

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Communal Baptisms are held every month on the first Sunday at 1:30pm and on the third Saturday at 11:00am (with some exceptions). Register a month or two in advance for the Baptismal Program.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

Saturday 1:00pm-2:00pm & Monday 7:00pm-7:30pm (Sept-May) Other times by pre-arranged appt. with a priest. Communal Penance celebrations (with individual confessions) are celebrated in Advent and Lent and will be announced.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Those who wish to enter the Catholic faith and Catholics who wish to complete the sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation are most welcome to begin the journey at any time. Call the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners regularly practicing the Faith at our Parish are welcomed to contact the Rectory one year in advance of a proposed wedding date. Specific dates are only discussed after meeting with a Priest. Couples must attend a pre-Cana program and provide required Sacramental and other documentation.

VOCATIONS

Is God calling you to the priesthood or religious life? Speak to one of our priests or call the Archdiocesan Vocations Office at 973.313.6190, Newarkpriest.com

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the *Anointing of the Sick* will be administered at anytime in an emergency and also at parish celebrations during the year. Consult the bulletin for dates. *Communion* is brought to the sick, the elderly and the homebound by priests of the parish and by Eucharistic ministers. The priests also visit the local hospital regularly. If you or a family member is hospitalized, please contact the Rectory to make arrangements.



The Parish Family of

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

One Passaic Street, Ridgewood, New Jersey 07450
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Our Mission

We the people of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish believe in Jesus Christ and embrace his teachings. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we accept His call to be the Light of the World through Word, Worship, Community Building and Service to all.

COME WORSHIP WITH US

WEEKENDS

Saturday: 5:30pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am
12:30pm, 3:00pm (Spanish) and 6:30pm

WEEKDAYS

6:30am, 8:30am and 12:00 noon
Saturdays: 8:30am

HOLY DAYS

Eve: 7:30pm (anticipated)
6:30am, 8:30am, and 12:00 noon

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ January 14, 2024

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Dear Friends,

As Christmas came so quickly, so too is it over that quickly. In the secular world (business, commercial) it's over January 1, if not December 26. It always amazes me when I see Christmas trees out at the curbside on December 26. I have to ask myself did people and families spend Christmas un-decorating their trees. But I'm not really talking about the secular world; I'm talking about the "church" world. This year, both Advent and Christmas were the shortest they can be. The Church's Christmas season ends with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord which is usually the Sunday after Epiphany which would have given us another week of the season. This year, it was the day after Epiphany and so the season was cut short by a week. It reminds me of the old saying, "here's your hat, there's the door, what's your hurry. Bye, bye Christmas.

Today the Church enters *Ordinary Time*. Even the title of this time in the Church Year sounds boring. What good can come from *Ordinary Time*? We've just celebrated the Advent-Christmas season and in a little over a month we will enter the Lent-Easter season. These seasons are more expansive celebrations focusing on particular aspects of the one paschal mystery (death and resurrection of Jesus, the Christ), which we celebrate at Mass every Sunday. They focus our attention on critical dimensions of the one mystery, a mystery so overwhelming that we are compelled to separate out its various elements (birth, suffering and death, resurrection, ascension) for particular attention.

Ordinary Time is what we celebrate the rest of the year, outside those special seasons. *Ordinary Time* and the way we celebrate Sunday is the identifying mark of the Christian community as it comes together, remembering the meaning of those special seasons and how they impact our daily lives. And this remembering is not just the remembering of the mystery, it is the remembering with the Word, the Way along which we walk to eventually share in the depths of that mystery—Eternal Life. And so, in some way, *Ordinary Time* becomes the weekly, and daily, "putting into practice" in our lives the meaning of the Mystery. And so it's not so ordinary after all.

Nothing helps us understand that better than the Scripture readings for this Sunday, the call of Samuel in the 1st Reading and, especially, the call of the disciples in the Gospel. "Come and see" are Jesus' words when they inquire about his identity. "Come and see" are the words which could be the keynote of *Ordinary Time*. Come and see how you are loved by the God who made you and the world. Come and see how the Mystery can change your

life. Come and see the road which leads to the fullness of life. Come and see the God (Jesus, the Christ) who will walk with you on that road. **Come and See—the theme song of Ordinary Time.** Not so ordinary after all.

Heads up! Next week—it's **Annual Appeal** time again. The first words on the Appeal.

