

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

23-25 NEWTOWN AVENUE, ASTORIA, NY 11102

SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - Jn 3:16

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, JUNE 3 (*Saint Charles Lwanga*)

5:00pm Robert Lohman, Mary Fabian, William Takos,
Eustaquia Paguia

SUNDAY, JUNE 4 (*The Most Holy Trinity*)

8:00am Augusto & Zenaida Santos (*Living—Birthday*)
9:00am Patricia Largana
9:30am Living & Deceased Members of
Our Parish's Rosary Society
11:00am Delphine Bertolotti
12:30pm Fredesvinda Mena, Isabel Zamora,
Faustina Sandoval (*2^{do} Mes*), Ercilia Vidal,
Elena Amalia Almendro de Motta
3:00pm For the People of Our Parish

MONDAY, JUNE 5 (*Saint Boniface*)

8:00am Maddonna Immordino Faraci
12:00pm Pat, Pina & Nina Cruci

TUESDAY, JUNE 6 (*Saint Norbert*)

8:00am Lino Morales (Memorial Anniversary)
12:00pm Barbara Leto

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7

8:00am Mario Carullo
12:00pm Mosler Family

THURSDAY, JUNE 8

8:00am In Shik Min (Death Anniversary)
12:00pm Raffaella & Giuseppe D'Angelo

FRIDAY, JUNE 9 (*Saint Ephrem*)

8:00am Vincenzo & Giuseppina Barretta and Family
12:00pm Giuseppe Castellisi

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

8:00am Peter Suh (*Death Anniversary*)
5:00pm Living & Deceased Members of the
Camenzuli & Ragusa Families
Gerlando Graci, Audrey O'Donnell,
Michael Rozario (*Death Anniversary*),
Edward Cruz

SUNDAY, JUNE 11 (*The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ*)

8:00am Ahtziri Morales
9:00am Raffaele, Adele & Francesco Iocco
9:30am Miguel Carlos Fuentes
11:00am Rose & George Hasselberg Sr.,
William & George Hasselberg, Jr.,
Gloria Radoslovich
12:30pm Zoraida Camacho, Antonio Toribio Barrera,
Enrique Zhumi & Maria Elena Zhumi
3:00pm For the People of Our Parish

MEMORIAL GIFTS THIS WEEK



*The Altar Candles have been offered for
Ernesto de Guzman, by Helen de Guzman*



*The Sanctuary Lamp have been offered for
Josephine Ordoñez, by Helen de Guzman*



*The Altar Bread & Wine have been offered for
Carlos C. de Guzman, by Helen de Guzman*

SECOND COLLECTION

June 4, 2023— The Good Shepherds of Bethlehem is a group that supports the Catholic community in Bethlehem, The Holy Land. George and Katherine Awwad will be at our parish selling olive wood carvings made by the Catholic families after all masses. Please support this ministry.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 PM (Vigil Mass)
Sunday	Main Church: 8:00 AM (English) 9:30 AM (Bi-lingual) 11:00 AM (English) 12:30 PM (Spanish) 3:00 PM (Vietnamese) Chapel: 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 (Bi-lingual)
Holidays	Only one Mass at 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:30pm—4:30pm (Chapel)

CHURCH HOURS:

Weekday: 7:00am—7:00pm

Saturday: 7:00am—6:00pm

Sunday: 7:00am—4:00pm

OFFICE HOURS

Weekday:

9:00am—12:00 Noon

1:00pm—8:30pm

Saturday:

9:00am—12:00 Noon

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Welcome



WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

Does not Include Electronic Donations by Faith Direct, which will be reported monthly.

Last weekend's collection: \$4,995

Same weekend last year: \$4,686

Faith Direct:

May 2022: \$6,496

May 2023: \$6,779



Annual Catholic Appeal 2023

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

We would like to thank all those generous individuals who made a pledge to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal.

If you were not able to make a pledge, we are asking each family to consider making a tax-deductible gift today. It is important that our parish make its goal of \$67,815 in order to fulfill our mission and provide for all who depend on your generosity and good will. As of May 30, 2023 we have a total of 106 parishioners who have pledged a total of \$36,706 from which \$29,722 has been collected.

Give your support today on behalf of our parish online at annualcatholicappeal.org, scanning the QR code or texting "ACA" to 917-336-1255 or call 718-965-7375 ext. 1602 to have a pledge card mailed to your home.

