OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED IN CHRIST
THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT
JUNE 2017

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Dear Friends,

“This past Friday, we began something here at Mount Carmel that should have a special place in the spiritual life of the parish. After noon Mass, we began the practice of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Eucharistic Adoration for the rest of the day until 8:00 PM. We will do this every first Friday of the month.” I wrote those words in my Pastor’s column for the bulletin for June 6, 1999, the Feast of Corpus Christi that year.

That first step started the parish on the road to Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration. As I recall, it was a long road and a slow-going journey. Over the course of the Jubilee Year (2000) we gradually expanded public adoration from that 8:00 PM closing to overnight, ending on Saturday morning. Finally, on the weekend of April 21, 2002, a priest from the Eucharistic Adoration Society preached on adoration and people were invited to sign-up for commitments for specific hours in the Chapel. Over 550 people made a commitment and Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration began on the Feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord, June 2, 2002.

The Catholic Church, universally, and Our Lady of Mount Carmel parish, locally, is a EUCHARIST-CENTERED community. In its most basic form, this means we are a community which gathers around the table of the Lord, to be fed with the Body of Christ, to be washed clean of our sins in the Blood of Christ, and to be strengthened by the Holy Meal to walk the journey of life as Jesus’ living witnesses. In the early centuries, in times of persecution, Christians knew how much they needed the Eucharist to be strengthened in their faith in an environment hostile to that faith. In our day, the environment, our society, seems more and more hostile to everything we believe in. Today’s believers, as much as those of two millennia ago need that strength, need that Food which sustains and gives life. The Catholic Church has always centered its focus on the Eucharist as the Living Gift God gives to His people. The Eucharist is at the heart of who and what the Church is.

Adoration reminds us of this. It reminds us we still need God in our lives, and that God wants to be in our lives. It also gives us a break from the frenetic lives we lead, the rushing, the texting, tweeting, merry-go-round of activities that clog our minds and our calendars. It offers us quiet and peace. And each of us needs that quiet time with the Lord (and don’t fool yourself that you don’t), with Jesus Who understands the struggles we face in our lives, the sorrows as well as the joys. This is one of the reasons God has become the Living Gift God gives to His people. The Eucharist is at the heart of who and what the Church is.

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all activities, all plans and calendars, slip away and find that inner peace with the Lord that can become the energy boost that supports us in all those other activities, struggles, sorrows, joys and even moments of boredom when we wonder what life is all about. And time in Adoration deepens our celebration of the Mass and of the Eucharist as a Heavenly Bread that feeds and sustains us.

As Jesus said to His disciples, “Come, and see.” I guarantee you won’t regret it. To renew and deepen our appreciation of this great gift of the Eucharist, and the gift of Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, we have invited Fr. John Gordon to preach at all the masses next weekend, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord. May I also remind and invite you to be part of the Eucharistic Procession and Benediction which will follow the 12:30 Mass, as a public sign of our belief in Jesus’ presence in the Eucharist.

And speaking of next weekend, please read the announcement elsewhere in this bulletin about the Farewell for Fr. Gino, Melissa Peters and Kim Birdssall, who will be leaving the parish to move on to other types of service. We are grateful for their time with us, for their love of this parish community and for the ways in which they have helped all of us grow.

God Bless,
Fr. Ron

STEWARDSHIP

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son…” Unlike God, Who gives us Himself in His Son, Jesus, is your love conditional? Is there a price others have to pay to receive your love? Are you generous with your time, money and possessions? If you give someone something, do you expect something in return? Do you give your time freely or do you “fit it in” when it is convenient for you? The Christian Steward freely offers his/her Time, Talent and Treasure in imitation of the generosity of God.

The parish Stewardship of Treasure in the in-pew collection last week was $19,276. Last weekend’s bulletin was incorrect. No tithe was taken because it was already a dedicated collection. For the remainder of the Sundays of June, the tithe for Sharing Our Gifts will be split between Ridgewood Social Services and the Center for Food Action to support these food pantries during the slower summer months. God bless those who are as generous for the sake of the Gospel as God is to us.

