OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH

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Mass Times

Saturday	5:00 PM (Vigil Mass)
Sunday	Main Church: 8:00 AM (English) 9:30 AM (Bilingual) 11:00 AM (English) 12:30 PM (Spanish) 3:00 PM (Vietnamese) Chapel: 9:00 AM (Italian) *Every Second & Fourth Sunday* 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

Live-streamed Masses can be accessed on our website

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—5:00pm

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RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS

BECOME A CATHOLIC: Adults interested in becoming Catholic, or completing their First Communion and Confirmation, or general catechesis, may enroll in the OCIA program. Please call the office and ask for Deacon Jacob Rodriguez or Ms. Nelly Gutierrez.

INFANT BAPTISMS: Please see a list of scheduled baptism dates in this bulletin. You may call the parish office to schedule an appointment with Deacon Jacob Rodriguez for the initial intake and to answer any additional questions.

PRE-ADMISSION ANOINTING: If you know you will be entering the hospital for elective surgery, it is appropriate and recommended to receive the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick ***BEFORE*** entering the hospital. Please call the office and ask to speak with the priest on duty to schedule an appointment before admission.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Call the parish office to arrange for a Priest or Eucharistic Minister to bring Communion to the homebound. In case one's health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age, please let the receptionist know so that they can let a Priest on duty know to administer the sacrament of the Anointing of the sick.

MARRIAGES: Couples should make arrangements with a priest or deacon at the parish office at least six months in advance.

CONFESSIONS: Confessions are heard every Saturday in the Chapel from 3:30pm to 4:30pm prior to the 5:00pm English Mass.

RECIBIENDO LOS SACRAMENTOS

HAZTE CATÓLICO: Adultos interesados en hacerse Católicos, completar su Primera Comunión o Confirmación, o para recibir formación catequética general, pueden inscribirse en el programa de RICA. Favor de llamar al Diacono Jacob Rodriguez or la Sra. Nelly Gutierrez.

BAUTISMOS INFANTILES: Por favor vea una lista de fechas para bautizos en este boletín. Puede llamar a la oficina parroquial para hacer una cita con el Diacono Jacob Rodríguez para la entrevista inicial y para responder cualquier pregunta adicional.

UNCIÓN ANTES DE INGRESO AL HOSPITAL: Si usted sabe que será ingresado al hospital para una cirugía programada, es apropiado y recomendado recibir el sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos **ANTES** de la hospitalización. Por favor llame la oficina parroquial y pida hablar con el sacerdote disponible para hacerle una cita antes del ingreso al hospital.

CUIDADO PASTORAL DE LOS ENFERMOS: Llame a la oficina parroquial para coordinar un sacerdote o ministro de la Eucaristía para llevar Comunión a las personas que no pueden salir de casa. En caso de que la salud de alguien esté seriamente afectada por enfermedad o edad avanzada, deje saber al recepcionista para que un sacerdote administre el sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos.

MATRIMONIOS: La pareja debe hacer los arreglos con un sacerdote o un diacono en la oficina parroquial seis meses en avance.

CONFESIONES: Confesiones son escuchadas cada sábado en la capilla de 3:30pm a 4:30pm antes de la misa en Ingles a las 5:00pm.

OUR PARISH ALSO OFFERS

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAININGS: Coordinated by Ms. Nelly Gutierrez, an awareness education is required for all staff and volunteers who interact or come into contact with minors and recommended for all. Please visit *www.virtusonline.org* to register for a class and present the completion certificate to the parish office.

QUINCEAÑERA/SWEET SIXTEEN MASS: Please make an appointment with Ms. Nelly Gutierrez by calling the parish office. The young lady should have received Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation. The family must live within our parish boundaries and be officially registered in the parish.

NUESTRA PARROQUIA TAMBIEN OFRECE

ENTRENAMIENTO DE AMBIENTE SEGURO: Coordinadora: Sra. Nelly Gutiérrez. Se requiere educación de concientización para todo el personal y voluntarios que interactúan o tienen contacto con menores, y es recomendada para todos. Por favor visite *www.virtusonline.org* para registrarse y presente el certificado de compleción a la oficina parroquial.

