

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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OCTOBER 3, 2021, ~ 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Year of the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist ~ The Year of Saint Joseph

FR. SIMI'S CORNER

Dear brothers and sisters,

“Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate.”
(Mark 10:9)

Our Lord continues to lead our reflections on His mission which He received from His Father: to save us through His suffering, death and resurrection.

Our thoughts are turned to God and His original purposes for us when He created us in His image and likeness. God's image and likeness are reflected in all creation but most powerfully in the union of husband and wife. This is the truth that this Sunday's first reading from Genesis 2 is asserting and which our Lord is trying to confirm in today's gospel from Mark 10.

Our Lord's mission to suffer and die and rise for us not only seeks to restore the image and likeness of God that He intended for husbands and wives, and lost because of disobedience, but also shows us the reality of God's own being that He willed to share with husbands and wives.

God's being consists in total and perfect Self-gift of the Father and the Son to each other. Their Love for each other is a Person: the Holy Spirit. This is the reality of God's own being that He intended to share with husbands and wives. Husbands and wives were originally meant to enter the Holy Trinity's life of total Self-gift.

Adam and Eve's rejection of this offer in the Genesis story and their choice to decide on their own what was going to make them happy as husband and wife is what has led to the inability to remain faithful totally and perfectly to the end.

The Holy Trinity, in spite of our rejection of Him and our infidelity to Him, have remained faithful to us. As the second reading in today's mass from the Letter to the Hebrews states, we are all made through and for Christ. We are His Bride and and to us He will remain faithful despite our inability to remain faithful to Him.

He proves His love for us, His Bride, when He embraced and endured our betrayals and infidelities, suffered all our sufferings and died all our deaths so that when we cry out to Him for forgiveness and help, we too may be raised up to the Divine Life of total Self-gift that He intended to share with us from the beginning.

This is Good News for husbands and wives. No matter where you are on your journeys, Christ the faithful Bridegroom has never abandoned you and continues to heal all struggles and wounds and ruptures that your marriages endure. Through Him, we can still enter into and participate in the perfect and total Self-gift of the Holy Trinity. This is the happiness He intended for husbands and wives; indeed for all of us.

Fr. Simi

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OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Pope Pius X exclaimed: “The Rosary is the most beautiful and the most rich in graces of all prayers; it is the prayer that touches most the Heart of the Mother of God.”

ROSARY INTENTION

That the Blessed Mother hears the petitions of our heart and that we have peace on earth.

Masses for Saturday, October 2 and Sunday, October 3

Sat	Oct 2	8:00 am	The intentions of Catherine Capozzolo by Carmelite Friends
		5:15 pm	Frank, Kate and Joanne Faraldo by Francine Faraldo
Sun	Oct 3	8:00 am	Constance Zito by her daughter Mamie Ciliberti
			John R. Goffredo by Connie & Mike Stambaugh
		10:00 am	Deceased Members of the Crafa Family by Mary Louise Sabatine

Masses for Monday, October 4 to Sunday, October 10, 2021

Mon	Oct 4	7:30 am	Marie Trigiani by Louise and Frank Comunale
Tue	Oct 5		No Mass
Wed	Oct 6	7:30 am	Anna Marie “Mary” Karasek by Brian Barrett
Thu	Oct 7	7:30 am	Lucy Comunale by Donna Sylvester and Family
Fri	Oct 8	7:30 am	Michael D’Alessio by Ann, Joe, Missy, Matt, and grandchildren Nicholas & Grace
Sat	Oct 9	8:00 am	John Goffredo Sr. by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Trigiani
		5:15 pm	Phyllis Caponigro by Craig DeFranco
Sun	Oct 10	8:00 am	Joey and Josephine Basso by Robert and Nancy Renaldo
			Rocco “Rocky” Vonelli by the Stambaugh Family
		10:00 am	Mary Wolfenden by Mary Dunbar Anthony J. Rincavage by Beth, Pasquale, Nanci and Joe

PRAYERS

Sick McKayla Angus; Dave Conklin; Debbie Conklin; Fr. Joseph Kanimea;
Mary Linuci; Frank Marakovits

Deceased

Our Military Taylor Albinson; Jacob Anthony; Anthony Altobelli; Tyler Crawford;
Erika Neetz; Joey Schrader; Raymond Schriener; Scott Schriener

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEET THE PARISH COUNCIL

Members of the OLMC Parish Council will be outside on the Church Plaza after all masses this weekend (Oct 2 – 3, 2021). Please stop by to say hello, introduce yourself and share your questions, thoughts or concerns.

ALTAR SERVERS

Our Parish is in need of Altar Servers. Students in Grades 4 through 12 who are interested in serving the Masses and our Parish are asked to please contact:

Lorna Curtolo: 610-588-3220

RCIA CLASSES

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, being a sponsor for our candidates, or would like to participate in the RCIA program please come join us for the class.

Date: Monday, October 4, 2021

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Father Leone Hall

ST. JOSEPH'S FOOD BANK COLLECTIONS

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church

Every first Saturday before and after the 5:15 pm Mass and every first Sunday before and after all Masses.

Next collection will be Saturday, October 2 and Sunday, October 3, 2021. Collections are for nonperishable food items. THANK YOU OLMC for your generous hearts.

ROSETO LEGION - SAL CAVATELLI DINNER

Date: Saturday, October 9, 2021

Time: 5pm to 8pm

Place: 141-143 Garibaldi Avenue, Roseto

Price: Adults - \$10.00; Children under 10 - \$5.00

Tickets available at the door.

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY RALLY

To our fellow Catholic Americans, you are invited to join in a Public Square Rosary Rally – sponsored by “America Needs Fatima”. This will be one of over 20,000 rallies that will take place all across the United States on that day.

Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of the United States. Will you be able to join us and other Catholics on that very important day?

Date: Saturday, October 16, 2021

Time: 12:00 Noon

Place: OLMC Rectory Grounds

Parking: Pius X parking lot

JOY IN HIS PRESENCE: A WOMAN'S DAY OF REFLECTION

Honoring the Year of Real Presence

All women of the Allentown Diocese are invited to celebrate and contemplate the mystery of the Holy Eucharist at the Day of Reflection.

Included will be Eucharistic Adoration, opportunities for Confession, Mass with Bishop Alfred Schlert, and presentations by Fr. Bernard Ezaki and Sr. Sophia Peralta.

Date: Saturday, October 16, 2021

Time: 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Place: St. Mary Parish – 94 Walnut Road, Hamburg

Further information and to register, go to: www.allentowndiocese.org/cfw

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