

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2022

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?” - Lk 18:7-8

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, OCTOBER 15 (*Saint Teresa of Jesus*)

8:00am Giuseppe & Bernarda DiLorenzo
5:00pm Sofia & Charles Harkins, Joseph Sabater,
Fredesvina Mena,
Mercy McQuade (*Living— Birthday*)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

(*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

8:00am Connie & Johann Walker (*Living*)
9:00am Santa Margherita
9:30am Fabio Alberto Forero Torrado (*80th Birthday*)
11:00am Mercedes Beck (*9th Death Anniversary*)
12:30pm Juan Antonio Wessin Castro,
Rosa Bustamante Camacho, William Cathor,
Dagoberto Guillermo Magallanes Perez,
Abdel Halim Majid, Roberto Carrion Garcia,
Por la Familia Melchor Aguilar
5:00pm For the people of our parish

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17 (*Saint Ignatius of Antioch*)

8:00am Antonio & Maria Carullo and Family
12:00pm Frances Grey

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18 (*Saint Luke*)

8:00am In Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered
12:00pm Peter Dalleo 1st Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

(*Saints John de Brebeuf & Isaac Joques*)

8:00am The Deceased Members of the
Bitancur, Leyco & Arnedos Family
12:00pm Adelaida P. Guzman

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20 (*Saint Paul of the Cross*)

8:00am Raffaele & Sabbia Carullo and Family
12:00pm Leonard Burton

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

8:00am Dominador D. Castroverde, Jr.
12:00pm Mary Connelly (*Living*)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 (*Saint Paul John II*)

8:00am Dominador D. Castroverde, Jr.
5:00pm Antonio Manalo, Mike Scala, Graci Gerlando,
Lenny Iacopelli, Ding Carbonel

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

(*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

8:00am Joseph & Antonia Nacinovich
(*Birthday Memorial*)
9:00am Sant'Anna
9:30am Sr. Maureen de Lourdes
11:00am Jimmy G. Garcia
12:30pm Brandon Chavarria, Francisco Jose Marcial,
Christopher Kambitsis,
Dionisia Padilla (*9 Aniversario*),
Manuel Quiroz Muñoz
5:00pm For the people of our parish

MEMORIAL GIFTS THIS WEEK

This week the Altar Candles are being offered for **Rose & George Hasselberg, Sr., William & George Hasselberg Jr, and Gloria Rodoslovich**, requested by The Hasselberg Family



YOUR WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

Last weekend's collection: **\$5,952**

Same weekend last year: **\$5,425**

(These amounts do not include donations through *Faith Direct*)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 PM (Vigil Mass)
Sunday	Upper Church: 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) Lower Church: 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 (Bilingual)
Holidays	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

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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.



"FALL" INTO E-GIVING

The Fall season is a great time to streamline your stewardship. You may be aware that there is a great way of supporting our parish through "e-Giving" called **Faith Direct Service**. It is a convenient, cost-effective, efficient and secure way to make your weekly donations. To the 75 registered families of our parish who are already using Faith Direct, THANK YOU! We would like to encourage everyone else to consider using this wonderful service. You will be amazed by how easy and convenient it is.

Signing up will only take a minute, but it will save you a lot of valuable time every week. By using Faith Direct, you will also help our parish to go "green" by eliminating the many wasteful envelopes that go unused. Your recurring gifts will ensure that the ministries you care about are supported throughout the year, even when you need to be absent from a Sunday Mass. Faith Direct is a "win-win" FREE service for all of us.

Choose ANY of the following ways to sign up:

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

SECOND COLLECTIONS

October 16, 2022— Hurricane Ian has brought many tragic losses of lives and devastating destruction to Florida and a vast region of our southern states. Millions have lost everything and are in need of immediate assistance. Bishop Brennan has called upon the faithful to assist the Church's relief efforts. To help this great cause, a special second collection will be sent directly to those most in need. Your sacrificial gift will help alleviate the suffering of our brothers and sisters and help them to rebuild their lives.

October 23, 2022— There will be a second collection after Communion for in support of World Mission Sunday. It is a movement of universal solidarity when each member of the church family, regardless of location or background, play their part in supporting Christ's mission. Your gift will change lives.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

As of October 3, 2022, 192 of our parishioners have pledged \$68,327 towards our goal of \$67,815. \$60,859 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.

