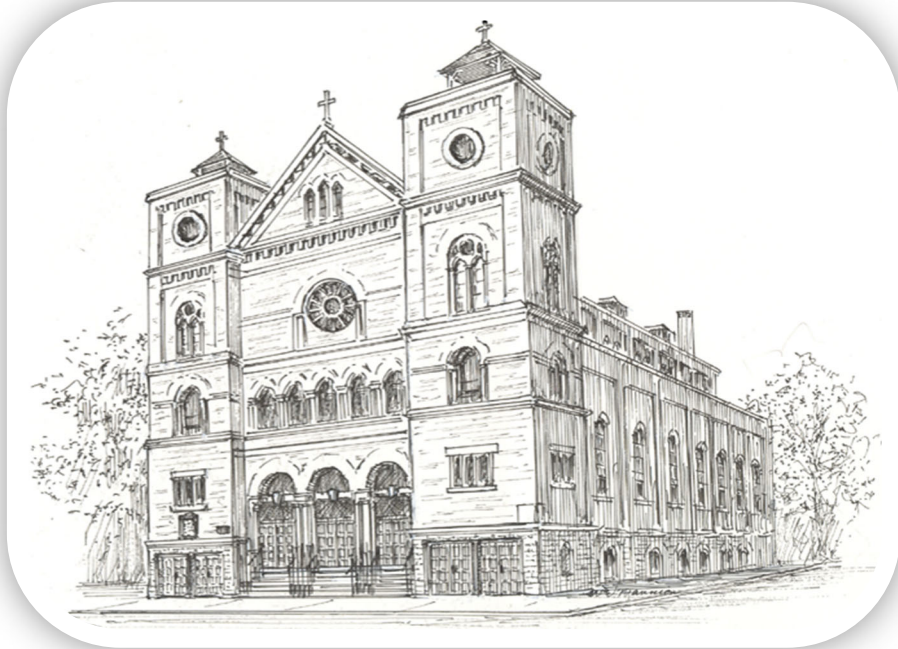


Church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

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Sunday, March 22nd, 2015 | Fifth 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

EUCCHARISTIC 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:

2nd Sunday of every month in Spanish at 1:30pm

3rd Sunday of every other month in English at 12:15pm

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 22nd | Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 8:30am Larry and Lily Borgatti
- 9:30am Pro Populo
- 11:00am Arthur Anthony Brancatelli
- 12:15pm Constanzo Spedaliere and Mario Campanelli
- 1:30pm Manuel Amadeo (Primer Anivesario)

Monday, March 23rd | St. Turibio of Mogrovejo

- 8:30am Tommy Rossi
- 12:00pm Gabriele Petrella
- 6:30pm Special Intention of Bill Marolda

Tuesday, March 24th | Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am Michael and Carmela Navarra, and Family
- 12:00pm Giuseppe, Luisa and Carmine Settembre
- 6:30pm Michele Sabatino

Wed, March 25th | Annunciation of the Lord

- 8:30am Raffaele Merolla
- 12:00pm Special Intention of Bill Marolda
- 6:30pm For the Intentions of George Gjelij & Gerardo Pettti (First Anniversary)

Thursday, March 26th | Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am Giuseppe Marolda
- 12:00pm Joseph S. Gasparino
- 6:30pm For the Intentions og George Gjelij

Friday, March 27th | Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am Salvatore and Giuseppina Florio
- 12:00pm Michele Sabatino
- 6:30pm Giuseppe Marolda

Saturday, March 28th | Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am Salvatore and Sarah Contento
- 12:00pm Antonietta, Giovanni, Natale and Chiara Cerini
- 5:00pm Michael Raguso

Sunday, March 29th | PALM SUNDAY

- 8:30am Deceased Members of the Adesso, Cafaro, Di Orio, Gagliardi and Lupo Families
- 9:30am Pro Populo
- 11:00am Magdalena e Giacobbe Montella ed Anna e Maria Terracciano
- 12:15pm Maria Giuseppina Adornetto (First Anniversary)
- 1:30pm Rev. P. Salvatore Sportino (Special Intention)

LAST WEEKEND'S MASS COLLECTION

Collection	\$3,420.36
Children's Collection	\$216.00
Last year's Collection	\$3,213.13

Thank you all for your generosity!!

"From the Desk of Father Jonathan"

Perhaps the most incredible aspect of Christianity, in relation to all other religions, is that we don't have to wonder what God thinks about most of our human activities. Since God became human, in the person of Jesus of Nazareth, and endured all that we endure, we can look to him for very practical guidance for our daily life.

