

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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MAY 12, 2019 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mother's Day wishes to all mothers, grandmothers, aunts, godmothers, and all who teach and care for our children from Fr. Pedro, Fr. Danny and staff:

In the Name of Jesus Christ, we lift up all mothers. We thank them for all their sacrifices and pray that God continues to bless them with love, health, peace and happiness.

Happy Mother's Day!

PARISH STAFF

REV. PEDRO REPOLLET, *Administrator*

REV. DANNY PABON, *Parochial Vicar* | REV. MICHAEL OTUWURUNNE, *Weekend Assistant*
EVELYN MAYORGA, *Parish Secretary* | MRS. CRISTINA GALARZA, *Bookkeeper, Administrative Secretary*
MR. SAM FUJII, *Music Minister* | MR. EFRAIN ORLEANS, *Building Operations & Event Coordinator*

MASS SCHEDULE

SAT. VIGIL: 5:00 PM (English) | SUN: 9:00 AM, 12:15 PM (English) 10:30 AM (Español)
DAILY (CHAPEL) 8:30 AM (English) 7 PM (Español Martes & Jueves)

MONTHLY

- ◀ **ESPAÑOL ASAMBLEA:** Salon Parroquial; 7PM
- ◀ **ROSARIAN GROUP:** First Sunday, 9am Mass followed by meeting / breakfast in the Parish Hall.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- ◀ Saturdays before 5 PM Mass. Por cita, o después de las Misas en Español. (Martes & Jueves)

ROSARY

- ◀ Monday-Saturday before the 8:30 AM Mass.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

- ◀ Takes place at St. John the Baptist Chapel Tuesday - Friday after the 12:10 PM Mass until 8PM, Saturday after 9AM Mass until 5:30 PM, and Sundays after 12 Noon Mass until 8 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- ◀ Takes place at Our Lady of Mt Carmel on Sunday mornings. Classes are offered in both English and Spanish. Contact Evelyn Mayorga or Fr. Danny at 201-435-7080.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION

- ◀ The parishes of Jersey City North are proud to sponsor quality Catholic elementary education at the Middle States accredited schools: St. Joseph School (201-653-0128) and St. Nicholas School (201-659-5948).

PARISH MINISTRIES

- ◀ **GRUPO DE ORACION CARISMATICO:** Después de las 7 PM Misa todos los martes en Mount Carmel.
- ◀ **ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY:** Meets after 9 AM Mass, First Sunday of the month.
- ◀ **SENIORS CLUB (50+):** Every other Wednesday at 12:45 PM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Enter through parking lot door behind the church, then Parish Hall basement.
- ◀ **ZUMBA FITNESS:** Wednesday 6:45 - 8:00 PM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School auditorium, free.
- ◀ **GRUPO DE PAREJAS:** Cada segundo viernes del mes a las 7:30 PM te invitamos a participar en nuestro "Grupo de Parejas" en Mt. Carmel. Para mayor informacion llamar a Sra. Carmen Quezada 201-640-1651.
- ◀ **HOSPITAL VISITATION:** Please notify the parish. Hospitals no longer inform us or allow us to look up who is in the hospital.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 11

8:30 AM † Frank Venezia - Guerra Family
5:00 PM † Danilo Bitoin - Crow Family

SUNDAY, MAY 12 MOTHER'S DAY

9:00 AM † Gloria Guerriero (A)-
Guerriero & Betancourt Family
+ Maria & Mariana
- Mita & Ferdinand Fam.
10:30 AM † Israel Canales - Juanita Canales
(Spanish) Accion de Gracias por
Fr. Hector Atocha - Familia Atocha
12:15 PM Rose Marchitto- Louis & Leny Guerriero

MONDAY, MAY 13

8:30 AM Francesco Torrillo
- Antonio & Caterina Torrillo

TUESDAY, MAY 14

8:30 AM † Waleed Ghali
- Ilham Fatony & Aseel Ghali
7:00 PM Domingo Repollet Sr.
(Spanish) (Living Int.- Health of)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