Suggested giving amounts:

\$100 one-time gift

\$200 pledge = \$25 a month

\$350 pledge = \$10 a week

\$1,200 pledge = \$5 a day



REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED DECEASED

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 currently enrolled **Lucino Sanchez, Richard McGrade Jr, Sergio DeMesa, Adam & Lucy D'Souza, Jito & Bautise D'Souza, Pasquina D'Sa, Anthony D'Souza, Maria Hernandez.**

PRAYING FOR THE SICK

Prayer is one of the most powerful tools we have. It's a way for us to communicate with God and obtain His divine intervention. It can help sick people get well again and also gives us the strength in our own weakness and suffering. If you wish your loved ones who is sick to be prayed for at our daily Mass, kindly contact our parish office to place their names in our Prayer List. We are currently praying for **Sharon Newman.**

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Each June, the Church celebrates the Month of the Sacred Heart, honoring Jesus' Heart through liturgy, prayers, devotions, and acts of consecration. The Sacred Heart draws us into God's infinite love and urges us to manifest that love in our world. In today's challenging times, marked by the ongoing effects of the pandemic, violence, individualism, and threats to our faith, such devotion becomes even more crucial. The Sacred Heart symbolizes steadfast, faithful, and life-giving love - a love that transcends fleeting emotions and sentimentality.

The symbolism surrounding the Sacred Heart is profound and meaningful. The flames that envelop the Heart symbolize the glorious brilliance of Jesus' love, illuminating a world obscured by darkness and sin, and awaiting ignition through the fire of the Holy Spirit. Moreover, the crown of thorns encircling the bleeding and wounded Heart serves as a poignant reminder of Jesus' Heart pierced on the Cross (John 19:34). It also recalls the encounter between doubting Thomas and the Risen Lord who invited him to touch His wounds (John 20:24-29). Furthermore, it evokes the triumphant image of the slain yet victorious Lamb of God (Revelation 5:6). These vivid depictions reinforce the notion that Jesus' love is not merely an abstract concept, but a genuine and unwavering commitment, even in the face of suffering. They remind us, as baptized followers of Christ, of our mission to bring this extraordinary love into the world.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart became popularized when Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690), a Visitation nun, had a personal revelation between 1673 and 1675 involving a series of mystical visions of Christ as she prayed before the Blessed Sacrament. During her visions, the Lord revealed to her the mysteries of His Sacred Heart. Given our parish's close association with St. Margaret Mary, it is fitting that we wholeheartedly foster this devotion. I earnestly recommend that you follow St. Margaret Mary's example by dedicating time to silent adoration before the Eucharist, meditating on the Word of God, attending Holy Mass whenever possible, and displaying an image of the Sacred Heart in your home. Consider joining us for the solemn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament held on the first Friday of every month, both in the morning and evening.

I am happy to announce that a Solemn Mass in Honor of the Sacred Heart will take place on Friday, June 16 at our church in the evening, followed by festivities in the Institute. We are honored to welcome back His Excellency Paul R. Sanchez, a cherished former pastor, who will preside over this special occasion. I am also grateful that the Confraternity of the Sacred Heart, a devout and dedicated group within our Hispanic community, will sponsor this special event. Stay tuned for further details in the days ahead.

Pope Francis urged all Catholics to look to the Sacred Heart as a source of love and to bring it to the whole world: *"Today we begin the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, source of love and peace. Open yourselves to this love and take it 'to the ends of the earth,' witnessing to the goodness and mercy that flow from the Heart of Jesus"* (General Audience, June 1, 2022). Let us stay close to the Heart of Jesus and be transformed into devoted Christians, ignited with passion to make known His mercy to the vulnerable, the isolated, the sick, the suffering; those who are marginalized or rejected.

Sincerely yours in the Sacred Heart of Jesus,

Msgr. Cuong M. Pham



Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Cada junio, la Iglesia celebra el Mes del Sagrado Corazón, honrando el Corazón de Jesús a través de la liturgia, oraciones, devociones y actos de consagración. El Sagrado Corazón nos atrae hacia el infinito amor de Dios y nos insta a manifestar ese amor en nuestro mundo. En estos tiempos desafiantes, marcados por los efectos continuos de la pandemia, la violencia, el individualismo y las amenazas a nuestra fe, esta devoción se vuelve aún más crucial. El Sagrado Corazón simboliza un amor constante, fiel y vital, un amor que trasciende las emociones pasajeras y la sentimentalidad.

