

## OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

23-25 NEWTOWN AVENUE, ASTORIA, NY 11102 | 718.278.1834

SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2022

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



“He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you.” - Jn 16:14-15

*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.*

# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### SATURDAY, JUNE 11 (*Saint Barnabas*)

5:00pm Loretta Pagona (*Birthday Memorial*),  
Rodolfo Monge (*Memorial*),  
Mr. & Mrs. Sal Grippi,  
Ariel Moyano & Eldo Moyano,  
Michael Rosario (*1st Anniversary*)  
Luis & Maria Quizphi (*40th Wedding Anniversary*)

### SUNDAY, JUNE 12 (*The Most Holy Trinity*)

8:00am Mario R. Nacinovich (*Birthday*)  
9:00am Alberto DiBenedetto  
9:30am Donald Sanchez  
11:00am Vito Todisco & Allen Lanner  
12:30pm Zoraida E. Camacho, Fabio Leon Diaz,  
Jose Paul Loor (*I Aniversario*),  
Victor Vazquez (*II Aniversario*),  
Nicola Chiechi & Anna Vesia

5:00pm For the people of our parish

### MONDAY, JUNE 13 (*Saint Anthony of Padua*)

8:00am Joseph A. & Dorothy Haufe  
10:00am Sant' Antonio di Padova  
12:00pm Elaine Marie Roeder (*Anniversary*)

### TUESDAY, JUNE 14

8:00am Nicolina Caniglia  
12:00pm Rose & George Hasselberg Sr.,  
William & George Hasselberg Jr., &  
Gloria Radoslovich

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

8:00am Giuseppe & Bernarda DiLorenzo  
12:00pm Ernesto P. de Guzman  
(*Birthday Anniversary*)

### THURSDAY, JUNE 16

8:00am Robert Russo Jr.  
12:00pm Ida Albanese

### FRIDAY, JUNE 17

8:00am Constantina Soccoli  
12:00pm Fred Magistrado Sr. (*Death Anniversary*)

### SATURDAY, JUNE 18

8:00am Damian Valencia  
5:00pm Mercedes Beck, Vito Antonio Chiechi,  
Victor Vazquez (*Second Anniversary*),  
Patrick Welcon, Talato Cyrille Karfo

### SUNDAY, JUNE 19 (*Corpus Christi – Fathers' Day*)

8:00am For All Fathers in Our Parish Family  
9:00am For All Fathers in Our Parish Family  
9:30am Per Tutti I Papa  
11:00am For All Fathers in Our Parish Family  
12:30pm Por todos los Padres en Nuestra Parroquia  
5:00pm For the people of our parish

## MEMORIAL OFFERINGS

The Altar Candles & Flowers are being offered for  
**Rose & George Hasselberg Sr. & William & George  
Hasselberg Jr. and Gloria Radoslovich**  
by The Hasselberg Family

The Sanctuary Lamp is being offered for  
**Nicolina Caniglia**  
by the Carullo Family



## MASS SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday</b>	5:00 PM (Vigil Mass)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Upper Church:</b> 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) <b>Lower Church:</b> 9:00 AM (Italian) 10:30 AM (Czech-Slovak)
<b>Weekdays</b>	8:00 AM and 12:00 Noon
<b>Saturday</b>	8:00 AM
<b>First Fridays</b>	7:30 PM (Spanish)
<b>Holy Days</b>	8:00 AM, 12 PM (English) and 7:30 PM (Bilingual)
<b>Holidays</b>	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

### ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC ACADEMY

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[school@mountcarmelastoria.org](mailto:school@mountcarmelastoria.org)

## UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

**June 12, 2022:** There will be a second collection after communion for Parish School Children. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

**June 19, 2022:** There will be a second collection after communion for our Parish Maintenance. Your generous contributions help us maintain the spaces and buildings in good condition for your use.

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

As of June 6, 2022, 134 of our parishioners have pledged \$46,461 towards our goal of \$67,815. \$36,954 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.