MISA DE QUINCEAÑERA/ SWEET SIXTEEN: Favor hacer una cita con la Sra. Nelly llamando la oficina parroquial. La muchacha debe haber recibido los sacramentos de Bautismo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación. La familia debe vivir dentro de los confines de la parroquia y ser miembros oficialmente registrados.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 19
8:00am Ida Albanese
5:00pm Thomas Horgan *(2nd Month Mind)*, Victor Rodriguez, Malou Reformina, Salomon Mendoza, For those living the Jornada Retreat this weekend, Especially Louissiana Robles

SUNDAY, JULY 20 *(16th Sunday in Ordinary Time)*
8:00am Leodegario Salvador *(Death Anniversary)*
9:30am For our Youth Jubilee Pilgrims
11:00am Rose Tavano
12:30pm Feliciano Verdejo, Caritina Patricio, Natalie Amigon, Juvelys Tavarez *(2º Mes)*
Por nuestros Jóvenes Peregrinos del Jubileo
3:00pm For the People of the Parish

MONDAY, JULY 21 *(Saint Lawrence of Brindisi)*
8:00am For the Healing of Julio "Sonny" Gonzalez & Haydee Isabelle
12:00pm Neida Martinez, Sr. *(95th Birthday Memorial)*

TUESDAY, JULY 22 *(Saint Mary Magdalene)*
8:00am Richard J. Gallagher
12:00pm Robert Mann *(Living)*

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23 *(Saint Bridget)*
8:00am Leonardo & Giuseppina Grippi
12:00pm Charles Cooper

THURSDAY, JULY 24 *(Saint Sharbel Makhluf)*
8:00am Teddy Angel
12:00pm Ernesto de Guzman

FRIDAY, JULY 25 *(Saint James)*
8:00am In thanksgiving to God
12:00pm Leonard Burton

SATURDAY, JULY 26 *(Saints Joachim & Anne)*
8:00am Daniel Bueno
(16th Birthday— For his Health & Safety)
5:00pm For Our Youth Jubilee Pilgrims, Salomon Mendoza

SUNDAY, JULY 27 *(17th Sunday in Ordinary Time)*
8:00am Jeny D'Souza
9:00am Saint Anne, Raffaele Carullo & Bernardino Petruso
9:30am Gregorio Rosendo & Fernanda Linares
11:00am Carmela Moretti & Josephine McManus
12:30pm Jose Flavio Santos, Juana Templos, Juan Garcia Solis, Pedro Hernandez Vazquez, Blanca Jarrin de Lavayen *(12 Aniversario)*, Leticia Margarita Yauri Inga, Arturo Roldan, Por nuestros Jóvenes Peregrinos del Jubileo
Daniel Garcia Hernandez *(15 Cumpleaños)*
3:00pm For the People of the Parish

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION

July 27, 2025— There will be a second collection after communion or our parish air conditioning expenses. Your generosity keeps our church spaces cool for your use during these hot summer months.

August 10, 2025– There will be a second collection after communion for Fr. PJ's mission school in Nigeria. If you can't make a donation today, visit the parish office and drop off your donation in an envelope marked for Fr. PJ or ask to see him. Thank you for your generosity.

WEEKLY MASS OFFERINGS

REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR JULY 12-13

Last Sunday: $5,705
Same Week Last Year: $5,020

2025 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

We ask each family to consider making a tax-deductible gift today. Our goal is to receive an offering from every family, no matter the amount, so that we can reach our goal! **As of July 14, 2025, 119 donors have pledged $52,526 from which $44,753 has been received.**

Please call the office to make an appointment to speak with Deacon Jacob to register your child for Baptism.

Preparation Meeting Tuesday-6:00pm-Institute	**Baptism Ceremony 12:00pm-Main Church**
July 22, 2025	July 26, 2025
August 19, 2025	August 23, 2025
September 23, 2025	September 27, 2025
October 21, 2025	October 25, 2025
November 18, 2025	November 22, 2025
December 23, 2025	December 27, 2025

Reunion de Preparacion Martes-6:00pm-Instituto	**Ceremonia de Bautismo 12:00pm-Iglesia Principal**
5 de Agosto 2025	9 de Agosto 2025
9 de Septiembre 2025	13 de Septiembre 2025
7 de Octubre 2025	11 de Octubre 2025
4 de Noviembre 2025	8 de Noviembre 2025
9 de Diciembre 2025	13 de Diciembre 2025

FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART

July 20, 2025

Dear Parish Family,

As we move deeper into the summer season—a time for rest, reconnection, and renewal—I find myself especially drawn to the message in this Sunday's Gospel, the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Jesus gently tells Martha, *"You are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing"* (Luke 10:40–42). These words feel especially poignant to me right now. I hear them not just as a teaching—but as a personal invitation.

