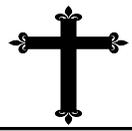




# Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## September 29, 2019



### Weekly Mass Intentions

#### Saturday – September 28

8:00am-† William T. Morgan  
 5:00pm-† Byran Graves  
 7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

#### Sunday – September 29

8:30am-† Mary Ellen Corbett  
 10:00am-† Christopher Styles  
 11:30am-† Parish Community Intentions  
 1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions  
 6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

#### Monday – September 30

8:00am-† Harold Ferry  
 12:05pm-† Rita Beteta

#### Tuesday – October 1

8:00am-† Rocco Plescia  
 12:05pm-† Henrietta Walsh

#### Wednesday – October 2

8:00am-† Adelaide Collins  
 12:05pm-† Thomas Garcia

#### Thursday – October 3

8:00am-† Maria DiMarzio  
 12:05pm-† Alejo Roman

#### Friday – October 4

9:00am-† Ida Bianco  
 12:05pm~ Thanksgiving & Healing of  
 Joseph Munoz & Family

#### Saturday – October 5

8:00am-† Luis Nieves  
 5:00pm† Miriam Luciano ~Anniversary~

#### Sunday – October 6

8:30am-† Jerome Perera  
 10:00am-† Vittorio Vasquez



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*By:* Pat Walsh & Martha Moffit

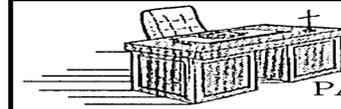
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*By:* Nancy & Cesar Velez & Family

*By:* Codipilly Family & Maria Perera  
*Offered by:* Mt. Carmel Parish



### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

**“Woe to those who feel safe and comfortable”**  
*(Amos 6: 1)*

As the days shorten and the weather gets colder we also are closer to the harvest season. We are called, as Jesus disciples, to participate in a very special harvest. St. Paul and Timothy tell us to seek justice, piety, faith, love, patience and generosity. This call is a whole program of life so that once we reap we can bear fruits of holiness and solidarity in our own community.

Amos, the prophet, warns the rich and all those who enrich themselves at the expense of the poor "woe to those who feel safe." For the prophet, it is not possible that while the people of Israel suffer bitterness and defeat the rich stay in bed and rest in their ivory beds. It is clear to Amos that the rich and powerful will be the first to be sent into exile. Similarly in the Gospel the rich man ignores the fate of poor Lazarus who asks for alms at the door of his house. Interestingly, the rich man abounds in material goods on earth, but he has no name. Lazarus, the poor man is identified by his name despite lacking all or almost everything as the food that sustains him. Another paradox of the Gospel is that the rich will suffer the torments of condemnation while Lazarus receives the reward in the after life.

Today when 2000 years of Christianity have passed we still find contrasts between the poor and the rich; we even build walls that do not let in those who seek bread and security. The parable of Jesus invites us to see that beyond our temporal reality rises another that changes everything. Ironically, the division between rich and poor has changed the way it has passed from one side to the other. What was once a door to move from one side to the other has become an impassable chasm, impossible to cross. Therefore, our commitment as believers invites us to bring our solidarity to those who are in need (i.e, crossing the door) now that we are all on the earth. Later, it will be too late.

The rich man is condemned not for his wealth but because he was not able to look beyond the walls that give him his own security and comfort. The tragic thing about the parable is that the rich man only realizes the existence of poor Lazarus now that he is suffering while Lazarus is enjoying his own reward at the bosom of Patriarch Abraham.

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### Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine  
 Tabernacle Candle  
 Memorial Candle  
 Memorial Candle



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The change of fortune makes known that the former rich man wants to communicate with poor Lazarus so that he may come and relieve him of his suffering. In other words, only when suffering is experienced in one's own flesh can the needs of others be understood. Let us ask Jesus to make us open our hands to the poor and needy in order to reach one day the joys of his Kingdom.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page ([www.olmcsi.org](http://www.olmcsi.org)). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

### September 29: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1A, 4-7  
Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10  
1 Timothy 6:11-16

### October 6: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4  
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9  
2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14



**SING TO THE LORD** - Great news! 2 different parishioners commented last weekend that they thought the singing was getting better at our English Masses! Hallelujah! Maybe the "repetition thing" is working. Please try to keep up the momentum as we strive to "make a **joyful** noise unto the Lord" at OLMC (not a *sotto voce*, weak or wimpy sound!) "**Fu active, conscious participation**" is what the "Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy" asks of us.