PARENT MEETING FOR CONFIRMATION—2018

TOMORROW, JUNE 12th IN THE PARISH CENTER

Parents with a child planning on entering the Confirmation Program in September, 2017, are requested to attend the Information Meeting to be held in the Parish Center on:

MONDAY, JUNE 12th AT 10:00AM OR 7:30PM
CANDIDATES SHOULD NOT ATTEND.—ONLY PARENTS.

SUMMER BEREAVEMENT GROUP
NOTE REVISED START DATE

The parishes of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, St. Gabriel and St. Catharine are jointly sponsoring a Summer Bereavement Support Group. You need not be a parishioner to attend. The group will meet on Monday evenings from 7:30-9:00pm at St. Catharine in Glen Rock and will run for eight consecutive weeks, June 12 through July 31. PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! Please call 201.444.9718.

NEW MINISTRY VOlunteers needed to provide meals for HOMELESS SHELTER

We are looking for volunteers to serve, cook and donate meals to feed 100+ people at a homeless shelter in Hackensack on July 14th. We must arrive no later than 4:00pm and we will be finished by 6:30pm. For more information go to:

www.tinyurl.com/olmc714

If you do not have access to a computer or have questions, please call one of the following people:

Susan Haviland—201.214.3647; Liz Criqui—201.390.4847 or Debra Rinaldi—201.723.6445

MANY THANKS FROM MOMs

The MOMs sponsored garage sale, held last month, raised $3,100 from the sale of donated goods and cash donations! All proceeds benefit The Nurturing Place. MOMs thanks you immensely for your donations and/or shopping. God Bless!

WISHING DEAR FRIENDS A FOND FAREWELL

Join us in wishing three members of our Mt. Carmel family a fond farewell this coming Saturday, June 17th, at the 5:30pm Mass. Fr. Gino will preside at the Mass and a reception will immediately follow in the Parish Center. All are welcome!
The Church welcomes…
The following 6 children who were baptized in Christ during the month of May:
Charlotte Rose Beaury, daughter of Thomas & Maria
Ann Carolina Charlotte Benecke, daughter of Georg & Lita
Lana Emilia Key, daughter of Shaun & Elaine
Louise-Marie Monaco, daughter of Tommaso & Laura
Luca Stephen Moravick, son of Stephen & Nicolette
Owen Michael Ross, son of Anthony & Ann Marie

OUR LADY’S BLUE ARMY
Join in celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima’s Second Apparition to the three shepherd children on Tuesday, June 13th. All are welcome at Our Lady’s Blue Army Shrine, 674 Mountain View Road East, Asbury, NJ. For more information and a schedule of the day’s events, visit www.bluearmy.com or call 908.689.1700 x210

ATTENTION RISING 8th GRADE BOYS!
DON BOSCO OFFERS SUMMER COOP PREP COURSES
The COOP Exam, offered each November, is required for admission to participating Catholic High Schools in the Archdiocese of Newark and the Diocese of Paterson. These prep courses will focus on exam preparation in math, English, time management, organizational skills and practice exams. Sessions are Monday-Thursday, 8:00am-12:00 noon. Tuition is $500. Select from either of the two sessions below:

Session 1: July 10-July 20 or Session 2: July 24-August 3
More information and registration is available at: donboscoprep.org/page/admissions/summer-enrichment-academy

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
ENTRANCE EXAM PREP CLASS
Offered by Sandt’s Excel, this program services boys and girls entering the 8th grade this fall. It provides an intensive review of math, reading, and language skills, instruction in quantitative and verbal reasoning, practice with all sections of the examination, and training in the appropriate test taking strategies. Summer classes offered in August at Mary Help of Christians Academy and Immaculate Heart Academy. Weekend fall classes will be held at St. John’s Academy, Hillsdale. For more information and to register, visit us at www.sandtsexcel.com or call 201.666.5956.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Registration: Registration remains open for the School Model Program only. Please note, there is a $50 late fee.
Catechists Needed: If you are interested in being a volunteer Religious Education teacher (catechist) in either our summer or weekly School Model Programs, please contact Melissa Peters at mpeters@olmcridgewood.com or 201.444.0211.

SOCIAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION
SUMMER COLLECTIONS SCHEDULED
The shelves at Social Service Association run dry during the summer months. Mt. Carmel will, once again, host a collection the last weekend of June, July and August—the first being June 24 & 25. Please place your donations at the doors of the church. Most needed items are canned foods (including canned meats), peanut butter, jelly, juice boxes, snacks, cereal, personal care products and household cleaning items. Your generosity is most appreciated!

BUTTERFLY RELEASE TOMORROW
MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2017
Feeney Funeral Home will be holding its Fourth Annual Butterfly Release Monday June 12th, 6:15PM SHARP (raindate June 13) at Habernickle Field, Hillcrest Rd., in Ridgewood. The first 300 people will receive a small box with either a Monarch or Painted Lady butterfly. Following a short reading, the butterflies will be released in unison. All are invited! Call 201.444.7650 for more information.

SUMMER ENRICHMENT AT IMMACULATE HEART
Immaculate Heart Academy is hosting various co-ed summer enrichment courses through its popular Summer@theheart program. Courses, beginning July 10 and running through Aug. 3, are open to students of several age levels. Sessions are held Mondays-Thursdays, 9am-12pm. Courses include Broadcasting, STEAM (Art Meets STEM), Young Artists Workshop, Personal Leadership, Beginning Theatre, T-shirt Quilt Making, and many more! For more information or to register, visit www.ihanj.com or contact Kelly Tweed at ktweed@ihanj.com or 201.445.6800.

NOTICE TO ACADEMY OF THE HOLY ANGELS APPLICANTS
Beginning September 1, 2017, all applicants to Academy of the Holy Angels must take the Upper Level Secondary School Admissions Test (SSAT) as part of our application process. Join us for Intro to the SSAT Prep Class June 26—July 7. For more information and to register online visit: https://www.holyangels.org/admissions/ssat-prep-classes

IONA COLLEGE ROCKLAND GRADUATE CENTER
MBA information Session to be held Wednesday, June 14th at 6:00PM at 2 Blue Hill Plaza, Pearl River, NY. Register online at ionaevents.org or call 845.620.1350
Welcome! Summer! All young adults in their 20s and 30s are pilgrims for over 1,000 years. Do something different this summer. Santiago de Compostela has been a destination for pilgrims for over 1,000 years. El Camino de Santiago de Compostela has been a destination for pilgrims for over 1,000 years. Join the Young Adult Ministry of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration (PEA)
Chapel is open 24/7—Children are welcome! Let us embrace the whole world with prayer.

June 18—Blessed 15th Year Anniversary of PEA Procession of the Holy Eucharist after the 12:30 Mass Reception in the Parish Center Immediately Following.

It is only by God's grace and by the intercession of our Blessed Mother that we are celebrating our 15th year anniversary this year. What a blessing!!! But for every blessing, there is a corresponding responsibility. Kudos to all the Scheduled Adorers, Substitutes and Coordinators. The Adorers have been faithful and diligent in their scheduled hours of Adoration, We all treasure our hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Let us all keep it up for the Glory of God and for our transformation and sanctification, as well as for all of our loved ones and all of mankind.

Interested in PEA? Please sign up. Want to be an Hour Coordinator, a Division Leader, or a Head Coordinator? Please step up. This is a great opportunity to serve the Lord.

Please do not forget to come to the Procession of the Holy Eucharist as well as to celebrate our 15th year at the Parish Center. Bring your family and friends.

Scheduled Adorers Needed
Sunday: 2-3AM (URGENT); Monday: 6-7AM, 11PM-12midnight (URGENT); Wednesday: 2-3AM (URGENT); 5-6PM; Friday: 9-10AM; Saturday: 5-6AM (URGENT)
Morning, Noon, Evening and Midnight substitutes.
For information in English, call/text/email Cynthia at 551.574.1063 or cynthiabtorres@yahoo.com
For information in Spanish, call/email Patricia Engel at 201.410.5159 or Camuscat2@yahoo.com

St. Mary’s Church
20 Legion Place, Closter, NJ
A special Mass and support group meeting for all who are affected by the disease of alcoholism will take place at St. Mary’s in Closter on Saturday, June 17th at 12:00 noon. Mass is offered for the support, healing and recovery of not only the man/woman directly infected with the abuse of alcohol or drugs, but also for anyone involved in the life of the alcoholic or drug addict. For information please call 201.768.7565.

