

**SATURDAY, JULY 23, 2016**

5:00 PM Carmela & Nicola Albano

SUNDAY, JULY 24, 20168:00 AM Raymond Frasene Sr.
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9:30 AM Andrew Santoro

11:00 AM Ida Mae Payne Smith

12:30 PM Misioneros Lazos de Amor Mariano
Celebrando su cumpleaños.**MONDAY, JULY 25, 2016**7:00 AM Mario Pintado – Living
Rosemary Baxter – Living
Happy Birthday!

9:00 AM Lisa Ann Fanelli

TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2016

7:00 AM Orlando Castro

9:00 AM Federico DeLaurentis

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 2016

7:00 AM Saul Quispe - Living

9:00 AM Giulia & Nicolino DiNardo

THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2016

7:00 AM Mary E. Wolff

9:00 AM Peggy & Edward Steffenhagen;
John & Katherine Willard;
Joseph Sheya**FRIDAY, JULY 29, 2016**7:00 AM Mass of Thanksgiving
for Jessie Marilette

9:00 AM Matthew Paz

SATURDAY, JULY 30, 2016

9:00 AM Maria Pagnotta - Living

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**SATURDAY, JULY 30, 2016**

5:00 PM John Cichiara

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2016

8:00 AM Marilyn Becker

9:30 AM John Molyneaux

11:00 AM Maria DiMiceli

12:30 PM Marina & Faustino Cardenas – Living
Feliz Aniversario!**OLMC FINANCIAL REPORT**

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

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

Budget Weekly \$7,000.00

Previous Total \$305,192.43

Collection 07/17/16 5570.88

Total Collection \$310,762.32

Shortage (4,238.68)

Budgeted \$315,000.00

Consider placing Our Lady of Mt Carmel in your will or bequest so that you can continue to give to OLMC when you are with God.**OUR MILITARY PRAYER LIST**

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

Clifton Benson, Craig Brown, Jr., Devon Campbell, Frankie Confalone Jr., Desmond Hurns Jr., Adam Jones, Ryan Joyce, Brendan Kelly, Mark Martino, James McGraw, Kevin J. Rainaldi, Michael Rodick, Jonathan Suda, and Dominick Versace. To add a name to the list, please call the Rectory at 592-6789.**DAILY MASS OFFERING IS \$15.00**

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

Aug – 7AM – 22, 24, 25, 29, 31

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

BLESSED MOTHER GROTTO

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

PARISH PAYGo to **parishpay.com** and type the 10523 Zip Code. Click on OLMC; choose the frequency and the amount you want to donate and fill in the financial info and your contribution is sent to OLMC.**PARISH WEB SITE**<http://olmcchurchelmsford.com>**PRO LIFE CORNER***Pope Francis implored the US Congress: "The golden Rule also reminds us of our responsibility to protect and defend human life at every stage of its development..."***PRAY FOR THE SICK****Fr. Tom D'Angelo, Gary Adler, Syed Alirah, Louis Jesus Apreza, Glorimar Atilas, Joanne Ayala, Charles Barrett, Bryan Barry, Alissa Bikowski, Sr. Maria Teresa Bourbon RDC, Carlos Cardenas, James Carrea, Danielle Cavone, Nicholas Chiapparino, Fr. James P. Connolly, Filomena Conroy, Jeanine Cosentino, Garrett Cronin, Katherine De Torres, Jennifer Dodge, Allie, Thomas Dusva, Robert Fellner, Edward Fucci Sr., Clarens and Cedric Geannot, Jason, Bernard Goddard, Carmine Greco, Alex Herrera, Dawn & Edward Horan, Victor Illescas, Frank Imondo, Sr. Margaret Keogan, RDC, Debra Lawrence, Kay Quinn Liven,**

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

THANK YOU!!

We would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for all those who volunteered for our Feast Day celebration last weekend and made it a huge success.

ROSARY SOCIETY & PRAYER LINE

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

CATHOLIC CRUISES AND TOURS

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

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF BLAUVELT, NY

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

CABRINI OF WESTCHESTER

Caregiver's support group meetings are scheduled every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 10:30AM – Noon at the center on 115 Broadway, Dobbs Ferry, NY.

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL SCHOOL

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

SCHOOL WEBSITE

<http://www.olmcelford.com>

OLMC FOOD PANTRY

150 families use our food pantry; Pantry will be open next Saturday, June 18th. No salt added canned vegetables; Canned fruits in juice ; Low sodium (salt) canned beans; fat-free refried beans; canned tuna or salmon; Canned chicken; Instant oatmeal (plain) or quick oats; Brown rice, quinoa, or bulgur; whole grain cereal (unsweetened); whole wheat pasta; Unsalted nuts; No salt added soups.



SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Mon., July 25

Tues. July 26

Wed. July 27

Thurs. July 28

6:00 - 10:00 PM Bingo – Auditorium

Fri. July 29

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

Sat. July 30

8:00AM – Holy Hour

9:00AM – Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

CARDINAL'S APPEAL:

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

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C

Genesis 18: 20-32 Abraham bargains with God and tries to get Him to relent and save Sodom.

Colossians 2: 12-14 We experience the saving grace of God through baptism.

Luke 11: 1-13 The Lord teaches His disciples the Our Father and the correct disposition for prayer.

Discussion Question: Do we tell God what we want Him to do or do we ask God what we can do to follow His will?

