

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Communal Baptisms are held every month on the first Sunday at 1:30pm and on the third Saturday at 11:00am (with some exceptions). Register a month or two in advance for the Baptismal Program.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

Saturday 1:00pm-2:00pm & Monday 7:00pm-7:30pm (Sept-May)
Other times by pre-arranged appt. with a priest. Communal Penance celebrations (with individual confessions) are celebrated in Advent and Lent and will be announced.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Those who wish to enter the Catholic faith and Catholics who wish to complete the sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation are most welcome to begin the journey at any time. Call the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners regularly practicing the Faith at our Parish are welcomed to contact the Rectory one year in advance of a proposed wedding date. Specific dates are only discussed after meeting with a Priest. Couples must attend a pre-Cana program and provide required Sacramental and other documentation.

VOCATIONS

Is God calling you to the priesthood or religious life? Speak to one of our priests or call the Archdiocesan Vocations Office at 973.313.6190, Newarkpriest.com

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the *Anointing of the Sick* will be administered at anytime in an emergency and also at parish celebrations during the year. Consult the bulletin for dates. *Communion* is brought to the sick, the elderly and the homebound by priests of the parish and by Eucharistic ministers. The priests also visit the local hospital regularly. If you or a family member is hospitalized, please contact the Rectory to make arrangements.



The Parish Family of

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

One Passaic Street, Ridgewood, New Jersey 07450
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Our Mission

We the people of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish believe in Jesus Christ and embrace his teachings. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we accept His call to be the Light of the World through Word, Worship, Community Building and Service to all.

COME WORSHIP WITH US

WEEKENDS

Saturday: 5:30pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm, 3:00pm (Spanish) and 6:30pm

WEEKDAYS

6:30am, 8:30am and 12:00 noon
Saturdays: 8:30am

HOLY DAYS

Eve: 7:30pm (anticipated)
6:30am, 8:30am, and 12:00 noon

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ September 1, 2024

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FROM FR. JAKOV

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

If you remember, in the beginning of July, we brought two groups of youth from the Neocatechumenal Way to a pilgrimage. One bus went to California, and I accompanied the other to upstate New York. We did this pilgrimage to prepare the youth for a big celebration because this year marks the 50th anniversary of the arrival of the Neocatechumenal Way to the United States. Both Msgr. Ron and I were at the celebration at the Barclays Center where 20,000 people gathered from all over the United States. At the meeting some 1,000 men felt the call to priesthood and will begin to discern their vocation. Also some 1,500 girls expressed their desire to enter consecrated life or to help in some other way in the Church.

But this is also the year when we mark the 30th anniversary since the Way arrived in our parish. And what a gift it has been to our parish. Do you remember Fr. Peter Baldacchino (now Bishop of Las Cruces, New Mexico)? How about Fr. Ivan Sciberras? What about Fr. Sean Manson? And Fr. Kevin Waymel? Fr. Gustavo Alfaro? And last but not least Fr. Anthony Palombo?

As they themselves have remarked in their time, I will repeat: none of us would have become priests were it not due to the fact that we had an encounter with Jesus Christ through the Catechesis of the Neocatechumenal Way. This encounter was so beautiful, so powerful and so freeing for us that it brought us back to the Church, reconciled us to those people and parts of our life that produced such suffering and gave us a new life without any effort on our part. We experienced such a touch of Grace, that we became willing to leave our countries and go anywhere in the world the Lord would send us.

Jesus Christ gave us a way to discern what comes from God: "You will know them by their fruits" (Mt 7:15).

Some of our parishioners are so grateful for the life they have discovered in the Church through the Neocatechumenal Way that they have volunteered to go to help the Church in areas where it is suffering the most. They left their careers and live off the providence of God literally as St. Francis did because Jesus Christ sent them without "moneybag, knapsack nor sandals" (Lk 10:4). Others have discovered the vocation to the priesthood or the consecrated life. Many others continue their normal life but freed from their life of sin and vices, others experiencing reconciliation in their marriages, with themselves and their history.

