

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.



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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.

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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

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time— August 27, 2023

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Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Youth Ministry
Reflections on Service

A few weeks ago, twelve teenagers from our parish attended a week long service trip. Using the retreat center in Kearny as our home base, four parishes from the Archdiocese provided service at several locations in the area. Among them were: The Fr. English Food Pantry, Paterson; Mercy House, Jersey City; Mercy House, Newark; Sacred Heart Parish, Bloomfield; and Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington.

At the end of our time together, I asked the teens to write three or four sentences on their "AHA MOMENT" for the week. What was one thing they will never forget... what they will share with their parents when talking about the experience... one thing that made an impact on them. Below are some of their responses.

Kimberly Majano:

My Ah-Ha moment from the service week would be working at Sacred Heart's kitchen. I was tasked to clean all of the kitchen. After spending a whole day cleaning, it was still dirty. This made me realize how much I took the school custodians for granted. They work hard to clean our schools and without them, we would have a dirty learning environment.

Evan Reid:

My highlight was working at Father English Center. It really hit home when I realized how our efforts collecting food at the OLMC food drives really helps members of the Paterson community. I'm very impressed by the pantry director, Carlos, who is so passionate about his work and inspired by his personal journey from Columbia.

Mia Oberthuer:

When I went to Sacred Heart I was able to help a mother with her two sons. She just came from Ecuador, one of her sons was 4 years old and the other was a couple of months old. I helped them get supplied with clothes and food. Before I left I gave her 4 year old a toy truck and an action figure. When he saw that the toys were for him; his face lit up. It was incredible how much one little toy can affect the boy. It made me realize how fortunate I am, and how everything is handed to me.

Isabelle Voight:

Every day no matter where we were, we heard experiences from the adults or children about their own struggles or their path to their faith. Personally I was honored to hear how God has been in so many of these people's lives and how no matter how difficult their situation is they keep their faith and lean to him for support. It was hearing all these anecdotes of their lives that made me realize how God has created a family and how everyone who has faith in him is part of that family.

Whitney Murray:

My AHA moment was that little acts of service can make a huge difference in someone's life and to never take anything for granted.

continued

Kate Hogan:

After attending the weeklong mission trip, something I most took out of it is how helping others is a fulfilling experience that I enjoyed. Seeing how much you can do in just a couple of hours was truly inspiring. After visiting three different locations, I saw new ways to help others. I learned the benefits of helping others and grew as a person. I am glad I attended the trip and I hope to continue volunteering more frequently.

Glen Mc Call:

A comment made by one of our teens after three days of service has stuck with me. It confirmed the “bubble” of Ridgewood, a “bubble we need to break! The comment: “I can’t believe there is so much poverty thirty minutes from where we live!”

STEWARDSHIP

“Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?” In today’s 2nd Reading, St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of **Stewardship**. We cannot give the Lord anything, because everything comes from God. All that we can do is return a portion of God’s many gifts back to Him. Do we recognize that all is gift from God? Do we return anything to Him? Would it really qualify as an expression of true gratitude?

The parish Stewardship of Treasure in last weekend’s in-pew collection was \$13,288. God bless your generosity in supporting the announcement of the Gospel. A hassle-free way to do this is to use online giving, **WeShare**. See below on how to enroll.



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Registration is Open!
Annual
Women’s Cornerstone Retreat
Saturday, October 14, 2023



Registration has begun for our Annual Women’s Cornerstone Retreat held in our Parish Center. Give yourself the gift of Women’s Cornerstone. It is a beautiful, spiritual and social experience that is sure to enrich your life. There is absolutely no pressure on the retreat. All you need is an open heart.

Register now at:

<https://www.tinyurl.com/WCS2023retreat>
or by scanning this QR Code

Questions may be directed to

Kristin Halvey: kahalvey@gmail.com



CALLING ALL FAMILIES!

PARISH PLAYGROUND MEETUPS

Sunday, September 10th & 24th ~ 10:30AM
(Following the 9:30AM Family Mass)

Mt. Carmel Youth Center Playground
(behind the school building)

Snacks will be provided! All are welcome!
Hosted by the Mt. Carmel MOMs group

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Religious Education When Families Gather Online Registration Now Available

Registration is now available for the When Families Gather Program for the upcoming school year. Children in grades 1-6 as of September are eligible for this program.

