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July 16, 2023 ~ Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 pm Confessions; 5:00 pm Mass

Sunday: 8:00 am Mass, 10:00 am Mass, 2:00 pm Mass (en Español), 5:00 pm Mass

Weekdays:

Monday - 5:30 pm Mass

Tuesday - 9 am Mass

Wednesday - 5:00 pm Adoration and Confessions, 6:30 pm Mass

Thursday - 9 am, Eucharistic Adoration 9 am ~ 6:30 pm,
5:30 pm Confesiones (en Español solamente); 6:30 pm Mass (en Español)

Friday - 9 am Mass

** Scheduled Mass times unless indicated on the Mass Intentions Calendar*



Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 15, 2023

5:00 – +Patrick Glaude Family

Sunday, July 16, 2023

8:00 – +Margaret Dooley Phyllis Ann Klyberg

10:00 – +Mrs. Sing-Sung Wu J.J. Tsou

2:00 – The People of the Parish

5:00 – +Richard Alexander Maureen Coon &
Kathleen Rapp

Mon – (5:30pm) +Herbert & Annyce NeisserOLMC Parish

Tues – (9am) Int's of Katie Dempsey The Daignault Family

Wed – (6:30pm) +Bob Haas Betty Shelton

Thur – (9am) +Joan Hadac Dave & Eileen Mazary
(6:30pm) +John Moscato Chris Van Acker

Fri – (9am) Int's of Fr Dan The Daignault Family

Saturday, July 22, 2023

5:00 – +Doris Gault The Spiller Family

Sunday, July 23, 2023

8:00 – +Wilma Mazary Dave & Eileen Mazary

10:00 – +Frances Lowry The Schrock Family

2:00 – The People of the Parish

5:00 – +Mansour El Rif The Asmar Family

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Weekly Collection

July 1 & 2

\$27,251 (E-Giving \$10533, Sunday \$16718)

July 8 & 9

\$35,440 (E-Giving \$22265, Sunday \$13175)

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Our Lady of Mount Carmel School

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School Office Hours: M - F, 7:30 am - 3:30 pm

Principal: Sr. Anna Joseph, O.P.

July 16, 2023 – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

The long board meeting is over. A general approval awaits the CEO's decision. The production team is geared up. Right then the CEO turns to her Vice-President for communications and says: "Charlie, get the word out!" With that comes a flood of TV commercials, online ads, signs on buses and trains, not to omit printed come-ons for consumers. That scenario is common in the business world: A pattern laid out for the company's positive bottom line.

Our Lord, who by His own admission is the Word, needs to get His message out to the world, needing no more than loving and dedicated disciples like us. He began with His Chosen Twelve and then moved on to the great St. Paul. There followed a long line of preachers and teachers worthy of sainthood, right up to you and me.

The Holy Spirit lets us in on a masterful presentation that Jesus makes through a farming parable all about seeds and sowing. He does it under a smiling sun in the great outdoors, which He seems to prefer to an enclosed academic setting. His rural audience is entranced as He speaks.

In response to His apostles' query, Jesus explains to them (and us) that the various soils represent the kinds of response the Word generates among people. From faith-filled conviction all the way to apathetic yawning.

There is a story of the poet Samuel Coleridge, who one day listened to a visitor's vehement argument against the religious education of the young. His acquaintance had concluded with a statement of his determination not to prejudice his children toward any faith or religion, but to let them make up their own minds when they reached maturity.

Coleridge made no immediate comment, but shortly afterward asked his visitor if he would like to see his garden, and then led him to a strip of lawn that was overgrown with weeds.

"Why, this is no garden. It's nothing but a weed patch, said his guest. "Oh," replied Coleridge, "that's because it hasn't come to maturity yet. The weeds, you see, have taken the opportunity to grow, and I thought it would be unfair of me to prejudice the soil toward roses and strawberries."

God love you and give you His guidance on getting the Word out.

Reading I: Isaiah 55: 10-11

God's Word comes gently and soaks into the earth only to be drawn back to Him. It is less a message and more an event.

Reading II: Romans 8: 18-23

Through the Spirit the Christian becomes a child of God and destined for glory. All of creation "groans" until we are fully redeemed.

The Gospel: Matthew 13: 1-23, or 13: 1-9

Jesus prefers to teach outdoors rather than in a stuffy academic box. His parable appeals to a rural audience. The four types of soil represent various ways people respond to the Word of God.

Pastoral Care

Will you consider serving one Sunday a month at one of our nursing/rehab communities? Training is provided.

