



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 2, 2017



In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. ~Romans 6:11

Weekly Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions

Offered by:

Offered by: Barbara May

Offered by: Garay Family

By: OLMC Parish Ministry

By: Sue, Pat, Maria & Dominic

Offered by :

Offered by:

Offered by:

Offered by: Peg & tom Ventrudo

Offered by: Annette Esposito

Offered by:

Offered by: Joan Fortunato

By: daughter, Mary Nigidio

Offered by:

By: daughters, Fran & Susan

By: son, Alexander E. Zuntag

Offered by: Lena Mezzacappa

Saturday – July 1

8:00am- †

5:00pm- † Charles & Susan May

7:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Sunday – July 2

8:30am- † Dorothy M. Gentles

10:00am- ~ Birthday Blessings for Thelma
Washington & Michael Codipilly

11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions

1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions

6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday – July 3

8:00am- † Iannucci & Sann Families

12:05pm-†

Tuesday – July 4 ~Independence Day~

8:00am - †

12:05pm- NO MASS

Wednesday – July 5

8:00am - †

12:05pm- † Margaret & John Latanzio

Thursday – July 6

8:00am- † Janet Grumino

12:05pm- †

Friday – July 7

8:00am- † Joe Fortunato ~2nd Anniversary~

12:05pm- † Ernest Seta (Pop-Pop)

Saturday – July 8

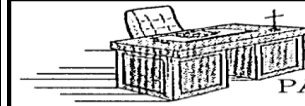
8:00am- †

5:00pm- † Catherine Fele

Sunday – July 9

8:30am- † Alexander A. Zuntag

10:00am- † Ciro “Jerry” Mezzacappa



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

On the Fourth of July, Americans celebrate their freedom. But as Catholic Christians, we should understand the true source and true purpose of our freedom.

As St. Paul tells us in his letter to the Romans, God liberated us from our slavery to sin through our baptism in Jesus Christ. Sin has no power over the person who lives in faithfulness to the life of Jesus Christ. The true source of our freedom, therefore, is God and we receive the gift of our freedom in baptism. We are freed by God to live in faithfulness to the way of Jesus Christ so that we can have the confident hope that we will one day share in his risen life forever. This then reveals to us both the source and the purpose of our freedom.

Christian freedom is not the freedom to do whatever you want to do. Christian freedom is the freedom to live in faithfulness to the way of Jesus Christ so that we are his incarnation in our world and instruments through whom the reign of God continues to unfold in our world. This is the purpose of the freedom won for us by Jesus Christ through his suffering, death and resurrection. Every day we make choices as to whether we will live in the freedom of this world – doing what we want to do – or whether we will live in faithfulness to our Christian freedom – doing what is in conformity with the life and teaching of Jesus Christ. Ironically, our Christian freedom places obligations on us. In order to live in conformity to the life of Christ, we must honor and respect the dignity of all human life. We must have a sincere concern for the needs of the poor and the marginalized of our society. We must forgive others without condition and without limit. We must use the gift of our human sexuality in a way that is appropriate to our state in life. To live in faithfulness to our Christian freedom, to live in faithfulness to Christ, liberates us from slavery to current opinions and popular prejudices so that we can be the incarnation of Christ for others and persons whose lives continue the unfolding of God's reign.

As you celebrate the Fourth of July this week, remember your Christian freedom!

Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine



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Tabernacle Candle

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Memorial Candle

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Memorial Candle

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Liturgical Minister's Schedule JULY 2017

Saturday 5:00 PM

Lector: Linda Graves & Lindford Smith (*carry Gospel Book*)

E. M.: Lindford Smith, Peg & Tom Ventrudo *Sub:* Cinderella Wonschwitz

Sunday 8:30 AM

Lector: Joan Kighton & Samuel Torres (*carry Gospel Book*) *Sub:* Johnathan Codipilly

E.M.: Diane Carbonaro, Maryann Ugbo & Joan Fortunato *Sub:* Delmeter Carey

Sunday 10:00 AM

Lector: Victoria Garay (*carry Gospel Book*) *Sub:* Alexis Crowdell

E.M.: Emmanuel Fode, Dianne Murphy & Thelma Washington *Sub:* Beverly Marryshow

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

June 18: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16
Romans 6:3-4, 8-11
Matthew 10:37-42

June 25: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zechariah: 9:9-10
Romans 8:9, 11-13
Matthew 11:25-30



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT of the \$2,500 RAFFLE—Thank you to all of you who purchased a ticket for our \$2,500 raffle. We offer special thanks to those who sold tickets outside the parish. We sold 233 tickets this year and so we earned close to \$3,000 from the raffle. Grand Prize of \$2,500: Ticket number 037; \$250: Ticket number 074; \$125: Ticket number 085.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Friday, July 7th, after the 12:05 p.m. Mass.

