

***Shrine Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel –  
Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church***

***Bulletin - Sunday, March 24, 2024 - Palm Sunday***

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***Welcome to our Parish Community***

Benvenuti Alla Nostra Comunità Parrocchiale i

Bienvenidos a nuestra Comunidad!

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***Mission Statement:***

We, the faith community of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and Annunciation, are a welcoming parish deeply rooted in our Roman Catholic tradition. We are committed to faithfully and reverently living the Gospel of Christ, in communion with all of God's people. Aware and proud of our rich cultural heritage we remain open to the invitation of the Holy Spirit and pledge ourselves to continue building a bridge for future generations.

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**WELCOME . . . WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE !** If this is the first time you have been to Mount Carmel, Welcome! We promise that if you keep your heart and mind open to God, you'll find what you are looking for. **Would you like to talk to someone?** We are here to listen and help if we can. Just call the Rectory when you're ready. In the meantime, remember that you are always prayed *for* and that it is our hope to pray *with* you each week.


***Our Lady of Mount Carmel -  
Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church  
Rectory Information:***  
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**Reminder: No Food or Beverages are allowed in Church**


If you wish to receive Communion on the tongue, please stay at the back of the Communion line. Thank you

If you would like to receive weekly collection envelopes. Please fill out the Welcome Envelopes located in the back of church or call the rectory.

 St. Rita Rosary Society next meeting is scheduled for April 7, 2024 following the 10:00 am Mass.

***Save The Date:*** Our next Youth Ministry Meeting will be today, March 24, 2024, 11:00am at Sofia's Clubhouse in the lower rectory. Anyone interested in joining our Youth Ministry is asked to contact Deacon Michael in the Rectory. 


 If anyone is interested in renting one of our rooms for a party, meeting or get together. Please call the rectory and speak with Denise. Thank You!

*Thank you for your kind and generous support for our parish !!!*  
*Collection for the week of*  
*March 17, 2024: Not Available At This Time* 


***Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church:***  
275 North 8th Street  
Saturday 5:00 pm (Vigil)  
Sunday 10:00 am  
Weekday Mass: 8:30 am  
May thru October at Annunciation  
November thru April at OLMC  
Confession: Saturday 4:15 to 4:45 pm. Any other time, please call Rectory for an appointment.  
Holy Days: For Mass Schedule and times please consult the Bulletin or call the Rectory.  
On National Holidays that fall on a weekday, there will be no weekday Mass that day.




***Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary:***  
259 North 5th Street  
Sunday  
10:00 am Lithuanian  
11:30 am Spanish  
6:00 pm English

We are now live streaming our Masses to enable those who cannot get to Church to attend the Mass and be a part of our congregation. Please tell your family, friends and neighbors they can live stream with us by going to our website at [www.olmcchurch.bk.com](http://www.olmcchurch.bk.com) and clicking on live mass stream or by going to the parish Facebook account at [www.facebook.com/OLMCCHURCHBK](http://www.facebook.com/OLMCCHURCHBK). 

***Holy Hour***  
Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on the first Saturday of every month. Please note that the next Holy Hour will be **April 6, 2024 at 10:30 am.** Join us in prayer and community!

If you know any parishioner who is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the Rectory with their name, address and phone number and we will bring the Eucharist to them at home. 

***Bible Study Group*** will be meeting on Friday, April 19, 2024 from 9am to 10am in the lower church room. 

**Readings for the Week:**

Monday: Is 42:1-7  
 March 25th Jn 12:1-11  
 Tuesday: Is 49:1-6  
 March 26th Jn 13:21-33, 36-38  
 Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a  
 March 27th Mt 26:14-25  
 Thursday: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9  
 March 28th Lk 4:16-21  
 Friday: Is 52:13-53:12  
 March 29th Phil 2:8-9



**Available to Memorialize:**

Please call the Rectory if you would like to arrange to have one of our memorials honor of your loved ones:

|                   |                 |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Bread and Wine    | \$25.00         |
| Tabernacle Candle | \$20.00         |
| OLMC Candle       | \$20.00         |
| Altar Flowers     | \$70.00         |
| Food Pantry       | \$25.00 minimum |



**Memorials - Week of March 24th to March 30th**

**Bread & Wine -**

Genevieve Lamonaca  
 Requested by Elaine & Jerry Villano



Welcome to the newest member of our faith community.  
 Baptized in the Spirit !!!