I'll be honest with you. As your pastor—of a large, busy, and beautifully diverse urban parish—I often feel like Martha. There are administrative responsibilities that never sleep, a calendar that always seems overbooked, and pastoral needs that arise at all hours. I carry in my heart the enormous weight of our community, all while trying to remain present to my own family—my mother, grandmother, siblings, relatives, and close friends—who, like yours, need time, care, and attention. The days often stretch long and full.

This is the tension I live each day: between being a shepherd to many and a son, a brother, a cousin, a mentor, a friend to those who knew me before I wore the priestly collar; between serving with love and needing time to simply *be*—with God, with others, and with myself. Many of you experience a similar tension in your own lives. But the priesthood, unlike most vocations, often carries blurred and unseen boundaries of expectation.

That's why this Sunday's message speaks so deeply to me. Abraham welcomed the Lord with generous hospitality—but what made the moment holy was his *presence*, his attentiveness (cf. Genesis 18:1–10a). Mary welcomed Jesus not with her hands, but with her heart. And according to Jesus, that was the "better part" (cf. Luke 10:38–42). I'm trying, especially this summer, to choose that better part more often: to pause, to rest, to pray, to listen. Just as Jesus took time away, so must we.

It's important to understand that priests do not work a 9-to-5 schedule. We live where we serve, and we are "on call" in ways no other vocation requires. The doorbells, phone calls, texts, emails, personal requests, meetings, emergencies—even priestly demands outside the parish—they rarely stop. That is why your patience, thoughtfulness, and yes, even your restraint, mean so much.

Whenever possible, consider whether a matter is urgent or can wait. Respect our natural rhythms of rest, meals, and quiet moments. These small acts of consideration help sustain our ministry more than you might realize. We are here for you—but we also need to *be* for you. And that means not being stretched so thin that we lose the joy, clarity, health, or peace of heart that this vocation is meant to embody.

I know that most of you come to me with real needs, heartfelt concerns, and loving intentions—and I am truly grateful for the trust you place in me. But please pardon us for the times when a message might not be responded to in a day or two, or an appointment request might not be satisfied right away. Just as Jesus reminded Martha that she didn't have to do it all, He reminds me—and perhaps all of us—to slow down and remember what truly matters.

This summer, I encourage you—as I remind myself—to let your time be a true gift: Spend it listening to someone without distraction. Share a meal without rushing. Pray without multitasking. Give your presence more than your performance.

Whether you're traveling or staying close to home, let this season be not just a time to relax, but a time to *reconnect*—with Christ, with those you love, and with your own soul.

With affection and prayer,

Msgr. Cuong M. Pham

DEL CORAZON DEL PASTOR

20 de Julio, 2025

Querida familia parroquial,

Al avanzar en esta temporada de verano—un tiempo para descansar, reconectarnos y renovarnos—me siento especialmente tocado por el Evangelio de este domingo, el XVI del Tiempo Ordinario. Jesús le dice con ternura a Marta: *"Estás inquieta y preocupada por muchas cosas; solo una es necesaria"* (Lucas 10, 40–42). No escucho estas palabras solo como una enseñanza, sino como una invitación personal.

Como su párroco—al frente de una parroquia grande, activa y diversa en medio de la ciudad—con frecuencia me identifico con Marta. Las responsabilidades nunca terminan, la agenda siempre está llena, y las necesidades pastorales llegan a toda hora. Llevo en el corazón el peso de esta comunidad que tanto amo, mientras intento también estar presente para mi familia—mi mamá, mi abuela, mis hermanos, parientes y amigos cercanos—que, como los suyos, también necesitan tiempo y atención. Los días pueden volverse muy largos.