God Bless
Fr. Ron

STEWARDSHIP

And Jesus said to them, "What are you looking for?" The disciples' answer was a weak one, "where are you staying?" Jesus asks us the same question and our answers are often just as weak and indecisive. But that's ok. Jesus will take it, and us as well, and work with us until we are truly transformed into disciples, **Stewards** who accept the call to build the kingdom, through gifts of **Time, Talent and Treasure.** Until that day, allow Jesus to continue to form and transform you, according to His word.

The parish Stewardship of Treasure last week was \$15,934. God bless your generosity in supporting the work of the Gospel. Using online giving, **WeShare**, especially in the winter when the weather is always questionable, insures continued support for the work of the Gospel.



A recurring online gift to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is the best way to sustain the mission of this parish all year long.



Please prayerfully consider joining fellow parishioners by supporting Our Lady of Mt Carmel through online giving. Go to the website or scan this QR code.

Look for the **WeShare** link on our homepage, scan this QR Code, or call 877.316.0260

ANNUAL MEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT FRIDAY-SATURDAY—JANUARY 26-27, 2024 REGISTER NOW! DON'T MISS OUT!

If your spiritual batteries are in need of a recharge, then this Cornerstone retreat may be God's answer. Registration is now open for our Annual Men's Cornerstone Retreat held in the Parish Center. Use the QR Code here to register now.



Expect to find camaraderie, fellowship and opportunity for renewal in a relaxed environment. This year's event is fast approaching, scheduled two weeks before Super Bowl LVIII. Consider it a gift to yourself.

Questions/More Information
Contact Manny Santos, msm@mikavi.com



**PARISH OFFICES CLOSED
MONDAY, JANUARY 15th**

**NO CONFESSIONS
MONDAY EVENING**

In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, all parish offices will be closed this Monday, January 15th. The only Mass celebrated will be at 8:30AM.

A priest is always available for emergencies.

New Greeters Ministry! (An invitation from Fr. Frank)

Join me on **Monday, January 22, 2024, at 7:30 pm** in the Parish Center as we unveil our new Greeters Ministry! This Info Night is a wonderful opportunity for all parishioners to learn about the ministry and discover if you'd like to be a part of this welcoming initiative.

I'm convinced that a Greeters Ministry could play a vital role in creating a warm and inviting atmosphere for everyone who walks through our church doors. Whether you have a passion for hospitality or simply enjoy meeting new people, this ministry provides a meaningful way to contribute to our community.

Come and explore the vision behind the Greeters Ministry, understand the responsibilities involved, and find out how your unique talents can enhance the experience for existing parishioners and newcomers alike. No one will be asked to make a commitment to serve as a greeter on that evening. It's simply an evening of vision-casting and discovering if God is really calling you to serve on the weekend!

So, mark your calendars for January 22nd, and let's gather to make our parish an even more welcoming home for all. We look forward to seeing you at the Info Night!

Fr. Frank

Grace Within: A Journal Experience



**Tuesday Mornings
Beginning This Week
Tuesday, January 16th *
9:15AM-11:30AM
Parish Center Library**

OLMC mothers—at all stages of motherhood—are invited to join Grace Within: A Journal Experience. Grace Within is a spiritual and personal journey over the course of six Tuesday (January 16—February 27) mornings using the Grace Within Personal Journal. If you are feeling called to find peace in the ordinary during these challenging days, this is your invitation to understand how you can grow spiritually; to seek and know your inner spark of divinity; and to become who God created you to be! Join this small and intimate group, make lasting connections with other moms, and prepare your heart for yourself, and your family life in 2024.



Scan this QR Code to register now!

No meeting February 20.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Religious Education When Families Gather



January Sessions

Sunday, January 28th—1:45PM-2:45PM—Zoom
Virtual Baking Session

Monday, January 29th—7PM-8PM—Zoom
Virtual Baking Session

Every family in the program must attend one session per month.

Religious Education Office Phone, 201.444.0211
Cathy Hunt, chunt@olmcridgewood.com
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Jesus & Me Story Time Next Saturday January 20th—10:30AM Parish Center Meeting Room

Bring your child, grandchild or godchild to a fun,
faith-filled story time for
young children ages 2-1/2 to 5.

To register, contact Adriana DeCandia
thedomesticchurch61@gmail.com

The Church Welcomes...



The following 26 children who were baptized in Christ
during the months of November & December.