Please see the parish website under Faith Formation/Religious Education for program details and the online registration link

For more details, contact the
Religious Ed office at 201.444.0211
Cathy Hunt, chunt@olmcridgewood.com
Pat McGarvie, pmcgarvie@olmcridgewood.com

ATTENTION OLMC NURSES

We are in need of a few nurses to assist with Blood Pressure Screenings at the parish's Annual Block Party on Sunday, September 17, for 2-1/2 hours. If you are interested in helping to provide this service to our parishioners, please contact:

Maureen Ivers Bolduc, mibolduc1@gmail.com
Jean Boyle, boylejmb3@gmail.com

Jesus & Me Story Time

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For more information contact Adriana DeCandia
thedomesticchurch61@gmail.com



FALL FOOD DRIVE DATES ANNOUNCED

SEPT. 16 | OCT. 14 | NOV. 4 | DEC. 9

All food drives are Saturdays, 9AM-12NN,
drive thru drop off in the school building driveway.

These Food Drives support: Fr. English Food Pantry, Social Services Association, Ridgecrest Senior Living and Healing Meals (fresh produce/food items). Your generosity is greatly appreciated by those served.

Our frozen casserole collection will resume in September. Pans and recipes will be available the weekend before.

Questions may be directed to **Glen McCall**
gmccall@olmcridgewood.com

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

MOMs (Ministry of Motherhood) Babysitter Needed

Select Wednesday Mornings—9:00AM-11:30AM
Beginning—Wednesday, September 13 (Kickoff Mtg)
Protecting God's Children Certification Required
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If interested, contact Patti Roche in the Rectory.
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If you are a rising 9th grade student and have not yet registered for the Confirmation Program, please do so NOW.

ATTENTION TEENS IN THE CLASSES OF 2024, 2025 & 2026

Are you missing one or more of the Sacraments of Initiation?

If you are of high school age and have not received your Baptism, First Eucharist and/or Confirmation and would like to do so, please contact Glen McCall, Director of Youth Ministry.

For all of the above, contact:
Glen McCall, Director of Youth Ministry
201.444.9302 or gmccall@olmcridgewood.com

THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR INNER-CITY CHILDREN EXCLUSIVE ACCESS GOLF OUTING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2023

CANOE BROOK COUNTRY CLUB, SUMMIT NJ

(Played on the South Course This Year)

This golf outing raises funds to support The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children (SFIC) which provides partial tuition assistance to economically disadvantaged children so they may attend private and parochial schools within the Archdiocese of Newark.

To register, and/or inquire about sponsorship opportunities, contact Daisy España

daisy.espana@rcan.org, 973.497.4581

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SCHEDULED ADORER URGENTLY NEEDED

SUNDAYS: 4-5AM, 3-4PM

Consider signing up as a Substitute Adorer.
No pressure. If you're not available... you're not available.
Contact Cynthia Torres
551.574.1063; cynthiabtorres@yahoo.com

Annual POT LUCK Barbeque!

**Scheduled Adorers, Substitutes,
and All Visitors of the Blessed Sacrament... & Family!**

JOIN US FOR A
BAR-B-Q **Saturday, September 9, 2023**
(the Saturday following Labor Day)
Beginning 3:00PM

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618 Bartell Place, Ridgewood
Bring something to share! BYOB!
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Salmon, Hamburgers & Hot Dogs will be provided.
Text Cynthia for more information: 551.574.1063

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**BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM
BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER**

We are offering a Bereavement program beginning the week of September 25th supporting anyone who has recently experienced the loss of a loved one. The groups meet once a week for 8 consecutive weeks. Separate groups, run by trained and compassionate facilitators, will be offered for spousal loss as well as the loss of other loved ones; e.g., parent, sibling, cousin or friend.

Morning Spousal Meets: 10AM-11:30AM

Evening Spousal Meets: 7:30PM-9:00PM

General Loss: 7:30PM-9:00PM

**Program is available at no cost.
Registration is required.**

For more information & registration, please call 201.327.1313 x872. All calls are confidential.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun. Aug. 27	4:00PM	Spanish Apostolate (Library)
Mon. Aug. 28	7:30PM	Summer Scripture Reflection (MR)
Tues. Aug. 29	7:30PM	Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)
Wed. Aug. 30	7:30PM	Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)
Sat. Sept. 2	6:00PM	Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)
	7:30PM	Young Catholic Professionals (Lib)

**Katie Dougherty Memorial
3RD ANNUAL FUNDRAISING EVENT
American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023 | 2PM-6PM**

American Legion, 33 W. Passaic St., Rochelle Park NJ

Live Music Event * Raffles * 50/50

Admission: \$25 cash or check

To make an additional donation, please visit

<https://supporting.afsp.org/campaign/Kaitlyn-Mary-Rose-Memorial>

*Please join us for the third annual fundraiser for AFSP, in memory of our daughter, Katie. Thank you for your support.
The Dougherty Family*

SUPPORT FOR MAUI WILDFIRE RELIEF

Anyone desiring to support the relief effort in Maui may do so through Catholic Charities in one of two ways:

