Welcome to the Church of

Saint John the Evangelist & Our Lady of Mount Carmel

148 Hamilton Avenue, White Plains, NY

December 30, 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

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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

<u>Marriage</u>

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

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

<u>Bingo</u>

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.

This bulletin was submitted for print Early due to Christmas.

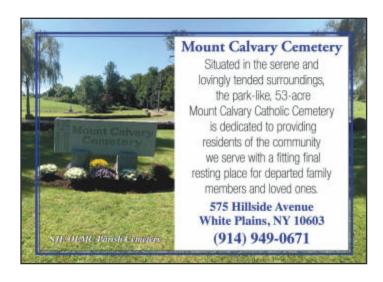
We will publish the collections from Dec. 22/23 in next week's bulletin.

Sunday Offering 12-16-18: \$ 7,304 12-17-17: \$ 9,500

Office is closed - Tues. January 1, in observance of New Year's Day

Many Thanks

We would like to thank all those who contributed to making Christmas a most joyful celebration. We are grateful to those who participated in the ministries to enhance our liturgical celebration. The Spirit of Christ has been most evident in our Parish for the past few weeks. The large number of people attending Mass, the gifts that were given to the less fortunate, the Christmas music and decorations all helped us to focus on the true meaning of Christmas — the Father's gift of his Son for the salvation of the world. Your presence, and generosity are expressions of your love of God and for Saint John the Evangelist & Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish. May God Bless you with a Holy, Healthy, and Happy New Year ahead.



Masses for the Week of December 29th - January 6th

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Saturday, 12/29 - Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

12:10 pm SJE For the Recovery of Sister Pius McCarthy

4:00 pm Vigil OLMC Santa Mascoli - by The Di Mateo Family

5:30 pm Vigil SJE Christmas Novena

7:00 pm Vigil SJE Ramon Chaves - by Vicky Chaves

Sunday, 12/30 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00 am SJE Christmas Novena 9:00 am OLMC Souls in Purgatory

11:00 am SJE Carmen Ceballos - by Maria Vega

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

5:00 pm OLMC V.V. Cheron

6:30 pm OLMC Erasmo de la Peña - by Thelma Mitchum

Monday, 12/31 - St. Sylvester I, Pope

7:30 am SJE Christmas Novena

12:10 pm OLMC Joseph Carpentieri - by Sje Olmc Staff
 5:30 pm Vigil OLMC Angelica de la Peña - by Thelma Mitchum

Tuesday, 1/1 - Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God (Office Closed)

7:30 am SJE Christmas Novena

12:10 pm OLMC Faye and Senghor Families - by Ben

5:30 pm SJE No Intention 7:00 pm SJE No Intention

Wednesday, 1/2 - Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the church

7:30 am SJE Brian McIntyre - by Ann Carney

12:10 pm OLMC James McKevitt and Mr. & Mrs Joseph Alonge - by Angie McKevitt

Thursday, 1/3 - The Most Holy Name of Jesus

7:30 am SJE Muriel Callahan - by John & Anne Fitzsimmons
12:10 pm OLMC Alfonsa Cueva - by Fernando and Loida Cura

Friday, 1/4 - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

7:30 am SJE Eleuterio Tabarquino - Maria Vega 12:10 pm OLMC James Tingle - by Rebecca Keating 5:30 pm SJE Toto Yolola - Fernando and Loida Cura

Saturday, 1/5 - St. John Neumann, Bishop

12:10 pm SJE In Honor of Our Lady of Fatima - by Blue Army Members 4:00 pm Vigil OLMC Ignazious and Antonino Libertella - by Mary McGillan

5:30 pm Vigil SJE Jose Luis Brieva - by Clotilde Gonzalez

7:00 pm Vigil SJE In Thanksgiving to the Child Jesus - by Elsa Puchi

Sunday, 1/6 - The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am SJE In Honor of God the Father - by Romana Villasenor 9:00 am OLMC Frances Imbesi - by Louise Valleta

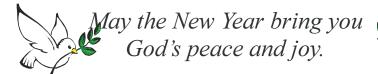
11:00 am SJE For the People of the Parish

12:30 pm SJE Brotherhood of the Lord of the Miracles - by Adrian Abrego

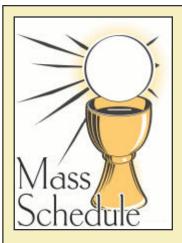
5:00 pm OLMC Lucia Ranallos - by Dora Chiulla

6:30 pm OLMC No Intention

SJE Sanctuary Lamp - In Memory of Brian and Mildred Parker







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 ~

It is with great joy and pleasure that I present to you our renovated Church of St. John, as a new year gift. I owe gratitude to God that we were able to get the beautiful altars installed and other artifacts that I bought from the Churches of Sacred Heart and St. Ursula, Mount Vernon, NY, which were closed recently, and we are blessed to get them to replace our former altars that were similar before our last renovation. I am sure that many of our old timers will be able to recall how beautiful our church was before the Vatican II. With the remodeling of the Sanctuary with side altars dedicated to Blessed Mother and St. Joseph, I am sure that our church will be, under their protection, truly a place of prayer. With deep humility I do want to present to you our church which I am sure that you can be proud of, as the best church in Westchester. Please make it now your spiritual home and I sincerely pray that more and more parishioners will be flocking to worship in our church.

