

Church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

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Sunday, March 6th, 2016 | Fourth Sunday of Lent - Year C

PARISH STAFF

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School Principal

Mr. John T. Riley



PARISH CENTER

2380 Belmont Avenue
Bronx, NY 10458

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
9:00am to 8:00pm

Thursday & Friday
9:00am to 5:00pm

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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

Saturday Evening: 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 (All English)

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00pm to 5:00pm or any time by calling the Parish Office.

RITE OF BAPTISM

2nd Sunday of every month in Spanish at 2:30pm
3rd Sunday every other month in English at 2:30pm

Attendance at Pre - Baptism Class is required.

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

RITE OF MATRIMONY

Wedding dates may be scheduled after initial meeting with a priest.

PASTORAL VISITS TO THE SICK

If you or someone you know is 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.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We invite new parishioners to register at the Parish Center.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

For information please call Sr. Edna at the Parish Office at (718) 295-3770.

MOUNT CARMEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Please contact the School Office at (718) 295-6080.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Sunday, March 6th | Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 8:30am Caryl Borgatti
- 9:30am Eliseo San Padro
- 11:00am Luigi Trombetta e Teresa Schiavo
- 12:15pm Gaetano Moretti
- 1:30pm Pro Populo

Monday, March 7th | SS. Perpetua and Felicity

- 8:30am Anthony Zinzi
- 12:00pm Raffaella Cuomo
- 6:30pm Vincenzo Mulone

Tuesday, March 8th | Saint John of God

- 8:30am Deceased Members of Contento Family
- 12:00pm Michele and Angelina Di Maggio
- 6:30pm Carmela Schymanski

Wednesday, March 9th | Saint Frances of Rome

- 8:30am Rose, Paul and Rocco Neglio
- 12:00pm Luisa and Joseph Spedalieri, Mario Campanelli
- 6:30pm Lindo and Maria Borgatti

Thursday, March 10th | Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am Pierina Cristiano
- 12:00pm Carmela e Vittorio Russo
- 6:30pm Guglielmo D'Angelo

Friday, March 11th | Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am Deceased Members of the San Pedro Family
- 12:00pm In Thanksgiving to Saint Anthony
- 6:30pm Deceased Members of the Borgatti Family

Saturday, March 12th | Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am Fr. Nicholas F. Basile
- 12:00pm Simon Bruno, Helen Mack,
Rita Mercadante and John De Sisto
- 5:00pm Rocco Neglio

Sunday, March 13th | Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 8:30am Pasquale Marsibilio
- 9:30am Pro Populo
- 11:00am Maria Giuseppina Adornetto
- 12:15pm Deceased Members of the Santise Family
- 1:30pm Jose Moreno

WEEKEND MASS COLLECTION - 2/28/2016

Collection\$4,090.48
 Last year's Collection\$3,172.70

Thank you all for your generosity!!

LAST WEEKEND'S ATTENDANCE - 2/28/2016

Adults: 730..... Children: 231..... / **Total.....961**

From the Desk of Father Jonathan

This past weekend, a movie called "Spotlight" won the Academy Award for "Best Picture". It is the story of how an investigative journalism department of the Boston Globe uncovered a massive scandal involving many dozens of priests accused of sexually abusing minors, and the subsequent cover up by their superiors.

I am glad "Spotlight" won this award.

Don't get me wrong; It was unbelievably painful to watch. In fact, I cried through it. I cried for the children who were abused. I cried too out of sorrow for the people who have lost faith in God and in the Church on account of these ugly truths.

Sadly, we know now that the scandal uncovered in Boston in 2002 was just the tipping point toward the uncovering of a national and international plague of clergy pedophilia and the collective cowardice of much of Her leadership who turned a blind eye in various ways.

No, this filthy phenomenon is not isolated to the Catholic Church--I wish it were--but that is neither an excuse nor consolation. Some people in Church leadership have suggested that this movie should not be seen, that it is a Hollywood conspiracy against our beloved Church.

I say just the opposite; watch it and weep with Jesus. The real conspiracy was the one between the abusers and their protectors. The victim is not the Institutional Church, but rather the children who were abused and the faithful who lost faith. Then come back, if you will, and help us work humbly to make our parish a safe and holy place where all of us, especially the most vulnerable, may experience God's tender love.

Thank you, "Spotlight" producers and actors, for giving the Catholic Church, and our parish, the perfect Lenten penance.