I would like to list below some of the fruits God has borne amongst our parishioners:

Families in Mission:

-Jack and Joan Craig: Ohio (18 years)
-Richard and Marilyn Brancale and 8 children, Brooklyn, NY

-Chris and Lauren Tobin and 10 children, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio (10 years)
-Eugene and Jeanine Hettich and 5 children, Michigan and Wisconsin (10 years)
-Chris and Margaret Kruk and 5 children, Detroit, MI
-Israel and Claudia Rodriguez and 7 children, Brooklyn, NY
-Ed and Margaret Condon, Pennsylvania
-Patrick and Emma Palombo and 3 children, Chicago, IL
-Stefano and Elizabeth Gennarini and 9 children, Florida

Vocations to the Priesthood:

-Fr. John Ginty, 59 years old (Redemptoris Mater Seminary, Kearny, NJ—class of 2020)
-Nephtali Genao, 24 years old, (Redemptoris Mater Seminary, Congo and Miami, FL)
-Aaron Tobin, 18 years old (Redemptoris Mater Seminary, Miami, FL)
-Christopher Silebi, 19 years old (Redemptoris Mater Seminary, Boston, MA)
-Henry Seuffert, 21 years old (Redemptoris Mater Seminary, Boston, MA)
-Raphael de los Reyes, 18 years old (Redemptoris Mater Seminary, Denver, CO)
-James Seuffert, 19 years old (Redemptoris Mater Seminary, Dallas, TX)

Lay Brothers and Sisters in mission

-Mary McCarthy: Oregon, Northern California, Washington
-Giuseppe M. Gennarini: Northeast China (9 years)
-Katherine F. Ordjonikidze, Oregon, Northern California, Washington (10 years)

All of this is a gift of God that could not possibly come from any of us. We can only say like St. Peter, “Depart from me, O Lord, for I am a sinful man!” (Lk 5:8) for we are “useless servants” (Lk 17:10) impediments to his work. Let us thank God for the miracles he has worked in our parish over the last 30 years.

I want to give thanks to the Lord for the immensity of his love and mercy that he has showed us in his Son crucified for our sins. I want to give him thanks for the gift that the Neocatechumenal Way is to the Church and to me personally. I also want to give thanks to Msgr. Ron for welcoming the Way to Mount Carmel and for his continuous support.

From Fr. Peter to Fr. Anthony, all have invited you in some way or another to come to the catechesis. When God sets to work, it is a momentous occasion of grace for everyone in the parish. “Do not receive God’s grace in vain!” (2 Cor 6:1). This year do not let this occasion pass. Everyone is invited.

Beginning on September 30 every Monday and Thursday at 8:00PM in the Parish Center. Come and Listen!

Fr. Jakov

STEWARDSHIP

“Be doers of the word and not hearers only...” In today’s 2nd Reading, James reminds us that our actions will count more than our words. What have you done, or what do you **do** to live God’s word? Do you share your **Time** in prayer with God? Do you use your **Talent(s)** to help those in need and to build God’s Kingdom? Do you offer your **Treasure** to do the same? The Christian Steward does all these.

The parish Stewardship of Treasure last week was \$11,229. The Stewardship of Treasure for the month of August will appear in next weekend’s bulletin. God bless all who are generous with their treasure to build the Kingdom. Help the parish to continue the Kingdom by signing up for electronic giving. It steadies the parish income stream to better answer that call. Simply go to the **WeShare** icon on the homepage of the website. Or even simpler, use the QR code found in the bulletin, both for **WeShare** and **Venmo**. Thank you for giving this your consideration.



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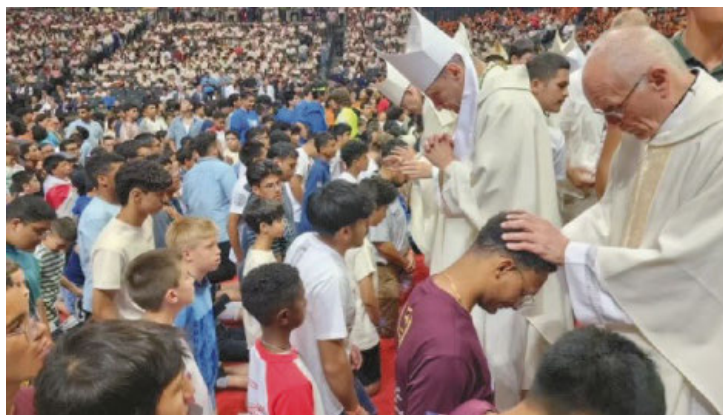


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Above: Brothers & sisters of the Neocatechumenal Way (NCW) gather at the Barclays Center in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the NCW in the US.

