

# Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday, March 18, 2018  
Fifth Sunday of Lent



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## Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm  
Sunday: 7:30am / 9:00am / 11:00am

## Daily Masses

Monday-Saturday: 8:30am (except Wed.)  
Wednesday: 7:00pm  
  
First Friday Mass: 2:00pm  
@Homestead Nursing Home  
Holy Days: 8:30am / 7:00pm

## Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 9:00am-12:00pm

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:15pm-4:45pm

## Sacraments of Baptism, Marriage, & Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the office to arrange.

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## Knights of Columbus, Council 9920

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## Do you believe the 'hour' is already here?

The concept of time is very important to us. Almost all the events we attend is scheduled to begin at a certain hour or a certain time. There are hours for shopping stores, malls, grocery stores, doctor's office and so forth. In fact, there are business hours for almost everything. Even our Masses and parish events are scheduled. How do we use our time? For the most part, many people do things when it is the time to do it. There is time to graduate, time to look for a job, time to leave a parent's house, time to get married and time to settle down. Human activities are structured and detected by time which continues till the very end of our earthly existence. At that moment, the clock stops ticking and the "hour" comes to an end.

What about Jesus? At the wedding in Cana, Jesus said His hour had not yet come but in today's Gospel He says His hour has come, "Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified." "What is the hour of glory for Jesus in John's Gospel? It is His passion and death. Jesus' hour of glory is not what the world thinks glorious because the world does not see as God sees. Who would have thought that Jesus, son of the Father, the Messiah, would have to suffer? However, through His passion and death He will draw all people to Himself."

For us, the "hour" is already here. It is the hour to repent and amend our lives. And now is the time to return to the Lord who says, "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also my servant will be." According to Dr. Scott Hanh, "Where He has gone we can follow—if we let Him lead us. To follow Jesus means hating our lives of sin and selfishness. It means trusting in the Father's will, the law He has written in our hearts." Jesus' "hour" continues in the Eucharist, where we join our sorrows, our problems and our sufferings on His altar. In the Eucharist, "We also join our sacrifices to His, giving God our lives in reverence and obedience—confident He will raise us up to bear fruits of holiness."

—Fr. Abuchi

**Mass Intentions for the Week****Saturday, March 17**

JER 11:18-20 / JN 7:40-53

8:30am Daniel and Elizabeth Salvatore

5:00pm William Scheidler

**Sunday, March 18**

JER 31:13-34 / HEB 5:7-9 / JN 12:20-33

7:30am Theresa Orso

9:00am Jennie Olenowski

11:00am Sam Sullivan

**Monday, March 19 - Solemnity of Saint Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

2 SM 7:4-5A, 12-14A, 16 / ROM 4:13, 16-18, 22 / MT 1:16, 18-21, 24A

8:30am Fr. Mike Burke

**Tuesday, March 20**

NM 21:4-9 / JN 8:21-30

8:30am Sal and Connie Romano

**Wednesday, March 21**

DN 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 / JN 8:31-42

7:00pm Intentions of Barbara Froetscher

**Thursday, March 22**

GN 17:3-9 / JN 8:51-59

8:30am Frank Czapkowski

**Friday, March 23**

JER 20:10-13 / JN 10:31-42

8:30am Norman Oravec

**Saturday, March 24**

EZ 37:21-28 / JN 11:45-56

8:30am Fr. Brian Tomlinson

5:00pm John McCarthy

**Sunday, March 25 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**

MK 11:11-10 or JN 12:12-16 / PHIL 2:6-11 / MK 14:1-15:47

7:30am

9:00am Anita Tomchuk

11:00am Rich Sinski

**Please Remember and Pray For the Following**

Ann Bott, Ralph Bozza, Samantha Brady, Walter & Concetta Brock Jr., Bradley Burchfield, Dominic Bongiorno, George Carse, Joseph Colon, Terry Comer, Fr. Angelus Croce, Carmine Curulli, Ingrid Diaz, Kara Deserto, Doug Ernst Sr., Linda Flynn, Thomasina Gebhard, Richard Hennings, Ava Kljajic, Bruce Konar, Joshua Koontz, Alex Krucinski, Kimberly Lane, Kden LeoGrande, Elizabeth Lacovara, Pete Mahler, Maria Mallozzi, Mary Jo Manno, Deacon Charles Mathias, Susanne Martone, Brett Mershon, Mary Ellen Nienstedt, Sister Peggy Noone, Stephen Osborn, Margie Palazzo, Jason Parker, Sr., Jerome Pasternak, Lorraine Paxton, Ellie Prakopcyk, Owen Primavera, Bill Rasmussen, Connie Pyne, Peter F. Reynolds, Carol Rock, Bishop Frank Rodimer, Colleen Romano, Linda Ross, Joan Royer, Rose Marie Sciascia, Carole Salvatore, John Samscock, James Scales, Diane Scarince, Greg Schmiditty, Gloria Shope, Carole Sisco, Debbie Smith, Nancy Snook, Stephanie, Richie Sorce, Andrew Sorce, Michael Sugar, Dale Swoboda, Roberta Treptau, David & Vince Ventresca, Brooke Zaleski, Virginia Zaleski

**A GOOD STEWARD**

<b>Sunday, March 4</b>	<b>\$1,949.00</b>
<b>Sunday, March 11</b>	<b>\$3,827.00</b>
<b>Diocesan Assessment</b>	<b>\$ 594.00</b>

Thank you for your generosity!

