

# Church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

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Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 | XI 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:** 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:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month in Spanish at 1:30pm

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday every other month in English at 12:15pm

**Please stop by the Parish Center to register or call for more information.**

### **PARISH STAFF**

#### **ADMINISTRATOR**

Rev. Fr. Jonathan Morris

#### **PAROCHIAL VICAR**

Rev. Fr. Urbano Rodrigues

#### **PARISH CENTER**

**2380 Belmont Avenue**

Monday-Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

9:00am to 8:00pm

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 you 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.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:**

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

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

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

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

**Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> | XI Sunday in O.T.**

- 8:30am Piscitelli, Sparno and Bingham Families
- 9:30am Pro Populo
- 11:00am Luigi Trombetta
- 12:15pm Gaetano Moretti
- 1:30pm Rosaria Vitale

**Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> | Weekday**

- 8:30am Giovanni Santaniello and Family
- 12:00pm Vincenzo Mannini
- 6:30pm Rosa Leo

**Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> | Weekday**

- 8:30am Larry and Lily Borgatti
- 12:00pm Antonio Florio
- 6:30pm Denis Lynch

**Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> | Weekday**

- 8:30am George and Mary Borgatti
- 12:00pm Marie De Dominicis and Family
- 6:30pm Salvatore Cunningham

**Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> | Weekday**

- 8:30am Antonietta Mazzone and Pasqua Del Vecchio
- 12:00pm Michael Sabatino
- 6:30pm Michael Raguso

**Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> | Weekday**

- 8:30am Felice Moschetta
- 12:00pm Rosario, Colagero and Giulio Darmetta
- 6:30pm Mateo Passero

**Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> | Weekday**

- 8:30am In Honor of St. Silverio & Ludovico & Regina Ambroselli
- 12:00pm Padre Pio Prayer Group
- 5:00pm Isaia Barone

**Sunday, June 21<sup>th</sup> | XII Sunday in O.T.**

- 8:30am Father's Day Novena
- 9:30am Pro Populo
- 11:00am Giovanni Trombetta
- 12:15pm Rose, Paul and Rocco Neglio
- 1:30pm Jesus Utreras

**WEDDING BANS**

III. John J. Del'Ostia and Alanna T. Urso  
Milton R. Montaleza V. and Guadalupe I. Sanchez P.

**REST IN PEACE**

Please pray for the deceased members of our parish:  
*Desiderio Romero, June Valentino* & fallen military.

**"From the Desk of Father Jonathan"**

Maybe it's just because I'm getting old...but every day I find myself more amazed--awe struck--with how wonderfully beautiful and complex human life is. I don't say this because everything in my life is good or easy; I say it because I meet such wonderful people in this parish, like YOU, who are all so different from each other, and yet who are all seeking the same things...happiness, love, peace, purpose, serenity of soul.

Isn't it amazing?! We are all so different and yet we are all so much alike!

What makes us so similar is our soul. We are made in the image and likeness of God. This means that although much of our life is necessarily dedicated to practical things like eating and sleeping, going to work, paying the bills, and trying to stay healthy, at the very core of who we are...we are spiritual! We have minds and hearts that were made to enter into relationship with God and with each other.

Human life is amazing, and it is worth celebrating!

This week we all can celebrate two things in particular: one is very practical, and the other very spiritual. First the practical: we have placed an order for the construction of a wheelchair lift for access to our church. The cost of the lift is \$26,500. I hope we can inaugurate the lift on the feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, July 16th!

I placed the order without having the money to pay for it, because I'm sure we can raise the funds. If you think this is a good project, would you consider a donation of \$50, \$100, \$500, or \$1,000? You can give the gift in honor of a loved one, living or deceased. We will publish the names of everyone who has given one of these gifts, as a way to show the parish how we are all working together. Today we will distribute envelopes, which can be dropped off at the parish office anytime during the week or at next week's mass.

The second motive for celebration is very spiritual. We are proud to welcome a new member of our staff, Jesus Vargas, as director of Youth Ministry at Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Jesus is a recent college graduate who grew up in our neighborhood and who has been volunteering with our church for several months. He recently led a retreat with 75 youth from our parish which was a super success. This week he will be taking 18 of them to a Yankees baseball game.

If you or your children (8th - 12th grade) would like to be a part of Youth at Mt. Carmel, please contact Jesus by calling the parish office or emailing him at [jesusvargas600@msn.com](mailto:jesusvargas600@msn.com).

Onwards and upwards, together....all for love of Jesus and of each other, as diverse and similar as we are!

