



SATURDAY, JULY 16, 2016

5:00 PM John Hurns

SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2016

8:00 AM Daniel Moliterno

10:30 AM Carmela DiSanto;
Robert Reddon;
Liz, Patricio & Ximena – Living
Feliz cumpleaños!

MONDAY, JULY 18, 2016

7:00 AM Carol Baessler

9:00 AM Carmella Santella

TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2016

7:00 AM Fortunato Quispe - Living

9:00 AM Remo DeLaurentis

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 2016

7:00 AM Gregoria Monge - Living

9:00 AM Susanna Winship

THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2016

7:00 AM Marie & Richard Venuti

9:00 AM Ascenzia Rotonelli

FRIDAY, JULY 22, 2016

7:00 AM Brendan Kelly – Living
And all Marines serving in Iraq

9:00 AM Matthew Paz

SATURDAY, JULY 23, 2016

9:00 AM Fred Schmitt

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, JULY 23, 2016

5:00 PM Carmela & Nicola Albano

SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2016

8:00 AM Raymond Frasene Sr.
Raymond Frasene Jr.

9:30 AM Andrew Santoro

11:00 AM Ida Mae Payne Smith

12:30 PM Misioneros Lazos de Amor Mariano
Celebrando su cumpleaños.

OLMC FINANCIAL REPORT

The Fiscal year covers the period Sept. 1, to Aug. 31.

Our fiscal year to date budget is \$364,000.

Budget Weekly \$7,000.00

Previous Total \$300,499.09

Collection 07/10/16 4,693.34

Total Collection \$305,192.43

Shortage (2,807.57)

Budgeted \$308,000.00

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.

OUR MILITARY PRAYER LIST

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

Clifton Benson, Craig Brown, Jr., Devon Campbell, Frankie Confalone Jr., Desmond Hurns Jr., Adam Jones, Ryan Joyce, Brendan Kelly, Mark Martino, James McGraw, Kevin J. Rainaldi, Michael Rodick, Jonathan Suda, and Dominick Versace. To add a name to the list, please call the Rectory at 592-6789.

DAILY MASS OFFERING IS \$15.00

The Mass is the "source and summit" of the Life of a believer; we naturally look to that Holy Sacrifice of Christ, containing the perfect prayer, to offer for our deceased relatives and friends. The following masses are available:

Aug – 7AM – 18, 22, 24, 25, 29, 31

You can reserve a Mass for a deceased relative or friend or a particular intention for someone living. Call the rectory, visit the office, or send a letter to the office or putting your request in an envelope and place it in the collection – marked: Mass Intention.

BLESSED MOTHER GROTTO

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

PARISH PAY

Go to **parishpay.com** and type the 10523 Zip Code. Click on OLMC; choose the frequency and the amount you want to donate and fill in the financial info and your contribution is sent to OLMC.

PARISH WEB SITE

<http://olmcchurchelmsford.com>

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..."

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Fr. Tom D'Angelo, Gary Adler, Syed Alirah, Louis Jesus Apreza, Glorimar Atilas, Joanne Ayala, Charles Barrett, Bryan Barry, Alissa Bikowski, Sr. Maria Teresa Bourbon RDC, Carlos Cardenas, James Carrea, Danielle Cavone, Nicholas Chiapparino, Fr. James P. Connolly, Filomena Conroy, Jeanine Cosentino, Garrett Cronin, Katherine De Torres, Jennifer Dodge, Allie, Thomas Dusva, Robert Fellner, Edward Fucci Sr., Clarens and Cedric Geannot, Jason, Bernard Goddard, Carmine Greco, Alex Herrera, Dawn & Edward Horan, Victor Illescas, Frank Imondo, Sr. Margaret Keogan, RDC, Debra Lawrence, Kay Quinn Liven,

Grace Lynch, Wendy Maier, John McDonald, Stefanie Merenda, Frank Naclerio, Sophia Napoli, Rolando Polson, Frank Rotellini, Karen Saake, Peter Schmidt, John Thomann, Sarah Tureck, and for all who have asked for prayers on our Facebook page, and those who care for them.