8:30 AM † Olga "Olly" Riotto- Thomas Macagnano

THURSDAY, MAY 16

8:30 AM † Olga "Olly" Riotto - Arlene Burke
7:00 PM For the People
(Spanish)

FRIDAY, MAY 17

8:30 AM † Apolonia Spera- Geraldine Apruzzese

SATURDAY, MAY 18

8:30 AM † Condencio Herrera (A)- Wife, Evelyn
5:00 PM † Richard McCaig- Dorry Romstedt

SUNDAY, MAY 19

9:00 AM † Bertha Bravo- Robert Tyminski
10:30 AM † Jayden Fondeur- Johanna Negron
(Spanish)
12:15 PM † John Williams- Louis & Leny Guerriero

SYMPATHY

Please pray for the recently deceased members of our parish. May our Lord Jesus Christ grant them eternal rest and may perpetual light shine upon them.

EUCCHARISTIC BREAD & SACRAMENTAL WINE

The hosts and wine used during the week were donated in memory of

LUCY & CONSTANCE REO

offered by Janet Reo

SANCTUARY LAMP

The church sanctuary lamp was donated this weekend in memory of

FR. HECTOR GALVIS

offered by the People

PARISH News

- Confirmation will be held on June 2 at 10:30 AM (Bi-lingual Mass). Bishop Cruz will be presiding.
- The OLMC Rosarians invite everyone to the Feast of St. Anthony's on Thursday, June 13th at 7:00 PM. After the Mass blessed St. Anthony's bread will be distributed and light refreshments will follow.
- Te invitamos a continuar el proceso del Quinto Encuentro de la mano del Papa Francisco, ven a nuestro ultimo Jueves a nuestra iglesia de Monte Carmelo para reflexionar sobre "La alegria del Evangelio". Mayo 16 a las 7:30 PM en el salon parroquial. Nos acompañará Pepe Plana. Estan todos invitados!!
- Spanish couples group of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is sponsoring a Flea Market. Sunday May 26 from 9am to 2pm. The flea market is made to raise funds for parish repairs. All are welcome!!
- Nuestra proxima asamblea carismatica sera Sábado, Mayo 25 en el salón parroquial de nuestra iglesia de Monte Carmelo, abrimos nuestras puertas a las 6:30pm. Ven y gozate en el Señor. Todos estan invitados!!
- La confirmación se llevará a cabo el 2 de Junio a las 10:30 AM (Misa Bilingüe). El Obispo Cruz presidirá.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURY

WEEKLY COLLECTION AMOUNT
NEEDED TO MAKE BUDGET: **\$2,800**

The weekend of 5/4-5/5

WEEKEND COLLECTION	\$2,266
MAINTENANCE	\$181

Your good stewardship makes a difference.
Thank you!

Restricted Pupusa Sale

Funds Raised:

4/28/2019

\$251

COMMUNITY Announcements

- ◀ **A Gathering for Moms and Dads of Individuals with Disabilities**—Sunday, June 2 from 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM—at Conlon Hall 19 North William Street, Bergenfield, NJ - Celebrating 10 years of Moms supporting Moms! Guest speakers: Karen Jackson (Founder Faith Inclusion Network) and Robert Naseef, Ph.D. (Lead Consultant for Arc of Philadelphia and SAP's "Autism at Work" Program). *If interested, register at www.rcan.org/moms-and-dads-save-date*
- ◀ **Discover the joy of being a hospice volunteer!** If you have a warm heart, a listening ear, and the gift of compassion, you can make a difference in the life of a hospice patient or family member. Barnabas Health is offering training for all individuals interested in becoming hospice volunteers. Training will be provided by members of the Hospice team on 3 consecutive Tuesdays—June 4th, 11th, and 18th from 10 am to 3:00 pm at Barnabas Health Hospice, 80 Main Street, West Orange. Volunteers must attend all 3 sessions. **Advance registration is required. Please contact 973-370-8130 or email volunteer.coordinator@vnahg.org.**
- ◀ **World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, May 12, 2019, also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday."** The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

Pope Francis's Marian devotion is an example to us all

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IT'S CONSIDERED BAD FORM TO RESPOND TO NEGATIVE – OR IN THIS CASE, MIXED – REVIEWS OF ONE'S BOOK, AND I DON'T INTEND TO DO THAT HERE. But I was struck by a parenthetical remark in a critique of my memoir, *From Fire, by Water*, which recently appeared in the *Tablet*. My Catholicism, the reviewer said in implicit reproach, is “much more Benedict's than Francis's”. At first, I bristled: as if a Catholic's spiritual orientation can be reduced to the choice between our two popes!