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

*This Week The Sanctuary Lamp  
Burns for the Intentions of  
John McCarthy*

**WOMEN AND MEN OF THE ARMED FORCES**

We ask God the Father, through the intercession of St. Michael the Archangel, to protect all the men and women in our Armed Forces. May they be brought back safely to those whom they love: Larisa Furs, US Navy; Lt. Jason Gieniewski, U.S. Army; Pvt. Daniel Michael Mobilio, Army; Captain Richi M. Pazdzierski, US Army; Captain Jane Petrick, Army; Lt. Daniel T. Pevarnik, Jr., National Guard; Captain Cheryl Ryan, US Army; Seaman Recruit Tyler Joseph Salonia; Michael Valeich, Staff Sergeant; Pvt. Zachary Wharton, Robert Williams, Airman

**THE BIG SECRET!****Public schools are NOT "GOD-Free Zones"**

The Don Bosco Council of Knights of Columbus  
Presents "FREE TO SPEAK" featuring  
the STUDENTS OF FAITH Video

This is a MUST SEE for parents and guardians!

**Date:** Sunday, March 25th (Palm Sunday) at 6:00pm  
You need to see this important video with your children!

Together you will learn students have the right to express their faith in many ways, at the appropriate times, in public schools. These rights are protected by the US Constitution and the US Dept. of Education.

Learn how these facts can prevent public school students from being denied their rights to Free Speech and Religious Expression.

The presentation with the video takes less than 15 minutes and there will be time for comments and questions.

Show how to live your faith

Join your child for this important event!

**SAINT JOSEPH, PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH**

March 19 is the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. By willing that Saint Joseph should be the husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the foster-father of the Lord Jesus, God entrusted to Saint Joseph the task of protecting and providing for the Lord Jesus and Our Lady. Little is known about Saint Joseph. The Gospels do not record his words but rather narrate to us the inner thoughts, inner workings, attitudes and actions of the man who cared as a father for Jesus as the Lord grew into manhood. Saint Joseph is important to us because he continues his work even today from Heaven by watching over and protecting all members of the Church. He is loved and esteemed because he served God and became a Saint in the way most people live life: through marriage, caring for one's family and being a parent

*Saint Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, watch over the Church as carefully as you watched over Jesus, help protect it and guide it as you did with your adopted son. Amen*

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH AND CHIPS DINNER**

**The Knights of Columbus Council 9920** will host a Fish & Chips Dinner Friday, March 23rd from 5 to 7 pm at the Old Swartswood Firehouse next to the church. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10.00 for children 5-12, & \$13.00 for seniors. Take-out orders are available. Come and enjoy good food, family & friends.

God Bless you for your continued support.

**K of C Council 9920**

**DON BOSCO COLUMBIETTES**

The Don Bosco Columbiettes Auxiliary No. 784 is having a pizza fundraiser at the Villa Capri Restaurant on Route 206 in Newton on Friday, March 23rd. Please help the Columbiettes raise money for the scholarships and local charities. Villa Capri will donate \$1 for every pizza sold all day on Friday, March 23rd. So, treat your family to some really great pizza and help raise money for charity!

**SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

Anyone who is homebound or sick and needs a priest, please call the office to make arrangements — (973)383-3566

**ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS****FOR WEEKLY AND ONE TIME GIFTS**

Enrolling in Online Giving is a great way to ensure your gifts to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel are received even when you are away or traveling.

Please visit: <https://olmcswartswood.churchgiving.com>

**LENT 2018***Welcome Home to Healing***Confession**

Every Monday, February 19-March 19 7:00pm-8:30pm and at all Parishes in the Diocese

**Lenten Meatless Suppers**

Every Friday at 6:00pm during Lent

**Stations of the Cross**

Begins at 7:00pm following the Meatless Soup Supper

**Our annual Lenten Meatless Soup**

**Suppers** are held each Friday of Lent.

Dinner starts at 6pm with **Stations of the Cross** beginning at 7pm. A free donation is suggested-all proceeds will go to the church. Sign up sheets are at the side doors. Set up and cleanup help is needed. Please call Dina (973)579-1908 if you have any questions or would like more information on this Our Lady of Mt.Carmel tradition.

**Divine Mercy** prayers will begin Sunday, April 8th at 2:45pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions - 3:00pm - Recitation of the Holy Rosary followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy - 3:30pm - Benediction

**LENTEN QUOTES**

"Be sober, be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same experience of suffering is required of your brotherhood throughout the world."—**1 Peter 5:8-9**

"Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy. Amen"—St. Augustine of Hippo

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**The Knights of Columbus** is a fraternal organization for Catholic gentlemen in union with the Holy See. All Catholic men, 18 and over, are invited to join.

Visit "[WWW.KofC.org/joinus](http://WWW.KofC.org/joinus)" to learn more about the many benefits of membership in the Knights of Columbus.

For more information contact Bill Nagy, at 973-919-8554, or Terry O'Connor, at 201-874-9836.

**CHRISM MASS**

As a reminder, we will be celebrating the Chrism Mass on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 7:00 pm at St. John the Baptist in Paterson. The procession starts promptly at 6:45 pm. This year's celebration will be of special significance as it will mark the first Chrism Mass in our newly renovated Cathedral