ROSARY SOCIETY & PRAYER LINE

The Rosary Society will be happy to include you in our daily Rosary prayers. Please call Marie 914-592-5327 or Email requests to OLMCRS@gmail.com

ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH - OSSINING

Will be holding their 39th Annual Italian Festival on **Tues. July 19th - Sun. July 24th** from 6-11PM each night. There will be a fireworks display presented on Wed July 20th (rain date Thurs.) Come and enjoy the delicious food, rides, fireworks, casino, games and much more. For more info please visit www.StAugNY.org or call the Parish office at 914-941-0067

CATHOLIC CRUISES AND TOURS

Come and sail away on a 7 night Western Caribbean Cruise with Fr. John Boyhan Nov 13th-20th on Holland America's *Nieuw Amsterdam* out of Ft. Lauderdale. Ports of Call: Half Moon Cay, Bahamas, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cozumel, Mexico, Key West, Florida. Prices begin at \$1,767 for two passengers including all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass offered. For more info call Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785; doug@CatholicCruisesAndTours.com

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF BLAUVELT, NY

On July 24th there is a great opportunity to heed the call of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si (On Care for Our Common Home/Creation) Visit www.cleanenergymarch.org Some will participate in this march on 7/24, others an raise their consciousness; be alert for news reports; pray and act. May we each make some effort to consider the challenges and threats of climate change. We can help to bring about a great energy transformation from fracking, fossil fuel, dirty energy to renewable energy and environmental justice for all. Let us pray together that we carry out the all of Pope Francis to care for our common home, aware of the threat and challenges of climate change.

CALL 2-1-1 – NON-EMERGENCY CALLS

Call 211 to get help with health and human services such as basic needs assistance, health care options, abuse prevention, drug recovery, mental health care, disaster resources and more.

WHY A CATHOLIC CEMETERY?

Gate of Heaven Cemetery, located at 10 Stevens Ave in Hawthorne, has been operating for almost 100 years. It is a beautiful historical cemetery. 914- 769-3672, or, www.gateofheavenny.com

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL SCHOOL

We have an ongoing registration for the 2016-2017 year. Applications can be dropped off in the school office between 9am and 2:30pm on weekdays, sent in the mail or email admission@olmcelsford.com

SCHOOL WEBSITE

<http://www.olmcelsford.com>

OLMC FOOD PANTRY

150 families use our food pantry; Pantry will be open next Saturday, June 18th. No salt added canned vegetables; 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; No salt added soups.



SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Mon., July 18

Tues. July 19

Wed. July 20

8:00 PM Knights of Columbus Mtg – Parish Mtg. Rm

Thurs, July 21

6:00 - 10:00 PM Bingo – Auditorium

Fri, July 22

7:00PM – Grupo de Oracion Carismatico

7:30PM – Grupo de Oración Lazos de Amor Mariano - Cls.

Sat, July 23

8:00AM – Holy Hour

CARDINAL'S APPEAL:

The parish goal is \$64,500 and 210 families. As of last Friday, we have received \$62,658 from 178 families, about 97% of our goal.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C

Genesis 18:1-10a: The Lord appeared to Abraham, who saw three men standing near his tent. Sensing they were messengers, he hurriedly brought them food and water to refresh themselves. Upon leaving, the men told him that they would visit in a year, at which time his childless wife Sarah would have a son.

Colossians 1:24-28: Paul discusses the suffering Christ endured for his Church. He describes his willingness to also endure suffering in Jesus' name. Paul hopes that through his sacrifices, many people will become complete in Jesus.

Luke 10:38-42: Jesus was welcomed into the home of a woman named Martha. She complained to Jesus that her

sister Mary sat listening to him instead of helping with the tasks of entertaining. Jesus told Martha that her sister had chosen the more important task, and should be allowed to listen.

THE JOY OF LOVE

The following is a series of comments and excerpts from the Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*.

Chapter three: “Looking to Jesus: The Vocation of the Family” (58-88) This chapter treats of the Church’s ideals for marriage and the famil. Its 30 paragraphs concisely depict the ocaation of the family according to the Gospel and as affirmed by the Church over time. It speaks of indissolubility, the sacramentalnature of marriage, the transmission of life and the education of children. Alongisde this, Pope Frncis suggests that “imperfect situtaions” should be smplahteically evaluated and says that we can learn ssome marriage values from other cultural traditions. In and among families, the Gospel message should always resound; the core of that message, the kerygma, is what is “most beautiful, most excellent, most appealing and at the same time most necessary” (AL 50) Indeed, “nothing is more solid, profound, secure, meaningful and wise than that message.” In effect, “all Christian formation consists of entering more deeply into the kerygma.” (AL 53) Our teaching on marriage and the family cannot fail to be inspired and transformed by this message of love and tenderness; otherwise, it becomes nothing more than the defense of a dry and lifeless doctrine. The mystery of the Christian family can be fully understood only in the light of the Father’s infinite love revealed in Christ, who gave himself up for our sake and who continues to dwell in our midst. Contrary to those who rejected marriage as evil, the New Testament teaches that “everything created by God is good and nothing is to be rejected” (1 Tim 4:4). Marriage is “a gift” from the Lord (1 Cor 7:7). At the same time, precisely because of this positive understanding, the New Testament strongly emphasizes the need to safeguard God’s gift: “Let marriage be held in honour among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled” (Heb 13:4). This divine gift includes sexuality: “Do not refuse one another” (1 Cor 7:5).

