



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2022

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“That the dead will rise even Moses made known in the passage about the bush, when he called out ‘Lord,’ the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob; and he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive.” - Lk 20:37-38

The Mission of our parish is to serve our neighbors with Jesus, to pray in faith with Jesus, and to evangelize with Jesus, so “that all may have more abundant life.” (John 10:10). The Word of God, the Sacraments, and the Catechism of the Catholic Church are the instruments and standards of this work of evangelization and faith formation.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

5:00pm Gerlando, Angelo, Giuseppina & Maria Graci,
Carlo Bucich, Catalina & Vicente Paparo,
Manuel Butiong & Ana Limon

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

(Thirty—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:00am John Pham
9:00am Defunti della Comunita Italiana
9:30am The Living & Deceased Members of
Our Parish's Rosary Society
11:00am Marie Bradley
12:30pm Genaro Castro, Maria Palaguachi & Wilson
Muyulema y Por Sanacion de Pablo Vazquez
Palomino y Joel & Enrique Palomino
5:00pm For the people of our parish

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7

8:00am Madonna Immordino Faraci
12:00pm Michael G. McCullagh

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

8:00am Raffaele & Sabbia Carullo and Family
12:00pm Goffredo Barretta

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

(The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica)

8:00am Mario Carullo
12:00pm Mary Gadry

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10 (Saint Leo the Great)

8:00am All Saints
12:00pm Anna Bertolotti

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11 (Saint Martin of Tours)

9:00am In Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 (Saint Josephat)

8:00am Carol Johansson
5:00pm Lena & John Perno, Thomas McCullagh,
Nicky Van Decker, Joseph Bloomer,
Maria Augusta Goncalves & Gracia Goncalves

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

(Thirty—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:00am Jean Sabidong
9:00am Defunti Terzo Ordine Francescano
9:30am Vito Antonio Chiechi & Anna DeCesare
11:00am Franco & Marvic Comunale
(Wedding Anniversary)
12:30pm Gilberto Hinstroza Perlaza,
Miguel & Cristina Avila,
Dolores Matos de Contreras (10 Aniversario),
Eusebio Contreras (7 Aniversario),
Santiago Carpy & Elena Matos,
Por las Benditas Animas del Purgatorio
5:00pm For the people of our parish

MEMORIAL GIFTS THIS WEEK

The Altar Candles are being offered for
Gaspere Barretta, requested by Nicoletta & Ralph
Del Greco.



WE GIVE *because*
GOD GAVE FIRST

YOUR WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

Last weekend's collection: \$6,154

Same weekend last year: \$4,602

(These amounts do not include donations through Faith Direct)

Faith Direct 2021: \$5,962

Faith Direct 2022: \$6,420

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 PM (Vigil Mass)
Sunday	Upper Church: 8:00 AM (English) 9:30 AM (Bi-lingual) 11:00 AM (English) 12:30 PM (Spanish) 3:00 PM (Vietnamese) 5:00 PM (English) Lower Church: 9:00 AM (Italian) 10:30 AM (Czech-Slovak)
Weekdays	8:00 AM and 12:00 Noon
Saturday	8:00 AM
First Fridays	7:30 PM (Spanish)
Holy Days	8:00 AM, 12 PM (English) and 7:30 PM (Bilingual)
Holidays	Only one Mass at 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:30pm—4:30pm (lower church)

CHURCH HOURS:

Weekday: 7:00am—7:00pm

Weekend: 7:00am—6:00pm

OFFICE HOURS

Weekday:

9:00am—12:00 Noon & 1:00pm—8:30pm

Saturday:

9:00am—12:00 Noon

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TEXT-TO-GIVE

Another way to securely make a gift to our parish is by texting a dollar amount to **(929) 254-3850**. You will be prompted to complete a one-time registration providing your billing and contact information. After this registration, you can give any time by texting a dollar amount to the phone number above.



"FALL" INTO E-GIVING

The Fall season is a great time to streamline your stewardship. You may be aware that there is a great way of supporting our parish through "e-Giving" called **Faith Direct Service**. It is a convenient, cost-effective, efficient and secure way to make your weekly donations. To the 75 registered families of our parish who are already using Faith Direct, THANK YOU! We would like to encourage everyone else to consider using this wonderful service. You will be amazed by how easy and convenient it is.