Esa es la tensión que vivo: ser párroco para muchos, y al mismo tiempo hijo, hermano, primo, consejero, amigo de quienes me conocieron antes del sacerdocio. Servir con entrega, pero también necesitar momentos para *estar* con Dios, con los demás, y conmigo mismo. Sé que muchos de ustedes viven luchas parecidas en sus hogares y trabajos. Pero el sacerdocio tiene límites poco visibles y exigencias constantes.

Por eso este Evangelio me habla tan profundamente. Abraham recibió al Señor con generosa hospitalidad, y lo que hizo sagrado ese momento fue su *presencia* (cf. Gén 18, 1–10a). María recibió a Jesús con el corazón. Y Él dijo que eso era *la mejor parte* (cf. Lc 10, 38–42). Yo también estoy intentando, especialmente en este tiempo de verano, elegir más seguido esa mejor parte: hacer pausas, orar, descansar y escuchar.

Es importante recordar que los sacerdotes no trabajamos con un horario fijo. Vivimos donde servimos y estamos "de guardia" de manera constante. Las llamadas, mensajes, correos, visitas, reuniones, emergencias y compromisos fuera de la parroquia rara vez se detienen. Y aunque valoro profundamente el cariño y la calidez con que nuestra comunidad hispana sabe expresarse—como cuando muchos buscan una bendición personal después de Misa, aunque ya se ha impartido la solemne bendición desde el Altar, o cuando se pide una reunión por temas que quizá se podrían resolver con una simple llamada o mensaje—les pido que consideren cuánto ayudan esos pequeños gestos de prudencia. Cada momento de paciencia, comprensión y discreción contribuye a sostener nuestra vocación y el servicio que ofrecemos a miles de personas.

Por eso, cuando sea posible, pregúntense si algo es verdaderamente urgente o puede esperar. Respetar nuestros momentos de descanso y silencio no es alejamiento, sino una forma de cuidar este ministerio que Dios nos ha confiado a todos.

Les agradezco sinceramente la confianza que depositan en mí. Sé que la mayoría se acercan con buenas intenciones y necesidades reales. Pero así como Jesús le recordó a Marta que no debía hacerlo todo, también nos invita a todos a bajar el ritmo y enfocarnos en lo que verdaderamente importa.

Este verano, los animo—mientras yo también me lo recuerdo a mí mismo— a hacer del tiempo un regalo verdadero: Escuchen sin distracciones. Compartan una comida sin prisa. Recen con el corazón. Ofrezcan su presencia más que su actividad.

Y ya sea que estén de viaje o en casa, que este tiempo no sea solo para relajarse, sino para *reconectarse*—con Cristo, con sus seres queridos y con ustedes mismos.

Con cariño y oración,

Mons. Cuong M. Pham

GROUPS AND SOCIETIES AT OUR PARISH INSTITUTE

Sunday, July 20

9:30am—11:00am	Grupo de Amistad #5	*Assumption*
10:00am—11:00am	Grupo de Amistad #9	*Balcony*
10:00am—12:30pm	Cursillo	*Guadalupe A/B*
10:00am—1:00pm	Czech Community	*Lourdes A/B*
2:00pm—3:00pm	Grupo de Amistad	*Fatima*
4:30pm—7:00pm	Ensayo Santiago Chinos	*Gym*
6:00pm—8:00pm	Sagrado Corazon	*Guadalupe A/B*

Tuesday, July 22

5:30pm—7:00pm	Mariachi Practice	*Upper Room*
6:00pm—7:00pm	PreBaptism Class	*Lourdes A/B*
6:00pm—9:00pm	Marriage Encounter	*Guadalupe A/B*
7:30pm—9:00pm	Clase de Guitarra	*Lourdes A/B*

Saturday, July 26

9:00am—11:00pm	Santiago Apostol	*Gym*
8:00am-2:00pm	AA Meeting	*Guadalupe A/B*
10:00am-12:00pm	Spanish Children's Choir	*Lourdes A/B*
4:00pm—9:00pm	Adult Sewing Group	*Lourdes A/B*
5:00pm—7:00pm	Bilingual Choir Practice	*Nazareth*
5:00pm—7:00pm	Ministerio de Consolacion	*Fatima*

Sunday, July 27

9:30am—10:30am	Grupo de Amistad #14	*Nazareth*
9:30am—11:00am	Grupo de Amistad #5	*Assumption*
10:00am—11:00am	Grupo de Amistad #9	*Balcony*
10:00am—12:30pm	Cursillo	*Guadalupe A/B*
10:00am—1:00pm	Czech Community	*Lourdes A/B*

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

We remember 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) as a meaningful way to express our love. Enrollment is $10 per name. Those enrolled the Purgatorial Society will be remembered for a whole year.