The faithful who are ill are often separated from their place in the Eucharistic community. The Pastoral Care Minister represents Christ by bringing **Holy Communion and sacred scripture to the sick**, and in so doing, reflects the love and support of the Eucharistic community of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church. The Pastoral Care Ministry to the Sick is carried out by our priests, deacons and lay pastoral care ministers.



The Pastoral Care Ministry at Our Lady of Mount Carmel is an outreach to those who are:

- Home Bound
- Living in Nursing Homes or Assisted Living Facilities
- Hospitalized
- Receiving Rehabilitation
- Grieving the loss of a loved one through the Bereavement Ministry

Please contact Christa at the parish office to inquire about Pastoral Care for yourself or a loved one or to offer your service.

SEASONS OF HOPE – Catholic Grief Support

The next series begins on Tuesday, August 1, 2023
A 6-week faith sharing group for those who mourn.
Tuesdays from 10 am to noon.

When you or someone you care about is suffering from the loss of a loved one, the process of grieving is a natural part of healing. Grief, however natural, can be intense and experienced in very individual ways. It is sometimes hard to know, “Is what I’m going through ‘normal’ or natural?”

Seasons of Hope offers a safe and understanding environment for adults whose loved one has died. Seasons of Hope, rooted in Catholic tradition, conveys God’s consolation through scripture, prayer, reflection and sharing our faith. Seasons of Hope meets for six consecutive weeks.

Are you grieving the loss of a husband, wife, son, daughter, parent or other loved one?

To register contact Christa at the Parish Office 757-595-0385 ext 107 or at cblomstrom@olmc.org.



Emmaus Journey: A Retreat for Grieving Parents

Saturday, August 12, 2023
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

The Emmaus Journey is a spiritual retreat for parents whose child or children of *any* age have died by *any* cause, no matter how long ago. The Emmaus Journey offers a safe place where you can find peace, comfort and hope.

Gather with us in a warm and loving environment with others who know something of your pain. The one-day retreats are offered in the Diocese of Richmond. The next retreat will be at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Stop by the Welcome Desk after Mass to pick up a brochure which includes an outline of the retreat.

Find out more at olmc.org or contact Christa at the parish office.

Nourish for Caregivers - Support you need. When you need it.

Nourish for Caregivers is a faith-based initiative to address the practical, emotional, and spiritual needs of families caring for a loved one.

Did you know that you can connect and find faith-based support in 3 WAYS?

- **IN PERSON Gatherings** - Monthly at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, the first Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm
- **VIRTUAL Check-ins** - Weekly House Calls for Caregivers
Tuesday Morning at 11am or
Monthly - 2nd & 4th Thursday Evening at 8pm
- **VIA EMAIL** - Nourishment for Your Soul Newsletter: Hope, Encouragement and Messages of Inspiration

Contact Christa at 757-595-0385 x 107 or cblomstrom@olmc.org for more information. www.nourishforcaregivers.com



PRAYING FOR OUR POOR AND VULNERABLE NEIGHBORS

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us.

For in hope we were saved. Now hope that sees for itself is not hope. For who hopes for what one sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait with endurance. In the same way, the Spirit too comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit itself intercedes with inexpressible groanings. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because it intercedes for the holy ones according to God's will. Rom 8:18, 24-27.

The lack of safe, affordable housing — which the Church declares to be a right of all human beings — is the greatest crisis facing the poor and vulnerable among us. Homelessness can be chronic or the result of a temporary situation that spiraled out of control, such as when a missed rent payment is compounded with late fees and legal fees, ultimately leading to the eviction process. But homelessness is not the only aspect of this crisis. Families with limited resources are living in the only housing they can afford — dilapidated housing in neighborhoods most of us would not willingly drive through, much less live in or call home.

This crisis has been addressed by governments, local to national, philanthropic organizations and community action advocates for decades. And here we still are. It may seem hopeless — like the impossible task given to a fairy tale princess to empty a lake with a slotted spoon. But as Christians, we are commanded to hope and to be joyful in our hope. The Greek word for hope means to desire good and confidently expect to obtain it. Just as St. Paul tells us in his letter to the Romans.

In hope, we must persevere in praying for the poor. Pray that the Father, who created sequoias, humming birds and warthogs from nothing, would mightily intervene for His people and reveal an entirely new solution to the housing crisis. It may seem impossible, but trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own intellect. God chooses to act through our prayers to accomplish His will, and he commands us to pray constantly.