Tori Grace Arellano, daughter of Luis & Adriana
Marlee Luna Arias, daughter of Dana & Grettel
Eloise Jane Barry, daughter of John & Jenny
Blair Marta Bergmann, daughter of Kenneth & Caitlin
Robert John Bono, son of Michael & Samantha
Bianca Josephine Cappadora,
daughter of Robert & Daniela
Kellan John Cooper, son of Matthew & Kimberly
Marcello Lucio DeMarco, son of Joseph & Lori
Isabel Violet Dymek, daughter of Michael & Therese
Emily Rosemary Fedak, daughter of Nazariy & Lauren
Madelina Soleil Silva Gershkoff,
daughter of Konner & Melanie
Ronin James Killion, son of Keith & Emily
Nora Katherine Lubrano, daughter of Matthew & Victoria
Marleny Elizabeth Luckenbill, daughter of John & Lisa
Matthew Joseph Maino, son of Joseph & Jenny
Madelina Mariana Marin, daughter of Danny & Priscilla
Claire Maria Montaperto,
daughter of Giuseppe & Vanessa
Cameron James Monton, son of Kevin & Monica
Henry Noah Pinegar, son of Noah & Mary Ann
Benjamin Hayes Planell, son of Christopher & Kasi
Dawson Richard Polowniak, son of Bartosz & Ashley
Viviana Maria Pugliese, daughter of Joseph & Gabriella
Jack Vincent Tomaselli, son of Vincent & Danielle
Lincoln Cole Voza, son of Anthony & Charlotte
Layla Jean Wieand, daughter of Eric & Brianne
Lily Suzanne Zulauf, daughter of Zachary & Lauren



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FR. ENGLISH PANTRY—FROZEN TRAY MINISTRY PANS/RECIPES AVAILABLE AT ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND

FROZEN CASSEROLE DROP OFF—NEXT SATURDAY, JAN. 20TH
(AT OUR MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE—9AM-12NN)

Please help us provide frozen casseroles to the Fr. English Food Pantry this month. Easy recipe options are provided with pans and lids. Casseroles must be **FROZEN**. These casseroles make it possible for a family to sit around the dinner table and enjoy a prepared meal. Thank you for your generosity!

Questions? Call/Text Barbara—201.615.9624



**YOUTH MINISTRY
MONTHLY FOOD
NEXT SATURDAY—JANUARY 20TH
9AM-12NN**

SCHOOL BUILDING DRIVEWAY

Consider helping our efforts by volunteering to be a driver,
bringing collected food to one of the pantries.

FR. ENGLISH: Breakfast items are urgently needed!
Peanut Butter, Jelly, Oatmeal, Cereal, Pop Tarts, Muffin & Pancake Mix, Syrup, Granola Bars, etc.

SOCIAL SERVICES: Cereal, Oatmeal, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Peanut Butter & Jelly, 100% Fruit Juice, Hearty Soups, Canned Veggies, Canned Tuna/Chicken/Ham, Rice, Shelf Stable Milk, Cleaning Products, Laundry Detergent

RIDGECREST Depends for Women any size, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Tuna, Canned Chick Peas/Chicken/Lentils; Raisin Bran, Cheerios (original), Low/No Sugar (instant oatmeal, pudding, Jello, Salad Dressings, Mayonnaise, Bagged Beans, Shelf Stable Milk, Sponges, Toilet Bowl Cleaner

HEALING MEALS: Fresh Carrots/Celery/Onion; Garlic (fresh/jars); Lasagna Noodles; Whole Wheat Flour; Olive Oil, Pasta Sauce (cans/jars); Canned Diced Tomatoes; Marinara Sauce; Canned Cannellini Beans; Dark Brown Sugar; Molasses; Quart Size Freezer Bags; Latex-Free Gloves

Questions? Contact Glen, gmccall@olmcridgewood.com



**PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
(PEA)**

**CHAPEL IS OPEN 24/7
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**



Please be mindful that inclement weather may require us to close the Adoration Chapel until all ice and snow are cleared. Always check the homepage of our website and our Facebook page for any PEA Chapel Closures

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration (PEA) is quiet adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel where Jesus is exposed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This is made possible by Scheduled Adorers every hour—even midnight hours. With notice, Substitutes cover an hour if Scheduled Adorers can't make it due to emergency or vacation. This continual prayer provides abundant blessings to the faithful, their loved ones and to the community.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

All are welcome to join us in the Parish Center for a Parish Communion Breakfast immediately following the 11AM Mass Sponsored by OLMC Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration.