Below: Msgr. Ron Rozniak blessing one of the 1,000 young men that felt called to the priesthood.



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ministry of Motherhood (MOMs)
KICK-OFF MEETING
WEDNESDAY—SEPTEMBER 11TH
9:15AM—PARISH CENTER



All mothers are invited to the Mt. Camel MOMs Kick-Off meeting! Our theme this year is "Growing in Gratitude." Come learn about our ministry and meet other moms.

For more information, go to www.olmcmoms.com or email Katherine Clark at OLMCMomsridgewoodnj@gmail.com

MOMS OF ALL AGES WELCOME! BRING A FRIEND!
COMPLIMENTARY BABYSITTING!

Catholic High School Night for Grades 6, 7 & 8
September 12th, 2024 | 6PM-8PM | Parish Center
(Use Passaic Street Entrance)

This is an open invitation to all middle school students and their parents to attend our Catholic High School Night! This is a great way for you and your parents to meet school representatives and learn about the benefits of a robust Catholic High School education!

Regis High School Information Night
Wednesday, September 18, 2024—7:00PM
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Center

Discover Regis High School's transformative Jesuit education, fostering excellence, curiosity, leadership, and service. Learn more about a Jesuit education by participating in our upcoming Regis Information Night. This event offers a firsthand look into the Regis Experience for local students, emphasizing shared educational values and details. Attendees will include the Director of Admissions, current students, parents, and alumni parents, creating an ideal introduction to life at Regis. Light refreshments will be provided.

Register at regis.com/admissions

SUPPORT GROUP FOR THOSE GRIEVING
THE DEATH OF A LOVED ONE

If you have lost a loved one to death, we invite you to join us for a series of 8 consecutive Thursday evening sessions of mutual sharing and support in a spiritual, caring, strictly confidential setting. The group is led by a trained facilitator certified by the Family Life Office of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Thursday Evenings beginning September 26
6:45PM-8:00PM
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church—Parish Center
47 Island Road, Mahwah, NJ

Contact Immaculate Heart's Rectory office at 201.529.3517
Pre-registration is required. All calls are confidential.

No one should grieve alone; it helps to have a friend that listens.

Weekly Scripture Reflection
Thursday Mornings Beginning September 12th
Parish Center—10:30AM-11:45AM

For more than a year a group of parishioners met weekly to read, study, and share the meaning of the texts so as to prepare for the upcoming Scripture at weekend liturgy. Many have commented that it has deepened their faith and made a difference in their life.

"Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." ...*St Jerome*
It is not necessary that you attend every Thursday, but if interested please contact so that materials may be available for you.—lenglish122@gmail.com, text 201.207.5920.

BLOCK PARTY

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPT. 8TH | 1:30PM-5:00PM
BEHIND THE CONVENT—RAIN OR SHINE
FUN! ~ FOOD! ~ FRIENDS! ~ TREATS! ~ GAMES!

National Eucharistic Congress Faith Sharing Experience
Saturday, September 21 | 12:00NN | Parish Center

Have you ever experienced a life changing transformation centered on a mystery? It is a mystery centered on the Eucharist. Nearly 60,000 devout Catholics from across the U.S.A and countries congregated in Indianapolis July 17-21, 2024 in the Lucas Oil football Stadium to venerate Jesus Christ and the Eucharist. Five days of coming together to share their Catholic faith and on fire by the graces of the Holy Spirit.

My NEC experience was deeply moving and transformative. I have invited people whom I admire for their deep faith to join me to share their NEC experience on Saturday, September 21, in the Parish Center. Check in begins at 12:00PM. Prayers and reflections are at 12:45 PM. Presentations are from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Light snacks and refreshments provided.