*A parte del 3 de octubre, 2022, 192 de nuestros feligreses han prometido \$68,327 hacia nuestra meta de \$67,815. \$60,859 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**.*



Dear parishioners in Christ,

Last week, the priests of our diocese gathered at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, New York with Bishop Robert Brennan and all our other bishops. The occasion was the Priests Convocation which takes place every three years. We came together to renew the bonds of priesthood that unite us in our apostolic mission to serve God's people.

The Convocation was a big success, with several hundred priests attending, and the weather could not have been better. Every day there was bright sunshine. For most of us, returning to the place that has been our home during the formation years was also a happy occasion that brought back many beautiful memories. It felt as though the Seminary has not changed at all since my Ordination twenty-one years ago. I still recognized my favorite places in the vast campus, even my own imprints in some of the chapel decorations that are still there. The lively conversations with brother priests brought back vivid memories of the men and women who have become foundational to the person that I am today.

I must admit that it was not easy for me to set aside three days for attending the Convocation, given my busy schedule at our parish. I have had to make all kinds of arrangements in order to free up time. Nevertheless, I was glad and grateful that I came. During those days, we followed the example of the Apostles. Scripture tells us that after Jesus sent them on their mission of preaching, casting out demons, and curing the sick, they came back to him and reported all they had done and taught. It was then that Jesus said to them, *"You must come away...and rest by yourselves"* (Mk 6: 31). I knew I needed those days of rest. I needed to refocus and recharge my energy. As I spoke to my brother priests, I realized that all of us needed quiet interludes of rest and prayer, of reflection and recreation from our hectic lives, away from the noise and constant activities of the parish. In fact, I believe that all of us, regardless of our vocations in life, need to set aside some quiet time for ourselves if we are to grow in a deeper relationship with the Lord.

One of the most moving moments for me during the Convocation was the experience of concelebrating daily Mass with the bishops and the priests from all age groups and cultures. When the words of the consecration resounded in the rustic chapel of the Seminary, I was moved to tears, deeply touched by a sense of priestly unity, mission and purpose. My heart was filled with gratitude for the gift of priesthood, and for the generosity of priests who offer their lives every day for others. Most of those priests are no longer young; many are already retired from the administration yet are still working; some have left even their own parents and fatherland to come here to serve. Their unique stories of joy and sacrifice inspired me.

The formal presentations during those days focused our attention on the need to cultivate friendships and fraternity among priests, who often find themselves ministering in isolated, needy and even hostile environments. I thought that the organizers could not have picked a better topic for us to reflect on. Our culture, unfortunately, is becoming more isolationist. The current pandemic has certainly not helped the situation. We are disintegrating ever more rapidly and becoming more polarized — this is evident in our Church and our national politics. What fraternity does allow for the diffusion of ideas in a safe environment among those with natural bonds. Fraternity allows for conversation, and conversation, especially holy conversation, allows for the cooling of passions and the redirection of energies onto a common goal. Certainly, we all need this, but our clergy especially need to be frequently engaging in holy conversation and fraternity. It helps us to feel that we are not doing our ministry alone.

This week, Father Hung Tran and I will participate in another three-days Priests Convocation in Dallas, Texas. This Convocation will bring together more than two hundred Vietnamese American priests who are ministering in the United States. Coincidentally, the theme of this occasion will also focus on the importance of priestly fraternity. I have been invited to lead the main workshop on the canonical rights and responsibilities of parish priests. I hope to bring the experience of our parish to the conversation, especially that of living and ministering in such a vibrant and culturally diverse community as our own.

If there is one thing I took away from the Convocation last week, it is the recognition that I also need my brother priests for support and encouragement. At times, I've felt the temptation of isolation; I've felt that I can do it all and do it alone. Thank God for small humiliations! No one can live in isolation, least of all our priests who bear tremendous burdens. Father Hung and I look forward to a few days away with our brother priests, so that we can bring home greater zeal and energy to better serve you. Please say a prayer for your priests this week.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Msgr. Cuong M. Pham

Estimados feligreses en Cristo,

La semana pasada, los sacerdotes de nuestra diócesis se reunieron en el Seminario de la Inmaculada Concepción en Huntington, Nueva York, con el obispo Robert Brennan y todos nuestros otros obispos. La ocasión fue la Convocatoria de Sacerdotes que tiene lugar cada tres años. Nos reunimos para renovar los lazos del sacerdocio que nos unen en nuestra misión apostólica de servir al pueblo de Dios.