Signing up will only take a minute, but it will save you a lot of valuable time every week. By using Faith Direct, you will also help our parish to go "green" by eliminating the many wasteful envelopes that go unused. Your recurring gifts will ensure that the ministries you care about are supported throughout the year, even when you need to be absent from a Sunday Mass. Faith Direct is a "win-win" FREE service for all of us.

Choose ANY of the following ways to sign up:

- Visit faith.direct/NY370
- Call Faith Direct Customer Service at **866-507-8757**
- Text "Enroll" to **(929) 254-3850**

SECOND COLLECTIONS


November 6, 2022— There will be a second collection after Communion for the Archdiocese for the Military Services. This collection benefit all those who serve in all the six branches of the US Armed Forces, Veterans and their families so that they are able to seek sacramental preparation for Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Penance, and marriage as they defend our rights of freedom, speech, and face constant transition and uncertainty. Envelopes for this collection are available by the doors of the church in the pamphlet racks. Thank you.

November 13, 2022—There will be a second collection after communion for our Parish Maintenance. Your generosity enables us to maintain our parish spaces and buildings in good condition for your use. Thank you.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

As of October 31, 2022, 197 of our parishioners have pledged \$70,052 towards our goal of \$67,815. \$64,750 have been collected so far. If you are still considering your donation, please complete a donation envelope by the entrances of the church and or Text **DONATE** to **917-336-1255** today.

*A parte del 31 de octubre, 2022, 197 de nuestros feligreses han prometido \$70,052 hacia nuestra meta de \$67,815. \$64,750 han sido colectados hasta ahora. Si todavía no han hecho su compromiso, complete un sobre de donación por las entradas de la iglesia o envíe hoy un mensaje de texto con la palabra **DONATE** al **917-336-1255**.*



Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

This Tuesday, November 8th is Election Day. I encourage you to vote.

In this country we enjoy freedom at the voting booth to choose those who serve us in government, a freedom that most people in the world do not have. It is both a privilege and a civic duty to participate in the election of our government officials, those who will govern us and define the course of history for us and our future generations. The right to vote gives a significant testimony to our democratic process. The winner may not end up being the candidate of your choice, but the fact that everyone who is eligible may participate in the election guarantees that everyone's voice is heard, and that their views and beliefs matter.

It is not the praxis of our Church to tell you for whom you should cast your ballot. Nor is it the business of your priests. However, it is our praxis to urge you to exercise responsible citizenship by making your choice at the poll. As a Catholic, it is essential that you educate yourself on the issues that are critical to our nation and weigh them against our Catholic teachings in order to make an informed decision. Participation in the electoral process is an obligation of good citizenship, and the Church instructs us to be good citizens.

As the Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "as far as possible, citizens should take an active part in public life" (no. 1913). This teaching is found in the section on the common good which concerns the lives of all people. It goes on further to say that "Co-responsibility for the common good makes it morally obligatory to exercise the right to vote" (no. 2240). This teaching is found in the section concerning the duties of citizens. Both of these teachings of the Church are included in Part III of the Catechism, which is titled "Life In Christ," a theological presentation about what it means to be incorporated into Christ and to follow Him. In other words, for a Catholic, civic duties, such as voting, flow from both our baptismal identity and faith in Christ.

The Church in the United States makes available a guide to assist us in understanding the variety of issues that concern the common good of the nation. "The Challenge of Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship" is a document promulgated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. It examines these issues from the perspective of our Catholic faith and is designed to assist a voter to make informed choices. The guide is available at www.faithfulcitizenship.org. Other useful resources are available through the New York Conference of Catholic Bishops at <https://www.nyscatholic.org>. These sources offer sound faith-filled advice for Catholic voters.

The role of the laity in public life is clear. Voting on Election Day, November 8 is one way to exercise that role. As people of faith, all Catholics must be concerned about who represents us in government and about public policies which affect our lives and the lives of many throughout the world. So dear brothers and sisters, I urge you, don't stay home on Election Day! Be a good Catholic and VOTE. If anyone is unsure about who to vote for in this election, I invite you to pray to the Holy Spirit and create a space within your heart and your mind for Him to operate. My golden rule is to follow the motto that I have chosen for my own priestly life and ministry: "Let thy will be done, and not mine!" (Mt: 42). In the end, it really does not matter what I like or want, but what God wants for His people and for the world that He has created. And what God wants is quite clear through the lens of our faith: "I came so that you may have life, and have it abundantly" (Jn 10: 1-10).