Currently enrolled: **Emilna Vales, Donald Patrick, Manuel J. Estevez, Milagros Estevez, Sonia Salerni, Kevin O'Lenahan, John C. Immordino, Esther Solorzano, John C. Immordino, Ann Bruno, & Carol Gigante.**

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Spiritual writers speak of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament as "the Mass held in contemplation." Devotion to the Eucharist will take place on **Friday, August 1, 2025**. 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.

NO ROSARY SOCIETY MEETINGS– SUMMER

There will be no Rosary Society meetings until September 7, 2025. We wish all Rosarians a happy, healthy and blessed summer.

JORNADA RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES

The Jornada weekend is a structured, Christ-centered Diocesan retreat that challenges individuals to examine themselves, their relationships with others and God's place in their lives.

The weekend begins on Thursday evening and concludes Sunday afternoon. The talks and activities are presented by lay and religious leaders, followed by group discussions. Mass and Reconciliation are offered during the weekend as well as time for prayer and reflection.

If you would like your child to go live this encounter please speak with Luis Sanchez at the parish office for more information. The new Jornada year starts in September.

Prior to living the retreat, we invite the youth to participate in our parish youth group that will meet every Friday starting September after Labor Day to get to know one another and build stronger, faith-filled friendships.

RETIRO JUVENIL JORNADISTA

La Jornada es un retiro diocesano estructurado y centrado en Cristo que reta a los participantes a examinarse a sí mismos, sus relaciones con los demás y el lugar de Dios en sus vidas.

El fin de semana comienza el jueves por la noche y concluye el domingo por la tarde. Las charlas y actividades son presentadas por líderes laicos y religiosos, seguidas por momentos de discusión en grupo. Durante el fin de semana se ofrece la Santa Misa y el Sacramento de la Reconciliación, y tiempo para la oración y la reflexión.

Si desea que su hijo(a) participe en este encuentro, por favor comuníquese con Luis Sánchez en la oficina parroquial para obtener más información. El nuevo año de Jornada comienza en septiembre.

Antes de vivir el retiro, invitamos a los jóvenes a participar en nuestro grupo juvenil parroquial que se reunirá todos los viernes a partir de septiembre, después del Día del Trabajo, para que puedan conocerse mejor y fortalecer amistades llenas de fe.

PARISH REGISTRATION

We encourage all who worship with us to consider registering to our parish. Please return this form in the collection or drop it off at the parish office. Your participation will strengthen your sense of belonging in God's family.

Name(s): _____

Address:_____ Apt_____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

PLEASE MARK ONE:
[ ] New Registration [ ] Change of Address
PLEASE MARK ONE:
[ ] I prefer envelopes [ ] I prefer E-giving

REGISTRACION PARROQUIAL

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

Nombre(s): _____

Dirección:_____ **Apt**_____

Ciudad:_____ **Estado**_____ **C. Postal**_____

Teléfono: _____

E-mail: _____

POR FAVOR MARCAR:
[ ] Nueva Registración [ ] Cambio de dirección
POR FAVOR MARCAR:
[ ] Prefiero Sobres [ ] Donaciones en línea

JUBILEE YOUTH PILGRIMAGE UPDATE

We are in the final weeks of preparation for the Youth Pilgrimage to Rome to pray with the youth of the world and with our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV. Please join in praying for our pilgrims who will be leaving on Sunday July 27, 2025 and returning on Monday, August 4, 2025.