Father Jonathan

MEMORIALS OFFERED THIS WEEK

Mass Wine

In Honor of Saint Gertrude

Requested by a Devotee

Altar Bread

In Memory of The Holy Souls in Purgatory

Requested by a Devotee

Sanctuary Lamp

In Honor of Saint Joseph

Requested by a Devotee

Mass Candle

In Honor of Saint Patrick

Requested by a Devotee

REFLECTING ON GOD’S WORD
Sunday Gospel: Luke 15: 1-3. 11-32

After apartheid was abolished in South Africa, special hearings were held to allow victims a voice, and to establish justice and peace. One day, an elderly black woman and a white police officer faced each other across a courtroom. Officer van der Broek had been found guilty of the brutal slayings of her only son and husband. The judge asked the woman what should be done to the destroyer of her family. “First,” said the woman, “I want to give my loved ones’ remains decent burial. Second, I want Mr. van der Broek to become my son and spend a day with me twice a month, so that I can pour all the love I have left on him. Third,” she said, “I want him to know that I forgive him because Jesus Christ died to forgive me.”

She embraced the policeman, who fainted, overwhelmed at her response. Then quietly everyone in the courtroom began to sing “Amazing Grace.”

Living Stewardship Now

Who in your life has injured you, angered you, or hurt you? Don’t wait for their change of heart. Change yours, and run out to meet them on the road of forgiveness.

Saint Anthony’s Bread

March 8th – Mimma Rizzo –
*In Loving Memory of
 the Deceased Members of the Rizzo Family*

Lenten Mission Nights

Mass – 6:30 pm



Lunes, 14 de Marzo	Español – P. Enrique Salvo
Tuesday, March 15 th	English – Fr. Philip J. Caruso
Mercoledì, 16 Marzo	Italiano – P. John Tino

Bring your family & invite your neighbors

2016 Parish Mission

+ *Mission of Mercy* +

Be a Disciple for the Parish Mission.
 Please call the Parish Center to **REGISTER**.
 Classes will begin soon.

FAMILY CATECHESIS
March 12 & 13, 2016

The Family Catechesis is next weekend - Spanish on Saturday, March 12th from 1:30pm to 4:00pm and in English on Sunday, March 13th from 10:00am to 12:30pm.
 For more information, please contact Sister Edna.

RIFLESSIONE SULLA PAROLA DI DIO
Vangelo della Domenica: Luca 15: 1-3. 11-32

“O Padre, che per mezzo del tuo Figlio operi mirabilmente la nostra redenzione”: è con questa preghiera che apriamo la liturgia di questa domenica. Il Vangelo ci annuncia una misericordia che è già avvenuta e ci invita a riceverla in fretta: “Vi supplichiamo in nome di Cristo: lasciatevi riconciliare con Dio”, dice san Paolo (2Cor 5,20).

Il padre non impedisce al suo secondogenito di allontanarsi da lui. Egli rispetta la sua libertà, che il figlio impiegherà per vivere una vita grigia e degradata. Ma mai si stanca di aspettare, fino al momento in cui potrà riabbracciarlo di nuovo, a casa.

Di fronte all’amore del padre, il peccato del figlio risalta maggiormente. La sofferenza e le privazioni sopportate dal figlio minore sono la conseguenza del suo desiderio di indipendenza e di autonomia, e di abbandono del padre. La nostalgia di una comunione perduta risveglia in lui un altro desiderio: riprendere il cammino del focolare familiare.

Questo desiderio del cuore, suscitato dalla grazia, è l’inizio della conversione che noi chiediamo di continuo a Dio. Siamo sempre sicuri dell’accoglienza del padre. La figura del fratello maggiore ci ricorda che non ci comportiamo veramente da figli e figlie se non proviamo gli stessi sentimenti del padre. Il perdono passa per il riconoscimento del bisogno di essere costantemente accolti dal Padre. Solo così la Pasqua diventa per il cristiano una festa del perdono ricevuto e di vera fratellanza.

Missione Parrocchiale 2016

+ *Missione della Misericordia* +

Incoraggiamo a tutti i parrocchiani di pregare, considerando a diventare un ‘Discepolo’ della Missione Parrocchiale. Andremo incontro ai nostri fratelli e sorelle in Cristo, chiedendoli come meglio potremmo servirli.

~ *Vi preghiamo di registratevi all’ufficio parrocchiale*

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Possa la Madonna del Carmine guidarci mentre ci mettiamo in corso.