*Desde el 6 de Junio, 2022, 134 de nuestros feligreses han prometido \$46,461 hacia nuestra meta de \$67,815. \$36,954 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**.*

## E-GIVING OPPORTUNITY

When your summer travels take you away from Sunday services, eGiving lets you continue to support your parish and the ministries you cherish. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and plan your summer offertory by setting up a recurring donation.

eGiving sustains our parish through the busy summer months. You'll provide us with consistent support, even if you're away on a Sunday, so the programs, services, and ministries that mean so much to our community will never miss a beat.

Sign up today by visiting [faith.direct/NY370](http://faith.direct/NY370), or text "**Enroll**" to **(929) 254-3850**. Your generosity will go a long way.



## SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

### Your Weekly Church Offering

*(Does not include offerings through Faith Direct)*

Last weekend's collection: **\$5,962**

Same weekend last year: **\$5,976**



## 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. Many parishioners and families have found this way of giving very easy, fast and efficient.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Each year the Church celebrates the month of June as the Month of the Sacred Heart. We honor the Heart of Jesus through the liturgy, prayers, devotions, acts of consecration, and reparation. The Sacred Heart of Jesus draws us into God's infinite love and urges us to make that same love present in our world. Indeed, a world-weary by the ongoing pandemic, wounded by violence, broken by individualism, and battered by challenges to the faith such as ours today, is in desperate need of a devotion like this, which encourages people to look outward and show true love to one another.

Beyond being an important visual sign of the love of Christ, the heart, both in Scripture and in literature throughout human history, represents the innermost sanctuary of our human self. The heart is a natural sign of love: it is hidden, steady, and reliable. As it constantly beats, it keeps us alive and well. Thus, for the Christian faithful, the love signified by the Sacred Heart is the steady, reliable, faithful, life-giving love of God. It represents true love, not a passing emotion, a sentiment that deceives, or sentimentality that changes over time.

The image of the Sacred Heart is rich with symbolism. The heart of Jesus is always portrayed along with the symbol of the cross which signifies the sacrificial love for others; the flames represent the glory of that love, shining in a world darkened by sin and needs to be set ablaze by the fire of the Holy Spirit; and the crown of thorns which surrounds the bleeding, wounded heart. This reminds us of a scriptural reference to the heart of Jesus being pierced on the cross (John 19:34). It also reminds us of the doubting Thomas being invited to put his hands into the Risen Lord's wounds (John 20:24-29), and of the image of the victorious Lamb who was slain (Revelation 5:6). All of these features are meant to show us that the love of Christ is not some theoretical love, but a real, faithful, totally committed love that is willing to suffer for the beloved. At the same time, they are meant to remind us in a powerful way that each of us was commissioned to make present that kind of love in the world when we were baptized into Christ.

In his pastoral letter last year, "Heart Speaks to Heart," Cardinal Thomas Collin, the Archbishop of Toronto, comments on this point: "If we only act in order to attract applause, and shift our principles to guarantee that approval, we will never truly live or love at all, and we will lose our very self. Real love is inseparable from integrity, and may well include a crown of thorns, which reminds us of the cost of discipleship. It also reminds us that whenever people are mocked, marginalized, bullied, or rejected in any way, the disciple of Jesus must be with them to care for them with the compassion of Christ." Devotion to the Sacred Heart thus leads us to ponder the sacred humanity of Jesus, God with us. Using the universally accepted symbol of the heart as the sign of the center of who we are, this devotion focuses on Jesus as the man for others, who shows human beings how to love as God loves.

How does one practice devotion to the Sacred Heart? Through adoration of the Eucharistic Lord, especially on Friday, the day of the crucifixion when the love of Christ is fully revealed. It is no coincidence that each year the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart occurs on the Friday following the Solemnity of Corpus Christi.

