

St. Mary-Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

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~ MASSES ~

Saturday Evening

5:00pm, 7:00pm (Spanish)

Sunday

8:00, 9:30am (Spanish), 11:30am

Daily (Mon-Sat)

9:00am – English

Monday & Wednesday

7:00pm – Spanish

Holy Days

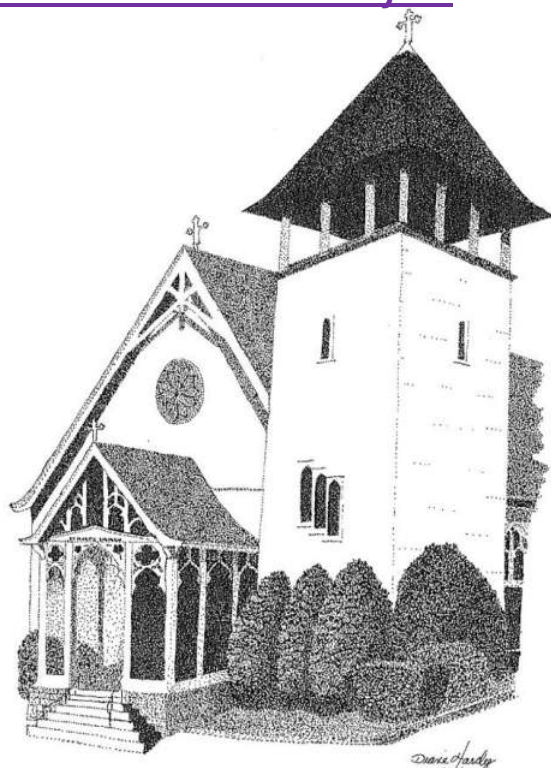
9:00am and 7:00pm

~ OFFICE HOURS ~

Monday through Friday: 9:00am – 2:00pm

Monday and Wednesday: 5:00pm-7:00pm

Saturday and Sunday: Closed



Rev. Joseph Akunaeziri

Pastor

Rev. Kizito Mgbemere

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Paul Nwobi

In Resident

Christine Class

Parish Secretary

John Griffiths

Minister of Music

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Please call the Rectory for an appointment with the Pastor (914) 664-5855.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00 - 4.45pm or call office for an appointment

SPANISH PRAYER MEETING

Every Friday at 7:00 pm in Parish Hall.

First Friday: Healing Mass 7:00 pm

All are invited!

“Truly you have formed my inmost being; You knit me in my mother’s womb. You knew that I was there – You saw me before I was born.” (Psalm 139: 13, 16) [PRAY FOR THE UNBORN](#)

ABUSE SURVIVORS: We are grateful you are here today. We are sorry for the intense pain you suffer. We know there are many types of abuse; including sexual, physical, emotional, and psychological. We hope you find this Church community a place of sensitivity that does not exacerbate your pain. We pray that you seek the support and help you need. We also pray that God holds you in His gentle loving hands and helps you heal. Amen.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – Tercero Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario January 25,2026

From the Pastors desk

Be the fisherman of Jesus

“Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” These simple words of Jesus are not just an invitation to the first disciples; they are spoken to each one of us today. Jesus does not say, “First be perfect,” or “First have everything figured out.” He simply says, “Come after me.” Discipleship begins with trust and the willingness to walk with the Lord.

To be a “fisher of men” does not mean using clever words or force. It means attracting others by the way we live—through kindness, integrity, forgiveness, and love. Just as fishermen patiently cast their nets, we are called to patiently witness to Christ in our families, workplaces, and communities.

Jesus promises, “I will make you” fishers of men. This is His work, not ours alone. When we stay close to Him, He transforms our ordinary lives into instruments of grace.

Today, may we renew our yes to Jesus, follow Him more closely, and trust that He will use us to draw others into the joy of His Kingdom.

Rev, Joseph Akunaeziri

Revival, A Grieving Mother’s Retreat

Dates: March 27-29, 2026

- Retreat check-in begins on Friday, March 27 at 5:00pm
- The retreat ends on Sunday, March 29 at 2:30pm

Location:

National Shrine of Mary Help of Christians

Don Bosco Retreat Center

174 Filors Lane

Stony Point, NY 10980

Retreat Registration: \$250

Registration Deadline: March 8, 2026

Generation Life: Chastity and Pro-Life

Talks Generation Life missionaries will be coming to the Archdiocese of New York February 1-6, 2026 to speak to schools and parish youth groups. Generation Life is a dynamic movement of young people committed to building a culture of life by educating other young people about the chastity and pro-life messages. Visit bit.ly/generationlife2026 for more information, including talk descriptions, a parent letter, and cost. Contact Anthony Yetzer at 215-885-8760 ext. 2 or ayetzer@generationlife.org with questions or to schedule a talk. This is a great opportunity to bring the truths about life and love to the youth.