El simbolismo que rodea al Sagrado Corazón es profundo y significativo. Las llamas que envuelven el Corazón simbolizan el glorioso resplandor del amor de Jesús, iluminando un mundo oscurecido por la oscuridad y el pecado, esperando ser encendido por el fuego del Espíritu Santo. Además, la corona de espinas que rodea al Corazón herido y sangrante es un recordatorio conmovedor del Corazón de Jesús traspasado en la Cruz (*Juan 19:34*). También evoca el encuentro entre el incrédulo Tomás y el Señor Resucitado, quien lo invitó a tocar Sus heridas (*Juan 20:24-29*). Además, evoca la imagen triunfante del Cordero de Dios inmolado pero victorioso (*Apocalipsis 5:6*). Estas representaciones vívidas refuerzan la noción de que el amor de Jesús no es solo un concepto abstracto, sino un compromiso genuino e inquebrantable, incluso ante el sufrimiento. Nos recuerdan, como seguidores bautizados de Cristo, nuestra misión de llevar este amor extraordinario al mundo.

La devoción al Sagrado Corazón se popularizó cuando Santa Margarita María Alacoque (1647-1690), una monja de la Visitación, tuvo una revelación personal entre 1673 y 1675 que involucraba una serie de visiones místicas de Cristo mientras oraba ante el Santísimo Sacramento. Durante sus visiones, el Señor le reveló los misterios de Su Sagrado Corazón. Dada la estrecha asociación de nuestra parroquia con Santa Margarita María, es apropiado que fomentemos esta devoción de todo corazón. Recomiendo sinceramente que sigan el ejemplo de Santa Margarita María dedicando tiempo a la adoración silenciosa ante el Santísimo Sacramento, meditando en la Palabra de Dios, asistiendo a la Santa Misa siempre que sea posible y exhibiendo una imagen del Sagrado Corazón en sus hogares. Consideren unirse a nosotros en la solemne Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento que se lleva a cabo el primer viernes de cada mes, tanto por la mañana como por la noche.

Me complace anunciar que se llevará a cabo una Solemne Misa en Honor al Sagrado Corazón el viernes 16 de junio en nuestra iglesia por la tarde, seguida de una festividad en el salón parroquial. Nos honra dar la bienvenida a Su Excelencia Paul R. Sánchez, un querido ex-párroco, quien presidirá esta ocasión especial. También agradezco a la Hermandad del Sagrado Corazón, un grupo devoto y dedicado dentro de nuestra comunidad hispana, por patrocinar este evento especial. Estén atentos para más detalles en los próximos días.

El Papa Francisco instó a todos los Católicos a dirigirse al Sagrado Corazón como fuente de amor y llevarlo al mundo entero: *“Hoy comenzamos el mes dedicado al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, fuente de amor y paz. Ábranse a este amor y llévenlo hasta los confines de la tierra, testimoniando la bondad y misericordia que fluyen del Corazón de Jesús”* (*Audiencia General, 1 de junio de 2022*). Mantengámonos cerca del Corazón de Jesús y transformémonos en Cristianos devotos, encendidos con pasión para dar a conocer Su misericordia a los vulnerables, los aislados, los enfermos, los que sufren y aquellos que están marginados o rechazados.

Sinceramente suyo en el Sagrado Corazón de Jesús,
Monseñor Cuong M. Pham

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, June 4

9:00am—1:00pm	Rosary Society	Lourdes A/B
10:00am—2:00pm	Czech Community	Guadalupe A
10:30am—12:30pm	Cursillo	Guadalupe B
3:00pm—10:00pm	Mariachi Celebration	Gym
6:00pm—8:00pm	Vietnamese Community	Guadalupe A/B

Monday, June 5

5:00pm—9:30pm	CYO	Gym
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Tuesday, June 6

3:30pm—6:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima
5:00pm—9:30pm	CYO	Gym
5:30pm—6:45pm	Mariachi School	Balcony Rooms
6:00pm—7:00pm	Preparacion para Bautismo	Lourdes A/B
6:00pm—9:00pm	Marriage Encounter	Guadalupe+ Fatima
7:00pm—9:00pm	Coro #1	Nazareth