Many elements of the Sacred Heart devotion come from the mystical visions of Jesus that Saint Margaret Mary experienced between 1673 and 1675, in which the Lord spoke to her about the mysteries of His Sacred Heart. As a parish with a strong connection to St. Margaret Mary, it is fitting that we foster this devotion. I highly recommend making time for a few moments of adoration before the Eucharist; meditating on the Gospel reading daily; participating in the Holy Mass whenever possible, and honoring an image of the Sacred Heart in your home. In our parish, it has been a long custom to have exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on every first Friday of the month, which takes place right after the 8:00 AM Mass and concludes with Solemn Benediction before the start of the 12 Noon Mass. In addition, we also have a sung Holy Hour at 6:30 PM and a Holy Mass in Spanish at 7:30 PM on every first Friday of the month.

Let us devote this month of June to fostering a greater devotion to the Sacred Heart and deepen our commitment to imitate His love, a love that reaches out to the lonely, the isolated, the sick, and all those who are rejected. Meditating on the divine love represented by the Sacred Heart will lead each of us to become not a superficial Christian, but a devoted and intentional Christian, on fire for the Lord and for His mission in the world.

With Christ's choicest blessings,  
*Msgr. Cuong M. Pham*

## DEL CORAZON DEL PASTOR

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Cada año la Iglesia celebra el mes de junio como el Mes del Sagrado Corazón. Honramos el Corazón de Jesús a través de la liturgia, oraciones, devociones, actos de consagración y reparación. El Sagrado Corazón de Jesús nos atrae hacia el amor infinito de Dios y nos urge hacer presente ese mismo amor en nuestro mundo. De hecho, un mundo cansado por la pandemia en curso, herido por la violencia, quebrantado por el individualismo y golpeado por desafíos a la fe como el nuestro, necesita desesperadamente una devoción como esta, que aliente a las personas a mirar hacia afuera y mostrar verdadero amor el uno al otro.

Más allá de ser un importante signo visual del amor de Cristo, el corazón, tanto en las Escrituras como en la literatura a lo largo de la historia humana, representa el santuario más íntimo de nuestro ser humano. El corazón es un signo natural de amor: es escondido, firme y confiable. Como late constantemente, nos mantiene vivos y bien. Así, para los fieles cristianos, el amor significado por el Sagrado Corazón es el amor de Dios constante, fiable, fiel, vivificante. Representa el amor verdadero, no una emoción pasajera, un sentimiento que engaña, o un sentimentalismo que cambia con el tiempo.

La imagen del Sagrado Corazón es rica en simbolismo. El corazón de Jesús siempre se representa junto con el símbolo de la cruz que significa el amor sacrificial por los demás; las llamas representan la gloria de ese amor, brillando en un mundo oscurecido por el pecado y necesita ser encendido por el fuego del Espíritu Santo; y la corona de espinas que rodea el corazón sangrante y herido. Esto nos recuerda una referencia bíblica al corazón de Jesús siendo traspasado en la cruz (Juan 19:34). También nos recuerda la invitación del incrédulo Tomás a poner sus manos en las llagas del Resucitado (Juan 20, 24-29), y la imagen del Cordero victorioso que fue inmolado (Apocalipsis 5, 6). Todas estas características están destinadas a mostrarnos que el amor de Cristo no es un amor teórico, sino un amor real, fiel, totalmente comprometido que está dispuesto a sufrir por el amado. Al mismo tiempo, tienen la intención de recordarnos de manera poderosa que cada uno de nosotros fue comisionado para hacer presente ese tipo de amor en el mundo cuando fuimos bautizados en Cristo.