SCHEDULED ADORERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Sundays: 9-10AM, Tuesdays: 2-3AM; Thursday: 3-4PM
Fridays: 4-5PM, Saturdays: 6-7PM

Contact Cynthia—551.574.1063, cynthiabtorres@yahoo.com



**Paramus Catholic High School
425 Paramus Road, Paramus, New Jersey**

YCP North NJ will be hosting the **FIRST of our Executive Panel Discussions (EPD)**, which are events focused on promoting conversation about living virtuously in the workplace. Three panelists lead the discussion about a particular virtue and what it means to practice that virtue in daily life. This month we invite the NJ Order of Malta to discuss the virtue of Charity in the Workplace. At the end of the panel, there will be time for Q&A. Attendees enjoy complimentary drinks and appetizers and have a chance to network before and after the evening's discussion. **Event is FREE but please RSVP here: bit.ly/jan24epd**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

Joan Donegan Alsa, Gilbert Badillo, Frederick Bruno, Art Carpenter, Kimberly Parsons Daub, Marie Evans, Kay & Bill Forster, Joan D'Gerolamo, Agnes Duffy, Kenneth Gershbort, Frank Gillen, Susan Hart-White, Patricia Haug, Joseph Hyon, Marc Johnson, Tom Keleher, Claudia LaFrance, Joseph Letiza, Anna Lobascio, Joel Lustberg, Cambell McArthur, Michael Norman, Margaret Peak, Cathy Ricciuto, Francis Tedaro Ristor, Michael Runz, Don Strittmatter, Larry Switaj, Nickolas John Tedaro, Dennis Tomala, Walter John Zelop, Jr.

Parishioners may call the Rectory with the name of a family member who is sick to have them included in our prayers.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun. Jan. 14	1:00PM Bell Choir Rehearsal (PCB) 1:30PM RCIA (MR) 2:15PM CYO Basketball (Gym) 4:00PM Spanish Apostolate (PCA) 4:30PM Spanish>English Class (Library) 7:00PM Nally Confirmation Group (YCA)
Mon. Jan. 15	PARISH OFFICES CLOSED-MLK DAY 5:00PM CYO Basketball (Gym)
Tue. Jan. 16	9:15AM MOMs Grace Within (SMR) 4:00PM Religious Education (Gym) 5:00PM CYO Basketball (Gym) 5:00PM Choir Rehearsal (Church) 7:00PM ChristLife (PC) 7:00PM Men's Cornerstone (REC2) 7:00PM YCP Board Meeting (YCA) 7:30PM Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)
Wed. Jan.17	9:00AM MOMs Core Team Meeting (SMR) 5:00PM CYO Basketball (Gym) 7:00PM Spanish Choir Rehearsal (Church) 7:30PM Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)
Thur. Jan. 18	5:00PM CYO Basketball (Gym) 8:00PM Pre-Cana (NCW-A)
Fri. Jan.. 19	9:30AM MOMs SALT (SMR) 5:00PM CYO Basketball (Gym)
Sat. Jan. 20	7:30AM Men's Cornerstone (SMR) 8:30AM Men's Basketball (Gym) 9:00AM AoOL Girls Basketball (Gym) 9:00AM Youth Ministry Food Drive (Pking Lot) 10:30AM Jesus & Me Story Time (PC, MR) 12:00PM CYO Basketball (Gym) 6:00PM Neocatechumenal Way (CW)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE
FAITHFUL DEPARTED
OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER**



Maryanne Aman, Thomas Bolt, Ann Craven, Kenneth Chiavelli, Jose Diaz, Brenda Eickmeyer, Richard Ferreri, Theresa Gilligan, Dorothy Hallahan, Robert Martello, Michael McRae, Gemma Miller, Antone Moreira, Robert Morris, Richard Murphy, Costanza Musacchio, Lawrence Mushinske, Walter Reinthaler, Kimberly Reis, Ronald Romaglia, Margarita Romanillos, Margaret Salvani, Shirley Seiberling, Preston Stott & Brian Vitting

**THURSDAY EVENING ROSARY
OUR LADY'S CHAPEL—7:30PM
ALL ARE WELCOME!**



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS SERVING IN THE MILITARY:
Aedan Cannon, Edgar Delgado, Durkin McCarthy,
John Morano, James Nardelli, Robert Smith