My personal vote, therefore, will be cast in light of my own recognition of the value of life and the dignity of all human life. I pray that you will find this exercise of your freedom on Tuesday, November 8, a meaningful and empowering experience as both a citizen and a faithful Catholic.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Msgr. Cuong M. Pham



Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo,

Este martes 8 de noviembre es el día de las elecciones. Los animo a votar.

En este país, disfrutamos de libertad de elegir a quienes nos sirven en el gobierno, una libertad que la mayoría de las personas en el mundo no tienen. Es tanto un privilegio como un deber cívico participar en la elección de nuestros funcionarios de gobierno, aquellos que nos gobernarán y definirán el curso de la historia para nosotros y nuestras futuras generaciones. El derecho al voto da un testimonio significativo de nuestro proceso democrático. Es posible que el ganador no termine siendo el candidato de su elección, pero el hecho de que todas las personas elegibles puedan participar en la elección garantiza que se escuche la voz de todos y que sus puntos de vista y creencias sean importantes.

No es praxis de nuestra Iglesia decirles por quién deberían votar. Ni es asunto de nosotros los sacerdotes. Sin embargo, es nuestra praxis exhortarlo a ejercer una ciudadanía responsable haciendo su elección. Como Católico, es esencial que se eduque sobre los temas que son críticos para nuestra nación y los compare con nuestras enseñanzas católicas para tomar una decisión informada. La participación en el proceso electoral es una obligación de un buen ciudadano, y la Iglesia nos instruye a ser buenos ciudadanos.

Como dice el Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, “en la medida de lo posible, los ciudadanos deben participar activamente en la vida pública” (n. 1913). Esta enseñanza se encuentra en la sección sobre el bien común que se refiere a la vida de todas las personas. Continúa diciendo que “La co-responsabilidad por el bien común hace moralmente obligatorio el ejercicio del derecho de voto” (n. 2240). Esta enseñanza se encuentra en la sección relativa a los deberes de los ciudadanos. Ambas enseñanzas de la Iglesia están incluidas en la Parte III del Catecismo, que se titula “La vida en Cristo”, una presentación teológica sobre lo que significa incorporarse a Cristo y seguirlo. En otras palabras, para un Católico, los deberes cívicos, como votar, fluyen tanto de nuestra identidad bautismal como de nuestra fe en Cristo.

La Iglesia en los Estados Unidos pone a disposición una guía para ayudarnos a comprender la variedad de temas que conciernen al bien común de la nación. “El Desafío de Formar Conciencias para Ciudadanos Fieles” es un documento promulgado por la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos. Examina estos temas desde la perspectiva de nuestra fe católica y está diseñado para ayudar al votante a tomar decisiones informadas. La guía está disponible en www.faithfulcitizenship.org. Otros recursos útiles están disponibles a través de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de Nueva York en <https://www.nycatholic.org>. Estas fuentes ofrecen buenos consejos llenos de fe para los votantes Católicos.

El papel de los laicos en la vida pública es claro. Votar el día de las elecciones, el 8 de noviembre, es una forma de ejercer ese papel. Como personas de fe, todos los Católicos deben preocuparse por quién nos representa en el gobierno y por las políticas públicas que afectan nuestras vidas y las vidas de muchos en todo el mundo. Entonces, queridos hermanos y hermanas, les insto a que no se queden en casa el día de las elecciones. Sea un buen Católico y VOTE. Si alguien no está seguro de por quién votar en esta elección, lo invito a orar al Espíritu Santo y crear un espacio dentro de su corazón y su mente para que Él opere. Mi regla de oro es seguir el lema que he elegido para mi propia vida y ministerio sacerdotal: “¡Hágase tu voluntad y no la mía!” (Mt: 42). Al final, realmente no importa lo que me gusta o quiero, sino lo que Dios quiere para Su pueblo y para el mundo que Él ha creado. Y lo que Dios quiere está muy claro a través de la lente de nuestra fe: “He venido para que tengáis vida, y la tengáis en abundancia” (Jn 10, 1-10).

Mi voto personal, por lo tanto, se emitirá a la luz de mi propio reconocimiento del valor de la vida y la dignidad de toda vida humana. Oro para que encuentre este ejercicio de su libertad el martes 8 de noviembre, una experiencia significativa y fortalecedora tanto como ciudadano como Católico fiel.