God’s indulgent love always accompanies our human journey; through grace, it heals and transforms hardened hearts, leading them back to the beginning through the way of the cross. The Gospels clearly present the example of Jesus who... proclaimed the meaning of marriage as the fullness of revelation that restores God’s original plan (cf. Mt 19:3)”(AL 55) “The covenant of love and fidelity lived by the Holy Family of Nazareth illuminates the principle which gives shape to every family, and enables it better to face the vicissitudes of life and history. On this basis, every family, despite its weaknesses, can become a light in the darkness of the world. Nazareth teaches us the meaning of family life, its loving communion, its simple and austere beauty, its sacred and inviolable character. May it teach how

sweet and irreplaceable is its training, how fundamental and incomparable its role in the social order’ (Paul VI, Address in Nazareth, 5 January 1964)” (AL 58)

sacrament of marriage is not a social convention, an empty ritual or merely the outward sign of a commitment. The sacrament is a gift given for the sanctification and salvation of the spouses, since “their mutual belonging is a real representation, through the sacramental sign, of the same relationship between Christ and the Church. The married couple are therefore a permanent reminder for the Church of what took place on the cross; they are for one another and for their children witnesses of the salvation in which they share through the sacrament.” (AL 64) More generally, the common life of husband and wife, the entire network of relations that they build with their children and the world around them, will be steeped in and strengthened by the grace of the sacrament. For the sacrament of marriage flows from the incarnation and the paschal mystery, whereby God showed the fullness of his love for humanity by becoming one with us. Marriage is firstly an “intimate partnership of life and love” (AL 80) which is a good for the spouses themselves, (AL 81) while sexuality is “ordered to the conjugal love of man and woman”. (AL 82) It follows that “spouses to whom God has not granted children can have a conjugal life full of meaning, in both human and Christian terms” (AL 83) The child who is born “does not come from outside as something added on to the mutual love of the spouses, but springs from the very heart of that mutual giving, as its fruit and fulfilment”. (AL 85) A child deserves to be born of that love, and not by any other means, for “he or she is not something owed to one, but is a gift” (AL 87) The Synod Fathers also wished to emphasize that “one of the fundamental challenges facing families today is undoubtedly that of raising children, made all the more difficult and complex by today’s cultural reality and the powerful influence of the media”. (AL 94)

SOBRE EL AMOR EN LA FAMILIA

Cada semana quiero citar y comentar sobre este Exhortación Apostólica del Papa Francisco.

Capítulo segundo: “La realidad y los desafíos de la familia” A partir del terreno bíblico en el segundo capítulo el Papa considera la situación actual de las familias, poniendo “los pies sobre la tierra” (AL 6), recurriendo ampliamente a las Relaciones conclusivas de los dos Sínodos y afrontando numerosos desafíos, desde el fenómeno migratorio a las negociaciones ideológicas de la diferencia de sexos (“ideología del gender”); desde la cultura de lo provisorio a la mentalidad antinatalista y al impacto de la biotecnología en el campo de la procreación; de la falta de casa y de trabajo a la pornografía y el abuso de menores; de la atención a las personas con discapacidad, al respeto de los ancianos; de la desconstrucción jurídica de la familia, a la violencia contra las mujeres. El Papa insiste sobre lo concreto, que es una propiedad fundamental de la Exhortación. Y son las cosas concretas y el realismo que ponen una substancial diferencia entre teoría de interpretación de la realidad e “ideologías”.

Citando la Familiares consortio Francisco afirma que “es sano prestar atención a la realidad concreta, porque “las exigencias y llamadas del Espíritu resuenan también en los acontecimientos mismos de la historia”, a través de los cuales “la Iglesia puede ser guiada a una comprensión más profunda del inagotable misterio del matrimonio y de la familia”. (AL 31) Por lo tanto, sin escuchar la realidad no es posible comprender las exigencias del presente ni los llamados del Espíritu. El Papa nota que el individualismo exagerado hace difícil hoy la entrega a otra persona de manera generosa (Cfr. AL 33). Esta es una interesante fotografía de la situación: “se teme la soledad, se desea un espacio de protección y de fidelidad, pero al mismo tiempo crece el temor de ser atrapado por una relación que pueda postergar el logro de las aspiraciones personales” (AL 34).