



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2017

9:00 AM Albert R. Popot

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2017

5:00 PM Ascenzia Rotonelli

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2017

8:00 AM Raymon Frasene Sr. & Raymond

Frasene Jr.

9:30 AM Domenick Villaraut

11:00 AM James Andrew Smith

12:30 PM Andrea Camacho

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2017

7:00 AM Luisa & Anthony Olivieri (Living)

9:00AM Megan & Charles Barrett (Living)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017

7:00 AM Peter James Kelly (H.B. Living)

9:00AM Marjorie Beaver

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2017

7:00 AM Felice Midea

9:00 AM Lauren & Ed Rush (Living)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2017

7:00 AM Vincenzo Carrea

9:00AM Robert Clark

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2017

7:00 AM Ciro Mazzella

9:00AM Barbara Medon

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2017

9:00 AM James DeLuca

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2017

5:00 PM Hilda Pfeiffer

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2017

8:00 AM Martha Petrucci

9:30 AM Thanksgiving Palatty Family

11:00 AM Iris Mclarty

12:30 PM Siervos de Jesus y Maria

OLMC FINANCIAL REPORT

The Fiscal year covers the period Sept. 1, to Aug.

31. Our budget is \$420,000. Weekly the amount is \$7,600.

Previous Total	\$ 103,839.90
Collection 12/03/17	\$ 5,806.70
Total Collection	\$ 109,646.60
Surplus	\$ 3,246.60
Budgeted	\$ 106,400.00

Consider placing Our Lady of Mt Carmel in your will or bequest so that you can continue to give to OLMC when you are with God. While the Parish has a Surplus, we are committed to assist Our Lady of Mount Carmel School and its projected deficit for this year.

Fr. Augustine is available at any time for confessions, just call the Parish Office.

FIND OLMC PARISH ON FACEBOOK

www.facebook.com/OLMCElmsfordNY

PARISH PAY IS NOW WE SHARE:

Thank you for using online giving for your support of our parish. Online giving is safe, simple, and convenient. It benefits our parish by helping to streamline our administrative process and providing more accurate budgeting. Our current online giving provider, ParishPay, has been acquired by Liturgical Publications. All ParishPay accounts will be transitioned to WeShare, LPi's online giving platform, early in the fall. You do not need to do anything for this transition process. Your information will be transferred electronically following the strictest security protocol. Once the transition is complete, you will receive more information about how to log in and manage your account on WeShare.

Thank You!

Thank you for advertising in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel church Bulletin.

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL SCHOOL

We have an ongoing registration for the 2017-2018 school year. Applications can be dropped off in the school office between 9am and 2:30pm on weekdays, or email admission@olmcelsford.com

PARISH WEB SITE

<http://olmcchurchelmsford.com>

SCHOOL WEBSITE

<http://www.olmcelsford.com>

OUR MILITARY PRAYER LIST

Please pray for peace and the safe return of all our Men & Women serving our country, especially for:

Craig Brown, Jr., Frankie Confalone Jr, Adam Jones, Michael Rodick, Clifton Benson. Names will be edited every two month but if there is someone who you wish us to continue on the list, please call the rectory or to add a name call the Rectory.

DAILY MASS OFFERING IS \$15.00

We naturally look to that Sacrifice of Christ, containing the perfect prayer, to offer for our deceased relatives and friends. Call the rectory, visit the office, or send a letter to the office or put your request in an envelope and place it in the collection – marked: Mass Intention.

Masses Available in January 2018

7:00AM: 11,23,24,25,29,30,31

9:00AM: 18,20,22,23, 25,29,30,31

BLESSED MOTHER GROTTO

Applications for engraving bricks at the Grotto may be picked up at the Rectory. The cost is \$100.00 per brick.

MASS ON TELEVISION

Cablevision channel 68 has Daily Mass at 8:00 am, 12 noon, 7:00 pm and midnight, or on Verizon channel 285.

PRO LIFE CORNER

Pope Francis implored the US Congress: "The golden Rule also reminds us of our responsibility to protect and defend human life at every stage of its development..."

THE ROSARY SOCIETY PRAYER CIRCLE

will be happy to include you in our daily Rosary prayers. Call Marie 914-592-5327 or OLMCRS@gmail.com

BINGO AT OLMC

Thursdays in the Cafeteria, doors open at 6:00 and the games begins about 7:15. The proceeds support OLMC School. Volunteers are always welcome, if you are interested, contact the school office (914) 592-7575.

There is Latin Bingo on the second Friday of each month, it is called in both Spanish and English, all are welcome, it begins at 7:15 pm and there is Latin music and food. **Bingo en Español llevar a cabo el Segundo Viernes del mes at las 7:15 pm en la Cafetería.**

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND RECOVERING



Monsignor Frederick Becker, Mary Wyan, John Constantino, Peter Kersten, Tanya Kersten, Fr. Tom D'Angelo, Syed Alirah, T. McGillicuddy, Sr. Maria Teresa Bourbon RDC, Fr. James P. Connolly, Garrett Cronin, Edward Fucci Sr., Bernard Goddard, Carmine Greco, Frank Imondo, Sr. Margaret Keogan, RDC, John McDonald, Robert Sorrentino, Sarah Tureck, and for all who have asked for prayers on our Facebook page, and those who care for them.