Sinceramente suyo en Cristo,
Mons. Cuong M. Pham

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, November 6

9:00am—1:00pm	Rosary Society	Lourdes A/B
10:00am—3:00pm	CYO	Gym
10:00am—1:00pm	Czech Community	Guadalupe A
10:00am—12:00pm	Spanish RCIA	Fatima+ Upper Room
10:30am—12:30pm	Cursillo	Guadalupe B
3:00pm—5:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Nazareth
4:00pm—8:30pm	San Diego Alcalá	Guadalupe B

Monday, November 7

7:00am—9:00pm	TYWLS	Gym
6:30pm—8:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima

Tuesday, November 8

7:00am—9:00pm	TYWLS	Gym
3:30pm—6:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima
5:30pm—6:45pm	Mariachi School	Balcony Rooms
6:00pm—9:00pm	Marriage Encounter	Guadalupe+ Fatima
6:00pm—7:00pm	Spanish Baptism Instruction	Lourdes A/B
7:00pm—9:00pm	Coro #1	Nazareth
7:30pm—9:30pm	Parish Pastoral Council	Lourdes A/B

Wednesday, November 9

7:00am—4:00pm	TYWLS	Gym
4:30pm—7:30pm	Religious Education	All Rooms
7:30pm—9:30pm	CYO	Gym
7:30pm—9:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Lourdes B

Thursday, November 10

7:00am—5:00pm	TYWLS	Gym
10:00am—11:30am	Legion of Mary	Guadalupe A/B
6:00pm—7:30pm	Religious Education	All Rooms
7:30pm—9:30pm	CYO	Gym
7:30pm—9:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Guadalupe B

Friday, November 11

10:00am—11:30am	Porque Ser Catolico?	Lourdes A/B
7:30pm—9:00pm	English RCIA	Fatima
7:30pm—9:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Guadalupe A

Saturday, November 12

9:00am—12:30pm	AA Meeting	Guadalupe A/B
10:00am—4:00pm	Virgen de La Nube	Gym
10:00am—12:00pm	Spanish Children's Choir	Upper Room
10:00am—1:00pm	Saturday Lessons in Faith	Lourdes A/B
2:30pm—4:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima
5:00pm—9:00pm	Set Up	Guadalupe A/B
5:00pm—7:00pm	Ministerio de Consolacion	Nazareth
6:30pm—8:30pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima
7:00pm—9:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Lourdes A+ Nazareth

Sunday, November 13

8:00am—11:30am	Italian Community	Lourdes A/B
10:00am—1:00pm	Czech Community	Nazareth
10:00am—12:00pm	Spanish RCIA	Upper Room+ Fatima
10:30am—12:30pm	Cursillo	Gym
1:00pm—9:00pm	Sr. Anne 25th Anniversary	Guadalupe A/B
3:00pm—5:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Nazareth

2023 MASS BOOK OPENING— UPDATE

The 2023 Mass book will open Tuesday, December 6, 2022. Mass Intention Request sheets will be placed by the doors of the church the weekend of December 3 & 4, 2022. Mass requests will not be accepted prior to November 15th.



ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

The Rosary Society meeting will take place today, November 6, 2022 after the 9:30am Bilingual Mass. All ladies over 15 years old are invited to come to the Institute and join us to pray the rosary. Refreshments will be served. Please bring a friend! For more information, call the parish office.



CAR DONATIONS BENEFITTING OUR PARISH

When you donate your car, our parish may be able to share in the profits. For every car, truck or van, **running or not**, the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will give back to our Church \$100/\$2000 per vehicle. Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor has an old or neglected vehicle that they would like to dispose of. Call the Association of Vincentian Charities at 718.491.2525 and mention the name of our parish.



CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you are an adult 18 years and older who has not received the Sacraments of Baptism, Communion and/or Confirmation, we invite you to consider preparing yourself to receive these very important spiritual gifts.

We have now begun classes for adults. Participants meet with our Deacon and a dedicated team of instructors once a week for an hour. The Sacraments will be conferred next year on Easter or Pentecost during a Solemn Mass.

Please call the parish office to learn how you can participate in our RCIA program. If you know anyone who may benefit from this program, please encourage them to call or speak to one of our priests or Deacon Jacob Rodriguez at the parish office.