Mass Intentions - January 25 - February 1, 2026

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| Sunday, 1/25 | 8:00 am – Pat Retta (23 rd Anniversary) & Nick Retta (18 th Anniversary) 9:30 am – Serafina Pino (Anniversary in Heaven) 11:30 am – Terry Wiltshire (Deceased) |
| Monday 1/26 | 9:00 am – Luz D Rodriguez (10 th Month in Heaven) 7:00 pm – All our Parishioners |
| Tuesday, 1/27 | 9:00 am – Jose M. Hernandez (Deceased) |
| Wednesday 1/28 | 9:00 am – Jose A. Delgado (10 th Month in Heaven) 7:00 pm – All our Parishioners |
| Thursday, 1/29 | 9:00 am – Stephen G. Bauert (Deceased) |
| Friday, 1/30 | 9:00 am – Ana M. Martinez (11 th Anniversary in Heaven) |
| Saturday,1/31 | 9:00 am – Jason Mojica (3 rd Anniversary in Heaven) 5:00 pm – John Hegmann (Birthday in Heaven) 7:00 pm – Robert Mojica Jr (Birthday in Heaven) |
| Sunday, 2/1 | 8:00 am – Angel Lopez (Health) 9:30 am – All our Parishioners 11:30 am – Nancy Lopez (Health) |



Online parish giving. <https://www.parishgiving.org/>

Parish Office Hours: Mon – Fri 9:00 – 2:00; Mon & Wed 5pm to 7pm **Closed:** Saturday & Sunday

Desde el escritorio del Pastor

Sé pescador de Jesús

«Sígueme, y los haré pescadores de hombres». Estas sencillas palabras de Jesús no son solo una invitación a los primeros discípulos; se dirigen a cada uno de nosotros hoy. Jesús no dice: «Primero sean perfectos», ni «Primero tengan todo resuelto».

Simplemente dice: «Sígueme». El discipulado comienza con la confianza y la disposición a caminar con el Señor.

Ser «pescador de hombres» no significa usar palabras ingeniosas ni la fuerza. Significa atraer a otros con nuestra forma de vivir: a través de la bondad, la integridad, el perdón y el amor. Así como los pescadores lanzan sus redes con paciencia, estamos llamados a dar testimonio de Cristo con paciencia en nuestras familias, lugares de trabajo y comunidades.

Jesús promete: «Los haré pescadores de hombres». Esta es Su obra, no solo la nuestra.

Cuando permanecemos cerca de Él, transforma nuestras vidas ordinarias en instrumentos de gracia. Hoy, renovemos nuestro sí a Jesús, sigámoslo más de cerca y confiemos en que Él nos usará para atraer a otros a la alegría de Su Reino.

Reverendo Joseph Akunaeziri

Día de la Candelaria

El lunes 2 de febrero de 2026 celebraremos la Fiesta de la Virgen de la Candelaria en la misa de las 7:00 pm.

Habrà Bendición de las Familias y Bendición de las Estatuas del Niño Jesús.

Nuestra Señora de la Altagracia

El domingo 25 de enero de 2026 celebraremos la Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de la Altagracia, Patrona de

la República Dominicana. Habrá una misa especial a las 9:45 a. m., seguida de una fiesta en el salón parroquial.

Si desea hacer una donación económica para colaborar con esta celebración, encontrará sobres disponibles en el vestíbulo de la iglesia. Todos están invitados a participar.

Weekly Collection

January 18,2026 \$2,204.00



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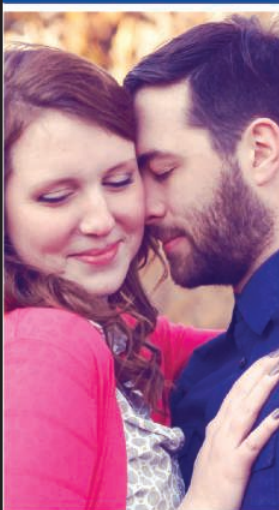


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