Thursday, June 8

10:00am—11:30am	Legion of Mary	Guadalupe B
7:30pm—8:30pm	Grupo de Amistad	Fatima

Friday, June 9

3:00pm—5:00pm	Czech Community	Guadalupe A/B
6:00pm—7:30pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima
6:30pm—8:30pm	Youth Meeting	Guadalupe A/B

Saturday, June 10

9:00am—1:00pm	AA Meeting	Guadalupe A/B
10:00am—12:00pm	Spanish Children's Choir	Fatima
4:00pm—9:00pm	Adult Sewing Group	Lourdes A/B
5:00pm—6:30pm	Ministerio de Consolacion	Nazareth
5:00pm—7:00pm	Bilingual Choir Practice	Guadalupe A/B
6:30pm—8:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima

INFANT BAPTISM/ BAUTISMOS

Preparation Meeting

Tuesday—6:00pm—Institute

June 20, 2023
July 18, 2023
August 22, 2023
September 19, 2023
October 24, 2023
November 21, 2023
December 19, 2023

Baptism Ceremony

12:00pm— Upper Church

June 24, 2023
July 22, 2023
August 26, 2023
September 23, 2023
October 28, 2023
November 25, 2023
December 23, 2023

Reunión de Preparación

Martes—6:00pm—Instituto

27 de Junio, 2023
8 de Agosto, 2023
5 de Septiembre, 2023
10 de Octubre, 2023

Ceremonia de Bautismo

12:00pm—Iglesia de Arriba

8 de Julio, 2023
12 de Agosto, 2023
9 de Septiembre, 2023
14 de Octubre, 2023

NO HABRA BAUTISMOS EN NOVIEMBRE

5 de Diciembre, 2023	9 de Diciembre, 2023
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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, July 7, 2023**. 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.



OFFERING THROUGH E-GIVING

School's out! Summer is in! Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish asks that before you begin your vacations, travels and other summer plans, consider eGiving to ensure your support for our parish remains consistent even when you're away. Your recurring gifts will not only sustain our parish throughout the summer months, but you will help our staff steward God's resources well by reducing our costs for envelopes, paper and spending less staff time processing cash and checks, allowing more time for missions and ministries.

Getting started with eGiving is easy. Here are the ways to sign up:

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

Thank you and may God bless your generosity.

DONACIONES ELECTRONICAS

¡La escuela está fuera! ¡El verano ha llegado! Our Lady of Mount Carmel pide que antes de comenzar sus vacaciones, viajes y otros planes de verano, considere eGiving para garantizar que su apoyo a nuestra parroquia permanezca constante incluso cuando esté fuera. Sus donaciones recurrentes no solo sostendrán a nuestra parroquia durante los meses de verano, sino que ayudarán a nuestro personal a administrar bien los recursos de Dios al reducir nuestros costos de sobres y papel y pasar menos tiempo del personal procesando efectivo y cheques, permitiendo más tiempo para misiones y ministerios. Comenzar con eGiving es fácil. Estas son las formas de registrarse:

- Visite el código [Faith.direct/NY370](https://faith.direct/NY370)
- Llame a Servicio al Cliente de Faith Direct al 866-507-8757
- Envíe un mensaje de texto con la palabra "Inscribirse" a (929) 254-3850

VOCATION DISCERNMENT OPPORTUNITIES

DISCERNMENT BE NOT AFRAID



DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN VOCATION OFFICE
BROOKLYNPRIESTS.ORG

FRATERNITAS — JUNE 17, 2023

A group for middle school—high school aged boys dedicated to instilling Christian values in young men with the goal of fostering true Catholic gentlemen. The afternoon will include prayer, catechesis, sports, pizza lunch and Sunday Vigil Mass. Contact vocations@diobrook.org for more information.

PROJECT ANDREW— JUNE 25, 2023

An opportunity for young men (high school age and older) to learn more about the priesthood. Join bishops, priests, and seminarians from the Diocese of Brooklyn with Vocation Director, Fr. Chris Bethge, for Sunday evening prayer, dinner, and conversation, 4:00pm — 6:00pm at Sacred Heart/ St. Stephen, Brooklyn. Contact vocations@diobrook.org for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATIONS

Registrations for our Religious Education Program will be open during the months of **May, June, July & August ONLY**. For new registrations, please pick up an application at the parish office, fill it out with clear letters, & please provide the certificates of all the sacraments your child has already made along with the birth certificate and pay the required fee. If your child was in our religious education program this year, please ask for the re-registration form, update the form as needed and pay the required fee.