La Convocatoria fue un gran éxito, con la asistencia de varios cientos de sacerdotes, y el clima no podría haber sido mejor. Todos los días había un sol brillante. Para la mayoría de nosotros, regresar al lugar que ha sido nuestro hogar durante los años de formación fue también una ocasión feliz que trajo muchos recuerdos hermosos. Sentí como si el Seminario no hubiera cambiado en absoluto desde mi ordenación hace veintiún años. Todavía reconocía mis lugares favoritos en el vasto campus, incluso mis propias huellas en algunas de las decoraciones de la capilla que todavía están allí. Las animadas conversaciones con los hermanos sacerdotes me trajeron recuerdos vívidos de los hombres y mujeres que se han vuelto fundamentales para la persona que soy hoy.

Debo admitir que no fue fácil para mí apartar tres días para asistir a la Convocatoria, dada mi apretada agenda en nuestra parroquia. He tenido que hacer todo tipo de arreglos para liberar tiempo. Sin embargo, me alegré y agradecí haber venido. Durante esos días, seguimos el ejemplo de los Apóstoles. La Escritura nos dice que después de que Jesús los envió en su misión de predicar, expulsar demonios y curar a los enfermos, volvieron a él y le contaron todo lo que habían hecho y enseñado. Fue entonces cuando Jesús les dijo: “Vayan ustedes... y descansen ustedes solos” (Mc 6, 31). Sabía que necesitaba esos días de descanso. Necesitaba reenfocarme y recargar mi energía. Mientras hablaba con mis hermanos sacerdotes, me di cuenta de que todos necesitábamos momentos tranquilos de descanso y oración, de reflexión y recreación de nuestras vidas agitadas, lejos del ruido y las actividades constantes de la parroquia. De hecho, creo que todos nosotros, independientemente de nuestras vocaciones en la vida, debemos reservar un tiempo de tranquilidad para nosotros mismos si queremos crecer en una relación más profunda con el Señor.

Uno de los momentos más conmovedores para mí durante la Convocatoria fue la experiencia de concelebrar la Misa diaria con los obispos y los sacerdotes de todas las edades y culturas. Cuando las palabras de la consagración resonaron en la rústica capilla del Seminario, me emocioné hasta las lágrimas, profundamente tocado por un sentido de unidad sacerdotal, misión y propósito. Mi corazón se llenó de gratitud por el don del sacerdocio y por la generosidad de los sacerdotes que ofrecen su vida todos los días por los demás. La mayoría de esos sacerdotes ya no son jóvenes; muchos ya están jubilados de la administración pero todavía están trabajando; algunos han dejado incluso a sus propios padres y patria para venir aquí a servir. Sus historias únicas de alegría y sacrificio me inspiraron.

Las presentaciones formales de esos días centraron nuestra atención en la necesidad de cultivar la amistad y la fraternidad entre los sacerdotes, que a menudo se encuentran ejerciendo su ministerio en ambientes aislados, necesitados e incluso hostiles. Pensé que los organizadores no podrían haber elegido un tema mejor para que reflexionáramos. Nuestra cultura, desafortunadamente, se está volviendo más aislacionista. La pandemia actual ciertamente no ha ayudado a la situación. Nos desintegramos cada vez más rápidamente y nos polarizamos más, esto es evidente en nuestra Iglesia y en nuestra política nacional. Lo que hace la fraternidad es permitir la difusión de ideas en un ambiente seguro entre aquellos con vínculos naturales. La fraternidad permite la conversación, y la conversación, especialmente la santa conversación, permite enfriar las pasiones y redirigir las energías hacia un objetivo común. Ciertamente, todos necesitamos esto, pero nuestro clero especialmente necesita participar con frecuencia en santa conversación y fraternidad. Nos ayuda a sentir que no estamos haciendo nuestro ministerio solos.

Esta semana, el Padre Hung Tran y yo participaremos en otra Convocatoria de Sacerdotes de tres días en Dallas, Texas. Esta Convocatoria reunirá a más de doscientos sacerdotes americanos vietnamitas que están ministrando en los Estados Unidos. Coincidentemente, el tema de esta ocasión también se centrará en la importancia de la fraternidad sacerdotal. He sido invitado a dirigir el taller principal sobre los derechos y responsabilidades canónicas de los párrocos. Espero traer la experiencia de nuestra parroquia a la conversación, especialmente la de vivir y ministrar en una comunidad tan vibrante y culturalmente diversa como la nuestra.