Amy Vu
Timothy Vu
Michelle Macias
Izel Bermejo
Aranza Sanchez
Brendaliz Leon
Michael Cordova
James Cordova
Daniel Bueno

Ryan Lobo
Luis Miguel Robles
Felicity Morel
Jasmine Huerta
Marcos Valle
Luis Sanchez
Nelly Gutierrez
Dayonel Mejia

Our pilgrims will be joining Bishop Brennan for a special Mass at the Immaculate Conception in Douglaston today, Sunday, July 20.

Thanks to the generosity of the people and friends of the parish and families of the pilgrims, we were able to achieve the goal to support these youth members in this journey. The money raised through our fundraisers (Car Wash, Food Sales, Dinner Dance, Flea Market, Raffles and the GoFundMe) went toward travel expenses and other rising costs associated with the trip. Without the parish's support, this would not be possible. Every dollar raised is a prayer for our youth and each traveler will pray in a special way for all those who supported them.

Pray for our pilgrims as they prepare to leave and as they journey in faith and know that their prayers are with you all.

NOTICIAS SOBRE EL PEREGRINAJE JUVENIL

Estamos en las últimas semanas de preparación para la Peregrinación Juvenil a Roma, donde oraremos junto a los jóvenes del mundo y con nuestro Santo Padre, el Papa Leo XIV. Les pedimos que se unan en oración por nuestros peregrinos, quienes partirán el domingo 27 de julio de 2025 y regresarán el lunes 4 de agosto de 2025.

Amy Vu
Timothy Vu
Michelle Macias
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Marcos Valle
Luis Sanchez
Nelly Gutierrez
Dayonel Mejia

Nuestros peregrinos se unirán al Obispo Brennan para una Misa especial en el Centro de la Inmaculada Concepción en Douglaston hoy, domingo, 20 de julio.

Gracias a la generosidad del pueblo, los amigos de la parroquia y las familias de los peregrinos, pudimos alcanzar nuestra meta de apoyar a estos jóvenes en su viaje. El dinero recaudado por medio de nuestros eventos (Lavado de Carros, Ventas de Comida, Cena-Baile, Venta al aire libre, Rifas y GoFundMe) se destinó a los gastos de viaje y otros costos crecientes asociados con la peregrinación. Sin el apoyo de la parroquia, esto no hubiera sido posible. Cada dólar recaudado es una oración por nuestra juventud, y cada peregrino orará de manera especial por todos los que los apoyaron.

Oren por nuestros peregrinos mientras se preparan para partir y mientras caminan en la fe, y sepan que sus oraciones están con todos ustedes.

CELEBRATING OUR PARISH FEAST DAY– JULY 12, 2025

PARROQUIA

NUESTRA SEÑORA DE MONTE CARMELO ASTORIA.

23-25 NEWTOWN AVE, ASTORIA QUEENS NY 11102

EL COMITÉ SANTIAGO APOSTOL,

TE INVITA A CELEBRAR LA FIESTA DE SANTIAGO APOSTOL EL MAYOR.

DIA 26 DE JULIO 2025.

Miercoles 23 de julio inicia el triduo de Rosario con la participación del hermano Sergio Huerta y Olga Vargas.

Jueves 24 de Julio nos acompaña el Diacono Edwin con una reflexión espiritual.

Viernes 25 de Julio Cerrando el triduo de Rosario con el hermano Francisco Serrano con el tema "Como aprnder de Santiago Apostol prontitud para acoger la llamada del Señor".

Toda esta actividad en la iglesa.

Sábado 26 de julio mañanitas Hora 6:00 am. Con la participación del Coro #1 Monte carmelo.

Procesión Hora 6:00pm. Alrededor de la Iglesia. Con el Coro Antorcha Guadalupana.

Misa, Hora 6:30pm. Nos acompaña el Coro #2 Monte Carmelo.

Festival Hora 7:30pm. En el auditorio.

Con la participación del Mariachi Nuevo Amanecer, balles folclóricos y la danza de los Santiagos chinos y los chínelos de San Pedro.

PREPARING FOR FR. PJ'S SUMMER VISIT TO OUR PARISH
UPDATES ON ARCHBISHOP HEERY SCHOOL IN NIGERIA

Greetings from Father PJ in Nigeria!

Thanks to the support of our parishioners, Father PJ has been able to slowly realize a project for disadvantage school children which remains dear to his heart.