Registration Fee:	May	June, July, August
1 Child	\$65.00	\$75.00
2 Children	\$100.00	\$120.00
3 or more	\$140.00	\$160.00

CONFRATERNITY OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

Every fourth Sunday of the month, all members are invited to attend Mass at 9:00am in Italian preceded by the recitation of the Rosary. If you are interested in becoming a member, you will be installed at our annual Feast Day Mass on July 16th at the 3:00pm Mass. Please call the parish office and leave your name and number.

ROSARY SOCIETY LUNCHEON



Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Rosary Society
ANNUAL FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON
Saturday — June 24, 2023
12:00pm — 3:30pm
Institute — Lourdes Room
\$40.00 per person



Hot Buffet Lunch including Wine and Soda will be served
Assorted Gifts Baskets & 50/50 will be raffled

Payments in cash or check payable to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church will be accepted at the parish office. For more information, please call 718-278-1834 or email Neida C. Martinez at media@mountcarmelastoria.org. All are invited. Raffle tickets will be sold before and after all Masses starting today, Saturday, June 3rd.

Name: _____
 Phone number: _____

Our Lady of Mount Carmel
 Rosary Society Fundraiser Luncheon
 Mount Carmel Institute - Lourdes Room
 Saturday - June 24, 2023

Grand Prizes
 1st Prize: \$500 cash
 2nd Prize: \$300 cash
 3rd Prize: \$100 cash
 You need not be present to win!
 Donation: \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00

RITE OF INITIATION FOR ADULTS

If you are an adult, 18 years or 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. Please call the parish office and leave a message with your contact information to learn how you can participate in this program.

Si usted es un adulto, mayo de 18 años, quien no ha recibido los sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunion y/o la Confirmación, se le invita a considerar prepararse para recibir estos regalos espirituales muy importantes. Por favor llame a la oficina parroquial y deje su información de contacto para aprender como puede participar en este programa.

RECTORY COOK WANTED

The Rectory of Immaculate Conception Parish in Astoria is looking for a cook. Full or part time. Benefits included. Please call 718-728-1613 and speak to the pastor—Msgr. Ferrarese. If anyone knows of someone whom they can recommend, please pass on this information to that person. Thank you.





ANNUAL FATHER TROIKE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM



Cathedral Preparatory School and Seminary / JULY 5 - JULY 28

This four-week summer program is open to young men entering the 7th and 8th grades who desire to sharpen their academic skills and develop their leadership potential. Mornings consist of academic study, including TACHs prep for students entering the 8th grade in September. The afternoons are dedicated to recreation: athletics & activities.



Monday-Thursday:

8:30am - Daily Mass (optional)
8:45am - Arrival & Attendance
9:00am - 11:30pm - Academic Study
11:30am - 12:00pm - Lunch
12:00pm - 2:00pm - Athletics / Recreation

Fridays:

9:00am - 12:00pm
Brotherhood Days (games and trips)

Program cost: \$500

To register please contact Admissions:
719-592-6800 ext.150 - cpadmissions@cathedralprep.org



SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA FEAST DAY

Martedì 13 Giugno, 2023, la Comunità Italiana della Chiesa del Monte Carmelo in Astoria, alle ore 10:00 del mattino celebrerà una Santa Messa in Onore a Sant'Antonio da Padova. Distribuzione dei panini di Sant'Antonio subito dopo la Messa.



On June 13, at 10:00am, all are invited to the Chapel of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Astoria where there will be a celebration in Italian in Honor of Saint Anthony of Padua. Distribution of Saint Anthony bread will follow after the Mass.



