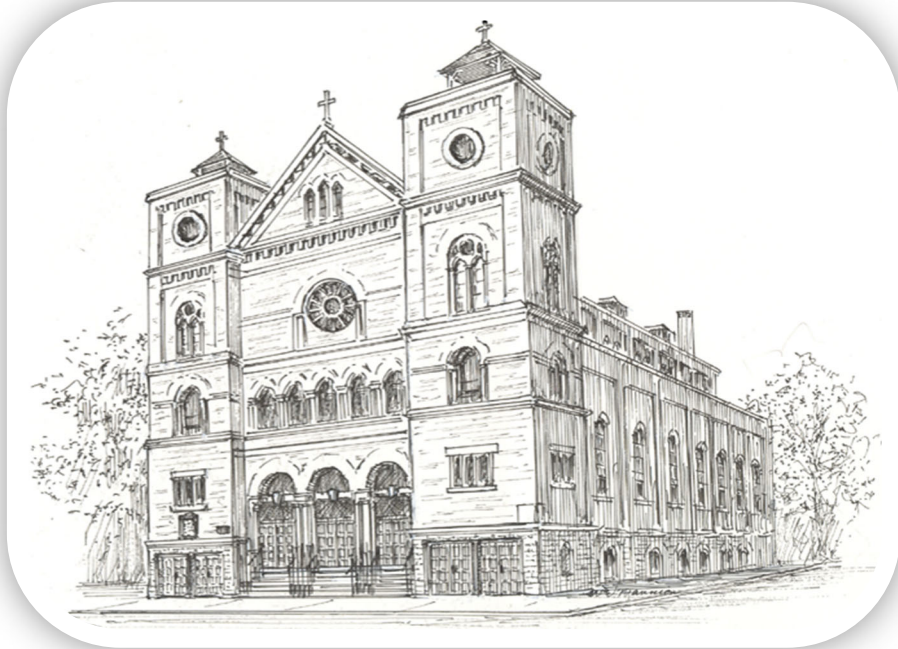


# Church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

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Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 | Second Sunday of Lent- 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:** Saturdays from 4:00pm to 5:00pm

### **EUCHARISTIC 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 at 1:30pm

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month in English at 3:00pm

**Please stop by the Parish Center to fill out an application or call for more information.**

### **PARISH STAFF**

#### **ADMINISTRATOR**

Rev. Fr. Jonathan Morris

#### **PAROCHIAL VICARS**

Rev. Fr. Urbano Rodrigues

Rev. 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:**

We will be happy to help any couples who are preparing for marriage. Please make an appointment with a Priest at the Parish Center.

### **PASTORAL VISITS TO THE SICK:**

If you or someone know are in the hospital or homebound and would be served by a pastoral visit by a Priest, Religious Sister or a lay Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, please contact the Parish Center.

### **PARISH MEMBERSHIP:**

We invite new parishioners to register at the Parish Center as soon as possible after moving into the parish.

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

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

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

For information and to register your child for Religious Ed. Classes, please call the Catechetical Office at (718) 295-3770.

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

**Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> | Second Sunday of Lent**

- 8:30am Rocco, Nicholas and Henry Cavalieri
- 9:30am Tomas and Eliseo San Pedro
- 11:00am Luigi Trombetta
- 12:15pm Salvatore Cunningham
- 1:30pm Pro Populo

**Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> | Weekday**

- 8:30am Mario and Erma Borgatti
- 12:00pm Walter Poli
- 6:30pm A special Intention

**Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> | Saint Katharine Drexel**

- 8:30am Octavio de Jesus Alzate and Maria Sozio
- 12:00pm Isaia Barone
- 6:30pm Secundino Eiras

**Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> | Saint Casimir**

- 8:30am Michael Verini
- 12:00pm Antonina Virgadamo
- 6:30pm Gaetana Giugliano (First Anniversary)

**Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup> | Weekday**

- 8:30am Lindo and Maria Borgatti
- 12:00pm Michele Sabatino
- 6:30pm Guglielmo D' Angelo

**Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> | Weekday**

- 8:30am Rev. Fr. Nicholas F. Basile
- 12:00pm In honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
- 6:30pm Edward Tutoni

**Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> | SS. Perpetua and Felicity**

- 8:30am Maria Sozio
- 12:00pm Luisa & Joseph Spedalieri & Mario Campanelli
- 5:00pm Jose Luis Vazquez

**Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> | Third Sunday of Lent**

- 8:30am Michael Falco Jr.
- 9:30am Pro Populo
- 11:00am Matteo e Maria Cuomo
- 12:15pm Josephine and Frank Spano
- 1:30pm Maria Pintor

**Lectors for March 7<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>nd</sup>**



- 5:00pm Gina Vaccaro
- 8:30am Anthony Merolla
- 9:30am Grecia Chavez and Maria Gonzalez
- 11:00am Filomena Matera & Carmelina Martone
- 12:15pm TBA
- 1:30pm Catalina Modesto and Manelys Mendez

**“From the Desk of Father Jonathan”**

In my prayer time on Wednesday morning, it occurred to me that there couldn't be a better time than Lent to begin my pastoral assignment here with all of you at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Why? Because the very purpose of our parish family is to help us in our journey toward God. And that's what Lent is all about! With all the busyness and concerns of our daily lives, it is so easy to forget our number one priority-- union with God! It's so easy to spend most of our energy on worldly, necessary things--like paying our bills, raising our children!--and forget about preparing our souls for heaven, our final home! Lent is a reminder to give priority to what will last for all eternity. Just like Jesus in the desert, you and I have the opportunity during these forty days to fast, pray, and give alms as a way to open our hearts to the grace of God. If we all do this together, I'm pretty sure that many of our other worries will take care of themselves.

**MEMORIALS OFFERED THIS WEEK**

*Mass Wine*

**In Memory of Dear Friend Gladys Rosello**  
Requested by Patricia Tarul and RoseAnn Faro

*Mass Candles*

**In Memory of Beloved Aunt & Uncle  
Mary and Dominic Cea**  
Requested by Niece RoseAnn Faro

**SAINT ANTHONY'S BREAD**

*March 3<sup>rd</sup> - Mimma Rizzo*

In loving Memory of the Deceased Members  
of the Rizzo Family and Angie Sacco

**REST IN PEACE**

Please pray for the deceased members of our parish, especially *Noel Santos* and our fallen military.

**LAST WEEKEND'S ATTENDANCE**

Adults: .....	500
Children: .....	218
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>718</b>

**LAST WEEKEND'S MASS COLLECTION**

Collection .....	\$2,772.00
Children's Collection .....	\$220.00
Last year's Collection .....	\$3,292.00

**REFLECTING ON GOD’S WORD**  
**Sunday Gospel: Mark 9, 2-10**

“**W**hy would a loving God ask a father to kill his own son? I can’t read this story without getting angry,” said Michael. The other members of his parish Bible study group nodded. “Even if Isaac’s life was spared at the last minute, it seems as if God wanted only blind obedience from Abraham. I don’t get it!” Discussion followed Michael’s remarks. Nora commented that our understanding of who God is and how God deals with people has evolved over time. Michael remained troubled. “I just can’t see that this story has any value for me today.” Jim spoke up, “Well, it hits me where I live.” Jim, the new one in the group, tended to hang back—but not today. “Isaac must have been the most precious thing in Abraham’s life: the one on whom all his hopes for the future were pinned.” Jim went on, “To be asked to give up that child was to be asked to give up his greatest treasure, but the relationship with God was a greater treasure than even his own son.” Jim paused and looked around him, “The most precious thing in my life has been my wife. We had no children so she’s been my whole world. When she got cancer I bargained with God—‘I’ll do anything if you let her live’—and she did live. In thanksgiving for her recovery I joined the Tuesday prayer group and I signed up as a food pantry volunteer. Just doing those two things made me realize how much I wanted God and a life with God. My wife is still just as dear to me, but God has taken a hold on my life my life in ways I could never have imagined before—because I have finally made room for God.”

