibilidad de él le costó la dura prisión en Magueronte, en la orilla oriental del Mar Muerto.

Por ocasión de la fiesta celebrada en Maqueronte, la hija de Herodíades, Salomé, habiendo dado verdadero show de agilidad en la danza, entusiasmó a Herodes. Como premio pidió, por instigación de la madre, la cabeza de San Juan Bautista. Ultimo profeta y primer apóstol, dio la vida por su misión y por eso es venerado en la Iglesia como mártir





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