Father Jonathan

**MASS COLLECTION - 6/7/2015**

Collection .....\$2,854.87  
Last year's Collection .....\$3,850.25

**Thank you all for your generosity!!**

**LAST WEEKEND'S ATTENDANCE - 6/7/2015**

Adults: 520..... Children: 171..... / **Total....691**

**REFLECTING ON GOD’S WORD**  
**Sunday Gospel: Mark 4: 35-41**

Today Jesus talks about the black mustard plant. Is not our familiar yellow mustard, but a weed. Starting from the tiniest seed, it grows tall enough for birds to nest in. Jesus says that the reign of God is like this, and so are discipleship and stewardship. We start with the smallest trust in God and grow spiritually through prayer, sacraments, and religious education, which help in living less fearfully and selfishly. The use of spare time, personal skills, and finances takes on a different meaning. Those among us who have made a commitment to discipleship tell us they become more generous stewards. The more they give the more they want to give.

As they cease holding on tightly to themselves and their possessions, the more blessings come their way—not solutions to all problems or sudden riches, but a deeper sense of God’s presence and true peace of heart.

**Living Stewardship Now**

If you are not committed to a stewardship way of life, why not start right now? Begin small, but make your commitments and persevere with them. Give some of your free time to other people.

**CONGRATULATIONS!!**

We congratulate those children and youth who received First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year. May the good Lord continue to bless them and their families. Special thanks to Sr. Edna, Sr. Martina, Sr. Jiasmin, Sr. Erlinda, our catechists, Mr. Riley and the teachers from our School for all that they do to educate our children in the Faith.

God Bless you!

***GOD BLESS OUR  
 GRADUATES—SET THE  
 WORLD ON FIRE!***



**Calling All Altar Servers**

Any child who has already made their First Holy Communion and is interested in becoming an Altar Server is invited to come to a meeting on Friday, June 19th at 4:30 p.m. in the Church

**PARISHIONER REGISTRATION DRIVE**

We are updating our parishioner records. Please complete the Parishioner Registration Form which you may find in the back of the Church. Thank you!

**Prayer to Saint Anthony**

“Saint Anthony, attentive to those who invoke thee, grant us the aid of thy powerful intercession for the grace of holy purity, meekness, humility, obedience, the spirit of poverty, and perfect abandonment to the will of God”

**Saint Anthony, pray for us.**

**RIFLESSIONE SULLA PAROLA DI DIO**  
**Vangelo della Domenica: Marco 4: 35-41**

Una volta seminato nel cuore dell’uomo, il regno di Dio cresce da sé. È una meraviglia di Dio tanto grande e tanto bella quanto grande e bella è la crescita delle piante, e tanto misteriosa quanto misteriosa è la trasformazione di un bambino che cresce e diventa uomo. Così la crescita del regno di Dio non dipende dalle forze umane; essa supera le capacità umane poiché ha in sé un proprio dinamismo.

Questo messaggio è un messaggio di speranza, poiché, adottando una prospettiva umana, potremmo dubitare del trionfo del regno di Dio. Esso si scontra con tanti ostacoli. Esso è qui rifiutato, là respinto, o, in molti luoghi, sconosciuto del tutto. Noi stessi costituiamo un ostacolo alla realizzazione del regno di Dio con la nostra cattiva volontà e con i nostri peccati. È bene dunque che sappiamo che, a poco a poco con una logica che non è quella umana, con un ritmo che a noi sembra troppo lento, il regno di Dio cresce. San Paolo, che era ispirato, percepiva già i gemiti di tale crescita (Rm 8, 19-22). Bisogna conservare la speranza (Eb 3,6b). Bisogna ripetere ogni giorno: “Venga il tuo regno!”. Bisogna coltivare la pazienza, quella del seminatore che non può affrettare l’ora della mietitura (Gc 5,7-8). Bisogna soprattutto non dubitare della realtà dell’azione di Dio nel mondo e nei nostri cuori. Gesù ci dice questo poiché sa che il pericolo più grande per noi è quello di perdere la pazienza, di scoraggiarci, di abbandonare la via e di fermarci. Noi non conosciamo né il giorno né l’ora del nostro ingresso nel regno o del ritorno di Cristo. La mietitura ci sembra ancora molto lontana, ma il tempo passa in fretta: la mietitura è forse per domani.

**Invocazione a Sant’Antonio**

“Ricordati, o caro sant’Antonio, che tu hai sempre aiutato e consolato chiunque è ricorso a te nelle sue necessità.