Frances Violet Estes



**Feast of the Annunciation**



The Feast of the Annunciation is Saturday, March 25th, when the Angel Gabriel came to Mary to tell her that she would conceive and bear a son and become the mother of Jesus Christ, the Christian Messiah and the Son of God.

**Msgr. Jamie's Cook Book**

Breaking Bread Feeding the Body to Feeding the Soul is being sold for \$25.00 in the OLMC Gift Shop or by calling the rectory office



The Ladies Aux. of the K of C is sponsoring a RADIO BINGO hosted by DJs@Work

Saturday, April 6, 2024 OLMC Upper Hall

Doors open 6:30, Games begin 7:15 sharp

Admission \$40.00, includes 1 music bingo board, wine, beer, soda, water, cake and coffee.

Tickets must be paid by March 28th.  
 No tickets sold at door \*21 and over please\*

To purchase tickets please contact Cathy Peluso 718 335-1935, Maria Occhuito 917 687- 0584 or Danielle Curry 917 541-9862

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**For Children:** Registration for Religious Education for children is ongoing.

**New Registrations:** If this is your child's FIRST TIME, please contact the rectory and ask for Rosemarie Walsh at Extension 104. Thank you and God bless you!

**For Adults: (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults):**

Any adult (18+) interested in becoming a fully initiated Roman Catholic, please contact Rosemarie Walsh at Extension 104.

Are you NOT baptized? Are you baptized in another faith denomination? Are you baptized but seeking the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation? The only requirement needed is an open heart!

Thank you and God bless you!

**Bereavement Ministry:**

Our monthly Bereavement Support Group is designed to help the mourner through the initial stages of grief. The main purpose of our ministry to the bereaved is to promote healing through information, and prayerful support. If you would like to join us, please contact Rosemarie Walsh at the rectory at Extension 104.



Feast 2024: The next meetings will be

Wednesday, April 17th: 7:00pm Executive Board  
 8:00pm Feast Leadership

Wednesday, May 8th: 7:00pm Lifters Appreciation Night



PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN



**Easter Egg Hunt,  
 refreshments &  
 Pictures with  
 the Easter Bunny!**



**SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024**

FREE | IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING 10:00 AM MASS.  
 SPONSORED BY OLMC RELIGIOUS EDUCATION &  
 THE LADIES AUXILIARY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #6243





**Lent 2024**

Waving palms on Palm Sunday is an old tradition. We do it like we do so many things in liturgy - with our bodies as well as our minds, hearts, and voice. We feel the smoothness of the palm in our hands, we see its sleek lines and its pale green color. We feel the air move as we wave it, we see how many fill the Church, we feel the energy in the room.

With this day and this liturgy we move into the dance, the ceremony of Holy Week. When we reach out and take the palm, we commit ourselves to an ancient story and our part in it. We become the crowd.

The Pharisees were scandalized by the shouting and praising and joy of the welcoming crowds, all because of Jesus. They told Jesus to silence His disciples, to make the people stop, as He approached the Mount of Olives. But Jesus didn't stop the people, and He won't stop us.

We know what is to come. But for today, for now, we take up palms. We pass them down the row. We place one in every hand, largest to smallest. We enter the story.

*Lord Jesus, as I hold my palm, help me to recall Your faithfulness and love unto death.*

*Hosanna in the Highest*

**Palm Sunday - March 24th**

 Our observance of Holy Week begins TODAY with the distribution of Blessed Palms at all the Masses.