In Jesus' times, as in ours, there was a lot of division within the community. The Pharisees didn't get along with the Sadducees; the Sadducees were harsh on almost everyone; and almost all of the Jews despised the Romans.

Sound a little bit like us sometimes? People naturally take sides. And when someone hurts us, we can even get to the point of considering them rivals or enemies.

Jesus hated that. "Love your enemies", he demanded. And in one of his longest and most passionate prayers, he prayed for unity: "Father, may they be one, even as you and I are one!".

At Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, we can have that unity that Jesus so desired. It requires that you and I leave aside juvenile attitudes of rivalry, jealousy, or rancor. It means making a decision to love the people we most dislike. It means rejecting gossip and slander. It means working through disagreements in a transparent, Christian spirit.

Amen.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the deceased members of our parish, especially our family and friends—*Helen Sassano*

WEDDING BANS...

- III. Jason David Bakalar and Gina Marie Aflalo
- I. Silbestre Castelan and Raisa Corayma Bravo
- I. Aaron Josue Pajares and Karina Hernández

SAINT ANTHONY'S BREAD

March 24th

Anna Ruocco

**In Amata Memoria
di Antonietta e Bartolomeo Ruocco**

LAST WEEKEND'S ATTENDANCE

Adults:	674
Children:.....	271
Total.....	945

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD**Sunday Gospel: John 12, 20-33**

If you don't sleep well tonight, remember the homeless family with no bed to lie in. When you're stuck in traffic, don't be angry. Millions of people will never have a car to drive. After a bad day at work, think of the man unemployed for a year. Mourning a broken relationship? Remember those with no one to love them. Unhappy because your vacation is over? Think of the mother working twelve hour shifts to feed her family. So you ran out of gas? A paraplegic would love to be able to walk to the service station. Saw a gray hair in the mirror? Think of the patient in chemotherapy with no hair left. If you're the victim of bitterness, ignorance, or worse, remember that this happened to Jesus, too. Use those gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you. Accept that you are a child of God.

Living God's Word

"We should strive to keep our hearts open to the sufferings and wretchedness of other people, and pray continually that God may grant us that spirit of compassion which is truly the gift of God."

**EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT
STATIONS OF THE CROSS****11:15am - Italian & 7:00pm - English/ Spanish****2015 LENTEN RECONCILIATION MONDAY***March 30, 2015*

Next Monday, all parishes of the NY Archdiocese will have Priests available to hear confessions from 3:00 pm – 9:00 pm. Lent gives us a wonderful opportunity to reap the fruits of the Sacrament of Penance.

Thirteen Tuesdays in Honor of Saint Anthony

Each Tuesday night we pray the 13 Tuesdays Novena to St. Anthony at 6 pm, followed by Mass. Blessed Bread is available after Mass.

WEEKLY MEMORIALS

Weekly memorials are available to remember your loved ones or for special intentions. Please stop by the Parish Center for more information.

RIFLESSIONI SULLA PAROLA DI DIO**Vangelo della Domenica: Giovanni 12, 20-33**

Il brano del Vangelo odierno segue immediatamente la narrazione dell'ingresso trionfale del Signore a Gerusalemme. Tutti sembrano averlo accolto: persino alcuni Greci, di passaggio, andarono a rendergli omaggio.

Questo è il contesto in cui Giovanni comincia il racconto della Passione. Come in natura, il chicco di grano muore per generare una nuova vita, così Gesù, con la sua morte, riconduce tutto quanto al Padre. Non è l'acclamazione del popolo che farà venire il Regno, ma il consenso del Padre. Il ministero e l'insegnamento di Gesù testimoniano che egli è venuto da parte del Padre. Aprirci a lui, significa passare dalla conoscenza di quanto egli ha detto o fatto all'accettazione della fede. La voce venuta dal cielo ci riporta alla Trasfigurazione (cf. la seconda domenica di Quaresima). Ma qui, chi sente questa voce, o non la riconosce per nulla, o la percepisce come una vaga forma di approvazione. Eppure tale conferma era proprio destinata a loro. Questo è anche un richiamo per noi: se non siamo pronti ad ascoltare la parola di Dio, anche noi resteremo insensibili.

Tutti coloro che vogliono seguire Cristo, che accettano questa nuova via, scelgono di porsi al servizio di Cristo e di camminare al suo fianco. Il significato pregnante di queste parole - essere sempre con lui dovunque egli sia - ci è stato presentato nell'insegnamento e nel nutrimento spirituale della Quaresima. All'avvicinarsi della celebrazione dei misteri pasquali, portiamo in noi la certezza che servire Cristo significa essere onorati dal Padre.