**Intentions of Holy Father  
 For the Month of March 2015**



**General Intention: SCIENTISTS**

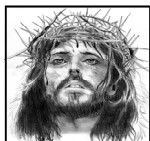
“That those involved in scientific research may serve the well-being of the whole human person”.

**Mission Intention: CONTRIBUTION OF WOMEN**

“That the unique contribution of women to the life of the Church may be recognized always”.

**EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT  
 STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**11:15am - Italian/ 7:00pm - English/ Spanish**



**RIFLESSIONI SULLA PAROLA DI DIO**  
**Vangelo della Domenica: Marco 9, 2-10**

**L**a trasfigurazione occupava un posto importante nella vita e nell’insegnamento della Chiesa primitiva. Ne sono testimonianze le narrazioni dettagliate dei Vangeli e il riferimento presente nella seconda lettera di Pietro (2Pt 1,16-18).

Per i tre apostoli il velo era caduto: essi stessi avevano visto ed udito. Proprio questi tre apostoli sarebbero stati, più tardi, al Getsemani, testimoni della sofferenza di nostro Signore.

L’Incarnazione è al centro della dottrina cristiana. Possono esserci molti modi di rispondere a Gesù, ma per la Chiesa uno solo è accettabile. Gesù è il Figlio Unigenito del Padre, Dio da Dio, Luce da Luce, Dio vero da Dio vero. La vita cristiana è una contemplazione continua di Gesù Cristo. Nessuna saggezza umana, nessun sapere possono penetrare il mistero della rivelazione. Solo nella preghiera possiamo tendere a Cristo e cominciare a conoscerlo.

“È bello per noi stare qui”, esclama Pietro, il quale “non sapeva infatti che cosa dire, poiché erano stati presi dallo spavento”. La fede pone a tacere la paura, soprattutto la paura di aprire la nostra vita a Cristo, senza condizioni. Tale paura, che nasce spesso dall’eccessivo attaccamento ai beni temporali e dall’ambizione, può impedirci di sentire la voce di Cristo che ci è trasmessa nella Chiesa.

**GIORNATA DI PREGHIERA IN ITALIANO**  
**PER LA QUERESIMA**

14 Marzo 2015 (arrive alle 9:30am)  
 Al Centro Immacolata Concezione, Douglaston

\$20 (Pranzo Incluso)

Via Crucis/ Santo Rosario  
 S. Messa col il nostro Vescovo  
 S.E. Nicholas DiMarzio

Per registrazione per favore email  
[saggugia@gmail.com](mailto:saggugia@gmail.com) o chiamare a 718-649-0334

E’ obbligatorio registrar prima della giornata perche  
 Dobbiamo sapere il número di gente per il pranzo.

**Holy Name Society**

All men of the parish are invited to join the members of the Holy Name Society at their monthly Corporate Communion Mass next Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015, at 8:30 am and then, after Mass, in the Monsignor Ruvo Meeting Room, 2410 Hughes Ave.

There will be a review from My Catholic Faith on Venial Sin; Occasions and Causes of Sin; and Pride, Covetousness, Lust, followed by a brief meeting. Coffee and buns will be served.