Si hay algo que me quedé de la Convocatoria la semana pasada, es el reconocimiento de que también necesito el apoyo y el aliento de mis hermanos sacerdotes. A veces, he sentido la tentación del aislamiento; He sentido que puedo hacerlo todo y hacerlo solo. ¡Gracias a Dios por las pequeñas humillaciones! Nadie puede vivir aislado, y menos nuestros sacerdotes que soportan cargas tremendas. El Padre Hung y yo esperamos pasar unos días con nuestros hermanos sacerdotes, para que podamos llevar a casa un mayor celo y energía para servirles mejor. Por favor diga una oración por sus sacerdotes esta semana.

Sinceramente,

Mons. Cuong M. Pham

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, October 16

10:00am—1:00pm	Czech Community	Guadalupe A
10:00am—12:00pm	Spanish RCIA	Fatima+ Upper Room
10:00am—12:00pm	Sta. Margarita Maria	Gym
10:30am—12:30pm	Cursillo	Guadalupe B
3:00pm—5:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Nazareth
4:00pm—8:30pm	San Diego Alcalá	Guadalupe B

Monday, October 17

7:00pm—5:00pm	TYWLS	Gym
5:00pm—9:30pm	CYO	Gym
6:30pm—8:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima

Tuesday, October 18

7:00pm—4:00pm	TYWLS	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, October 19

7:00am—4:00pm	TYWLS	Gym
4:30pm—7:30pm	Religious Education	All Rooms
7:30pm—9:00pm	CYO	Gym
7:30pm—9:00pm	Grupo de Consolacion	Gym
7:30pm—9:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Lourdes A

Thursday, October 20

7:00am—5:00pm	TYWLS	Gym
10:00am—11:30am	Legion of Mary	Guadalupe A/B
6:00pm—7:30pm	Religious Education	All Rooms
7:30pm—9:00pm	Bilingual Choir	Nazareth
7:30pm—9:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Guadalupe A
7:30pm—9:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Guadalupe B

Friday, October 21

7:00pm—4:00pm	TYWLS	Gym
10:00am—11:30am	Porque Ser Catolico?	Lourdes A/B
5:00pm—11:00pm	CYO	Gym
7:30pm—9:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Guadalupe A
7:30pm—9:00pm	English RCIA	Fatima

Saturday, October 22

9:00am—12:30pm	AA Meeting	Guadalupe A/B
10:00am—12:00pm	Spanish Children's Choir	Upper Room
10:00am—1:00pm	Saturday Lessons in Faith	Lourdes A/B
2:30pm—4:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima
4:00pm—9:00pm	Adult Sewing Group	Lourdes A/B
5:00pm—7:00pm	Bilingual Choir	Nazareth
5:00pm—7:00pm	Ministerio de Consolacion	Fatima
6:30pm—8:30pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Fatima
7:00pm—9:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Guadalupe A+ Nazareth

Sunday, October 23

10:00am—1:00pm	Czech Community	Lourdes A/B
10:00am—12:00pm	Spanish RCIA	Fatima+ Upper Room
3:00pm—5:00pm	Porque Ser Catolico?	Nazareth

MONTH OF THE ROSARY



October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. The Church honors Mary in gratitude for her protection in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful. As St. John Paul II taught, the Rosary is a contemplative prayer that has great intercessory power; whoever recites it is united to Mary in meditating the mysteries of Christ and is led to invoke the grace proper to these mysteries in the multiple situations of life and history. Praying the Rosary can help the world in mysterious ways. Where governments, councils and committees have failed to bring peace, something so simple as praying the Rosary has saved peoples and nations. The Rosary is simple, yet like the Gospel, its power is unsurpassed in human history. Great people like Saint Bernadette, Saint Benedict Joseph Labre, Saint John Marie Vianney, Saint Padre Pio, Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Dorothy Day, Mother Teresa and our beloved St. John Paul II were devoted to the Rosary. This month, make this your favorite prayer and see its power at work in you!