REGISTRACIONES PARA CATECISMO

Las inscripciones para el programa de catecismo estarán abiertas durante de los meses de **Mayo, Junio, Julio y Agosto SOLAMENTE.**

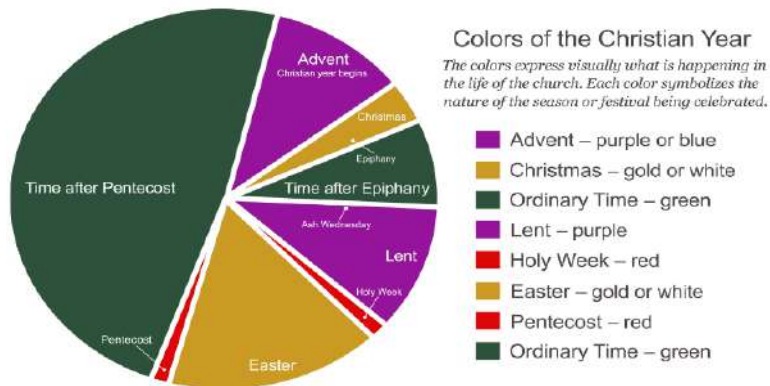
Para una nueva registraci3n, por favor recoja una aplicaci3n en la oficina parroquial y llene el cuestionario con letra clara y adem1s debe de traer los certificados de los sacramentos ya recibidos y haga el pago requerido.

Si su ni1o/a ya estuvo en nuestro programa este a1o, por favor vaya a la oficina y pida el formulario de re-inscripci3n y haga el pago requerido.

Cuota de Inscripci3n:

Por el mes de	Mayo	Junio, Julio y Agosto
1 ni1o (a)	\$65.00	\$75.00
2 ni1os (as)	\$100.00	\$120.00
3 ni1os (as) o m1s	\$140.00	\$160.00

WHAT DOES ORDINARY TIME MEAN?



The *Ordinary* in *Ordinary Time* refers to ordinal—counted—time, not to a lack of something to celebrate. Apart from distinctive seasons like Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter, 33 or 34 weeks remain in the Church’s calendar that do not celebrate a specific aspect of the mystery of Christ. Rather, they are devoted to that mystery in all its aspects. How do we celebrate this mystery “in all its aspects”? We gather for Mass, especially on Sundays. First, we hear the scriptures systematically proclaimed. The First Readings from the Old Testament are chosen for their relationship to the Gospel passages. The Second Readings come from the various Letters of the New Testament. The Gospels tell the story of Jesus Himself. Through these readings, the complete mystery of Christ unfolds. Then we do our Eucharist, that is, our thanksgiving. We praise and thank God for all creation as we remember the salvation Christ has won for us through His life, death and resurrection. We become one in the sharing of His Body and Blood, and we go forth to be Christ-like in our homes, our workplaces and our world. Thus, what happens during these times is not ordinary at all. It actually celebrates who we are and what we do. It is the fabric of our Christian living.

DIVINA MISERICORDIA



Se les invita a la Coronilla Cantada el 17 de Junio, en la Iglesia de Arriba, a las 6:30pm.

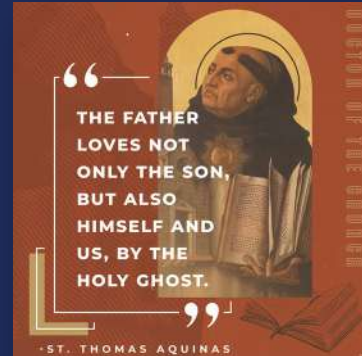
Para mas informaci3n, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial al 718.278.1834

WE LIVE IN A COUNTRY THAT UPHOLDS THE SEPERATION OF CHURCH AND STATE. WHAT IS THE ROLE OF CATHOLICS IN SOCIETY?

The role of the Church in the world has taken different forms over time, but the theme is the same. Be disciples in it! As the lay faithful that is, not vowed priest or religious - we are called to live and love in the circumstances of our daily lives. St. John Paul II wrote a document about the laity. In it he wrote, "In their situation in the world God manifests His plan and communicates to them their particular vocation of seeking the Kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God" (On the Lay Members of Christ's Faithful, 15).

God wants us in the hospitals, the board rooms, the law offices, the food pantries, and the little league games! We are to engage in the affairs of the world. But when we're there, we should live the plan of God. We need to respect those around us,

engage in just business and legal practices, and love our children. We should care for the earth, use our money wisely, and get to know our neighbors. We must advocate for social policies that respect human dignity and human freedom. No matter our state in life, we are invited to build the kingdom of God!