This project will enable the children and young people to have a better learning environment for their Religious Education. Essentially, it consists in the construction of a shrine dedicated to the Infant Jesus within Archbishop Heery's school campus. This shrine will serve as a chapel, where students can go and pray before the Blessed Sacrament after the construction.

In the future Fr. PJ would love to build another shrine in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary there. He hopes to continue counting on your generosity.

The images below show the new school poultry farm that is still under construction. This small farm grows chickens to provide for the needs of students.

Below shows the new school building under construction with the help of their alumni and other benefactors. It will include a living space for the Principal, a hall for school events and offices.

This is the wall that is being built around the future kitchen. Your kind help this summer will provide for necessary furniture like kitchen cabinets, refrigerator, etc. Fr. PJ hopes to personally share with you the stories of how your friendship to this school has made a difference to needy children there.

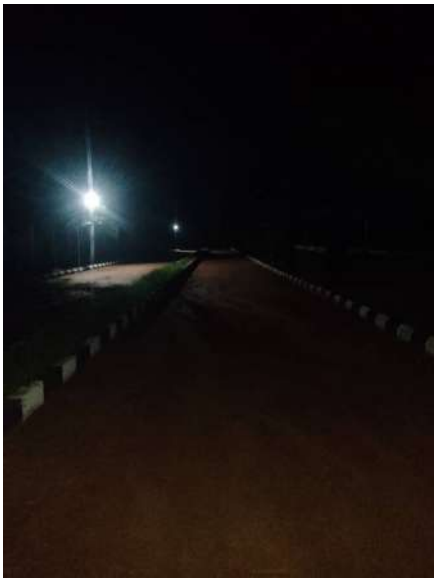
Below shows photos of the student who won the State Spelling Bee Competition along the teachers who coached him. Archbishop Heery School has outstanding teachers and mentors as well as its students!

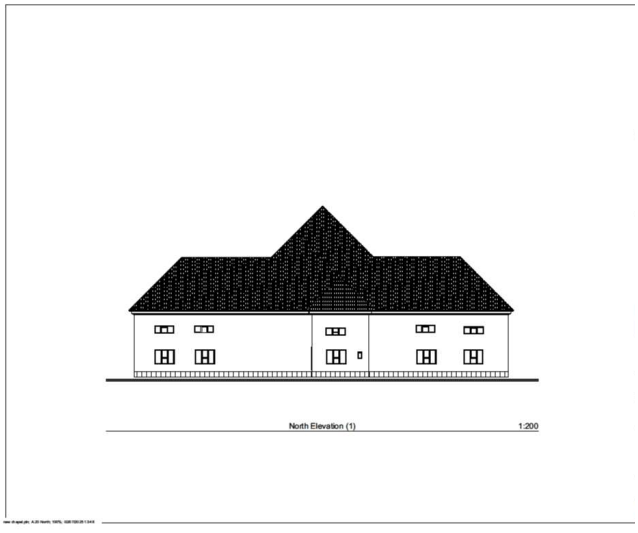
This year Fr. PJ will focus on addressing an electrical, lighting and student safety issue along with your help! The school has a large property of about 40 acres, which counts with a boarding house for students. In the night, most of the property is dark because of lack of electricity and which makes it unsafe.

Fr. PJ proposes to use lights that are solar powered to give light to the school property to make sure it is safe for students and staff to walk during the night.

In the photo on the right, you can see how dark the school is at night. Fr. PJ placed one solar light on the avenue leading into the school but there is need for many more to be installed for its effectiveness.

One solar night cost 150 dollars and we will need about 20. The goal for this project is $3,000. It is a very important project for the school and therefore are appealing for donations to carry out the project.





Another challenge is that of the spiritual growth and development of the students. As a priest he cares for the spiritual needs of all his students. Most students are Catholic and they desire of house of prayer, a place to celebrate Holy Mass.

Students currently pray on the field because there is no house of prayer. Father PJ is working on building a small church/chapel where the Blessed Sacrament will be in the tabernacle for the celebration of the Eucharist and for adoration, prayer and personal devotion, which will benefit the student's spiritual life and development.

The picture on the left is the architectural plan of the building. Your generosity throughout the years have made it possible for Archbishop Heery to be an outstanding school and with your continuous support it will reach further achievements.