Please contact Deacon Bob Liwanag to register.
bob.liwanag@olmcridgewood.com, 201.670.0587
Deadline to register is Monday, September 16.

Please come and join us on the Eucharistic Revival movement journey.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS SERVING IN THE MILITARY:
Timothy Bombace, Aedan Cannon, Edgar Delgado,
Nick Haddad, Durkin McCarthy, John Morano,
James Nardelli, Robert Smith



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (PEA)

CHAPEL IS OPEN 24/7
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration (PEA) is quiet adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel where Jesus is exposed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This is made possible by Scheduled Adorers every hour—even midnight hours. With notice, Substitutes cover an hour if Scheduled Adorers can't make it due to emergency or vacation. It is very important. We cannot leave Jesus alone in the chapel. This continual prayer provides abundant blessings to the faithful, their loved ones and to the community.

SCHEDULED ADORERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Sundays: 1-2AM; Thursdays: 12 Midnight-1AM;
Fridays: 2-3AM, 4-5AM;
Saturdays: 1-2AM, 3-4PM, 5-6PM, 6-7PM

Contact Cynthia—551.574.1063, cynthiabtorres@yahoo.com



Welcome Scheduled Adorers, Substitutes,
All Visitors of the Blessed Sacrament... & Family!

Bring something to share! BYOB! The more food and drinks,
the better! Salmon, Hamburgers & Hot Dogs will be provided.

Text Cynthia for more information: 551.574.1063

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

Joan Donegan Alsa, Frederick Bruno, Mike Bucci, Charles Buckley Geraldine Cruzen, Kimberly Parsons Daub, Nick DiDonato, Maura Gillen Eidschun, Marie Evans, Kay & Bill Forster, Joan D'Gerolamo, Frank Gillen, Augustina Gonzalez, Susan Hart-White, Rebecca Heffernan, Joseph Hyon, Marc Johnson, Tom Keleher, Claudia LaFrance, Joseph Letizia, Anna Lobascio, Susan Lois, Cambell McArthur, Margaret Peak, Mary Kathleen Ramge, Cathy Ricciuto, Francis Tedaro Ristor, Michael Runz, Don Strittmatter, Larry Switaj, Nickolas John Tedaro, Christina Volpe, Rochelle West, Rosemary Wright, Walter John Zelop, Jr.

Parishioners may call the Rectory with the name of a family member who is sick to have them included in our prayers.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun. Sep 1	4:00PM Spanish Coffee (PC)
Mon. Sep 2	7:30PM Men's Cornerstone (MR)
Tues. Sep 3	7:00PM Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)
Wed. Sep 4	3:30PM Ignatian Spirituality Project (SMR)
	7:00PM Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)
	7:30PM WCST Team Meeting (MR)
Thur. Sep 5	6:00PM 3 rd Community (YCB)
Fri. Sep 6	7:30PM Inspire Young Adult (NCW-A)
Sat. Sep 7	9:00AM Diaconate Meeting (MR)



PARISH OFFICES CLOSED TOMORROW MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

In observance of Labor Day, all Parish Offices will be closed tomorrow, Monday, September 2. The only Mass celebrated will be at 8:30AM. A priest is always available for emergencies.

Registration is Open!
Annual

Women's Cornerstone Retreat
Saturday, October 19, 2024



Registration has begun for our Annual Women's Cornerstone Retreat held in our Parish Center. Give yourself the gift of Women's Cornerstone. It is a beautiful, spiritual and social experience that is sure to enrich your life. There is absolutely no pressure on the retreat. All you need is an open heart.