PARISH REGISTRATION

We encourage all who worship with us to consider joining our parish officially. Registering will enable our parish to serve your spiritual needs better. Please return this form in the collection or drop it off at the parish office. Your active participation will strengthen your faith and your sense of belonging in God's family.

Registrarse oficialmente permitirá que nuestra parroquia les pueda servir sus necesidades espirituales mejor. Por favor devuelva este formulario en la colecta o déjelo en la oficina parroquial. Su participación activa fortalecerá su fe y su sentido de pertenencia en la familia de Dios.

Last Name/APELLIDO: _____

First Name/NOMBRE: _____

Spouse/Espos(a): _____

Address/Dirección: _____

_____ ZIP _____

Telephone/Telefono: _____

E-mail/Correo electrónico: _____

PLEASE CHECK/ MARQUE SUS OPCIONES

New Registration **Change of Name/Address**

I prefer envelopes **I prefer E-giving**

VETERANS' DAY OFFICE CLOSING & MASSES

WE WILL BE CLOSED ON VETERANS DAY



The Rectory office will be closed on Friday, November 11, 2022 in Observance of Veterans' Day. There will be only one Mass offered in the Upper Church at 9:00am. The office will re-open on Saturday, November 12, 2022 9:00am.

La oficina parroquial estara cerrada el viernes, 11 de noviembre, 2022 en honor del Dia de los Veteranos. Habra solo una Misa en Ingles ofrecida en la Iglesia de Arriba a las 9:00am. La oficina volvera abrir el 12 de noviembre, 2022 a las 9:00am.

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

Remembering our deceased loved ones by having them prayed for at Mass on every first Friday of the month — the day traditionally dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, is a meaningful way to express our love. Enrollment is \$10 per name. Those enrolled the Purgatorial Society will be remembered for a whole year. We have just enrolled Guadalupe Rodriguez, Margaret Depoli, Carmen Arbuthnott, Vinicio Rafael Alvarez, Meri Bozicevic & Steve Gilbertz.

PRAYING FOR THE SICK

Would you like the parish community to pray for your loved ones who are sick or suffering in our daily Mass? You may enroll their names in our Prayer List by calling the office. This is a meaningful way to comfort and console those who are most in need of healing and peace through the power of prayer.

VOCATION DISCERNMENT OPPORTUNITY

"May the Lord direct your hearts to the Love of God." Are you being called to love the Lord with an undivided heart as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Diocesan Vocation Office at 718.827.2454 or email vocations@diobrook.org.



GIVING THE GIFT OF HEALING

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? The pain & sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. A "Day of Prayer & Healing" offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. For upcoming dates, locations, and confidential registration, or just to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at 866.575.0075 or reach them by email at hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org.

Can't find an available Mass Intention? Consider donating a memorial gift of Altar Flowers, Bread & Wine, Candles or Sanctuary Lamp for a loved one, for both living or deceased. Please call the parish office for more information.



INFANT BAPTISM/BAUTISMO

Preparation Meeting
Tuesday—7:00pm—Institute

November 22, 2022

NO ENGLISH BAPTISMS IN DECEMBER

Baptism Ceremony
Sunday—2:00pm—Church

November 27, 2022

FECHAS DE BAUTISMOS EN ESPAÑOL

Reunión de Preparación
Martes—6:00pm—Instituto

6 de Diciembre, 2022

Ceremonia de Bautismo
Dom.—2:00pm—Iglesia

11 de Diciembre, 2022

Please Note: Beginning January 2023, all Baptisms will be celebrated on Saturdays & both English & Spanish Classes will be at 6:00pm. The schedule will be printed in the Bulletin as always. For more information please call the office.

Sunnyside Community Services

Improve your English, Youth Programs, Elderly Care—
Contact 718.784.6173 or email info@scsny.org

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Martin of Tours was born a pagan in what is now Hungary around 316, but he was raised in Italy where his father, a tribune, was posted. At 15 he was compelled to serve in the Roman military, though he was already a catechumen. There is a popular legend that while on campaign the saint cut his cloak in half to share with a cold beggar. That night he dreamed of Jesus and his cloak was restored. He was baptized at 18. Only two years after his baptism, he was released from the military, he had refused his battle pay and to fight saying he was a soldier for Christ. He is the first recognized conscientious objector.