This is the last weekend for the September Hymn Sheets. New, beautiful music for October! Do keep singing! As Bet Midler says ... *God is watching us!* (No ~ we're *not* singing that song at Mass!)

**NOTICE OF MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE** - When the school has its monthly Mass (which is normally the first Friday of the month), the 8:00am Mass will be changed to 9:00am, to help our overworked priests. You are invited to attend Mass 9am for that day. (There will be no Mass at 8:00am) Thank you for your patience and help us meet our pastoral needs. The change takes place for first **Friday Mass, October 4, 2019.**

**EARLY CHURCH HISTORY; PART II** - Fr. Roselli is offering and inviting everyone to a continuation of his mini-course (Early Church History. When: **Thursday's; October 3, 10, 17, 27 & 31.** Time: 10:30am-11:30am. Place: Fr. Miguel Meeting Room. Join us as we seek answers by exploring the origin, history, and development of the Bible. Registration at the rectory is appreciated, in for us to prepare your materials for this exciting and unique course! All are welcome to attend.

**BIBLE STUDY** - Join us for our parish Bible Study meetings on **Sundays: October 6** and 20, November 3 and 17, December 8 and 22. All meetings will take place in the one of the meeting rooms at the parish office. All dates will start at 1:00pm and run until 3:00pm. If you do not have a bible, one can be provided for you. **Come join us!**

**SAVE THE DATE** - For the JOHN J. BRUNO BENEFIT BREAKFAST for Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School on Saturday, **November 16, 2019** at the Staaten. Honoring people who make a difference in the lives of our children. Invitations to follow soon. Call OLMC-SB School office to RSVP 718-981-5131.

**JESUIT FRIENDS & ALUMNI SUNDAY MASS - Sunday, October 20, 2019; 10:00am Mass.** This day is an opportunity for alumni and friends of Jesuit Schools to share our common bonds through the celebration of liturgy, highlighting opportunities for continuing spiritual growth and service to the local and global community. There will be a reception following the 10:00am Mass. Visit [www.JesuitEst.org/AlumniSunday2019](http://www.JesuitEst.org/AlumniSunday2019) for more information.

**OUR LADY of MT. CARMEL / ST. BENEDICTA SCHOOL** - Registrations for O.L. Mt. Carmel School is on-going for grades Kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Our school are faith-filled environments in which Catholic values are infused in all subject areas. Students receive religious instruction and sacramental preparation and participate regularly in mass. It's a safe, nurturing place that builds on a long history of academic and personal success. Call the school office for more information.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM 2019/2020** - Classes for our children have begun. We still have room for some level and will continue accepting registrations while there is still space available. Please pray for the children as well as the dedicated catechists. We offer your children the most complete, balanced, faith-based education, strong academics and passion for Christian service. Let's help children become spiritual, respectful, compassionate, motivated, future leaders of our community and our church. They offer a fantastic curriculum and deeply biblical and Catholic formation.

**FOR ADULTS** - Registrations for our adult religious program are still ongoing and will close soon. RCIA is the process which non-Catholic adults learn about the Catholic faith and become members of the Church through BAPTISM. It is also designed for Catholics who have not yet received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Communion and who would like to know more about their faith. For more information about this program, please contact for Mr. Colin Vautrinot at the rectory.

**MAMMOGRAM BUS** - Early detection of breast cancer saves lives! The Mammogram bus will be HERE, at Mt. Carmel Parish on **Sunday, November 10, 2019** from 9:30am to 4:30pm. Women age 40-79 can come in for a NO-COST Mammogram and a clinical Breast Exam. No co-pays required and deductibles are waived. Uninsured patients also welcomed. Medical Services provided by Multi-Diagnostic Services. Appointments are necessary. For an appointment call the rectory or 877-628-909.

**COLLECTIONS:** September 22: \$3,821; Second Collection: \$1,113. *Thank you for your continued generosity to OUR Parish*

**PROTECT OUR CHILDREN** - Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P., at 212-371-1000, x2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via e-mail [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the website of the Archdiocese - [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org). Keeping with the archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.