En su carta pastoral del año pasado, "El Corazon Habla Con El Corazon", el cardenal Thomas Collin, arzobispo de Toronto, comenta sobre este punto: "Si solo actuamos para atraer aplausos y cambiamos nuestros principios para garantizar esa aprobación, nunca viviremos o amaremos verdaderamente y nos perderemos a nosotros mismos. El verdadero amor es inseparable de la integridad y bien puede incluir una corona de espinas, que nos recuerda el costo del discipulado. También nos recuerda que cada vez que se burlan, marginan, intimidan o rechazan a las personas, el discípulo de Jesús debe estar con ellos para cuidarlos con la compasión de Cristo". La devoción al Sagrado Corazón nos lleva así a reflexionar sobre la sagrada humanidad de Jesús, Dios con nosotros. Usando el símbolo universalmente aceptado del corazón como el signo del centro de lo que somos, esta devoción se centra en Jesús como el hombre para los demás, que muestra a los seres humanos cómo amar como Dios ama.

¿Cómo se practica la devoción al Sagrado Corazón? A través de la adoración al Señor Eucarístico, especialmente el viernes, día de la crucifixión, cuando se revela plenamente el amor de Cristo. No es casualidad que cada año la Solemnidad del Sagrado Corazón se celebre el viernes siguiente a la Solemnidad del Corpus Christi.

Muchos elementos de la devoción al Sagrado Corazón provienen de las visiones místicas de Jesús que Santa Margarita María experimentó entre 1673 y 1675, en las que el Señor le habló de los misterios de Su Sagrado Corazón. Como parroquia con una fuerte conexión con Santa Margarita María, es apropiado que fomentemos esta devoción. Recomiendo encarecidamente hacer tiempo para unos momentos de adoración ante la Eucaristía; meditar en la lectura del Evangelio diariamente; participar en la Santa Misa siempre que sea posible y honrar una imagen del Sagrado Corazón en su hogar. En nuestra parroquia, ha sido una larga costumbre tener exposición y adoración del Santísimo Sacramento cada primer viernes de mes, que se lleva a cabo justo después de la Misa de las 8:00am y concluye con la Bendición Solemne antes del comienzo de la Misa de las 12:00pm. Además, también tenemos una Hora Santa cantada a las 6:30pm y una Santa Misa en español a las 7:30pm todos los primeros viernes de mes.

Dediquemos este mes de junio a fomentar una mayor devoción al Sagrado Corazón y profundicemos en nuestro compromiso de imitar su amor, un amor que llega a los solitarios, a los aislados, a los enfermos ya todos los rechazados. Meditar en el amor divino representado por el Sagrado Corazón nos llevará a cada uno de nosotros a convertirnos no en un cristiano superficial, sino en un cristiano devoto e intencional, apasionado por el Señor y por Su misión en el mundo.

Con las bendiciones más selectas de Cristo,  
*Mons. Cuong. M. Pham*

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Sunday, June 12

8:00am – 11:30am	Italian Community	Lourdes A/B
9:00am – 11:30am	Reunion de Amistad	Nazareth
10:00am – 1:00pm	Czech Community	Guadalupe A
10:00am – 12:00pm	Spanish RCIA	Fatima+ Upper Room
10:30am – 12:30pm	Cursillo	Guadalupe B

### Monday, June 13

9:00am – 9:00pm	Young Womens Leadership	Gym
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### Tuesday, June 14

7:00am – 4:00pm	Young Womens Leadership	Gym
3:30pm – 6:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima
5:00pm – 9:00pm	CYO	Gym
5:30pm – 6:45pm	Mariachi School	Balcony Rooms
6:00pm – 9:00pm	Marriage Encounter	Guadalupe+ Fatima
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Coro #1	Nazareth

### Wednesday, June 15

7:00am – 4:00pm	Young Womens Leadership	Gym
5:00pm – 9:00pm	CYO	Gym
7:30pm – 9:30pm	Grupo de Consolacion	Fatima

### Thursday, June 16

7:00am – 5:00pm	Young Womens Leadership	Gym
10:00am – 11:30am	Legion of Mary	Guadalupe B
5:00pm – 9:00pm	CYO	Gym