- ♦ Go to—www.catholiccharitieshawaii.org
- ♦ Check, payable to OLMC with Maui on the memo line, and placed in the boxes at the doors of the church

**Any questions can be directed to Fr. Tim Graff:
Rev.Timothy.Graff@rcan.org**

Young Catholic Professionals (YCP) North NJ

Executive Speaker Series

Thursday, September 21—7PM-9PM

Morris Catholic High School—Denville, NJ

Speaker: Cristofer Pereya, CEO, Tepeyac Leadership

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

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



TODAY'S READINGS

Monday, Aug. 28 *Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*
 + 6:30AM **Michael Gallagher**
 req The O'Keefe Family
 + 8:30AM **Thomas S. Bollhofer**
 req Mary Bollhofer & Family
 +12:00NN **Andrew Wayne Dean**
 req Louise Haner

Tuesday, Aug. 29 *The Passion of Saint John the Baptist*
 + 6:30AM **Christopher Picinic**
 req Emmanuel & Danielle Tarabokija
 + 8:30AM **Terry Carroll**
 req His wife, Ellin
 +12:00NN **Francine Barone**
 req Jonathan & Carolyn Cottrell

Wednesday, Aug. 30
 + 6:30AM **Malcolm McClure**
 req The McClure Family
 + 8:30AM **Margaret & Stan Gordon**
 req Patricia & David Hughes
 +12:00NN **Marion Virginia Patrick**
 req Jose & Adela Vazquez

Thursday, Aug. 31
 + 6:30AM **Christopher Picinic**
 req Anthony & Tracy Tarabocchia
 + 8:30AM **James & Veronica Ward**
 req The Orzetti Family
 +12:00NN **Manuel Melanio Rodriguez & Marina Henao**
 req Their Family

Friday, Sept. 1 *World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation*
 + 6:30AM **Alexander Mushinske**
 req Larry Mushinske
 + 8:30AM **John Papsun**
 req Kent Papsun
 12:00NN **Special Intention of the Angeles Dominguez Family**
 req Maria

Saturday, Sept. 2
 + 8:30AM **Lucia & Herbert Engel**
 req Patricia & Richard Engel
 + 5:30PM **The Guinchard Family**
 req Claude & Mary Jo Guinchard

Sunday, Sept. 3 *Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 + 8:00AM **Denise Torelli & Lou Donello**
 req Anthony Biundo
 9:30AM **For the People of the Parish**
 +11:00AM **Mary Marcasciano**
 req Jack Marcasciano
 +12:30PM **Michael Guerriero**
 req Patricia Gorman
 + 3:00PM **Luz Elena Restrepo**
 req The Delgado Family
 + 6:30PM **John Richard Ponsetto**
 req Magdalen Cooney

1. Isaiah 22:19-23

The master of the palace would be akin to the presidential "chief of staff," deciding who has access to the king, an office symbolized by an oversized key, worn on the shoulder. As bearer and keeper of the key, Shebna's authority would be unequalled. Through Isaiah, God promises he will bring down Shebna and replace him with another (Eliakim), who will be faithful, advising the king to find security in His God and not in military hardware and foreign alliances.

2. Romans 11:33-36

Paul has been lamenting his people's rejection of Jesus as Messiah. And yet he expresses his faith and trust in God's plan, inscrutable as it may be, that God remains faithful to His promise to the Chosen People. Deeper yet is Paul's trust in God's relentless love. Accordingly, he expresses his praise for God Who is capable of making all things work together for good, according to His plan.

3. Matthew 16:13-20

When asked directly by Jesus who the disciples believe He is, Peter immediately responds with a profession of faith, Messiah and Son of God. Though it may have been a post-resurrection acknowledgement, Matthew inserts it into the Marcan account as a sign of Peter's special role in establishing the church. Blessed by God with this revelation, Peter is to be the foundation of the community Jesus has come to establish, and the guarantor of its secure existence in perpetuity. With the giving of the keys, he will be the interpreter of God's will in opening the doors to eternal life through the teaching of Jesus.

REFLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK

1. "Who do you say I am?" Jesus asks His disciples. How would you answer?
2. How would you present your answer to someone who knew nothing about Jesus?
3. Do you accept that the Church, in today's Gospel text, is the interpreter of the "mind of God"? Why? Why not?

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS (always subject to change)

Sat.	9/2	5:30PM	Fr. Frank
Sun.	9/3	8:00AM	Fr. Anthony
		9:30AM	Fr. Felix
		11:00AM	Fr. Felix
		12:30PM	Fr. Frank
		3:00PM	Fr. Anthony
		6:30PM	Fr. Frank

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



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