**EASTER FLOWERS EASTER IS MARCH 31ST !!!**

Our parishioners have the opportunity to help beautify the Altar for Easter by offering donations of *Easter Flowers*.

*Flower envelopes can be found in the back of the church, next to the bulletins.*

**In addition to this we also have the opportunity for the following donations:**

Toward **LARGE** Flower Arrangements.....\$100.00

Toward **MEDIUM** Flower Arrangement....\$50.00

Towards **SMALL** Plants .....\$25.00



**Flyers are located in the back of Church for explanation.**

Please return Flower envelopes and/or flyer to us by **Tuesday, March 26th by 12pm.** Please *print* names and phone numbers clearly where you can be reached.

An Easter Flower insert will be located in the back of church.

**Reconciliation Monday:** On Monday, March 25th the Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens will join the Archdiocese of New York and the Diocese of Rockville Centre in celebrating **Reconciliation Monday**. On this special day, all the parishes in our Diocese will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We will hear confessions 9am to 10am and 3pm to 4pm in OLMC Church and from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in OLMC Rectory Office in preparation for the Holy Days of the Paschal Triduum.



**Good Friday Stations of the Cross**

Liturgy of the Passion in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church at 3pm followed by the Stations of the Cross throughout the neighborhood at 4:00 pm on Good Friday, March 29th.



**Blessing of Easter Food**

On Holy Saturday morning (March 30th), following 9:00 am Morning Prayer we will have a special Blessing of Easter Food



**Blessing of Easter Baskets**

At the 10:00 am Family Mass on Easter Sunday we will bless all the children and their Easter Baskets. The children should bring their baskets with them to Mass.



The Church will remain OPEN ALL DAY Thursday and Friday in observance of Holy Thursday and Good Friday so that all may have a chance to stop in and spend some private time in prayer.

**Holy Week and Easter Services Schedule**

**Holy Thursday, March 28th**

- 9:00 am Morning Prayer
- 7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper in English, Italian, Lithuanian and Spanish at OLMC Church
- 9pm-11pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at Annunciation Church

**Good Friday, March 29th**

- 9:00 am Morning Prayer
- 3:00 pm Liturgy of the Passion with Veneration of the Cross in English, Italian and Spanish at OLMC Church
- 4pm Stations of the Cross throughout the neighborhood (Multilingual)
- 7pm Stations of the Cross in English, Italian and Spanish at Annunciation Church

**Holy Saturday, March 30th**

- 9:00 am Morning Prayer and Blessing of Easter Food
- 7:30 pm Great Easter Vigil in English, Italian, Spanish and Lithuanian at OLMC

**Easter Sunday, March 31st**

- 7:00am Lithuanian Mass at Annunciation
- 10:00am Family Mass, Blessing of the Children and Easter Baskets at OLMC
- 11:30am Spanish Mass at Annunciation



**Please NOTE: There is NO 6pm Mass at Annunciation Church on Easter Sunday !!!**

**Mass Intentions for the Week at  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church:**

**Saturday, March 23rd**

4:15 - 4:45 Confession

5pm *Paul Romersa, Birthday in Heaven*  
Requested by brother Michael & Family



**Sunday, March 24th, Palm Sunday**

10am *In Loving Memory of Antoinette & Philip Marotta*  
Requested by daughter Antoinette & Family

*Victoria Delia*  
Requested by Toni Ann Frank & Family

*In Loving Memory of Genevieve Lamonaca*  
Requested by The Aragona & LaCioppa Families

**Monday, March 25th**

8:30 *Anthony "Paste" Vecchiano*  
Pro Popolo  
OLMC Novena after Mass

**Tuesday, March 26th**

8:30 *Tolga Savaci*  
St. Anthony Novena #2

**Wednesday, March 27th**

8:30 *Gloria Gurechi*  
Requested by Ladies Auxiliary of St. Stans Legion Post  
Purgatorial Mass