Animato da grande confidenza e dalla certezza di non pregare invano, anch’io ricorro a te, che sei così ricco di meriti davanti al Signore. Non rifiutare la mia preghiera, ma fa’ che essa giunga, con la tua intercessione, al trono di Dio.

Benedici il mio lavoro e la mia famiglia: tieni lontane da essa le malattie e i pericoli dell’anima e dei corpo. Fa’ che nell’ora del dolore e della prova io possa rimanere forte nella fede e nell’amore di Dio. Amen.

**Lectors for June 21<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>th</sup>**



- 5:00pm Richard Powers
- 8:30am Belinda Rivera
- 9:30am Johan Garcia y Catalina Modesto
- 11:00am Rosanna Bizzarro e A. Pepe
- 12:15pm F. Spano
- 1:30pm Manelys Mendez y Grecia Chavez

## **REFLEXIONEMOS LA PALABRA DE DIOS**

**Evangelio del Domingo: Marcos 4: 35-41**

**H**oy Jesús habla acerca de la planta de mostaza negra. No se trata de nuestra mostaza amarilla que nos es familiar, sino de una maleza. Comienza con la semilla más pequeña y llega a crecer un árbol tan alto como para que los pájaros aniden ahí. Jesús dice que el reino de Dios es así, y también son así el discipulado y la corresponsabilidad cristiana. Comenzamos con una confianza muy pequeña en Dios y crecemos espiritualmente mediante la oración, los sacramentos y cuando aprendemos acerca de nuestra religión, todo lo cual nos ayuda a vivir con menos temor y egoísmo. Nuestro tiempo libre, nuestras habilidades y nuestras finanzas cobran otro significado. Aquellas personas que sabemos han hecho un compromiso con el discipulado nos dicen que se han vuelto más responsables y generosas. Mientras más dan más quieren dar. Al no dejarse aprisionar por sus propios bienes ni amarrarse en sí mismos las bendiciones no les faltan. No quiere decir que se resuelvan todos los problemas ni que se vuelvan ricos de pronto, pero sí se adquiere un sentido más profundo de la presencia de Dios y una verdadera paz del corazón.

### **Viviendo la Palabra de Dios**

Si no has hecho un compromiso de corresponsabilidad cristiana en tu vida, ¿por qué no empezar ahora mismo? Comienza poco a poco, pero haz tu compromiso y persevera. Dedícales a otras personas parte de tu tiempo libre.

### **PRIMER ENCUENTRO DE PAREJAS**

“La pareja que ora unida  
siempre se mantendrá unida”

**Domingo, 28 de Junio, 2015**

**2:30pm a 5:00pm**

#### **Invitación**

Parejas casadas, parejas no casadas

Parejas de novios

#### **Temas**

-El valor de la pareja

-Sanar el corazón de la pareja

-Tomar la decisión de perdonar

**Testimonios, Oración y Música**

**¡Habrá servicio de guardería para sus niños!**

### **COMPARTIENDO COMO COMUNIDAD**

Los invitamos a bajar al Salón de Fatima Hall después de la misa de las 9:30am para un pequeño compartir como comunidad que somos.

**School Blog--Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>**

Please join me in congratulating our new graduates from Our Lady of Mount Carmel School – the Class of 2015! With aspirations for the future and a legacy of learning and tradition to take with them into the next stages of their lives, the outgoing 8<sup>th</sup> grade class leaves our school having left an indelible mark on our lives and on the history of Mount Carmel. Please join me in wishing them only the best as they move forward to become “fishers of men,” in keeping with the values of our Catholic faith tradition of serving others. May they inspire others as they have been inspired by those who came before them! God bless the class of 2015! With that having been said, we also congratulate our “little people” in Kindergarten for preparing to enter into the primary grades as they endeavor to become the leaders of tomorrow in their journey toward high academic standards, compassion, and care for others. Congratulations children. May the heart of Jesus Christ always illumine your paths and lives!

In Christ,  
John T. Riley  
Principal

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel School**

Invites you to an afternoon of  
**COCKTAILS AND TASTINGS**

Highlighting the best of Arthur Avenue

**Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> - 4:00pm to 6:00pm**

**PASQUALE'S RIGOLETTO RESTAURANT**

2311 Arthur Ave, Bronx

\$65.00 per person

Silent Auction

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**Our Lady of Mount Carmel School**

**Pre-Kindergarten (Pre-K)  
Three Year Old Program**

*September 2015*

Please Register Now!

**If you stay for our UPK Program,  
you pay one year (PK 3) and get the  
second year (UPK 4) **FREE!****

**Please contact the main office to register  
or schedule a visit: (718) 295-6080**

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