PLANNED GIVING RECOMMENDED



Did you know that there are ways to support our parish and the mission of the Church that can also **provide you with tax benefits...and potentially even a source of income?** If you have an asset such as appreciated stocks, a retirement plan, art, real estate or other assets, a planned gift could be a smarter way to give than cash alone. With a planned gift, like those mentioned above, you can sustain our beloved parish while also making smart financial decisions to benefit your family. If you are interested in learning more contact our diocesan Catholic Foundation at 718-965-7375.

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: _____

_____ ZIP _____

Telephone/Telefono: _____

E-mail/Correo electrónico: _____

PLEASE CHECK/ MARQUE SUS OPCIONES

New Registration Change of Name/Address

I prefer envelopes I prefer E-giving

NEW SHRINES FOR OUR LADY

We are happy to announce that the Shrines for Our Lady of Mount Carmel and Our Lady of Guadalupe have been created in the vestibule of our main church. This is the fruit of much prayer and consultation with leaders of our ethnic communities in the parish. The Shrines themselves have been designed by our own pastor Msgr. Cuong M. Pham. You will notice that the Shrines blend in perfectly with the existing structure of the vestibule and enhance it. We will add more votive candles for your use in the near future. As the decoration of the Shrines has only begun, we ask for your patience during the process and refrain from touching the glass that protects our precious statues. Once everything is complete, we will have a special ceremony to bless the new Shrines and the new statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe, a gift from our Hispanic community. The total cost for the creation of the two Shrines is \$15,000.00. We call on your generosity to help our parish cover that cost. Any donation please mark clearly "For Our Lady's Shrines" and may be dropped off at the Rectory or in the regular Sunday collection. Your gift will be an offering that honors our Blessed Mother for years to come.

INFANT BAPTISM/BAUTISMO

Preparation Meeting

Tuesday—7:00pm—Institute

October 18, 2022

November 22, 2022

NO ENGLISH BAPTISMS IN DECEMBER

Baptism Ceremony

Sunday—2:00pm—Church

October 23, 2022

November 27, 2022

FECHAS DE BAUTISMOS EN ESPAÑOL

Reunión de Preparación

Martes—6:00pm—Instituto

8 de Noviembre, 2022

6 de Diciembre, 2022

Ceremonia de Bautismo

Dom.—2:00pm—Iglesia

13 de Noviembre, 2022

11 de Diciembre, 2022



NUEVOS SANTUARIOS PARA NUESTRA SEÑORA

Estamos felices de anunciar que los santuarios de Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo y Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe han sido creado en el vestíbulo de la Iglesia de Arriba. Eso es el fruto de mucha oración y consultación con los líderes de las comunidades étnicas. Los santuarios han sido diseñados por el Mons. Cuong M. Pham. Notará que se mezclan perfectamente con la estructura existente y lo mejora. Agregaremos más velas para su uso en el futuro próximo. Como la decoración apenas ha comenzado, preguntamos por su paciencia durante el proceso y que por favor no toque el vidrio que protege nuestras estatuas. Una vez que todo haya sido completado, tendremos una ceremonia especial para bendecir los santuarios nuevos y la nueva imagen de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, un regalo de nuestra comunidad hispana. El costo total de la creación de los dos santuarios son de \$15,000. Necesitamos de su generosidad para ayudar a la parroquia a cubrir ese costo. Cualquier donación, por favor marque su sobre "Para los Santuarios de Nuestra Señora," y los puede dejar en la Oficina Parroquial o en la cesta de la colecta regular. Su regalo será una ofrenda que honra nuestra Santa Madre por muchos años por venir.

MES DEL ROSARIO



Octubre está dedicado al Santísimo Rosario. La Iglesia honra a María en agradecimiento por su protección en respuesta al rezo del Rosario de los fieles. Como nos enseñó San Juan Pablo II, el Rosario es una oración contemplativa que tiene un

gran poder de intercesión; quien lo recita se une a María en la meditación de los misterios de Cristo y es llevado a invocar la gracia propia de estos misterios en las múltiples situaciones de la vida y de la historia. Rezar el Rosario puede ayudar al mundo de maneras misteriosas. Donde los gobiernos, consejos y comités no han logrado traer la paz, algo tan simple como el rezo del Rosario ha salvado pueblos y naciones. El Rosario es simple, pero como el Evangelio, su poder es insuperable en la historia humana. Grandes personas como Santa Bernardita, San Benito José Labre, San Juan María Vianney, San Padre Pío, Santa Teresa del Niño Jesús, Dorothy Day, Madre Teresa y nuestro amado San Juan Pablo II fueron devotos del Rosario. ¡Este mes, haz de esta tu oración favorita y observa su poder obrando en ti!