### Friday, June 17

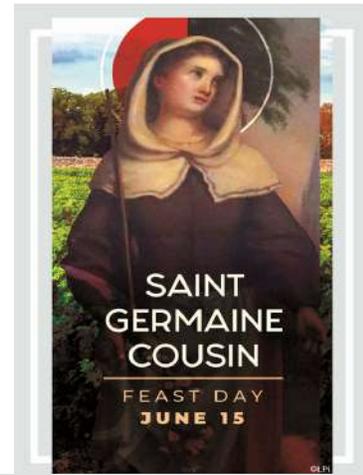
7:00am – 4:00pm	Young Women's Leadership	Gym
4:00pm – 11:00pm	CYO	Gym

### Saturday, June 18

9:00am – 7:00pm	CYO	Gym
9:00am – 12:30pm	AA Meeting	Guadalupe A
10:00am – 12:00pm	Spanish Children's Choir	Upper Room
10:00am – 1:00pm	Saturday Lessons in Faith	Lourdes A/B
5:00pm – 7:00pm	Ministerio de Consolacion	Nazareth
5:00pm – 8:00pm	BiLingual Choir	Lourdes A/B
6:00pm – 9:00pm	OLMC Ballet	Guadalupe A/B

### Sunday, June 19

9:00am – 11:30am	Reunion de Amistad	Nazareth
10:00am – 1:00pm	Czech Community	Lourdes A/B
10:00am – 12:00pm	Spanish RCIA	Fatima+ Upper Room
10:30am – 12:30pm	Cursillo	Guadalupe A/B
1:30pm – 4:00pm	Quinceañera Class	Lourdes A/B
4:00pm – 7:00pm	Santiago Chinos Practica	Guadalupe A/B



## SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Germaine was born in Pibrac, France in 1579 to poor parents. Her story is a heart-wrenching one. She was born with a deformed right arm and hand, and her mother died when she was an infant. Her father remarried, but her stepmother brutally abused and neglected her.

As a child Germaine suffered from scrofula, a disfiguring form of tuberculosis which causes swelling and lesions on the side of the neck. Already sick, abused, and starving, she was forced to sleep in a barn with the sheep she tended.

Despite everything, Germaine lived each day tending her flock with joy and in prayer. Mary and Jesus became her friends. She shared what little she had and taught the children of the village about God's love. A rosary made of string knots was her constant companion. She attended Mass every day, leaving her sheep in care of guardian angels. Her flock was never attacked by wolves and never wandered. Some claimed to see the waters of the flooded river part so she could get to Mass.

She is often portrayed with an apron full of flowers because one winter day her stepmother accused her of stealing bread from the house and hiding it her apron. But when she was seized and forced to open the apron an abundance of spring flowers tumbled forth. It was this incident that compelled the villagers and even her parents to recognize her holiness.

Germaine died at 22, and her poor body was found by her father, in the barn where she slept. She was buried in the village church. More than forty years later, her body was accidentally exhumed and found to be incorrupt. She was canonized by Pope Pius IX in 1867 and inscribed into the canon of virgins.



### 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone/Telefono: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail/Correo electrónico: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE CHECK/MARQUE SUS OPCIONES**  
 New Registration    Change of Name/Address  
 I prefer envelopes    I prefer E-giving

### SATURDAYS OF REPARATION

*"I promise to assist at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation all those who, in order to make reparation to me, on the First Saturday of five successive months, go to confession, receive Holy Communion, say five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for a quarter of an hour, meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary." - Our Lady to Saint Lucia at Fatima.*

Join us in making the Act of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on the first five Saturdays of the month as follows:

**July 2, August 6 & September 3, October 1**  
Mass at 8:00am in the lower church  
(Rosary recitation following the Mass).

### REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We have now begun accepting applications for Religious Ed. for all students, returning and new. Parents of current students have to ask for the re-registration form at the office for review and payment. For more information please contact the Religious Formation Office.