After his release from the military, he became a disciple of Hilary of Poitiers. He worked diligently against the Arian heresy, which denies the divinity of Jesus Christ, and established a community of hermits near Poitiers in 361, the first French monastery.

In 371 he reluctantly became bishop of Tours. Nearby, he founded a second monastery, Marmoutier, because he preferred the life of a monk he retreated often. In 384 there was a popular heresy infecting the Church in Spain, led by the bishop Priscillian and his followers. The emperor Magnus Maximus became involved, ordering the execution of the heretics. Saint Martin opposed the executions and protested the emperor's involvement in Church matters. Unfortunately, the Priscillians were executed anyway.

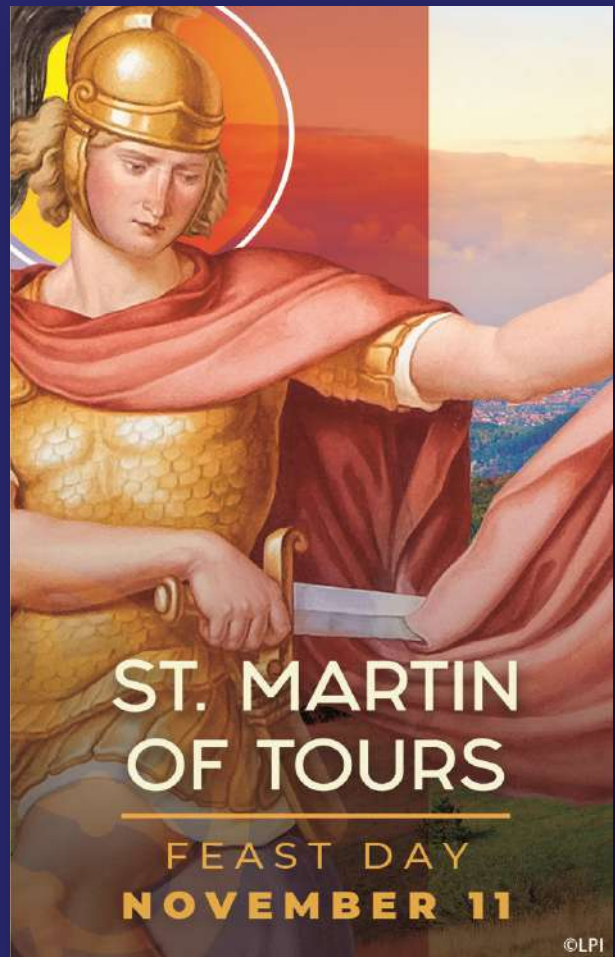
Saint Martin died in Candes-Saint-Martin, Gaul in 397. He is notably one of the first saints who was not martyred. He is the patron saint of France.

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Spiritual writers speak of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament as “the Mass held in contemplation.” As a way of encouraging devotion to the Eucharist, we invite all parishioners to come and spend some time before the Real Presence of the Lord on **Friday, December 2, 2022**. Exposition and Adoration will take place right after the 8:00am Mass and will conclude with Solemn Benediction before the start of the 12 Noon Mass.

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Knights of Columbus will host a Sweater Drive during the weekend of November 12 & 13 in support of the Charity & Benevolent Drive who gives these items to the less fortunate in our community. Sweaters donated can be placed by the entrance of the upper church or in the greenhouse. They will be collected after the 5:00pm Mass that Sunday.



SANANDO DESPUES DEL ABORTO

Conoces a alguien que lleve el sufrimiento del aborto? Siempre hay esperanza. El dolor y la pena del aborto no necesitan perdurar para toda la vida. Un "día de Oración y Sanación" ofrece la oportunidad para experimentar el amor y la misericordia de Dios y para responder a Su invitación de empezar el camino de sanar la herida del aborto. Para saber sobre las próximas fechas, ubicaciones, y registro confidencial a las Hermanas de Vida al 866.575.0075.

MEMORIALES SEMANALES



Si no encuentra una Intención disponible, por favor considere tomar uno de nuestros memoriales semanales como las Velas del Altar, la Lámpara del Santuario, el Vino y el Pan o dedique unas Flores para la Iglesia. Llame a la oficina parroquial para mas información.