~Farewell Father Alex~

We invite everyone to Fr. Alex's farewell gathering next Sunday, March 29th in Fatima Hall at 2:30pm.

"Pot luck buffet" - please donate your favorite dish

~Addio Padre Alex~

Invitiamo a tutti a partecipare all'Addio per Padre Alex, domenica prossima 29 Marzo nella Sala di Fatima alle 2:30pm.

"Buffet" - vi preghiamo di donare il vostro piatto favorite.

Hosanna!

REFLEXIONEMOS LA PALABRA DE DIOS

Evangelio del Domingo: Juan 12, 20-33

Si no puedes dormir bien esta noche, acuérdate de la familia sin techo y sin una cama donde descansar. Si estás atascado en tráfico, no te enojés. Millones de personas nunca tendrán un coche que manejar. Después de un día pésimo en el trabajo, piensa en el que ha estado desempleado por un año. ¿Afligido por una relación rota? Acuérdate de los que no tienen a nadie que los ame. ¿Lamentas que se te acabaron las vacaciones? Acuérdate de la madre que trabaja turnos de doce horas para mantener a su familia. ¿Así es que te quedaste sin gasolina? Una persona parapléjica le encantaría poder caminar a la gasolinera. ¿Viste una cana reflejada en el espejo? Piensa en la paciente con quimioterapia que ya no tiene cabellos. Si eres víctima de la amargura, la ignorancia o cosas peores, acuérdate que eso también le pasó a Jesús. Agradece los dones que has recibido y difunde el amor que se te ha concedido. Acepta que eres hijo o hija de Dios.

Vivamos la Palabra de Dios

“Debemos esforzarnos por mantener nuestro corazón abierto a los sufrimientos y desgracias de los demás, y orar continuamente para que Dios nos conceda ese espíritu de compasión, que es al fin un don de Dios”.

DESPEDIDA-COMPARTIR AL PADRE ALEX

El próximo Domingo 29 de Marzo los invitamos a la despedida-compartir del Padre Alex a las 2:30pm en Fatima Hall. Aquellas personas que quieran donar comida, por favor comuníquese con la Hermana Martina. Los esperamos!!

UJIERES

Si quieres unirte al Ministerio de los Ujieres para las misas en Español, por favor comuníquese con Christian Fernandez al (347) 861-8637 o al Centro Parroquial. ¡Gracias!

UJIERES—MES DE MARZO

9:30am Cesar Diaz, Mari Carmen Garcia,
Martha Lucero, Michelle Puma y
Patricio Jimbo

1:30pm Christian Fernandez, Francisco Vargas,
Sofía Fernandez, Alejandra Bacci y
Yohan Garcia

MONAGUILLOS

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

From Mt. Carmel School



Saturday Night Fever Card Party

Saturday, May 2, 2015

Caffuzzi Hall: 6:00pm to 10:00pm

Price:

\$25 per person in advance

\$30 at the door

\$15 Senior Discount (62+)

Children under 10 years old - \$10
(movie, chicken nuggets, & snack included)

**RECEIVE THREE 50/50
TICKETS WITH PURCHASE**

Tickets on sale at the School and Rectory!

*Join us for a night of music, fun prizes,
and a hot buffet (included in ticket price)*

Cardinal's Appeal 2015

To date you Parish has received \$26,074 in pledges/gifts towards the 2015 Cardinal's Appeal from 165 families. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you for your kind support.

Campaña del Cardenal 2015

Hasta la fecha, nuestra Parroquia ha recibido en promesas/donaciones en 165 Familias, \$26,074 para la Campaña del Cardenal 2015. Seguimos pidiendo su generosidad y gracias por su cooperación.

Campagna del Cardinale 2015

Ad oggi la nostra parrocchia ha ricevuto \$26,074 di promesse/donazioni verso il 2014 Appello del Cardinale da 165 famiglie. Vi preghiamo di essere i più generosi possibili. Grazie per il vostro gentil sostegno.

Lectors for March 28th – 29th

- 5:00pm Maria Gerbasi and Gina Vaccaro
8:30am Belinda Rivera & Nicky Watson
9:30am Sister Martina and Adriana Trujillo
11:00am Carmine Bizzarro and Rosanna Bizzarro
12:15pm Caterine Rotondo and Gina Vaccaro
1:30pm Guadalupe Pimentel and Luis Lucero

INFORMATION SHEET

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