Please remember that the renovation works are still in progress. Due to the shortage of time, workers and funds, we could not do all I wanted to do before Christmas. The new toilets, handicap access ramp, painting, etc. are not complete. I wanted you to have a beautiful Christmas in our church. Hopefully we can resume and complete the works in the near future with the Renew & Rebuild Capital Campaign.

I have also a great news to share with you: my research shows that 2018 marks the 150th Anniversary of erecting the St. John the Evangelist as the parish of White Plains. How appropriate that we can dedicate our new sanctuary to commemorate this historic occasion! In the new year we shall plan a great celebration.

My special thanks to Kayco Construction Company and Santizo Constructions, who did a marvelous job. I also thank the many volunteers who helped to clean the church. Thank you for y our continued support and cooperation! I wish you all a very Happy, Healthy, and Holy New Year.





Monthly Food Collection - Will be held next weekend Jan. 5th & 6th at both churches. Please leave non-perishable food items in the designated boxes.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament -

(1st Friday of every month). This Friday Jan. 4th, adoration will take place with a Holy Hour following the 12:10 pm Mass at OLMC and adoration will take place after the <u>5:30 pm First Friday Mass at SJE</u> until 10:00 pm. Come and join us in prayer.

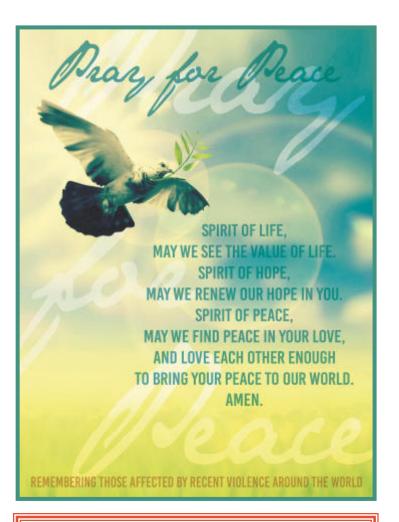


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You can choose Roman Catholic Church of Saint John the Evangelist & Our Lady of Mount MO as your favorite charitable organization OR go directly to: www.smile.amazon.com/ch/81-2844603 If you need help or have any questions, you can contact Andrea Caridi in the rectory office: 914-949-0439 or 914-948-5909.





Collection Next Weekend -

The Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) and The Catholic University of America. Next week, our parish will take up the Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This collection will help to communicate the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through podcasts, television, radio and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our archdiocese and support local needs. The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. More than 4,000 students directly receive scholarship aid from this Collection, including many from our diocese. Thank you for your generosity.

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.

January 3 - The Most Holy Name of Jesus



The month of January is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Name of <u>Jesus</u>, with January 3rd being the feast of the Holy Name. After the Blessed Virgin Mary had conceived her Child by the Holy Spirit, the angel Gabriel appeared to St. Joseph and instructed

him that the Child's name should be Jesus, which means "God Saves".

A BIT OF HISTORY - Historically, this special feast reverencing Jesus' name is closely associated with the Feast of the Circumcision of Jesus. According to Jewish law, on the 8th day after his birth a male child was circumcised, received his name, and became a full member of God's covenant people. This is what happened to Jesus as we read in Luke 2:21: "And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb."

According to the old Roman liturgical calendar, the Feast of the Circumcision was celebrated on January 1st, eight days after Christmas, the same day that he was given his sacred name. Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Mother of God on January 1st and honor the Feast of the Holy Name on January 3rd.

For Catholics, Jesus' sacred name is the object of a special devotion. Devotion to the Most Holy Name of Jesus was popularized by <u>St. Bernardine of Siena</u>, a 15th-century Franciscan, often symbolized by the monogram "IHS", (sometimes called a Christogram), which is the first three letters of the Greek spelling of Jesus' name.

Invoking the name of Jesus in an ejaculatory and reverential manner is so powerful that it has historically been associated with the granting of indulgences by various Popes such as Pope Sixtus V, Pope Benedict XIII, Pope Clement XIII, and Pope Pius X. It was even common in some places in the Middle Ages to greet one another in the name of Jesus, and to spontaneously exclaim, "Praise be to Jesus Christ!" with the response, "For evermore", or "Amen".

Invoking the name of Jesus goes back even further to the Early Church in the form of the "Jesus Prayer". This penitential prayer very simply says, "Lord Jesus Christ Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner," which can be repeated on a prayer rope or Jesus Beads just as the Hail Mary is prayed on the Rosary.