DISCERNIMIENTO VOCACIONAL

"Que el Señor dirija nuestros corazones al amor de Dios." Le están llamando a amar al Señor con un corazón integro como Sacerdote, Diacono, o en una vida consagrada? Póngase en contacto con la Oficina de Vocaciones de la diócesis al 718.827.2454 o correo electrónico: vocations@diobrook.org.



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El libro para reservar sus intenciones de misa se abrirá el **martes 6 de diciembre, 2022**. Los formularios estarán disponibles por las entradas de la Iglesia el fin de semana del **3-4 de diciembre**. No se aceptaran formularios antes del **15 de noviembre**. Recuerde que el libro se **llena rápidamente; no espere al ultimo momento para reservar sus misas para el año que viene**.

PROXIMAS SEGUNDA COLECTAS

6 de Noviembre— Habrá una segunda colecta después de la comunión para la Archidiócesis de los Servicios Militares. Esta colecta beneficia a todos los que sirven en las 6 ramas de las Fuerzas Armadas, veteranos y sus familias para buscar preparación sacramental para Bautizo, Comunión, Confirmación y Matrimonio mientras que defienden nuestros derechos de libertad. Los sobre para esta colecta están disponibles por las entradas de la iglesia. Gracias por su generosidad.

13 de noviembre— Habrá una segunda colecta después de la comunión para nuestro mantenimiento parroquial. Su generosidad nos permite mantener los espacios y edificios en buena condición para su uso. Gracias.

ADULTOS— RITO DE INICIACION

Si usted es un adulto mayor de 18 años que no ha recibido los Sacramentos del Bautismo, Comunión o Confirmación, lo invitamos a considerar prepararse para recibir estos dones espirituales.

Ya hemos comenzado las clases de adultos. Los participantes se reúnen con nuestro diácono y un equipo dedicado de instructores una vez a la semana durante una hora. Los Sacramentos serán conferidos el próximo año durante Semana Santa o Pentecostés aquí mismo en nuestra parroquia durante una Misa Solemne.

Si conoce a alguien que pueda beneficiarse de este programa, anímelo a llamar o hablar con uno de nuestros sacerdotes o con el Diacono Jacob Rodríguez en la oficina parroquial.



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GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Facing her 50th birthday and having recently been diagnosed with Type 2 Diabetes, Rebecca was at a crossroads. Realizing that she had neglected her health and fitness over the years and allowed herself to gain significant weight, she felt poorly about whom she had become. While it was easier to give in to temptation and the gratification received from food, her family needed her, and she desired a long life. She had an image of the person she could become. She wanted to be more trim, focused, disciplined, and healthy. She liked what she saw in her mind and set out on a journey to create it. With great effort, she succeeded and accomplished her goals. When we have a goal ahead of us, we are more apt to do whatever is necessary to get it.

Is heaven a goal you want to achieve? Our popular images and metaphors to describe heaven can leave some wondering if this is something they want for all eternity. Living like an angel, wearing white robes, meeting St. Peter, and reconnecting with loved ones, are all welcome notions to some extent. But do they really inspire and captivate us enough to want to change how we live our lives dramatically? Heaven's reality is more profound than any human image or idea can fathom. Even though we believe in a bodily resurrection, heaven is more about attaining union with God. To achieve heaven is to attain eternal happiness and fulfill all desires. How do we awaken within us an ardent and passionate desire for heaven?



St. Isaac of Ninevah counsels, "Enter eagerly into the treasure house that lies within you, and so you will see the treasure house of all the ages." heaven, for the two are one and the same, and there is but one single entry into them both. The ladder that leads to the kingdom is hidden from you and is found in your own soul. Dive into yourself and in your soul, you will discover the rungs by which to ascend." Our souls are made to be eternal. Once we discover our true selves and are captivated by the wonder of who we really are, we will unleash our unwavering desire for a lasting union with our Creator. Heaven is about who we are. "For seeing you, our God, as you are, we shall be like you for all the ages."

LIVE THE LITURGY

Every believer wonders about what the experience of heaven will be like. Popular images of people walking around in white robes, becoming like angels, and reunions with those who have gone before us all tickle human imagination. Jesus never got too specific about what heaven actually looks like. But he assures us that it exists and that all are alive in God. Clinging to the traditions of our faith, we persevere through life's challenges confident that God's promise of eternal life will come to be. We are told that we shall become like God and see God as He is. As God has made us, He also loves us and sustains us. Desiring to be with God above all other desires gives us the hope that when we close our eyes in death, we will fall into the arms of the One who will gently bring us where we need to be. Knowing ahead of time what we find when we arrive changes little.