DONACIONES PLANIFICADAS RECOMENDADAS

A graphic with the text "LEGADO ESPIRITUAL" in white, stylized letters against a blue sky with white clouds. A white dove is flying to the right of the text.

¿Sabía que hay formas de apoyar a nuestra parroquia y la misión de la Iglesia que también pueden proporcionarle beneficios fiscales... y potencialmente incluso una fuente de ingresos? Si tiene un activo, como acciones apreciadas, un plan de jubilación, obras de arte, bienes raíces u otros activos, una donación planificada podría ser una forma más inteligente de dar que solo efectivo. Con una donación planificada, como las mencionadas anteriormente, puede sostener nuestra querida parroquia y al mismo tiempo tomar decisiones financieras inteligentes para beneficiar a su familia. Si está interesado en obtener más información, comuníquese con nuestra Fundación Católica diocesana al 718-965-7375.

DISCERNIMIENTO VOCACIONAL

“Ore siempre y no desmayar” Si usted esta considerando una vocación como Sacerdote, Diacono, o en una vida consagrada, deje que la gracia de la oracion le anime. Póngase en contacto con la Oficina de Vocaciones al 718.827.2454 o correo electrónico: vocations@diobrook.org.

SEGUNDA COLECTA

A photograph showing several pairs of hands clasped together in a gesture of prayer or support. The hands are of various skin tones and are set against a dark background.

16 de Octubre— El Huracán Ian ha causado muchas pérdidas de vidas y destrucción a Florida y a una gran región de los estados de sur. Millones han perdido todo y están en necesidad de asistencia inmediata. El Obispo Brennan ha llamado a los fieles para asistir los esfuerzos de la Iglesia. Para brindar apoyo, habra una segunda colecta se mandara directamente a los mas necesitados. Su regalo ayudara aliviar el sufrimiento de nuestros hermanos y hermanas y ayudar a reconstruir sus vidas.

23 de Octubre— Habrá una segunda colecta después de la comunión en apoyo el Domingo de Las Misiones. Es un movimiento universal de solidaridad adonde todos los miembros de la Iglesia toma parte en la misión de Cristo, sin importar la ubicación. Su regalo hara una gran diferencia en muchas vidas.

“CAER” EN E-GIVING

La temporada del otoño es un buen momento de administrar sus donaciones. Tal vez ya saber sobre nuestro servicio de **Faith Direct**. Es una manera conveniente, costo-efectivo, eficiente y segura de hacer sus donaciones semanales. **A las 75 familias que ya estan registradas, GRACIAS! Les invitamos a todos los demas a considerar usar esta servicio maravilloso. Sera sorprendido de cual facil y conviniente es Faith Direct.**

Usando Faith Direct, ayudara a que nuestra parroquia salve al medio ambiente, eliminando los sobres sin uso que producen gasto y basura. Sus donaciones recurrentes asegurara que los ministerios que les importa tengan apoyo por todo el año, aun cuando tenga que estar ausente.

Es fácil empezar. Estas son las formas de registrarse:

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

A photograph of a young woman with long dark hair, smiling and looking towards the camera. She is wearing a light-colored jacket over a white top. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with trees.

Dar a su alcance

Brendan wouldn't stop. He continued nagging his mom to let him have a little more time with his phone. He knew the rules but wanted to finish a game and text a few more friends. He begged, had a temper tantrum, pleaded, screamed, pouted, and used every means he could think of to get Mom to change her mind. Mom had a busy day and was tired. At first, she held her ground. Then, her son's persistence got the best of her, and she caved. "Brendan, you can have 30 more minutes and no more!" she retorted. Brendan's determination paid off. He won.

Is this how it works with God too? If we want something enough and feel it is our due, does our persistence allow us to eventually get our way? Judging God by human standards, it would seem so. But is this the way God works? It gets a bit confusing when Jesus tells his disciples to "pray always without becoming weary" and then further tells them how God will "secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night." If we catch God at the right time, when he's having a weak moment, then our tenacity ought to pay off. What we want, we will get. Really? Sadly, the way many approach prayer suggests that this is precisely how it goes.