### 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. Those enrolled the Purgatorial Society will be remembered for a whole year. We have just enrolled **Miguelina Acevedo, Kent Finley, Mary Rocuzzo, & Luz Cobos.**

### 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 parish 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. We are praying for **Angelo E.P. Mazza & Anthony Pelle.**



### 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 us by email at [hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org](mailto:hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org).

## CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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

The duration of the preparation course typically ranges from six months to a year depending on each person's level of knowledge and commitment to the teachings and practices of the faith. 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.



## RECTORY OFFICE CLOSING & MASS SCHEDULE



The rectory office will be closed on Monday, June 20, 2022 in observance of the national holiday, Juneteenth. There will only be one Mass in the Upper Church at 9:00am. The office will re-open on Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 9:00am.

## ASSOCIATION OF VINCINTIAN CHARITIES

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 St. Vincent de Paul will give back to our Church \$50/\$100 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.

## VOCATION DISCERNMENT

"We boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God." How do you hope to share in God's glory... as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the vocations office at 718.827.2454 or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).

Follow us on Social Media: @OLMCAstoria

<http://mountcarmelastoria.org>



## INFANT BAPTISM/BAUTISMO

**Preparation Meeting**  
*Tuesday 7:00pm-Institute*

June 21, 2022  
July 19, 2022  
August 23, 2022  
September 20, 2022  
October 18, 2022  
November 22, 2022

**Baptism Ceremony**  
*Sunday-2:00pm-Church*

June 26, 2022  
July 24, 2022  
August 28, 2022  
September 25, 2022  
October 23, 2022  
November 28, 2022

*NO ENGLISH BAPTISMS IN DECEMBER*

## FECHAS DE BAUTISMOS EN ESPAÑOL

**Reunión de Preparación Ceremonia de Bautismo**  
*Martes – 6:00pm – Instituto Dom – 2:00pm – Iglesia*

Junio 7, 2022  
Julio 5, 2022  
Agosto 9, 2022  
Septiembre 6, 2022  
Octubre 4, 2022  
Noviembre 8, 2022  
Diciembre 6, 2022

Junio 12, 2022  
Julio 10, 2022  
Agosto 14, 2022  
Septiembre 11, 2022  
Octubre 9, 2022  
Noviembre 13, 2022  
Diciembre 11, 2022



# CAMPANELLA Youth Choir

## From the Czech Republic

*will perform at*  
**Our Lady of Mount Carmel**  
**on Sunday, June 26 at 11:30 AM**  
**Lower Church – FREE ADMISSION**



*Campanella Choir has performed in 41 countries to great acclaim. Their wide-ranging repertoire stretches from Gregorian Chant to contemporary styles, including Folk Songs from around the world.*

### 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.

La duración del curso de preparación son entre seis meses y un año, según el nivel de conocimiento y compromiso de cada persona con las enseñanzas y prácticas de la fe. 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.

Por favor llame a la oficina parroquial para saber cómo puede participar en nuestro programa RICA. Si conoce a alguien que pueda beneficiarse de este programa, anímelo a llamar o hablar con uno de nuestros sacerdotes.

### 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 o [hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org](mailto:hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org) o llamar a Rosemary al 646.522.8093.

### INSCRIPCIONES PARA EL CATECISMO

Todavía estamos aceptando registraciones para el catecismo para todos los niños comenzando desde el primer grado. Los padres de estudiantes que ya estuvieron en el catecismo este año pueden pasar por la oficina y pedir un formulario de re-inscripción y solo necesita actualizar la información y hacer el pago. Para más información, por favor comuníquese con la Oficina de Formación Religiosa en la Rectoría.