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



THE GOD OF THE LIVING

"Sic transit gloria mundi," is what they used to say at papal coronations. "So passes earthly glory." Everything is fleeting. Nothing is here to stay. But in reality, some things are forever. Our actions on earth do have the potential to reverberate in eternity.

Everyday Stewardship is a lifestyle that embraces what will last. It is being aware of how our choices and our actions can be received by God, and through His grace, amplified to showcase His glory.

Your great-grandparents were married for 60 years. Maybe they shared the greatest love anyone in your family has ever seen, and maybe they raised up a whole family of kids. But they've been gone for a generation now, and no one living remembers the softness in their eyes when they looked at each other. And to read today's Gospel, you might even get the impression that their marriage was

nothing more than an earthly whim. Gone. Fleeting. Temporal.

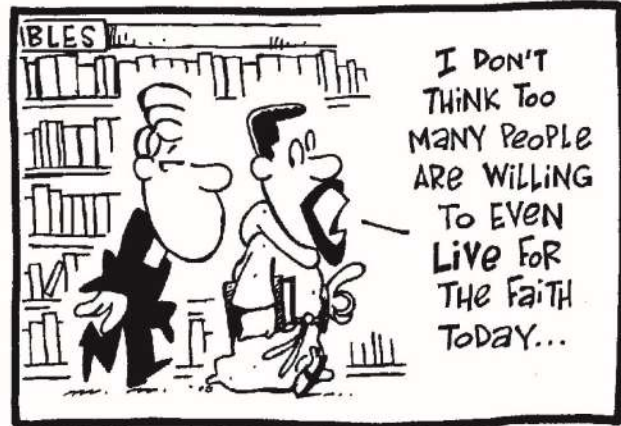
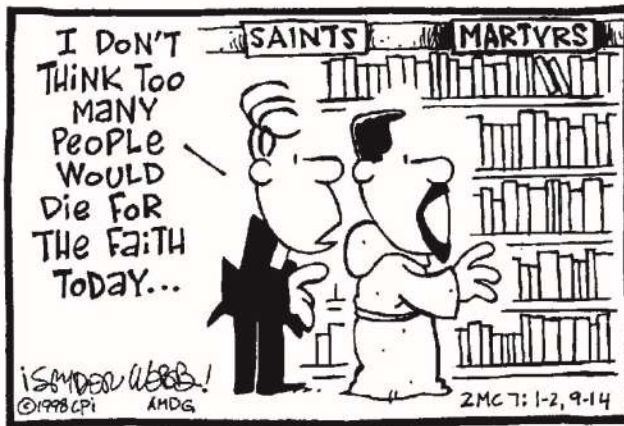
This week's readings invite us to contemplate the question: what exactly is immortal? What lasts beyond our earthly sojourn?

The seven brothers and their mothers whose martyrdom is told this weekend in Maccabees didn't die for the letter of the law, they died for the One who gave the law. In the same way, a marriage contract does not extend into eternity, but the fruits of sacrificial love will live forever.

Good works, devotion, gratitude, selflessness, graciousness, accountability - these are all of God. He is not God of the dead; He is God of the living and these are the things that last an eternity.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



NOVEMBER 9 IS THE FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA IN ROME. WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS FEAST?

Every diocese has a mother church, the bishop's cathedral where the diocesan church gathers and celebrates. The cathedral is the seat of the bishop's authority over the diocese. That authority is intended to be one of service to God's people, shepherding and guiding them in a truly pastoral mode.

The pope is first and foremost the Bishop of Rome, as well as the head of the Roman Catholic Church. St. John Lateran is his cathedral, and its prominence derives from that reality. St. John Lateran cathedral traces its origins to Emperor Constantine who converted a portion of the Laterani family palace into a church, and gave it to Pope Sylvester (314-335) as the papal church and residence; St. John refers to the two saints in whose honor the church is dedicated, John the Baptist and John the Evangelist. It became known as the cathedral of the pope, and its

facade's inscription refers to it as "the Mother and Head of all Churches, in the City and of the World." The universal celebration of this feast stresses the unity among Roman Catholics, as they unite themselves with the chair of Peter.