WE BEAR THE NAME OF THE LORD

The name of the Lord is a curiously powerful thing. Say it deliberately, even in a group of people who are not particularly religious, and you'll know what I mean. There is a shift in the mood, a change in the atmosphere. When we utter the name of the Lord, He turns His head.

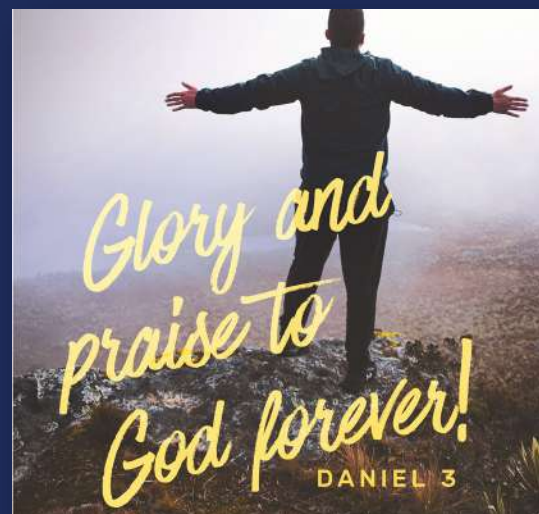
Once, in confession, I admitted to the sin of using the Lord's name in vain. "When you do that, tell God that you love him," advised the priest, who was wise enough to know that I would repeat this sin at some point. "You've said His name, after all. You have His attention."

We hear the name of the Lord, and we think of what it represents - John 3:16, salvation history summed up in a neat little sentence, the why and the how and the who of it all laid out before us. The Lord, so slow to anger that He offers us a million chances. The Lord, so rich in kindness and fidelity that He literally gave Himself to us that we might be saved.

But the name of the Lord is more than that. It is not just a symbol, it is an invitation. I think of Moses clutching the commandments, beseeching the Lord: "Come with us. Forgive us. Receive us as your own."

The Lord accompanies us down the mountain. We bear the name of the Lord into the world with us wherever we go. I have to ask myself: do I do that name justice? "Blessed is your holy and glorious name, praiseworthy and exalted above all for all ages." - Daniel 3:52

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SAINT OF THE WEEK

Servant of God Julia Greeley, Denver's Angel of Charity, was born into slavery and emancipated after the Civil War. She spent her life serving the poor with a special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and a love for children and praying for the city's fire fighters.



Prayer

Heavenly Father, Your servant Julia Greeley dedicated her life to honoring the Sacred Heart of Your son and to the humble service of the poor. Grant to me a generous heart like Your son's, and if it be in accordance with your holy will, please grant this favor I now ask through Julia's intercession (insert intention). I pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

DIGGING DEEPER INTO SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading

At Mount Sinai, the Lord revealed himself to Moses as merciful, gracious, kind, and faithful. Do you see these positive traits in yourself?

Second Reading

In the closing remarks of his second letter to the Corinthians, Paul encouraged the believers in Corinth to live in peace and love with one another, modeled after the grace, love, and fellowship of our Triune God. Where do you think you most need to show peace and love with others this week?

Gospel Reading

Jesus taught his disciples that God loved the world and desired to save the world by offering believers eternal life. How do you think believers having eternal life saves the world?

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

In my experience, one of the peculiarities of being a man is the somewhat unlikely ability to look into the mirror, no matter how out of shape he may be, and declare with full confidence: "Looking good, buddy!" Ask a man. He'll probably confirm it.

Therein lies a mystery. You might think I refer to man's ability to deceive himself or his propensity toward vainglory. But in this case, I refer to the mystery of a healthy and proper sense of self-love. We human beings (both men and women) have the utterly weird ability to look at ourselves as if we were another. Then we tend to love this "other." Then, somehow, that love becomes a bond between the two. We are three and yet one.

This Sunday is Trinity Sunday. We ponder anew that God in His unity is a play of multiplicity: Lover, Beloved, and shared Love. Or, as we also proclaim, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If we allow it, this

mystery heals our temptation toward self-hatred and destruction. We all know how awful it is to look into the mirror and not know the person we see, or, equally bad, to know and hate who we see. Jesus, the Son of God, draws us into the dynamics of authentic self-knowledge and self-love. Perhaps we could ask the Holy Trinity this Sunday to teach us to truly look at ourselves and to properly love who we see looking back.