Good parents set boundaries and offer proper discipline.



They learn the art of being steadfast when presented with determined minds and wills. They know what is best and, at times, have to say "no." God is always there with His full attention and unconditional love showering itself upon us. God also knows what is best. And, as with any good parent, the one constant that is always available and never withheld is love. We can be as persistent and determined as we want if what we are seeking is God's love. We are never a bother and requests for God's love are never denied. This is the prayer of the heart. Desiring God alone and not only what we want God to do for us places this love relationship foremost in our minds, hearts, and souls. God is never bothered by this prayer. As we breathe in and exhale out, the Divine Life freely flows.

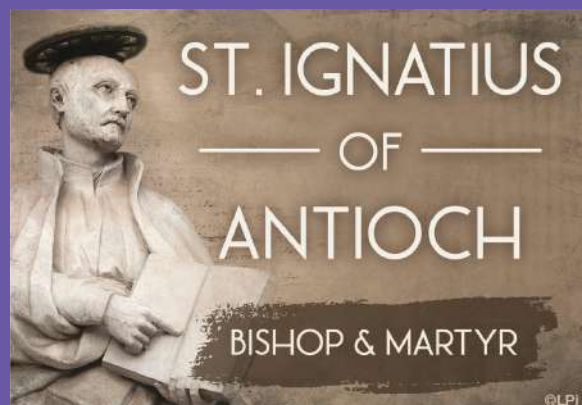
Who is Ignatius of Antioch and what example does he offer us in Christian living as we celebrate his feast day on October 17th?

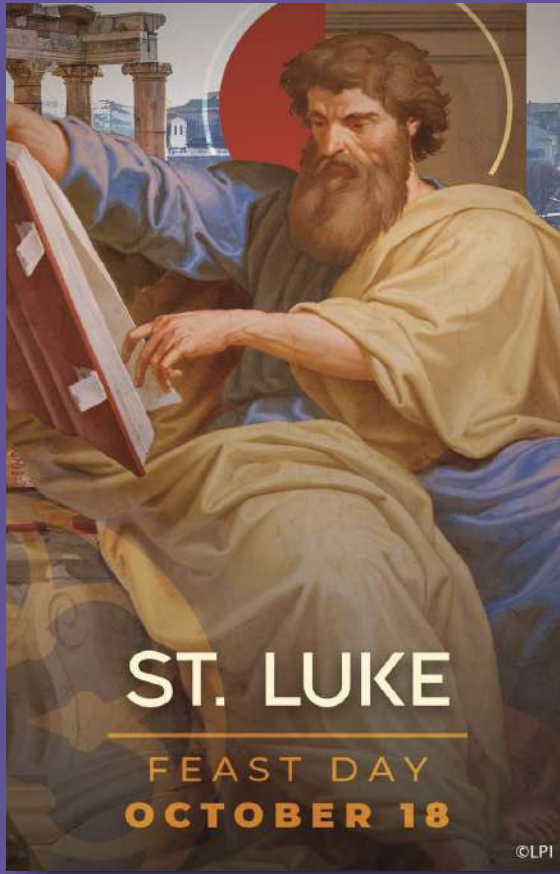
As Bishop of Antioch (the modern-day city of Antakya, Turkey), Ignatius witnessed to the faith during the reign of Emperor Trajan, who ruled from 98-117. Persecution of Christians broke out in Antioch, and Ignatius was captured and taken to Rome for martyrdom in the arena.

On his journey to Rome over land and sea, Ignatius writes seven letters to various churches. These letters give powerful glimpses into the theology and practice of the early church, along with insights into the role of a bishop as pastoral leader. Ignatius is the first to use the term "Catholic Church" to refer to the various Christian communities of the Roman Empire.

The best known of his letters is the one he wrote to the Romans. Ignatius addresses influential Christians who might be tempted to intercede on his behalf, thus sparing him from martyrdom. He advises them against it, being resolute in his desire to be the "wheat of God."

Eucharistic links are most evident in his words. As Christ willingly offered himself as witness to God's total love, Ignatius, too, desired to be "food for the wild beasts," so that he could become "the pure bread of Christ." Eucharistic living was so crucial to Ignatius that he was willing to die in order to model himself on the Lord who willingly offered all. Reflect on how you can use Ignatius as a model in your own eucharistic life of faith.





LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Does God finally answer our persistent prayers to stop us from bothering Him? The thought that constant prayer can be disturbing or upsetting to God does not ring true with our tradition's images of God as compassionate, understanding, merciful, and loving. Yet, Jesus tells his disciples to "pray always without becoming weary." Maybe the type of prayer necessary to endure the trials of discipleship and the challenges and criticisms of Christian teaching goes beyond words. We need to tend to the realities of human life.

The persistent prayer of which Jesus speaks is the prayer of the heart. This contemplative, silent, loving prayer gives us the vision to see God in all things, especially in each human soul. Desiring God alone and not only what we want God to do for us places this love relationship foremost in our minds, hearts, and souls. As we breathe in and exhale out, the Divine Life flows. This alone can provide the strength of endurance to confront anything contrary to the truth of faith.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Luke, sometimes called The Evangelist, is the author of the third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles and a physician. There is some debate about how he came to Christianity, though many believe he was a gentile convert. Tradition holds him to be a native of Antioch, Syria, possibly a slave. Most of what we know of Luke comes from Scripture, he was an eloquent and proficient writer, penning with accuracy the events he recounted. He is viewed as one of the best historical sources of the time.

Luke was a close companion of Paul's, joining him at Troas about year 51 and going with him to Macedonia and Philippi. Their paths diverged and met again as they journeyed to spread the Good News. Luke remained with Paul until the latter was martyred in Rome.

Saint Luke's Gospel is viewed as one of social justice, giving special attention to the poor. He also emphasizes gentiles hearing the message of Christ. It is the only Gospel with Mary's Magnificat and spends the most time illuminating the lives of the other women around Jesus.

Accounts of Luke's death are conflicting, some say he was martyred shortly after Paul others that he lived a long life completing his Gospel in Greece and dying at 84. He is the patron saint of physicians.

VOCATION DISCERNMENT OPPORTUNITIES

"Pray always and so not lose heart." If you are considering a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, let the grace of prayer encourage you. Contact the Vocation Office at 718.827.2454 or at vocations@diobrook.org



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Stephen Jankowski, Seminarian

Before I entered the seminary, I attended Cathedral Prep School and Seminary. My time there really allowed me to consider a life in the priesthood and ultimately confirmed my desires to enter the Seminary. I am currently a senior at Cathedral Seminary House of Formation attending classes at St. John's University, majoring in philosophy. **My hope is to one day serve the Church as a parish priest. I greatly appreciate the donors of the Annual Catholic Appeal for all their prayers and financial support.** When you look in your own parish, you see some great parish priests who reached the altar on their day of ordination because of the generosity of the people and the discernment programs supported by the ACA. **Thank you to those who donate to the ACA year after year, I hope they know thanks to them, there will be good priests coming their way in the future.**



On October 22 & 23

We will ask everyone to consider giving a gift to support the mission of the Annual Catholic Appeal and your help your Parish meet its goal.



SPARKING HOLINESS

As the seasons change, a lot of us like to clean out our homes and unload some of the junk we've acquired over the summer. One trendy approach to de-cluttering is the Marie Kondo method, named after the author who popularized it. Overly simplified, it's a process that compels you to go through your closets, your garage, your basement all the places you collect the dreaded "stuff." As you do so, you hold up the items and ask yourself: "Does it spark joy?"

It's a question that is bold in its simplicity. In answering, you're supposed to go with your gut. If it's a quick "Yes, it sparks joy," the item should be kept. If the answer is no, it gets tossed.

There are people in life who will support our efforts to do God's will. There are those who will, as Paul says, "convince, reprimand, (and) encourage," unafraid of the reaction we give

them. There are those who will shore up our defenses when the battle goes longer than we thought.

The same goes for hobbies and pastimes. There are those that will ennoble our minds and bring us closer to God. And there are also those that will drain our funds and our free time, with nothing to show for it.

During these autumn months, don't just de-clutter your basement in preparation for the hauling out of the Christmas ornaments. Take stock of the people and pursuits that make up your life. With each one, ask yourself: "Does it spark holiness?"

If the answer is yes, thank God that our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. If the answer is no, maybe it's time to de-clutter.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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