But then I remembered that I had used variations of the same line in private conversation, especially during my first few months as a newly baptised and confirmed Catholic. Plus, the memoir itself has an entire chapter devoted to Pope Benedict XVI's *Jesus of Nazareth*, which I describe as the one book to which I “owed, and still owe, my soul and my salvation”. The Argentine Pontiff, by contrast, doesn't make an appearance in my book.

A further admission: Pope Francis's teaching has never electrified my mind the way his predecessor's writing and lectures did. I remember attending one of Francis's general audiences in the summer of 2017, hoping the Vicar of Christ would set off tremors in my mind, only to leave crestfallen. The homily, delivered in Francis's halting, mumbly manner, concerned the matter of some dispute or other between labour unions and bosses in Italy.

I think Pope Francis would be the first to admit that the life of the Catholic mind isn't high on his list of priorities. His predecessor was foremost a scholar, while Francis is the pastor par excellence. Francis formulates

things roughly, in the moment, lacking the theologian's precision. That's the way of the pastor, but add papal infallibility, and widespread misunderstandings about infallibility, to this mix, and you end up with the doctrinal tensions of the past few years.

Francis's pastoral voice is inspiring, however, and Catholics, especially those inclined to be critical of his pontificate, would be wise to heed it. It comes through loudly in his *Ave Maria: The Mystery of a Most Beloved Prayer* (Image), a new book of essays and interviews on the subject of Our Lady.

The book affords a rare glimpse into Francis's interior life and his Marian devotion, which is at once profound, earthy and very much Latin American. Mary, the Pope writes early on, is “this masterpiece of the Father” and the “human face of God's infinite goodness”. On Mary's beauty, long a muse to Catholic artists, Francis says: “Because Mary was not the victim of deceit,” as Eve was, “she did not undergo the consequences of it.” He adds: “In the vision of the Church, re-creation is more important than creation. Creation begins with Adam and then Eve ... Re-creation begins from Mary, a single woman.”

Re-creation trumps creation – now that's a reassuring thought in this season of ecclesial troubles and heartache!

Reading these lines, and others like it, I can't help but think of Cardinal George Pell in his solitary confinement in an Australian prison, the victim of absurd accusations and an unjust process. No doubt the cardinal feels especially close to Mary at this moment, the Mary who, as Francis says, “felt terrible anguish ... alone at the moment of the Annunciation and alone at the moment of her Son's death.”

Pope Francis's book on the Hail Mary is also invaluable for those interested in Francis's political thinking, which is in deeper continuity with his recent predecessors than his critics and his crude champions would care to admit. A recurring theme is Francis's disdain for liberal transnationalism and its “Davoisie”, and “the culture that sees things as disposable”. At one point he describes as satanic “the elite that does not know what it means to live among the people”. Elsewhere he describes our age's malaise as a species of “spiritual orphanhood”, caused by a “narcissistic” individualism that deprives us of “any sense of belonging to a family, to a land, to our God”.

Or again: mothers, and especially the Mother of God, “are the most powerful antidote” to the “individualistic” society, “a society that has lost its heart”. Godless materialism cultivates men and women who “close themselves off”, who “have no need of mother, of father, of a family, of a homeland, of belonging to a people”. Such attitudes, Francis says, are the rotten fruits of the Devil. Which is why “Satan hates our Lady so much.”

The lines had me writing in the margins of my copy of *Ave Maria*: “A church that is this close to the Blessed Virgin Mary will never succumb to her enemies.”

Sohrab Ahmari | *Via Catholic Herald* | 7 March, 2019

<https://catholicherald.co.uk/magazine/pope-franciss-marian-devotion-is-an-example-to-us-all/>