So please make it a habit. Perhaps offer a Hail Mary for the resolution of this crisis at mealtimes when you say Grace in thanksgiving for what you are about to receive. Make it a habit to bring one item for the Pantry every weekend. Let your prayers, your food donations and your contributions to the Poor Fund be your offering before God in thanksgiving for all He has done for you.

Pantry:

We are very low on everything,

Most in need of soup, jelly and mac-n-cheese

Pregnancy:

size 3 diapers.

Contact Kim Taylor at ktaylor@olmc.org

Ushers Needed

Are you willing to serve?

Ushers are needed for all Sunday Masses. Ushers welcome people and assist with seating them. They also direct the Communion procession and help collect the weekly monetary offering.

If you would like to serve as an usher, contact Heber Dunkle at hdunkle@olmc.org

Ministerio Hispano

Director - Diácono Francisco Anleu

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Misas en Español: Domingos 2:00 PM, Jueves 6:30 PM

Confesiones: Sábados, 3 PM, Miércoles, 5 PM,
Jueves 5:30 PM en Español solamente

Bautismo Infantil

Los bautizos de infantes se llevan a cabo el cuarto domingo de cada mes. Los padres deben asistir a una breve clase de bautismo antes de bautizar a su bebé. Las **clases de bautismo** se llevan a cabo en Saint Michael Hall de **9:30 a. m. a 11:30 a. m.** en las siguientes fechas:

**5 de Agosto
2 de Septiembre**

Para obtener más información, comuníquese con la señorita **Elizabeth Kassel** en la oficina parroquial, 757-595-0385 ext 104 o envíe un correo electrónico a **ekassel@olmc.org**.



RVA Priest

“Que todos presten atención a lo que escuchan”. ¿Te está invitando el Señor a conocerlo, amarlo y servirlo más de cerca en el sacerdocio o en la vida consagrada? Llame al Padre Brian Capuano al 804-359-5661 o envíe un correo electrónico a: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

Community



Join **Our Lady's Prayer Group** to pray the rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy the last Saturday of every month from 9:00am to 10:30 am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Bring your Intentions.

RVA Priest

www.richmondvocations.org

"Let everyone heed what they hear." Is the Lord inviting you to know, love and serve Him more closely in the priesthood or consecrated life?

Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359-5661 or e-mail: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

THE LADIES OF CARMEL GARAGE SALE - WE NEED YOUR HELP!

WHEN: Saturday, July 22 from 7:30-11:30
WHERE: OLMC School cafeteria and gym.

The garage sale is sponsored by the Ladies of Carmel and all parish members are invited to volunteer to help including men and middle and high school students!

HELP NEEDED: Friday, July 21 from 10-6 and Saturday, July 22 from 7-12:30

DONATIONS: please drop off on Thursday July 20 from 5-7 and Friday, July 21 from 9-6 p.m. at the entrance to the school cafeteria across from the Convent.

CONTACT Paula Krewinghaus at paulakrew@gmail.com or call 757-593-2348 to sign up to help.

Suggested items for donation: houseware items, indoor and outdoor furniture, electronics, books, CD's, DVDs, ONLY infant and toddler clothes, toys, games, puzzles, linens, quilts, pillows, baskets, purses, Christmas and seasonal items, costume jewelry, and baked goods.

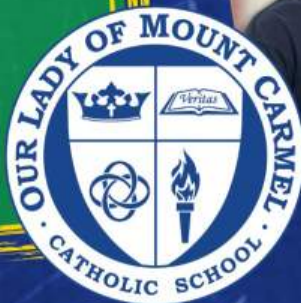
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Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School

HAPPY FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

O beautiful Flower of Carmel, most fruitful Vine,
Splendor of Heaven, holy and singular, who
brought forth the Son of God, still ever remaining
a Pure Virgin, assist me in this necessity.
O Star of the Sea, help and protect me!
Show me that thou art my Mother.
O Mary, Conceived without sin,
Pray for us who have recourse to thee!
Mother and Ornament of Carmel, Pray for us!
Virgin, Flower of Carmel, Pray for us!
Patroness of all who wear the Scapular,
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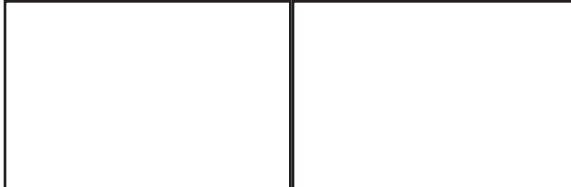
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