**Holy Thursday, March 28th**

9:00am Morning Prayer  
7:30pm Mass of Lords Supper (English, Italian, Spanish & Lithuanian)  
*In Loving Memory of Commissioner Joseph Esposito, Birthday in Heaven*  
Requested by Joseph Aragona & Family

**Good Friday, March 29th**

9:00am Morning Prayer  
3:00pm Liturgy of the Passion with Veneration of the Cross in English, Italian & Spanish  
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9:00am Morning Prayer and Blessing of Easter Food  
7:30pm Great Easter Vigil in English, Italian, Spanish and Lithuanian



**Mass Intentions for the Week at Annunciation of  
the Blessed Virgin Mary Church:**

**Sunday, March 24th, Palm Sunday**

10am *Dr. Nijole Brazenaite-Paronetto*  
Requested by Sabalis and Vygantas Families

11:30 Mass Intention Available

6pm *Jean Kivyta Ramanauskas*  
Requested by Family  
*Brandon Antonio Paulino*  
Requested by Alda Paulino & Bienvenivo Paulino



**Holy Thursday, March 28th**

9pm-11pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Good Friday, March 29th**

7:00pm Stations of the Cross in English, Italian & Spanish



Please pray for all the deceased members of Our Lady of Mount Carmel ~ Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Please pray for the sick of our Parish**

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>Vinny Allocca</i>             | <i>Connie Leist</i>       |
| <i>Carmelo Altadonna</i>         | <i>James Leung</i>        |
| <i>Diana Altadonna</i>           | <i>Dominick Maresca</i>   |
| <i>Joseph Altadonna</i>          | <i>Rina Mottes</i>        |
| <i>Dennis P. Aprile</i>          | <i>Mike Murphy</i>        |
| <i>Annette Bergamo</i>           | <i>Francesca Pascal</i>   |
| <i>Elma Bollers</i>              | <i>Frantz Pascal</i>      |
| <i>Susan DeAngelis Ruppel</i>    | <i>Frantz Pascal II</i>   |
| <i>Lucille Delio</i>             | <i>Luciana Pepenella</i>  |
| <i>Philip DeLuca</i>             | <i>Tyra Plaisimond</i>    |
| <i>Lion Rafael Perez DeTagle</i> | <i>Aaliyah Rammelkamp</i> |
| <i>Carmela (Millie) Giudice</i>  | <i>Marie Rolla</i>        |
| <i>Patricia Joseph</i>           | <i>James Spoto, FDNY</i>  |
| <i>Carolyn Leloia</i>            | <i>Sarah Teri</i>         |



**St. Anthony Novena**



Join us as we recite the Novena to St. Anthony on Tuesdays, beginning this Tuesday, March 19th, following the 8:30 am Mass at OLMC Church.

**PLEASE NOTE: Due to Bank regulations, going forward all checks must be spelled out to "Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church". Checks that are abbreviated e.g. OLMC, will be returned. Thank you for your understanding.**

**Save The Date!!!**

**12th Annual Communion Breakfast**  
**Sunday, May 19th following the 10:00 am Mass**  
**in St. Paulinus Hall**



**Please come out and help us honor and celebrate long time members of our parish Paula & Larry Cicileo, Louis Barricelli and Nicholas Yacenda.**

**Tickets are \$20.00 per adult, \$10.00 each for children 6-12, children under 5 are free. Tickets can be obtained by calling the rectory at 718 384-0223 to reserve your tickets or by completing a form located in the back of church**

Please note the following dates in April 2024 are still available for Mass Intentions. If interested, please visit or call the rectory

**8:30 am Weekday Mass at OLMC: April 24th, 26th and 29th**

**5pm Saturday Mass at OLMC: April 13th, 20th**

**6pm Sunday Mass at Annunciation: April 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th**



**Please pray for Peace on Earth and for the safety of our Armed Forces and their families.**

INFORMATION SHEET

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