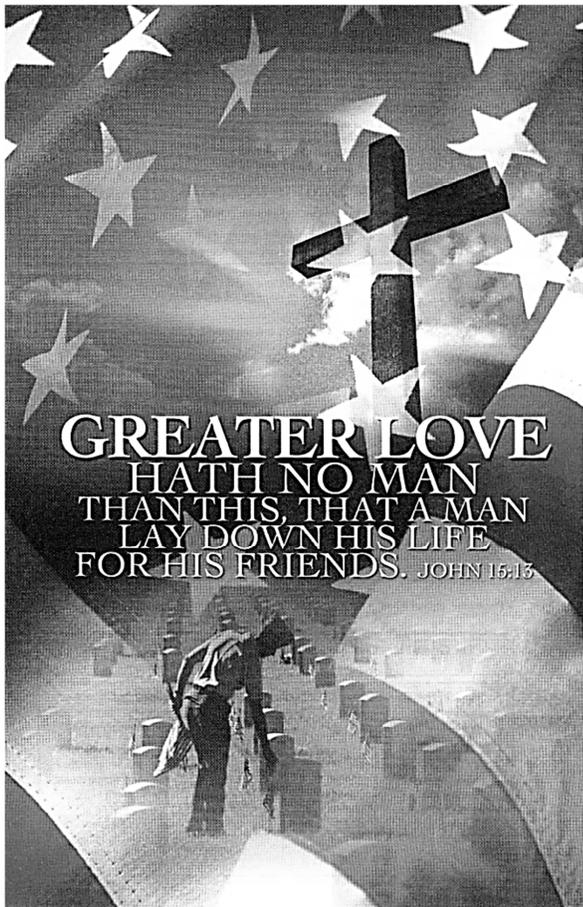


Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church

120 Prospect Street, Nutley, New Jersey 07110

November 10, 2019



*Our Lady of Mount Carmel,
Pray for Us.
November 10, 2019*

Rev. Paciano A. Barbieto, S.T.L.

Pastor

Rev. Dennis E. Reiff

Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Peter M. Aquino

In Residence

Deacon Aldo Antola

Pastoral Associate

Sr. Mary Rose Conforto, MPF

Director of Religious Education

Andres Cardona

Director of Music Ministry

Mass Schedule



Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.

Filipino Mass ~ First Sunday of the month: 5:00 p.m.

Holy Days: As Announced

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Weekdays after the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday: 2:00 p.m.

Devotions

Infant of Prague Novena: Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Novena: Wednesday

following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

First Friday Adoration: following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Mission Statement

Our mission as a holy parish is to communicate and to celebrate the life and spirit of Jesus by our words and actions in order to build a dynamic, loving, caring and outreaching community of faith.

Rectory Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The rectory is closed between 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Rectory Phone Numbers

(973) 667-2580

(973) 661-1623

Fax: (973) 667-0648

Emails

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Website

www.olmc-nutley.org

Marriages

Please schedule at least ONE YEAR in advance of your wedding. Pre-Cana and other instruction sessions are required.

Sacraments of Healing

Please notify the parish office if someone is ill at home.

Baptisms

We request parents attend a Baptism Instruction Session before the birth of their child. The Sacrament of Baptism is usually celebrated the third Sunday of each month, except during Lent (when we will not celebrate the sacrament until Easter). All Baptisms are scheduled in person at the rectory.

Parish Membership

All are welcome to join our Parish Family. Parish policy requires registration to participate in Baptism, Marriage and Religion Classes. Please notify the office when a change of address or move occurs.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	November 9 All Souls Giovanna Riccio and Pietro Araldi
Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:15 p.m.	November 10 Deceased Members of the Evangelista Family Anna Lungren Fernando Panem Betty and Lou Fusaro
Monday 8:00 a.m.	November 11 Antonino Aquino
Tuesday 8:00 a.m.	November 12 Edward Keane
Wednesday 8:00 a.m.	November 13 Nina Giorella
Thursday 8:00 a.m.	November 14 Judith Roccasanto
Friday 8:00 a.m.	November 15 Anna and William Gasber
Saturday 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	November 16 Arias Nano Frank Mitchell and Grandma Bertha
Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:15 p.m.	November 17 People of the Parish Deceased Members of the Women's Auxiliary and Mothers and Daughters Sam Marcotrigiano Anthony Alessandro



Prayers for Health Reasons

Emma Allen, Ariel Andrade, Caren Angrisano, Robert Balogh, Josephine Benimeo, George Berkovich, Dorothy Bogacz, Rudolfo Clavecilla, Ronald Cozzarelli, Ana Marie de Vera, Donald Di Benedetto, Joshua Di Costanzo, Richard Dinzes, Veronica Duff, Melanie Entena, Domenick Falduto, Anna Marie Ferrante, Avery Fertal, Connie Garcia, Robert Griffin, Patricia Holevas, Justin, Jack Lawless, Lucille, Eve McKay, Francis Buddy McSweeney, Beverly Meireles, Victor Meireles, Madeline Micael, Lawrence Miller, Karen Ann Niles, Jack Nitz, Carmela Novick, Karen P., Robert Palmer, Maria A. Penaranda, Evelyn Perry, Vincent Petracco, Anthony Petrillo, Angela and Frank Porter, Richard Reidy, Albert Reyes, Jocelyn Reyes, Marie Rispoli, Anne Rotonda, Dean Sawruk, Josephine Senek, Susan, John Tiseo, Mariana Toledo, James Tressito, Margarita Ufret, Gina Villaggio, John Vollero, Romona Zungrì

Mass Intentions

Masses are scheduled in person during office hours.

