

# *Church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel*

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Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 | II Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year B



## Schedule of Masses & Services

**Saturday:** 8:30am | 12:00pm | 5:00pm (English)

**Sunday:** 8:30am (English) | 9:30am (Spanish)  
11:00am (Italian) | 12:15pm (English)  
1:30pm (Spanish)

**Weekday:** 8:30am/ 12:00pm/ 6:30pm(English)

**Confessions:** Saturday from 4:00pm to 5:00pm

### EUCARISTIC ADORATION/HOLY HOURS

Every Thursday from 5:30pm to 6:30pm  
Every Saturday from 12:30pm to 1:30pm  
First Friday of every month from 12:30pm-6:30pm

### Novena Devotions: After each Mass

Monday: Miraculous Medal  
Wednesday: Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
Thursday: Saint Joseph  
Friday: Divine Mercy Chaplet

### BAPTISMS:

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month in Spanish  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month in English  
**Please stop by the Parish Center to fill out an application or call for more information.**

### PARISH STAFF

**ADMINISTRATOR**  
Rev. Salvatore Sportino

**PAROCHIAL VICARS**  
Fr. Urbano Rodrigues  
Fr. Alejandro Baumann

**PASTOR EMERITUS**  
Rev. Msgr. John A. Ruvo

### PARISH CENTER

**2380 Belmont Avenue**  
Monday-Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm  
Saturday 10:00am to 2:00pm

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

**COORDINATOR**  
Sister Edna Loquias, S.M.C.

### PARISH SCHOOL

**PRINCIPAL**  
Mr. John T. Riley

### **MARRIAGES:**

Arrangements for weddings should be made six months in advance. Please make an appointment with a Priest at the Parish Center.

### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK:**

A Priest should be called whenever anyone is seriously ill. Please notify the Parish Center immediately.

### **PARISH MEMBERSHIP:**

New parishioners should register at the Center as soon as possible after moving into the parish. Every adult in the parish should receive and use **our envelopes for the Sunday Collection**. Children attending our Parish School or Rel. Ed. Program receive and are encouraged to use the envelopes.

### **MOUNT CARMEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:**

The parish school is located at 2465-67 Bathgate Avenue. For information please call (718) 295-6080.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

For information and to register your child for Religious Ed. Classes, please call the Center.

ANNOUNCED MASSES**Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> | II Sunday in O. T.**

8:30am Maria Clemente  
 9:30am Pro Populo  
 11:00am Luigi Perri  
 12:15pm James and Cecilia Mazzie  
 1:30pm Gloria Rivera

**Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup> | Weekday**

8:30am Rose and Paul Neglio  
 12:00pm Michele Friscia and Family  
 6:30pm Delainy Alana Rivera and Robert Morales

**Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> | SS. Fabian & Sebastian**

8:30am Gennaro Scotti  
 12:00pm Giuseppina Carollo  
 6:30pm Laura Signorile

**Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> | Saint Agnes**

8:30am Richard Pizzonia  
 12:00pm Antonina Virgadamo  
 6:30pm Mario Borgatti

**Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> | Day of Prayer**

8:30am Alberto Berardinangelo  
 12:00pm Caryl Borgatti  
 6:30pm Tiziana Pietroluongo

**Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> | Weekday**

8:30am Zefa Krmic  
 12:00pm Vincenzo, Mariantonio and Genaro Del Vecchio  
 6:30pm Leonardo D' Aiello and Family

**Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup> | Saint Francis de Sales**

8:30am Giovanni Santaniello and Family  
 12:00pm Giuseppe Marolda  
 5:00pm Andrea, Maria, Steve and Anthony Acierno

**Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup> | III Sunday in O. T.**

8:30am Leonardo D'Aiello  
 9:30am Pro Populo  
 11:00am Carmela, Francesco, Angelo e Filomena Perri  
 12:15pm John Di Noia, Clara Madio, Ed Marcone & Families  
 1:30pm Gloria Rivera

**REST IN PEACE**

Please pray for the deceased members of our parish, especially our family and friends, **Carmen Dominguez**.

**New Sunday Mass Schedule**

The Sunday Mass Schedule will be as follows:

8:30am (English) / 9:30am (Spanish)  
 11:00am (Italian) / **12:15pm (English)**  
**1:30pm (Spanish)**

**Lectors for January 24-25**

5:00pm Maria Daidone  
 8:30am Yohan Garcia  
 9:30am Lisette Velasquez and Luis Lucero  
 11:00am Filomena Matera  
 12:15pm Gina Vaccaro  
 1:30pm Jackie Mejia

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Any children who have already received their First Holy Communion and would like to become Altar Servers are asked to please contact Carlos Vera at 347-912-0656 or leave their name and number at the Parish Center. Thank you.