Commento: “La preghiera cristiana dev'essere calibrata e purificata, liberandola da scorie sentimentistiche o dalle glaciali incrostazioni dell'abitudine e della monotonia” G. Ravasi

Comentario del domingo “No falsifiquemos las cosas; durante la época de Nazaret Jesús tuvo para la contemplación el tiempo que le queda a un obrero para “contemplar.” A. von Rehnitz González

THE JOY OF LOVE

The following is a series of comments and excerpts from the Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*. Chapter four: “Love in Marriage” (89-164) The fourth chapter treats love in marriage, which it illuminates with

Saint Paul's Hymn to Love in 1 Corinthians 13:4-7. This opening section is truly a painstaking, focused, inspired and poetic exegesis of the Pauline text. It is a collection of brief passages carefully and tenderly describing human love in absolutely concrete terms. The quality of psychological introspection that marks this exegesis is striking. The psychological insights enter into the emotional world of the spouses – positive and negative – and the erotic dimension of love. “It is important for Christians to show their love by the way they treat family members who are less knowledgeable about the faith, weak or less sure in their convictions. At times the opposite occurs: the supposedly mature believers within the family become unbearably arrogant” (#98). “Our first reaction when we are annoyed should be one of heartfelt blessing, asking God to bless, free and heal that person” (#104). “If we accept that God's love is unconditional, that the Father's love cannot be bought or sold, then we will become capable of showing boundless love and forgiving others even if they have wronged us” (#108). This is an extremely rich and valuable contribution to Christian married life, unprecedented in previous papal documents. This section digresses briefly from the more extensive, perceptive treatment of the day-to-day experience of married love which the Pope refuses to judge against ideal standards: “There is no need to lay upon two limited persons the tremendous burden of having to reproduce perfectly the union existing between Christ and his Church, for marriage as a sign entails ‘a dynamic process..., one which advances gradually with the progressive integration of the gifts of God’” (AL 122). On the other hand, the Pope forcefully stresses the fact that conjugal love by its very nature defines the partners in a richly encompassing and lasting union (AL 123), precisely within that “mixture of enjoyment and struggles, tensions and repose, pain and relief, satisfactions and longings, annoyances and pleasures” (AL 126) which indeed make up a marriage. The chapter concludes with a very important reflection on the “transformation of love” because “Longer life spans now mean that close and exclusive relationships must last for four, five or even six decades; consequently, the initial decision has to be frequently renewed” (AL 163). As physical appearance alters, the loving attraction does not lessen but changes as sexual desire can be transformed over time into the desire for togetherness and mutuality: “There is no guarantee that we will feel the same way all through life. Yet if a couple can come up with a shared and lasting life project, they can love one another and live as one until death do them part, enjoying an enriching intimacy” (AL 163).

SOBRE EL AMOR EN LA FAMILIA

Cada semana quiero citar y comentar sobre este Exhortación Apostólica del Papa Francisco. Capítulo cuatro: “El amor en el matrimonio” El cuarto capítulo se trata del amor en el matrimonio, y lo ilustra a

partir del “himno al amor” de san Pablo en 1 Cor 13,4-7. El capítulo es una verdadera y propia exégesis atenta, puntual, inspirada y poética del texto paulino. Podríamos decir que se trata de una colección de fragmentos de un discurso amoroso que está atento a describir el amor humano en términos absolutamente concretos. Uno se queda impresionado por la capacidad de introspección psicológica que sella esta exégesis. La profundización psicológica entra en el mundo de las emociones de los conyugues –positivas y negativas- y en la dimensión erótica del amor. “Es importante que los cristianos vivan esto en su modo de tratar a los familiares poco formados en la fe, frágiles o menos firmes en sus convicciones. A veces ocurre lo contrario: los supuestamente más adelantados dentro de su familia, se vuelven arrogantes e insoportables.” (98) “La reacción interior ante una molestia que nos causen los demás debería ser ante todo bendecir en el corazón, desear el bien del otro, pedir a Dios que lo libere y lo sane.” (104) “Si aceptamos que el amor de Dios es incondicional, que el cariño del Padre no se debe comprar ni pagar, entonces podremos amar más allá de todo, perdonar a los demás aun cuando hayan sido injustos con nosotros.” (108) Se trata de una contribución extremadamente rica y preciosa para la vida cristiana de los conyugues, que no tiene hasta ahora parangón en precedentes documentos papales. A su modo este capítulo constituye un tratado dentro del desarrollo más amplio, plenamente consciente de la cotidianidad del amor que es enemiga de todo idealismo: “no hay que arrojar sobre dos personas limitadas –escribe el Pontífice- el tremendo peso de tener que reproducir de manera perfecta la unión que existe entre Cristo y su Iglesia, porque el matrimonio como signo implica “un proceso dinámico, que avanza gradualmente con la progresiva integración de los dones de Dios”. Pero por otra parte el Papa insiste de manera fuerte y decidida sobre el hecho de que “en la naturaleza misma del amor conyugal está la apertura a lo definitivo,” propiamente al interior de esa “combinación de alegrías y de fatigas, de tensiones y de reposo, de sufrimientos y de liberación, de satisfacciones y de búsquedas, de fastidios y de placeres” es, precisamente, el matrimonio. El capítulo se concluye con una reflexión muy importante sobre la “transformación del amor” porque “la prolongación de la vida hace que se produzca algo que no era común en otros tiempos: la relación íntima y la pertenencia mutua deben conservarse por cuatro, cinco o seis décadas, y esto se convierte en una necesidad de volver a elegirse una y otra vez.” El aspecto físico cambia y la atracción amorosa no disminuye pero cambia: el deseo sexual con el tiempo se puede transformar en deseo de intimidad y “complicidad”. “No podemos prometernos tener los mismos sentimientos durante toda la vida. En cambio, sí podemos tener un proyecto común y estable, comprometernos a amarnos y a vivir unidos hasta que la muerte nos separe, y vivir siempre una rica intimidad”.