Come to the rectory to: Make an offering in honor or in memory of a loved one for The Sanctuary Light, Bread and Wine or Church Flowers.



If you need to visit or call the rectory **on Mondays** and **it is not an emergency**, we would sincerely appreciate your consideration and assistance in **delaying your visit or call until after 11:30 a.m.** *Thank You!*

Baptism Information

If you are expectant parents, please arrange to attend our Baptismal Instruction Program before the birth of your child. Baptismal Instruction and Baptisms must be scheduled in person, at the rectory. The next Baptism is scheduled for November 17 at 2:00 p.m. Please visit our website to read guidelines for god-parents **and for a complete Baptismal Schedule.**



November 3: \$4,537

As you give to the Lord, may He bless you in return.

The **Sanctuary Light** honoring the Eucharistic Presence of Our Lord in the Tabernacle is lit this week in Honor and Loving Memory of

Daniel Spera

The **Bread and Wine** offering this week in Thanksgiving for
People of the Parish

Pastor's Message

Dear Parish Family,

The gospel this Sunday makes us all pause and ponder about the reality of resurrection and after life. Many people today ask the question: Is there really life after death? Is resurrection merely an imagination and utopia or is death the finality of human existence as the Sadducees believed?

Granted I am not a believer nor even a Christian, is there any rational way to defend the reality of life after death? I think there is. Let us start with the basic question of human existence. As a human being endowed with human wisdom and knowledge, how can you ever conceive of an existence without meaning? Do you think that we were just here for chance and that our life in this universe will simply end in nothingness and absurdity upon death? If you think of all those beautiful people in your lives whom you know who are strong, loving and wise, who are compassionate and kind, and who care so passionately for life and love, do you really think that when they die they simply disappear into clouds of nothingness? Is Dr. Jack Kevorkian, the one who is dubbed "Dr. Death," presiding over a vast cosmic graveyard?

Like Dr. Kevorkian, today there are a lot of questions that divert our attention and take us away from the most fundamental and therefore the most important question of all: Why do you exist? Why were you brought into being? What is the meaning of your life?

As a rational person, it is absurd to imagine that all of the love, all of the beauty, all of the compassion, care, concern, goodness, and hunger for justice and decency that you find in yourself and admire so much in others is there only to be blown away at death. And it is really absurd to hold to the position that all of the goodness, love and pursuit of justice that we have in our hearts and souls and have shared with others is only good for the few short years we live here on earth and that it blows away into nothingness at death.

Think, for instance, the thousands of people who died at the world trade center and elsewhere due to the terrorist attack on September 11, 2001. How many of those who perished were good people? I could make a positive guess that there were many of them – but sadly, their lives were unexpectedly stolen by that tragedy. Now if you think about it, would they just end in nothingness and death and nothing more? How about our loved ones who have gone before us – people who loved and cared and lived a decent life, would they just disappear in death and nothingness? If every one of us are simply destined to die and nothing more, then life must really be unjust and unfair. I believe otherwise. Our Faith, knowledge and common sense tell us different. I believe that all of us were born in this world for a reason – not just by chance. I also believe that our life here in this universe must have meaning, and that we have a future destiny that awaits us – which is everlasting life. As someone said, "either life on earth is a preparation for something greater and more lasting, or it is meaningless, dark and dreadful".

When everything is said and done, we have to believe in the words of Jesus. He said: "I am the life and the resurrection, whoever believes in me will have life eternal". Jesus, I'm sure, did not say these words to

make us feel great. He showed us that way by his life and example. He died on the cross, but on the third day he rose again.

Yes, belief in an afterlife is surely one of the most important of our beliefs as Christians, but how seriously do we take it and what part does it play in our lives? Of course, we say we believe it. Do we not end the Creed each Sunday with these words: "We look for the resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come". Often these tremendous words can just roll so glibly off our tongues. The test is how much would we be prepared to lose or suffer for our belief in this life to come?

As I am currently visiting all these sacred places in the Holy Land, please know that I am praying for you all.

God bless you!

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Alex

At a Glance ...

November 12

Infant of Prague: 7:30 p.m.

November 16 and 17

Second Collection: Military Services

November 25

Nutley Community Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service
Vincent United Methodist Church ~ 7:30 p.m.



Nutley Department of Public Safety Introduces:

Operation Reassurance

Commissioner Alphonse Petracco announced the implementation of a new program entitled Operation Reassurance. This was created for the safety and wellbeing of senior and disabled persons who live alone. This will help to enable them to maintain their independence through a daily check in call. Seniors and those with disabilities who live alone and would like to apply for the program should call 973-284-4930 and leave your name, address and phone number for an application. This program is free to all senior and disabled residents in Nutley.