**THANK YOU!!**

Our calendars are donated yearly by **D'Bari** and **Lucia Brothers** Funeral Homes. Many thanks to them for their continued generosity and also for their contribution to the Thanksgiving & Christmas baskets. May God continue to bless them and their staff in the New Year!

**LAST WEEKEND'S ATTENDANCE**

Adults: .....	578
Children: .....	230
Total.....	808

**PARISH COUNCIL**

The Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm in the Parish Center. We ask all members to attend.

**LAST WEEKEND'S MASS COLLECTION**

Collection .....	\$2,641.00
Children's Collection .....	\$233.00
Last year's Collection .....	\$3,072.20
Thank you all for your generosity!!	

**REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD****Sunday Gospel: John 1, 35-42**

Jesus' cousin, John the Baptist, baptized people with water but told his followers that someone was coming who would baptize with the Holy Spirit. Today's Gospel reading does not record any conversation between John and Jesus, but emphasizes that as John watches Jesus go by, he announces that this man is indeed the promised one, the Lamb of God. Andrew and another man set out to follow Jesus, who turns and asks what they are looking for. Their answer is a strange one: they want to know where he lives. Jesus simply replies, "Come, and you will see." We are told they stay with him for the whole day. The next day, Andrew finds his brother, Simon, and tells him he has met the Messiah—the Anointed One—and takes Simon to meet Jesus. Like John, Jesus looks hard at Simon, taking the measure of the man, and in the light of what he perceives in him changes his name to Cephas—or as we more commonly know it, Peter ("the rock"). The two encounters seem very ordinary, yet they are life-changing. Jesus is not proclaiming a message, preaching to a crowd, or performing great miracles. Instead, he is simply walking past John, and when Andrew and his friend introduce themselves, offers them hospitality and companionship. When Jesus meets Peter, he does not ask probing questions about his family and his background or make solemn pronouncements. He just looks at the man, makes an assessment of his character, and accepts him as a friend. The simplicity of Jesus' manner demonstrates his willingness to receive people "as they are" but also to call forth their potential. He does not offer lengthy explanations of who he is, but takes people to his home and lets them see for themselves.

**Living God's Word**

Jesus sees you, accepts you, and welcomes you for who you are. Show your gratitude in WORSHIP of God, who loves and saves you; SERVICE to others in the parish and the community; GIFTS to the church and to good causes of your choice.

**PROTECTING 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 ext. 2949 or Deacon Lawrence O'Toole at 914-594-4646. Both may be reached via e-mail at [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, <http://ny-archdiocese.org>. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

**RIFLESSIONI SULLA PAROLA DI DIO****Vangelo della Domenica: Giovanni 1, 35-42**

Giovanni lo indica ai suoi discepoli: «Ecco l'agnello di Dio». È estremamente importante quell'«ecco». Dio chiama, si comunica attraverso mediazioni. Anche Simone sarà avvicinato da Andrea, e così via. I due seguono dunque Gesù su indicazione di Giovanni, di cui si fidano. La fede si trasmette per fiducia. Non mi fido del primo che passa nella strada, ma di uno con cui ho rapporti di affetto e di stima. Gesù si volta e dice: «Che cosa cercate?». Attenzione ora alla domanda dei discepoli: «Rabbì, dove abiti?». Gesù non risponde. Dice: «Venite e vedrete». Intanto è di estrema importanza, nel contesto del Vangelo di Giovanni, quel «dove». C'è un misterioso «dove» che percorre il IV Vangelo, lo troviamo quasi in tutti i capitoli. C'è sempre una domanda «provocatoria», in tutti i capitoli, per creare nel lettore una specie di «inquietudine», una spinta a camminare, a cercare, a dare una risposta attraverso l'esperienza: «Venite e vedrete». «Andarono dunque, videro dove abitava e quel giorno si fermarono (in greco c'è il verbo "rimanere", caro a Giovanni) presso di lui». L'evangelista segna l'ora, la decima, l'ora della decisione, quella del «sì» allo sguardo di Gesù. Le ore delle risposte al Signore sono le uniche che contano, sono assorbite dall'eterno, sono segnate; le altre ore passeranno, come passa la scena di questo mondo. Quel «dove» dunque ti provoca. Nel II capitolo il maestro di tavola di Cana non sa di «dove» venga il vino buono; nel capitolo III, Gesù parla a Nicodemo del vento... che non si sa di «dove» venga e «dove» vada; nel capitolo IV la Samaritana dice a Gesù: «Signore tu non hai un mezzo per attingere e il pozzo è profondo; da dove hai dunque quest'acqua viva?». Potremmo continuare. Gesù chiederà simpaticamente a Filippo: «Dove possiamo comprare il pane?...», e il cieco nato dirà, con molto buon umore, ai farisei: «Proprio questo è strano, che voi non sapete di dove sia, eppure mi ha aperto gli occhi». Che cosa vuol dirci l'evangelista? Quando Pilato farà a Gesù la domanda: «Di dove sei?», l'evangelista aggiungerà: «Ma Gesù non gli diede risposta». Sì, perché la risposta è negata ai potenti. Solo gli umili, quelli che silenziosamente seguono l'Agnello fino al Golgota, avranno le antenne per captare la risposta.