Solemnity of Mary Schedule

New Year's Eve Monday Dec. 31 5:30 pm OLMC - English

New Year's Day

Tuesday Jan. 1

7:30 am SJE - English

12:10 pm OLMC - English

5:30 pm SJE - English

7:00 pm SJE - Spanish

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Advertisements can be purchased for a business, a family, a charity, In Memory of a Loved One or to support the church or a community service organization like emergency pregnancy counseling, the March of Dimes, etc. We need and appreciate your help. If you would like to run an ad or would like more information, please call Brigitte before her visit. Brigitte can be reached directly at (917) 434-4833, or via e-mail to bstieglitz@4lpi.com Thank you!

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 CLOSED on December 31st
- BINGO will be OPEN on January 7th

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"MUCHAS BENDICIONES A TODOS DURANTE ESTE NUEVO AÑO"

"Por su parte María guardaba y Meditaba todas estas cosas en su corazón"



A una semana del Nacimiento del Niño-Dios. la Iglesia nos presenta para comenzar el nuevo año, la fiesta de María, Madre de Dios. Y esta frase "Madre de Dios" se dice muy fácilmente, pero por lo acostumbrados que estamos a oírla y a repetirla tal vez no nos detenemos a pensar en toda su dimensión el significado de que un ser humano, como nosotros, María -una de nuestra raza- pueda ser "Madre de Dios". Después de Jesucristo, aunque salvando la distancia entre lo humano y lo divino, entre lo finito y lo infinito, la Santísima Virgen María, Madre de Dios hecho hombre, es la creatura más grande, más bella, más excelsa que haya existido. Fijémonos en lo siguiente: todas las madres son madre de la "persona" de su hijo. Y ese hijo es una "persona", compuesta de alma y cuerpo. ¿Qué aporta la madre al hijo? Aporta la parte material de esa persona, que es el cuerpo. Ni la madre -ni el padre- aportan el alma. Dios es quien infunde el alma, y esto convierte a cada creatura en "persona humana". Se deduce de esto que la Santísima Virgen María realmente concibió y dio a luz según la carne a la "persona divina" de Jesús. Por esto es que María es llamada con toda propiedad "Madre de Dios". De todos los privilegios, títulos y dogmas de María, éste es sin duda el mayor y de más trascendencia. pues todos los demás (Inmaculada Concepción, Virginidad perpetua, etc.) fueron dados en atención a este hecho tan inmenso y tan elevado: el de ser la Madre de Dios.

Sin embargo lo más importante para nosotros y lo que más desea la Santísima Virgen María -Madre de Dios- es que la imitemos a Ella, pues imitándola a ella estamos imitando a su hijo Jesús.

¿Qué imitar de la Madre de Dios? Su espíritu de oración: María oraba y en oración la encontró el Ángel cuando le anunció el misterio de su maternidad divina. Su humildad y su entrega a la voluntad de Dios: se reconoce "esclava del Señor" y se entrega a que se realice en ella todo lo que Dios quiera. Su fe a toda prueba: María creyó por encima de las apariencias y de las posibilidades humanas; creyó que lo imposible se realizaría en ella: ser la Madre del mismo Dios.

~ Solemnidad De Maria Horario De Misas ~

Vigilia de Año Nuevo - Lunes Dic. 31

5:30 pm OLMC - Ingles

Solemnidad de Maria Madre de Dios (Año Nuevo) -Martes Ene. 1

7:30 am SJE - Ingles
12:10 pm OLMC - Ingles
5:30 pm SJE - Ingles
7:00 pm SJE - Español

Saint John's Café Parish Fundraiser - Will be open for lunch this Sunday after the 11:00 am & 12:30 pm Masses in the SJE School cafeteria. This is a Parish fundraiser; and all are welcome.

Respect Life Corner sponsored by

Westchester-Putnam Right to Life Committee

"Let the little children come to me." Lk 19: 14

God Himself was born as a child. The greatness of a person does not depend on size, for the newborn King is very small. Let us pray for an end to prejudice against the tiny babies threatened by abortion.

For help in an unplanned pregnancy, call 914-620-4464.

March for Life 2019 - "Unique From Day One: Pro-Life is Pro-Science" is the theme of the 2019 March for Life in Washington DC, which will take place on Friday, January 18, 2019. "When life begins and the stages of prenatal development are scientific facts. Humanity – and our uniqueness as individuals – begins at day one, at fertilization. Life, in its most vulnerable form, should be protected. That, in essence, is why we march. We march to end abortion, with the vision of a world where the beauty, dignity, and uniqueness of every human life are valued and protected." Marchers from our parish will meet at 5:45am in the Our Lady of Mount Carmel parking lot and return in the evening. The cost of transportation is \$55 (\$25 for students). To reserve your seat or to sponsor a Marcher, please call Gerald Yeung at (914) 837-7008.



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