Religious Education



Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is ongoing. Forms and a complete **Calendar of Classes** are available on our website at:

www.olmc-nutley.org/religious-education



Monthly Family Mass: November 21st at 7:30 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal



Junior Choir: Every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

Adult Choir: Every Wednesday at 7:15 p.m.

You Are Not Alone (YANA)



The Parish Bereavement Support Group meets the **second Wednesday of the month from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. The next meeting will be **November 13**. The group is open to anyone (parishioner or non-parishioner) who has suffered the loss of a friend, relative or a loved one. There is no charge. Reservations are not required. All you need is an open mind and an open heart. Let us try to help you through this time of grief.

Communion for the Homebound



Upon request, Communion will be brought to any parishioner confined to the home. Please contact Denise at 973-542-0191. Reminder: those who are seriously ill, or weak from the burden of years, should request the Anointing of the Sick ~ to schedule: please contact the Rectory.

Atlantic City Bus Ride



The Women's Auxiliary is hosting another fun-filled bus ride to Caesars Casino in Atlantic City on **Wednesday, November 13**. The fare is \$25. In return, guests will receive a voucher from the casino. The bus will depart from the Church on Prospect St. at 9:00 a.m. Please park in the Church lot. For reservations, call Dottie at (973) 952-0486.

Join Us...

Knights of Columbus

The group meets the **first and third Tuesday of the month at 8:00 p.m.** To join: email Ken at KofC6195@verizon.net or call the Rectory.

OLMC Rosary Society

The group meets the **first Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m.** Our next meeting will resume in **January**. For more information call Denise, (973) 542-0191. New members Welcome!

Women's Auxiliary

The group meets the **second Monday of the month at 1:00 p.m.** Our next meeting will be **Monday, November 11 at 1:00 p.m.** For more information call Linda, (973) 661-0090 or email at lkr160@aol.com. New members Welcome!

Bless Them Abundantly: A Veteran's Day Prayer

Dear Lord,
Today we honor our veterans,
worthy men and women
who gave their best
when they were called upon
to serve and protect their country.
We pray that you will bless them, Lord,
for their unselfish service
in the continual struggle
to preserve our freedoms, our safety,
and our country's heritage, for all of us.

Bless them abundantly
for the hardships they faced,
for the sacrifices they made,
for their many different contributions
to America's victories
over tyranny and oppression.

We respect them, we thank them,
we honor them, we are proud of them,
and we pray that you will watch over
these special people
and bless them with peace and happiness.
In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

By Joanna Fuchs

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Ronald Reagan

Parish Membership ... Why is it Important?

In order for the parish to keep accurate records, please notify the parish office of any changes in your address or phone number. In order for us to testify to your ability for sponsorship in Baptism, Confirmation or witness to a Catholic marriage, it is necessary to be a registered member of this parish. To register, fill out the form below and place in the collection basket.

Quick Parish Registration Request

Our welcome mat is always out. If you enjoy worshipping at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, make us your official Parish by taking a few moments to register. You may also download a registration form on our website. All information is confidential.

I wish to register as a Parishioner of OLMC.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____

Telephone: _____

New Registration Change of Address

Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal ~ 2019

This year's Appeal, Sharing God's Blessings, is a perfect opportunity for us to reflect on God's generosity to us and to share the blessings we have been given with those around us. This year, our parish goal is as follows:

Parish Goal 2019: \$25,161

We are often reminded by our Holy Father Pope Francis and Sacred Scripture that in order to love one another we must share the blessings which God has provided to us.

We are called to similarly share what is granted to us by God and return it to Him so that not one of our brothers and sisters goes without: without the gift of faith; without the essential human needs; and without a personal relationship with Our Lord. We are called to Share God's Blessings, and when we do, we find freedom and joy in proclaiming the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus, just as the Apostles did over 2,000 years ago! Will you join your brothers and sisters in Sharing God's Blessings? May God bless you for your generosity!

OLMC Bible Study

The **November 11th** Bible Study meeting is **canceled**. Meetings will resume **November 25th**. All meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month.

Stewardship

We have an obligation to share with others that which God has given us. Share your time and talents. Everyone can become involved in the life of our Parish by becoming an **Altar Server, Catechist, Choir Member, Lector or Usher**. By taking an active role in the liturgical life, and service of the Parish, you can have a wonderful experience. *Please complete the below form, and drop it in the collection basket or call the rectory.*

Ministry Sign Up Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Town/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

I am interested in the following Ministry(ies):

Altar Server

Catechist

Lector

Choir

Other _____

Food Pantry



Many people only donate to food pantries at holiday times. We sincerely appreciate your generosity throughout the year. Donations to our Food Pantry may include non-perishable foods:

such as soups, sauces, pasta, rice, cereals, dry milk, canned foods, as well as toiletries.

Please check expiration dates before donating food. Please drop off food donations in one of the church vestibules. Please refrain from leaving donations on the porch of the rectory.