**Caregiver's Seminar**

Every other Wednesday at  
Belmont Blvd. I Apartments  
Next session: January 21st at 2pm  
Conducted by Roberto Reyes

For details please contact Eileen Cuevas at  
718-584-1932, x 173

## **REFLEXIONEMOS LA PALABRA DE DIOS**

### **Evangelio del Domingo: Juan 1, 35-42**

En el Evangelio de hoy Juan el Bautista ve a Jesús venir hacia él y dice que Jesús es el Cordero de Dios prometido. Andrés y otro hombre siguen a Jesús quien les pregunta lo que andan buscando. La respuesta de ellos es extraña, pues dicen que quieren saber dónde él vive. Jesús responde: "Vengan a ver". Al día siguiente Andrés lleva a su hermano Simón para que conozca al Mesías, el ungido. Jesús mira a fondo a Simón y por lo que puede percibir, le da el nuevo nombre de Pedro ("la roca"). Los dos encuentros son ordinarios y produjeron un cambio de vida. Jesús camina hacia Juan, y después le ofrece a Andrés y su amigo hospitalidad y compañía. Jesús conoce a Pedro, le echa una mirada, hace una valoración de su carácter y lo acepta como amigo. Esa sencillez demuestra su buena disposición para recibir a las personas "tal y como son", pero también les hace ver sus propias capacidades. No ofrece explicaciones prolongadas acerca de quién es él, sino que lleva a las personas a su casa y les permite ver por sí mismas.

### **Vivamos la Palabra de Dios**

Jesús te ve, te acepta y te recibe tal como eres. Demuestra tu gratitud ALABANDO a Dios que te ama y te salva; SIRVIENDO a otras personas en tu parroquia y comunidad; OFRECIENDO algo de tu dinero a la Iglesia y a las causas buenas de tu predilección.

### **CORO DE NIÑOS**



Te invitamos al Coro de Niños todos los viernes a las 6:45pm en el Centro Parroquial. Registraciones en el Centro Parroquial o comuníquese con Sebastián al 718-295-3770.

### **CONSEJO PASTORAL**

El Consejo Pastoral se llevará a cabo el Jueves 22 de Enero a las 7:00pm en el Centro Parroquial. Líderes de los Grupos Parroquiales deben estar presentes.

### **UJIERES - LECTORES**

Si usted está interesado en ser parte de este ministerio, por favor llame al Centro Parroquial o bien al finalizar la misa, comuníquese con Luis Lucero o Christian Fernandez.

### This Week's Calendar

Monday, 5:30pm	N.A. (Msgr. Ruvo Room)
Monday, 7:15pm	ESL (Msgr. Ruvo Room)
Tuesday, 8:00pm	Neo-Cat. (Fatima Hall)
Wednesday, 8:00pm	Neo-Cat. (Fatima Hall)
Wednesday, 7:15pm	ESL (Msgr. Ruvo Room)
Thursday, 6:30pm	A.A. (Msgr. Ruvo Room)
Friday, 1:00pm	Bereavement Group (Msgr. Ruvo Room)
Friday, 6:45pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal (Parish Center)
Friday, 8:00pm	Spanish Choir Rehearsal (Parish Center)
Saturday, 8:00pm	Neo. Cat. (Fatima Hall)

### PARISH MISSION 2015-2016

#### **FORMATION OF DISCIPLES**

We invite you to become a Disciple for the Parish Mission to begin next year. If you want to be part of the Mission, please call the Parish Center at 718-295-3770.



### MISION PARROQUIAL 2015-2016

#### **FORMACION DE DISCIPULOS**

Los invitamos a ser Discípulo de la Misión Parroquial que iniciará el próximo año. Si desea ser parte de la Misión, por favor comuníquese al Centro Parroquial al 718-295-3770.

### PROTEGER A NUESTROS NIÑOS

Cualquier persona que necesite reportar algún incidente de abuso sexual de un menor por un sacerdote, diácono, religioso/a, o laico sirviendo en la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York, se le pide que por favor contacte Hermana Eileen Clifford, O.P. al (212) 371-1000 extensión 2949 o Deacon George J. Coppola al 917-861-1762. Ambos también pueden ser contactados vía correo electrónico: [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Para más información pueden visitar la página en la red de la Arquidiócesis: [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org). De acuerdo con las normas de la Arquidiócesis respecto al abuso sexual de menores, esta información se provee para asegurar que nuestros niños permanezcan seguros.

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