RECTORY CLOSED: July 4 – Independence Day – There will be Mass at 8 a.m. There will be no 12:05 pm Mass

PARISH FESTIVAL – JULY 29th – Our annual parish festival will be on Saturday, July 29th, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at our school. There will be games, prizes, food and traditional folk dances. This is a great day for families! Please join us that afternoon. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet the members of our parish. *We'll see you there!*

Fr. HALLINAN OFFERS HIS THANKS – Thank you for your wonderful expressions of best wishes as I prepare to assume my new responsibilities in Kingston, Jamaica. I am grateful that so many of you were able to attend my farewell event at the Staaten that was so wonderfully organized by Linda Graves and Peg Ventrudo. It has been a great blessing and privilege for me to serve this community of faith. I will not forget your kindness to me, your patience with me, and your tremendous loyalty to our parish. *Thank you!* Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J.

ADULTS THAT NEED THE SACRAMENTS: - If you, or someone you know, would like to receive the sacraments of communion and/or confirmation, please leave your contact information, or the contact information of that other person, in the parish office for Mr. Colin Voutrinot, our Director of Adult Faith Formation. *Thank you!*

PRAYER FOR TODAY: - God of compassion, quiet our minds and still our hearts. Inspire us to be your ears – listening to the cries of the suffering world. Inspire us to be your voice – speaking of love and acceptance. Inspire us to be your feet – walking besides those in need. Inspire us to be your hands – to clothe, feed, and shelter the homeless and displaced. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY: Lord, we stand today as our ancestors have stood before You in times gone by, celebrating our history and reveling in all the great things that our country has achieved. On this day, we rejoice in the favor You have graciously shown us. Yet as a nation and people we have not always chosen the right way. We ask You to forgive us for these times. Make us a generous people, a holy nation, a people chosen to be the instruments of your compassion and peace in our world. Please come now by your glorious Holy Spirit, breathe new life into the sinews of this nation. May justice flow like rivers, and righteousness like a never-failing stream, until the whole of our country is covered with Your glory, as the waters cover the sea. We offer our prayer in the name of the one who alone gives true freedom, Jesus Christ our Lord and Redeemer. *Adapted: lords-prayer-words.com*

POPE FRANCIS: WHAT is the WORLD THAT WE DESIRE?: God's world is a world where everyone feels responsible for the other, for the good of the other. ...In reflection, fasting and prayer, each of us deep down should ask ourselves: Is this really the world that I desire? Is this really the world that we all carry in our hearts? Is the world that we want really a world of harmony and peace, in ourselves, in our relations with others, in families, in cities, *in and between nations?* *Pope Francis*

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL – CAR PURCHASE – St. Vincent de Paul will purchase used vehicles (cars, trucks, vans), whether they are running or not, and make a donation to our parish. The number to call is 718-491-2525.

SAINTS in JULY – July 3: St. Thomas, the Apostle –“My Lord and My God.”; July 11 – St. Benedict – Founder of Western Monasticism – Reveal in words not words all that is good and holy; July 14th – St. Kateri Tekakwitha – Native American in Northern NY whose conversion to Catholicism led to much suffering but also to a life of deep faith and prayer; July 22 – St. Mary Magdalene – Apostle to the Apostles; July 25 – St. James, the Apostle. July 29th – St. Martha – One concerned for the needs of others.

COLLECTION: June 25: \$4,413. *Thank you!*

FOURTH OF JULY - The Fourth of July is our greatest patriotic holiday – a day to celebrate the birthday of our nation. On this day let us remember and appreciate the liberty that we enjoy as Americans. We wish you all a happy and safe Independence Day on July 4h. Let us thank God for the blessings of Freedom and Independence, which we enjoy in the United States.