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



TODAY'S READINGS

Monday, Jan. 15 *Martin Luther King Jr. Day*
 + **8:30AM** **For the People of the Parish**

Tuesday, Jan. 16
 + **6:30AM** **For All the Souls in Purgatory**
 req Stefano & Domenica Bussanich
 + **8:30AM** **Aurora Sandonato**
 req The Minicus Family
 + **12:00NN** **June McConnell**
 req Patricia & Richard Engel & Family

Wednesday, Jan. 17 *Saint Anthony, Abbot*
 + **6:30AM** **Maria Bussanich**
 req Stefano & Domenica Bussanich
 + **8:30AM** **Charles & Carolyn Featherstone**
 req Their Family
 + **12:00NN** **Norma Alvarez Estor**
 req Maria Coralde

Thursday, Jan. 18
6:30AM **Special Intention of Lawrence Ghorbi**
 req Arthur & Susan Maroney
 + **8:30AM** **Robert Kendrot**
 req Peter O'Malley & Family
 + **12:00NN** **Jacqueline Cino**
 req Patty & Brian Baney & Family

Friday, Jan. 19
 + **6:30AM** **Leo Casey**
 req Peter O'Malley & Family
 + **8:30AM** **Josephine DeSimone**
 req Tim Horan
 + **12:00NN** **Juliann Franchina**
 req The Family

Saturday, Jan. 20 *Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr;
 Saint Sebastian, Martyr*
 + **8:30AM** **Francis Watson—11th Anniversary**
 req His Family
 + **5:30PM** **Vladimir Zanki**
 req Joe & Patti Roche

Sunday, Jan. 21 *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 + **8:00AM** **Peter Seibel**
 req Linda & Kevin Brophy
 + **9:30AM** **Michael Appleton**
 req The Tiernan Family
 + **11:00AM** **Ellin Carroll**
 req Dolores Morrison
12:30PM **For the People of the Parish**
 + **3:00PM** **Andrea & Jorge Fernández**
 req Carmen Blacido
 + **6:30PM** **Jorge DiScala**
 req The Fusco Family

NEVER MISS A WEEKLY BULLETIN

Go to www.parishesonline.com, search Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Ridgewood, NJ to subscribe. You'll receive a PDF of this bulletin in your inbox Friday morning leading into the weekend.

Stay connected—even when traveling!

1. **1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19**
 Samuel is in training at the shrine of Shiloh, the home of the Ark of the Covenant before the construction of the Temple in Jerusalem. This excerpted passage relates his call to be the great prophet who will eventually identify David as the future great king. Several important aspects of the call are noted in this reading. The divine is manifested mysteriously in our lives; it is necessary to take the call seriously and act upon it; sometimes others are needed to help discern the source and authenticity of the call; ongoing spiritual growth may also be necessary to formulate the proper response to the call.
2. **1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20**
 Prior to their baptisms, some of the Corinthians had given themselves over to cultic practices which included bodily immorality. After their conversion, convinced by some that their bodies were physical and of not lasting spiritual significance, they continued to engage in these practices. Paul confronts this wrong understanding by reminding his readers that their bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, purchased by the price of Christ's own blood. Acts against the body represent a desecration against Christ's own body, of which they are a part.
3. **John 1:35-42**
 In John, the first disciples were followers of the Baptist who leave him to become followers of Jesus. The dialogue (what are you looking for? where do you stay?) will open an investigation into the depths of what discipleship means, faith, risk and discovery. No lengthy description of the answers is given in this dialogue. Rather, it is an invitation to experience, which cannot be captured in a theory. Those called not only follow, they stay (remain) with Jesus, indicating a new relationship and commitment. That new relationship is symbolized in Jesus' giving a new name to one of them.

REFLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK

1. Samuel needs Eli to help him recognize the Lord's voice. Has anyone in your life helped you to hear the voice of God?
2. Can you name a time when you helped someone recognize God's voice in his or her life?
3. Is Jesus a person in your life or a concept? Is following Him an experience or a theory?

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS (always subject to change)

Sat. 1/20	5:30PM	Fr. Jakov
Sun. 1/21	8:00AM	Fr. Ron
	9:30AM	Fr. Frank
	11:00AM	Fr. Ron
	12:30PM	Fr. Frank
	3:00PM	Fr. Jakov
	6:30PM	Fr. Jakov

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



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