Please note the list has been edited and will be edited every two month, to continue prayers or to add a name to the list please call the Rectory office.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Mon. December 18, 2017

7:30pm Parish Council

Tues. December 19, 2017

7:00pm Advent Entertainment

Wed. December 20, 2017

6:30pm to 8:00pm Rel. Edu. Classes

6:45pm RCIA Fr. Augustine

7:30pm Experienced Band Concert

Thurs. December 21, 2017

6:00pm to 10:00pm Bingo

Fri. December 22, 2017

2:40pm Christmas Recess Begins

10:00am to 12:00pm Holy Hour

6:30pm to 8:00pm RCIA Fr. Augustine
7:30pm to 9:00pm Lazos de Amor Mariano

Sat. December 23, 2017

8:00am to 9:00am Holy Hour

NO Rel. Edu classes

5:00pm Sunday Vigil Mass

FOOD PANTRY - HELP WANTED:

Vol. Administrative Asst. with Computer Skills (1) Contact clients once a month (2) Send thank you notes to donors; (3) Contact volunteers once a month. Please stop by the Food Pantry on Saturday between 10 am and 12 and ask for Marie Macfarlane.

150 families use our food pantry No salt added canned vegetables and soups ; Canned fruits in juice ; Low sodium (salt) canned beans; fat-free refried beans; canned tuna or salmon; Canned chicken; Instant oatmeal (plain) or quick oats; Brown rice, quinoa, or bulgur; whole grain cereal (unsweetened); whole wheat pasta; Unsalted nuts;

FORMED

Go to **formed.org** and enter your email and the Parish Code = **8X386F**.

Se encuentra en **WWW.formed.org**. Pondrá su e-mail y escribe el código de la parroquia **8X386F**.

FLOCKNOTES

Flocknotes is an easy way to stay connected with the Parish. You can text the message OLMCE to # 84576 or visit: www.flocknote.com/OLMCElmsford.

OLMC SCHOOL

It was a very busy week at Mt. Carmel, as the whole school community came together for our Christmas Fair. We want to thank everyone who participated and helped out in any capacity. Your support helped make this a wonderful experience for our children. Thank you again for all that you do!

RELIGIOUS ED

Goals / Mission for Family Catechesis in OLMC Parish School and Religious Education Program:
-Family catechesis can be any combination model or method listed as long as it totals five hours.

MUCHISIMAS GRACIAS

Por Todas las voluntarias para ayudar en las celebraciones de Inmaculada Concepción, Fiestas de San Juan Diego, las Mañanitas, la Solemnidad de la Virgen de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe y la Posada, Novena y las convivencias que siguen.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT B

Isaiah 61:12-10-11- This hymn is taken from that part of Isaiah named the Songs of the Suffering Servant. It speaks of how the earth will be transformed by this special servant.

I Thessalonians 5:16-24 St. Paul speaks to the community about concentrating on all the good things that God has brought about.

John 1:6-8, 19-28 John the Baptist clearly tells us who he is not, He is not the Messiah, Elijah, nor the Prophet. He is a voice in the desert preparing the world for someone greater than he.

Discussion Questions: How can we improve our lives? How can I be more positive with those whom I live and work?

Commento: . Ecco allora l'invito di oggi alla conversione, a lasciare cioè le vie sbagliate che non conducono a Cristo.

Comentario del domingo: _ Necesitamos ir al desierto para escuchar palabras auténticas por encima de los gritos de la vida cotidiana.

distributed to our Food Pantry Families on the next Pantry date, Dec. 16th.

FROM THE PASTOR GOSPEL OF MARK

I have committed myself to a yearlong study of Mark's Gospel. We will meet twice a month; the times will be announced. The study will be based on the book **"Say to This Mountain" Mark's Story of Discipleship by Chad Myers and team.** The book is published by Orbis Press, 1996. It is available online from Amazon, or as an e-book from Kindle and Nook. It is essentially a study guide of the gospel divided into 25 chapters. Those who wish to attend the study, please get a copy of the book and bring a Bible with you.

If you wish a copy, one can be purchased for you from the Maryknoll bookstore, just leave your name and contact info at the office. Our next meeting will be Tuesday December 26, at 7:00 in the Parish Meeting Room.



Thank you to Our Minister of Music Stephen Knoblock, the Choirs and the Orchestra for a delightful Advent/Christmas Concert last Sunday

SACRAMENTAL LITURGIES: ADULT BAPTISM

The church community in turn promises to pray for them for their continual conversion. From this point on the catechumens and candidates for confirmation and first communion are expected to attend the liturgy of the word on Sundays and are dismissed to continue that reflection on the meaning of God's word in their lives after the homily and prayers of the faithful.

We have some children in our Religious Education program and in OLMC School who are preparing for initiation. . Next Easter they will celebrate these sacraments and during the next year they will continue to study and learn about Jesus and the church. We pray for these children and for the adults in our community who are preparing for the sacraments of initiation.



THE JESSE TREE -

The Jesse tree is located at the entrance to the church. Thank you for generously taking all of the gift opportunities. The symbols are a reminder of Christ's family tree, those men and women from the Hebrew bible who are our ancestors in faith. Please return gifts by **Friday December 15th** in order that they can be

2017 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Fourth Sunday of Advent Dec. 23-24

Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 8:00am; 10:00am and 12:00 noon in Spanish

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve 4:00 p.m. Family Mass with Children's Nativity Christmas Carols begin at 9:30 pm and Conclude with Mass at 10:00 pm (this is the Mass at Night formerly at midnight, it has been moved up two hours for the benefit of the ministers and congregants.

Christmas Day

8:00; am 10:00 am and 12:00 pm in Spanish with procession at 11:30 noon

Please note that because the Fourth Sunday of Advent coincides with December 24, the parish staff felt the need to streamline our Sunday Mass for this Sunday only.



DECORATION THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS:

Volunteers and members of the Holy Name Society will decorate the Church for Christmas on Saturday December 23rd from 10:00 AM to noon. Many hands make light work, so all are welcome.