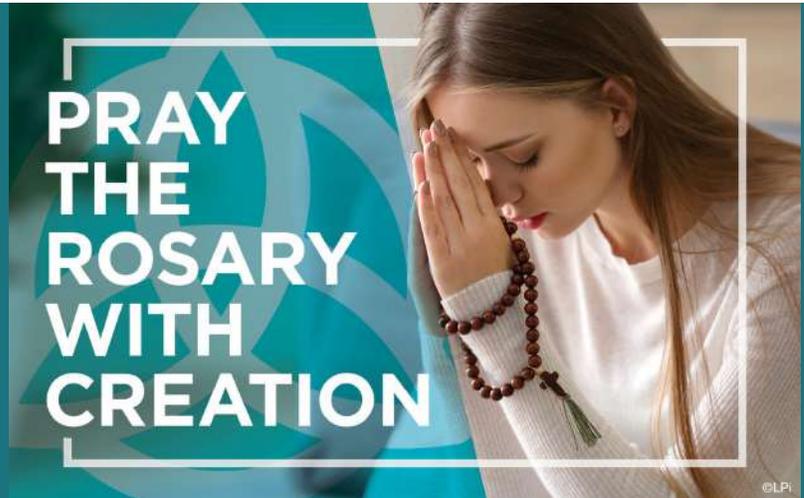
# GOSPEL MEDITATION

## ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

In creative celebration of the Most Holy Trinity, pray a rosary with creation. Find a quiet place outside or sit near a window. Contemplate the amazing Divine Gift that is before you. Admire it. Study it. Become one with it. Ask for the guidance of Brother St. Francis as you pray: "You, Holy Father, are King of heaven and earth. You are three in one, God above all gods. You are good, all good, and supreme good, Lord God, living and true. You are love. You are beauty. You are gentleness. You are joy. You are hope and happiness." Admire the wonder and majesty of God in all that is around you. Ask for wisdom and understanding.

Begin each decade with the Our Father and conclude with the Glory Be.

**Decade one:** Contemplate God the Father. As you pray each bead with a Hail Mary, get lost in the grandeur of all that you see. Imagine the thousands and thousands of years of history that is before you. Envision History as a time when nothing existed. What is nothing? Lift your eyes, heart, and soul to the power and magnificence of the universe, its expanse, and its endlessness. You are one with it all. God's creative power.



**Decade two:** Contemplate God the Son. Behold the squirrels, birds, and critters all conducting life's business. They have heartbeats just like yours. Praying each bead, become one with the incarnate divine life that flows through you and flows with the smallest of creatures. It is holy innocence and blessed life. Tenderness. Compassion, Mercy. Reverence. All want to be held, have a home, and be loved. God in all things. Emmanuel.

**Decade three:** Contemplate God the Holy Spirit. The changing of times and seasons happens often without notice. It is all within God's care and guide. We all belong. Behold the living, dying,

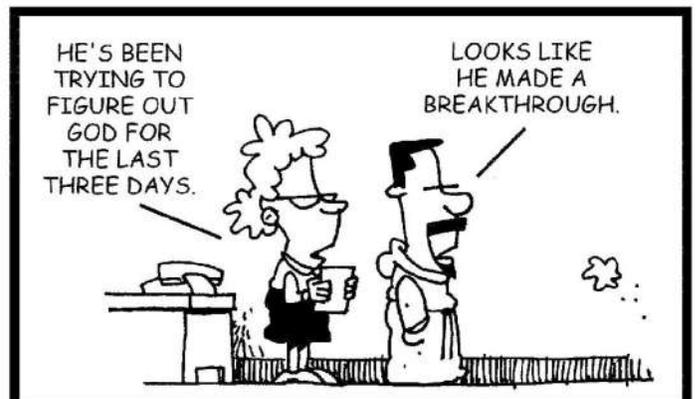
and rising to new life. You are one with all-time from beginning into eternity.

**Decade Four:** Contemplate God as One.

**Decade Five:** Contemplate God as three. All different while remaining one. The divine dance is being danced before you. Rest in what you see. Become what you see. We are all connected: God of the Holy Trinity, creation, our brothers and sisters, the animals, and the plants.

The rosary you have prayed celebrates the circle of connectedness and the intimate relationship we share with all things: a glimpse of the Trinity.