El Camino de Santiago de Compostela Young Adult Pilgrimage to Spain
Join the Young Adult Ministry of the Archdiocese of Newark July 7th through July 16th on a hiking pilgrimage in the Footsteps of Saint James. A life-changing experience like no other, El Camino de Santiago de Compostela has been a destination for pilgrims for over 1,000 years. Do something different this summer! All young adults in their 20s and 30s are welcome! See the Young Adult Ministry page on the parish website for details.

Please pray for the Ill Members of Our Parish

Please call the Rectory with the name of any family member who is sick, so we can include them in our prayer list.

Basketball Camps
St. Joseph Regional High School in Montvale, NJ is the site of the annual Green Knights Basketball Camp this summer for boys ages 9-15. The camp runs in three sessions: July 10-14; July 17-21, and July 24-28. The camp day is from 9:00am-3:00pm. (Note: Friday dismissal at Noon). Great fun & competition, guest lecturers, free basketball & player jersey to each camper! Please visit www.sjrnj.org or call 201.391.3300 for camp applications and more information.

Rutgers University—Newark will be running its annual Summer Basketball Program for children ages 6-17. Camp dates are July 10-14, July 17-21, July 24-28 and July 31-August 4—8:30am-4:00pm. Early drop off and late pick up available at no charge. Cost—$160/week. Discount rate for more than one week. Call 973.353.1483.

Friends of the Adornos Craft Fair
Sunday, June 25—10:00AM-5:00PM
575 Darlington Avenue, Ramsey
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

TODAY’S READINGS

1. Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9
   Contextually, today’s excerpt is God’s second attempt to enter into covenant with this people. In the first attempt, the people had quickly turned to a god of their own making, the golden calf. Having angered both God and Moses, the people are in need of Moses’ continued intercession on their behalf. Moses goes to the mountain a second time where God reveals Himself, and His Name, as a God of mercy, forgiveness, kindness and fidelity. Moses entreats God to come along with them and accept them (the people) as His own.

2. 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13
   Concluding this second letter to the Corinthians, Paul uses the formula that has become a standard opening greeting at our celebration of the Eucharist. Having struggled for decades with the fractiousness of the community at Corinth, including personal attacks on his leadership, Paul makes a last plea, encouraging his readers to be better, truer followers of Christ. In his blessing upon them, he invokes the God who is Father, Son and Spirit, reminding them that it is only in this God that they, and we, can live a truly Christian life.

3. John 3: 16-18
   While not a thorough and complete explanation of our Trinitarian God, these short verses give us a glimpse of Who our God is. Excerpted from the dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus, they tell us of a God Who loves the world, so much so, that He sent His Son Jesus, Who comes to save us. God’s relationship with the world is not one of hostility and condemnation, but one of love and salvation. And the proper response back does not mention perfection or goodness, but belief. Four times the author emphasizes belief in Jesus as the way to life. Conversely, disbelief brings its own judgment.

REFLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK

1. Have you ever been amazed by the deep love someone has for you?
2. What are some choices you have made that have led to a fuller life for you? What are some of the consequences when you have refused?
3. If God did not send His Son to condemn, why do we Christians find it so easy to do it ourselves? How can we change?

NEXT WEEKEND’S PRESIDERS

Sat. 6/17 5:30PM Fr. Gino
6:00PM All Fathers
Sun. 6/18 8:00AM Fr. Kevin
9:30AM Fr. Ron
11:00AM Fr. Ron
12:30PM Fr. Gino
3:00PM Fr. Gino
6:30PM Fr. Kevin

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Late changes appear on the website after 12:00 noon on the Saturday of that weekend.