



The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica - November 9, 2014

The LORD of hosts is with us; our stronghold is the God of Jacob. -Psalm 46:8



Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday November 8

8:00am- † For All Our Faithful Departed

5:00pm- † Paula Lopez

Sunday November 9

8:30am- † Margarite & Gerald Santangelo

10:00am- † Deacon Anthony Lagotta

11:30am-*Living*-Special Intentions Fr. Stephen Valenta

6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday November 10

8:00am- † Deceased Members of Esposito Family

12:05pm- † Dorothy Spicer

Tuesday November 11

8:00am *Living*-Special Intentions of Nancy Mikos

12:05pm- † Ciro Frulio

Wednesday November 12

8:00am- † Michael Contardo *~Birthday Anniversary~*

12:05pm-†Deceased Members St. Benedicta Society

Thursday November 13

8:00am- † Zappone, Iannuci, Gagliardi, Zarelli & Sann Families

12:05pm- † Miriam Luciano

Friday November 14

8:00am- † Grace Coleman

12:05pm-† Dominick Negri

Saturday November 15

8:00am- † Anna Burke

5:00pm- † Victor Lopez

Sunday November 16

8:30am- † Pancrazio LaMorte

10:00am- † Joseph Fortunato *~Birthday Anniversary~*

11:30am-*Living*-Special Intentions Fr. Stephen Valenta

6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions



Mass Intentions

Offered By: Jose & Nina Lopez

Offered By: daughter, Rafaela

Offered By: Joann Scamardella

Offered By: Friends

Offered By: Annette Esposito

Offered By: Rosalia Patterson

Offered By: Family

Offered By: Frulio Family

Offered By: wife, Theresa

By: St. Benedicta Society

Offered By: Pat, Sue, Maria & Dominic

Offered By: Fr. Gil

By: Aurora Nazareno Ocampo

Offered By: Family

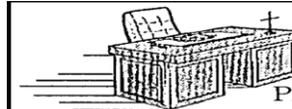
By: Joe & Joan Fortunato

Offered By: Jose & Nina Lopez

By: wife, Rafaela & Family

By: Joe & Joan Fortunato

Offered By: Friends



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

“...The temple of God, which you are, is holy.” These words of St. Paul in his letter to the Corinthians remind us of the dignity that is ours and they challenge us to honor that dignity.

All of humanity bears the divine image as all of humanity has been created by the one God who created all of us equal in dignity. As bearers of the divine image, all of us have an inherent holiness - an inherent sacredness - that no one may deny, threaten or compromise. When we curse another person, we blaspheme against God in whose image this person has been created. When we cheat another person, exploit another person, we blaspheme against God. When we treat another person differently because of his/her race, creed, or social class, we blaspheme against God. All of us need to look honestly at our lives to see where in our lives we have acted toward other persons in a way that is, in fact, blasphemy against the God in whose image all of us have been created.

As Christians, our dignity is enhanced by the fact that through baptism we share in the life of Jesus Christ, we share in the life of God. The Spirit of God dwells in us so that we are truly temples of the Holy Spirit, dwelling places of God. When we drink to excess, we profane the temple of God that is our body. When we commit sexual acts that are not appropriate to our state in life, we profane the temple of God that is our body. When we eat excessively and fail to exercise regularly, we profane the temple of God that is our body. In what ways do I fail to honor the temple of God that is my body? In what ways do I fail to respect the presence of God within me? Do I seek to cultivate the Spirit of God within me so that God's presence shines forth from me?

Let us celebrate the special dignity that is ours and let us always respect that dignity in every person.

Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J.

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine

Tabernacle Candle

Memorial Candle

Memorial Candle



Lectors & E.M. ~ SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER~

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Lectors: Linda Graves & Linford Smith (*carry Gospel Book*) *Substitute:* Bill Hinton

Eucharistic Ministers: Angelo Sabella, Linford Smith & Nancy Velez

Substitute: Bill Hinton

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Lectors: Maria Oliveras & Delmeter Carey (*carry Gospel Book*) *Substitute:* Linda Torres

Eucharistic Ministers: Delmeter Carey, Diane Carbonaro & MaryAnn Ugbo

Substitute: Samuel Torres

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Victoria Garay (*carry Gospel Book*) *Substitute:* Thelma Washington

Eucharistic Ministers: Crescencia (Chris) Pascua, Alexis Crowdell & Beverly Marryshow

Substitute: Emmanuel Fode

SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page (www.olmcstmary.org). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

TODAY: Feast of St. John Lateran

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12
1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17
John 2:13-22

Next Sun: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Matthew 25:14-30



MAKING ALL THINGS NEW – As you heard last week, St. Mary of the Assumption parish will merge with our parish. The change will take effect in August of 2015. A new parish will be created here on the site of the current Our Lady of Mount Carmel + St. Benedicta. While change is never easy, this is an exciting moment in the history of our parish as we have the hope of an infusion of new life and new possibilities. Please pray for the success of our new parish!

PASTOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Monday, November 10, at 5 p.m. – This is your opportunity to contribute to the planning of our new parish. If the time is inconvenient for you because of your work, please leave your information in the office so that Fr. Hallinan can contact you. Thank you!

WE NEED MORE EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS and USHERS – We welcome additional volunteers to serve as Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Lectors particularly at our 10 a.m. Mass. Please leave your information at the office. Thank you!

PROCLAIMING THE WORD 2015 – Lectors are encouraged to pick up a copy of the new edition of Proclaiming the Word for the liturgical year B that begins on November 30th. Copies are available in the sacristy for \$10.

FOOD DRIVE – Please bring donations of non-perishable food to the church before Mass or to the office during the week. This food drive will benefit the food pantry at St. Mary of the Assumption. Some items that they always need: canned tomatoes, spaghetti sauce, pasta, cereal, tuna fish, canned meat, white rice, dried beans or canned beans, fruit cocktail in cans, peanut butter and jelly. Thank you for your support!

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT – The Campaign helps fund initiatives to end poverty that are organized and directed by the people impacted by poverty. The Campaign also helps educate Catholics on the issues of poverty through the use of our rich tradition of Catholic social teaching which demands that we not only respond to poverty through our charity, but also through an active effort to change those social, economic and political structures that perpetuate poverty. Our collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development will be on the weekend of November 23.

THE INCARNATION – Mr. John Lantry will offer a three-part presentation on the wonder and beauty of the Incarnation on Saturdays, November 29, December 6th and December 13th at 11 a.m. Using the Madeleine L'Engle book, "The Glorious Impossible" as a reference point, Mr. Lantry will weave together the Christmas story through prose, poetry and prayer. Session 1: (a) The Word (b) The Annunciation; Session 2: (a) The Visitation (b) The Nativity; Session 3: (a) the Presentation (b) the Journey of the Wise Men and Our Journey. Mr. Lantry is the former director of retreat ministry at Linwood Spirituality Center. Registration is required. Please call: 718-442-3411.

CONSIDER A CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOR YOUR CHILD – Register to visit a Catholic school on **TOURING TUESDAY, November 18, from 9-11 a.m.** or by appointment. We recommend you schedule a visit of our own outstanding school, Our Lady of Mount Carmel+St. Benedicta. Pre-registration is required. Please call 718-667-5350, ext. 1007 or email Diana.Gatto@archny.org. Tell them that you would like to tour Our Lady of Mount Carmel School!

HOLIDAY FAIRS –

St. Ann's Church – November 16th – 9 a.m to 4 p.m. – 125 Cromwell Avenue. Vendors wanted. Please call: Janice Font at 646-258-7281

Columbiettes –November 23rd – 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. – Fr. John C. Drumgoole Council Hall 397 Clarke Avenue – Christmas gifts and food.

Monsignor Farrel High School – December 7th – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. – Christmas gifts, food, raffles, visit from Santa. Admission: \$3 or \$5 per family. 2900 Amboy Road.

Weekly Offering: November 2nd - \$2706. Companions: \$1177. Budget: \$2,100. Thank you!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION - For several weeks, we have considered penance as a sacrament of forgiveness, and yet there are two other sacraments in this category. The first, of course, is the Eucharist itself. The other is the sacrament of the sick, long associated with penance. The Letter of James sets out the deep tradition for caring for the sick: sending for the priests, who will pray and lay their hands on the sick ones, anointing them with oil, and giving them forgiveness. Long before other rites of penance developed, the sacrament of the sick was therefore a profound experience of forgiveness. Jesus often healed the sick, nearly always as a visible sign of forgiveness of sin. The tradition didn't unfold smoothly, however, and within a few centuries the oil of the sick was taken home to be applied by caregivers as a salve, or even to be drunk as a medicine. As early as the second century, bishops were therefore urging that priests should be the ones to visit those separated by illness from the Sunday assembly. Thus the practice of consigning the Eucharist and the oil of the sick to the non-ordained faithful to bring home was relatively short-lived. *Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.*