Se non vi è possibile andare per le strade,

- VIA CRUCIS -

FRIDAYS + VENERDÌ + VIERNES

11:15am - English & Italian

7:00pm - English & Spanish

Bereavement Group

Meets every Friday from 3pm to 4pm
 in the Msgr. Ruvo Meeting Room

REFLEXIONEMOS LA PALABRA DE DIOS

Evangelio del Domingo: Lucas 15: 1-3. 11-32

Después de que la segregación racial fuera abolida en Sudáfrica, se concedieron audiencias especiales a las víctimas a fin de que éstas tuvieran voz y con el propósito, además, de establecer la justicia y la paz. Un día se encontraron una anciana negra y un policía blanco en lados opuestos de la misma sala de justicia. El agente de policía van der Broek había sido declarado culpable del asesinato brutal del único hijo y del esposo de esta mujer. El juez le preguntó a la mujer lo qué debía hacerse con el destructor de su familia. Ella dijo: “Primero quiero darles sepultura a mis seres queridos. Segundo, quiero tener como hijo al señor van der Broek y que se pase un par de días al mes conmigo para darle todo el amor que aún me queda. En tercer lugar deseo que él sepa que lo perdono porque Jesucristo murió para perdonarme a mí”. Fue y abrazó al policía, que se desmayó embargado al haber escuchado las palabras de la mujer.

Fue entonces que todos en la sala de justicia comenzaron a entonar sosegadamente la canción “Sublime Gracia”.

Viviendo la Palabra de Dios

¿Quién te ha ofendido, lastimado o se ha enojado contigo en el transcurso de tu vida? No esperes a que el corazón de esas personas cambie. Cambia el tuyo y sal al encuentro de ellas por el camino del perdón.

MISION PARROQUIAL 2016

+ *Misión de la Misericordia* +

FORMACION DE DISCIPULOS

Si desea ser parte de la Misión Parroquial siendo un Discípulo, por favor regístrese en Centro Parroquial o bien puede llamar al 718-295-3770.

VIA CRUCIS 2016

CONVOCATORIA - ENSAYOS

Los ensayos para el Vía Crucis serán los días Lunes y Miércoles a las 7:00pm en Fatima Hall.

Por favor comuníquese con Pedro Flores o Sebastian al 718-295-3770 o 347-825-6945.

CATEQUESIS FAMILIA

12 y 13 de Marzo

La Catequesis Familiar se llevara a cabo el Sábado 13 de Marzo a partir de la 1:30pm a 4:00pm en Español. Contaremos con la participación del Padre Daniel Ulloa.

El día siguiente la Catequesis Familiar iniciará a las 10:00am a 12:00pm en Ingles. Padres apoyen a sus hijos en su formación Religiosa. ¡¡Los esperamos a todos!!

Lectors for March 13th & 14th

5:00pm G. Vaccaro & A. Hansen
 8:30am V. Marcone
 9:30am A. Trujillo y J. Peguero
 11:00am F. Matera e C. Martone
 12:15pm M. Gerbasi & C. Zombek
 1:30pm TBA



<i>Monday – 7:00pm (Third Monday)</i>	<i>Hispanic Ministry Meetings</i>	<i>Parish Center</i>
<i>Tuesday – 7:30pm</i>	<i>Juan XXIII</i>	<i>Msgr. Ruvo</i>
<i>Tuesday – 8:00pm</i>	<i>Neocatecumenal</i>	<i>Don Bosco</i>
<i>Thursday – 4:00pm</i>	<i>Ballet Folclórico</i>	<i>Fatima Hall</i>
<i>Thursday – 6:30pm</i>	<i>A.A.</i>	<i>Msgr. Ruvo</i>
<i>Thursday – 5:30pm (1,2,4,5 Thursday)</i>	<i>Holy Hour (English)</i>	<i>Church</i>
<i>Thursday – 7:30pm (Third Thursday)</i>	<i>Holy Hour (Spanish)</i>	<i>Church</i>
<i>Friday – 3:00pm</i>	<i>Bereavement</i>	<i>Msgr. Ruvo</i>
<i>Friday – 4:30pm</i>	<i>Altar Server's Rehearsal</i>	<i>Church</i>
<i>Friday – 7:15pm</i>	<i>Spanish Choir</i>	<i>Parish Center</i>
<i>Saturday – 2:00pm</i>	<i>Youth Group</i>	<i>Saint Teresa</i>
<i>Saturday – 6:30pm</i>	<i>Choir</i>	<i>Church</i>
<i>Saturday – 8:00pm</i>	<i>Neocatecumenal Mass</i>	<i>Don Bosco</i>
<i>Sunday – 9:30am (Second Sunday)</i>	<i>Holy Name Society</i>	<i>Msgr. Ruvo</i>
<i>Sunday – 2:30pm (Third Sunday)</i>	<i>Encuentro de Parejas</i>	<i>Fatima Hall</i>

INFORMATION SHEET

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