### TRINITY SUNDAY



## UP TO THE JOB

Have you ever had a job for which you didn't feel qualified? I think we all have, whether it was a paying gig or not. A lot of us parents often feel in awe of the magnitude of that role and lose sleep worrying that we made the wrong decision in one situation or a bad call in another. Some of us feel intimidated by what our communities need from us, on the parish level or in our personal relationships. Or maybe we are simply dreading a task that seems too big, too overwhelming—that necessary basement cleanout, or the weekly organization of family schedules.

When we don't feel qualified, we don't want to do the work. We get stuck in our own fear. That's the birthplace of procrastination, self-doubt, and

bitterness. When we look inward at our own abilities, we can only see all the traits that aren't there. The intelligence, dexterity & ambition

I've got good news and bad news. I'll start with the bad news: none of us are qualified for the call of discipleship. We simply aren't. We don't have the love, grace, or strength to get the job done.

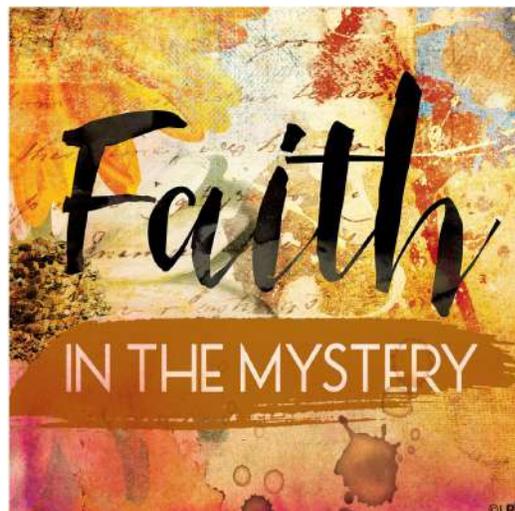
Now I'll give you the good news: God knows this, and He doesn't care. Stewardship does not insist that we possess every good quality—no, as a way of life, stewardship recognizes that we lack so many qualities. But it shows us where to find the love and grace and strength we need. Stewardship does not demand that we know every answer; it merely reminds us whom to ask when we don't.

*-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*

## LIVE THE LITURGY

Life can leave us feeling very distracted and detached. Perhaps this is why many people seek things that make them "feel good," wrongly believing those things actually provide a sense of meaning and purpose. In truth, they are simply more distractions. When we discover real silence, we can realize that the stirrings and impulses in our hearts desiring connection, meaning, and purpose are really God desperately trying to pull us toward His Divine Heart. Once we submit to God's pull, we are led to the beauty of God's presence. This holy presence carries us to the heights of mountains, the vastness of ocean depths, the beginning of things and their end, and the majesty of universal wonder. We meet the Father. Then, gently carried to the tenderness of compassion, love, mercy, and forgiveness we touch the innocence and vulnerability of life. We see the poor and those who are broken. We meet the Son. Finally, we are directed toward the seasons that change, the ebb and flow of life, the inspirations that surprise, and the wonder, awe, and joy of life. We embrace the Holy Spirit.

## INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



## Why is the Church against stem cell research, especially if it offers the possibility of cures for diseases like Alzheimer's and Parkinson's?

Like so many issues, the truth about stem cell research is more complicated than a few sound bites and vague promises of cures. For the Church, the problem is with embryonic stem cell research, not the research itself. The destruction of human life, even for a seemingly noble cause, is never acceptable. The ends cannot justify the means. Stem cells can be obtained in other ways, including from the placenta as well as from adults. So research is possible without the destruction of other life.

On the other hand, stem cell research shows much promise, but no concrete results. Some

scientists also dispute what diseases might be cured by new discoveries. The research is still in its early stages. The question for our country is whether we should invest a lot of money in research now, looking for cures that will probably remain out of reach for most people, or should we invest that money in other programs with more immediate benefits, especially those that stress prevention and education. It is indeed a complex issue that requires close scrutiny and investigation before we jump to inaccurate conclusions or make decisions based on good, but misinformed intentions.