Register at www.tinyurl.com/WCS2024Retreat
or by scanning this QR Code

Questions may be directed to
Kristin Halvey: kahalvey@gmail.com



THURSDAY EVENING ROSARY—7:30PM
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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Monday, Sep 2 *Labor Day*

8:30AM For the People of the Parish

Tuesday, Sep 3 *Saint Gregory the Great
Pope and Doctor of the Church*

6:30AM Special Intention
of the Uber Children

req Steve and Yvonne Uber

+ **8:30AM** Brandon Canizares

req The Canizares Family

+ **12:00NN** Alexander Mushinske

req Larry Mushinske

Wednesday, Sep 4

+ **6:30AM** August Dos Santos

req Doug & Kathy Siekierski & Family

+ **8:30AM** Ramon Ramos

req Alex Ramos

+ **12:00NN** Thomas Joseph McLoughlin, Jr.

req Patrick Monaghan, Jr. & Family

Thursday, Sep 5

+ **6:30AM** Preston Stott

req The Williams Family

+ **8:30AM** Dominic Crowe

req Laura Hills

+ **12:00NN** Brother John Muller, FSC

req Anne & George Skau

Friday, Sep 6

+ **6:30AM** John Ivers

req The Bolduc Family

+ **8:30AM** Lucy Caceres

req The McClure Family

+ **12:00NN** Raymond Endress

req Teresa Isik

Saturday, Sep 7

+ **8:30AM** Jo Delaney

req The Delaney Family

5:30PM For the People of the Parish

Sunday, Sep. 8 *Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

+ **8:00AM** Bob Morris

req Bob & Diane Paoli

+ **9:30AM** Agnes Moran

req Lito & Annabelle Pacifico & Family

+ **11:00AM** The Dell'Orto Family

req Adele Bergen

+ **12:30PM** William Coyne

req William & Anne Marie
Leonard & Family

+ **3:00PM** Luz Elena Restrepo Torres

req The Vargas-Torres Family

+ **6:30PM** Thomas & Patricia Uzzalino

req Marie Cummings

ATTENTION REGISTERED NURSES

We are looking for registered nurses to screen for hypertension at Mt. Carmel's annual Block Party on Sunday, September 8th. If interested, please contact:

Jean Boyle: boylejmb3@gmail.com, or 201.652.8257

TODAY'S READINGS

1. Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

The Hebrew title of this book comes from its opening sentence, speaking of the "words" Moses spoke to the people before they were to enter the Promised Land. Their journey through the desert completed at last, Moses instructs them on how to live once they settle there. His principal advice—choose God and you choose life. God's voice, best heard in The Law, brings a host of benefits: life, land, wisdom and intelligence, a closeness to God who attends to every human need, sanctity and survival.

2. James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Occasioned by a controversy between the Law and the Gospel, James corrects those who misconstrue Paul's teaching on the law, faith vs. good works. For the next five Sundays, James will offer valuable advice on how faith and good works live in harmony with one another. In today's excerpted passage, James starts at the beginning, as it were. "Light" is an image for the best gifts that God gives, and the "word of truth" is a special gift, inviting us to believe and put all our trust in God. That "word" embraces all the revelation of a loving God, down to, and especially in, the person of Jesus. Trust and belief create the welcome for God's word and also moves the one who believes to live according to its challenges.

3. Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Returning from the *Discourse of Life* in John's Gospel to the continuous reading of the Gospel of Mark, we find Jesus addressing a familiar theme of His preaching, what is authentic piety? Using a contrived violation of ritual purity as His example, the Marcan Jesus criticizes those who would substitute external rituals for authentic interior piety. In this instance, Jesus tells the crowd that purity and holiness are not achieved with soap and water but through faithful responsiveness to the overtures from God. Those who want to be holy must do more than conform to traditions. Rather, they must look to God for grace and then look within themselves for the will to live according to that grace.

REFLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK

1. How do you respond to the verses in James calling for you to love orphans and widows? Do you think these words apply only to these two groups or do they represent everyone in need?
2. In what ways are you a doer of the Word? In what ways a hearer only?
3. Are there religious traditions/actions you put more effort into than responsiveness to the needs of others?

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS

Sat. 9/7	5:30PM	Fr. Jakov
Sun. 9/8	8:00AM	Fr. Ron
	9:30AM	Fr. Frank
	11:00AM	Fr. Ron
	12:30PM	Fr. Felix
	3:00PM	Fr. Jakov
	6:30PM	Fr. Frank

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