## REFLEXIONEMOS LA PALABRA DE DIOS

### Evangelio del Domingo: Marcos 9, 2-10

“¿Por qué Dios le pide a un padre matar a su propio hijo?” preguntó Miguel al grupo de estudio bíblico de su parroquia. “A Isaac se le perdonó la vida, ¿pero Dios quería una obediencia ciega por parte de Abraham!” Santiago, el nuevo miembro del grupo, habló. “Bueno, a mí me ha tocado de veras. Isaac era lo máspreciado en la vida de Abraham y entregar ese hijo era entregar su mayor tesoro. Pero su relación con Dios era un tesoro aún más grande que su propio hijo”. Santiago hizo una pausa y continuó: “Lo máspreciado de mi vida es mi esposa. Como no hemos tenido hijos ella es mi vida entera. Cuando le diagnosticaron cáncer yo negocié con Dios para que le salvara la vida. Yo estaba tan agradecido por su recuperación que me uní al grupo de oración de la parroquia y me apunté como voluntario en un comedor público. Sólo por hacer eso me di cuenta de cuánto yo deseaba a Dios en mi vida. Mi esposa sigue siendo tan querida para mí, pero Dios ha tomado las riendas en mi caminar de una manera que nunca antes me pude imaginar y es que por fin le he dado cabida a Dios en mi vida”.

### Intenciones del Santo Padre Para el mes de March 2015



#### **Intención General: CIENTIFICOS**

“Para que quienes se dedican a la investigación científica se pongan al servicio del bien integral de la persona humana”.

#### **Intención Misional: CONTRIBUCION DE LA MUJER**

“Para que se reconozca cada vez más la contribución propia de la mujer a la vida de la Iglesia”.

### **MONAGUILLOS**

Aquellos niños que hayan recibido la Primera Comunión y desean ser monaguillos, por favor comuníquese con Carlos Vera para mayor información. (347) 912-0656.

### **VIA CRUCIS—VIERNES DE CUARESMA**

Los invitamos a recorrer y meditar el camino de Jesús a la cruz, todo los Viernes de Cuaresma a las 7:00pm en la Iglesia. Los esperamos.



### **From Mt. Carmel School**

Dear Friends:

It seems that Spring is around the corner...well, almost! As we continue throughout Lent, our children at the school are learning about the importance of accompanying Christ along his route to Calvary, in anticipation of the greatest gift of all – redemption through His Resurrection. As part of our Lenten journey, students will join together with Franciscan University of Steubenville, Ohio, in a mission outreach emphasizing the importance of serving others as they accompany Christ throughout these forty days. The students will present to grades K-8 on March 12<sup>th</sup>. The day will begin with Mass and will be a faith-filled event culminating in a basketball game at the end of the day. An assembly coming together to bring forth the face of God -- it's the true mission of Catholic Education, as commissioned by Christ to his disciples!

**Sincerely,  
John T. Riley**

### **Cardinal's Appeal 2015**

This week marks the beginning of the *2015 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal* in our parish. You will be receiving a letter from Cardinal Dolan asking for your support of the vital ministries, programs and services provided through the *Appeal* each year. When you receive your letter, please fill out your pledge card and send it in. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Cardinal has set a goal for our parish of \$36,500. That is very high but I think we can do it!!

### **Campaña del Cardenal 2015**

Esta semana marca el comienzo en nuestra parroquia de la *Campaña de Corresponsabilidad del Cardenal 2015*. Recibirán una carta del Cardenal Dolan solicitando su apoyo para los ministerios, programas y servicios vitales que la *Campaña* provee todos los años. Cuando reciba la carta, por favor complete la tarjeta de promesa y envíela. Su generosidad será profundamente apreciada. ¡La meta para este año es de \$36,500, es muy alto, pero juntos podemos hacerlo!

### **Campagna del Cardinale 2015**

Questa settimana inizia nella nostra parrocchia *Campagna del Cardinale per il 2015*. Riceverete una lettera dal Cardinale Dolan chiedendo il vostro sostegno dei vari ministri, programma e servizi procurati ogni anno tramite *l'Appello*. Quando riceverete vostra lettera, per favore, riempite la cartolina di promessa e speditela. La vostra generosità è molto apprezzata. Il Cardinale ha stabilito \$36,500 come meta per la nostra parrocchia. È molto alta però penso che possiamo arrivarci!

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