



Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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Fr. Paul Moudry, Pastor

**2nd SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. - Jn 1:35-37

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January 17th, 2021
TODAY'S MASS
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

READINGS

1 Sm 3:3b-10
Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20
Jn 1:35-42

MASS INTENTIONS

Joe McLaughlin

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MASS SCHEDULE

Mass at 9 AM
Word & Communion Service 11 AM

Daily Readings

Monday _____ 1/18	Thursday _____ 1/21
Heb 5:1-10	Heb 7:25—8:6
Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4,	Ps 40:7-8a, 8b -9, 10, 17
Mk 2:18-22	Mk 3:7-12
Tuesday _____ 1/19	Friday _____ 1/22
Heb 6:10-20	Heb 8:6-13
Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, & 10c	Ps 85:8 & 10, 11-12, 13-14
Mk 2:23-28	Mk 3:13-19
Wednesday _____ 1/20	Saturday _____ 1/23
Heb 7:1-3, 15-17	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14
Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4	Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
Mk 3:7-12	Mk 3:20-21

Our Lady of Mount Carmel parish was established in 1910 for Italian Catholics living in NE Minneapolis and moved into the present church in 1938. The Archdiocesan Office for the Deaf joined the parish in 1986, and today our 170 families include Italians, Deaf and Hard - of - Hearing Catholics and their families, and neighbors from NE Minneapolis and beyond. You are most welcome to join our intimate, lively community.

Our Mission

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim year acceptable to the Lord.

Luke 4:18-19

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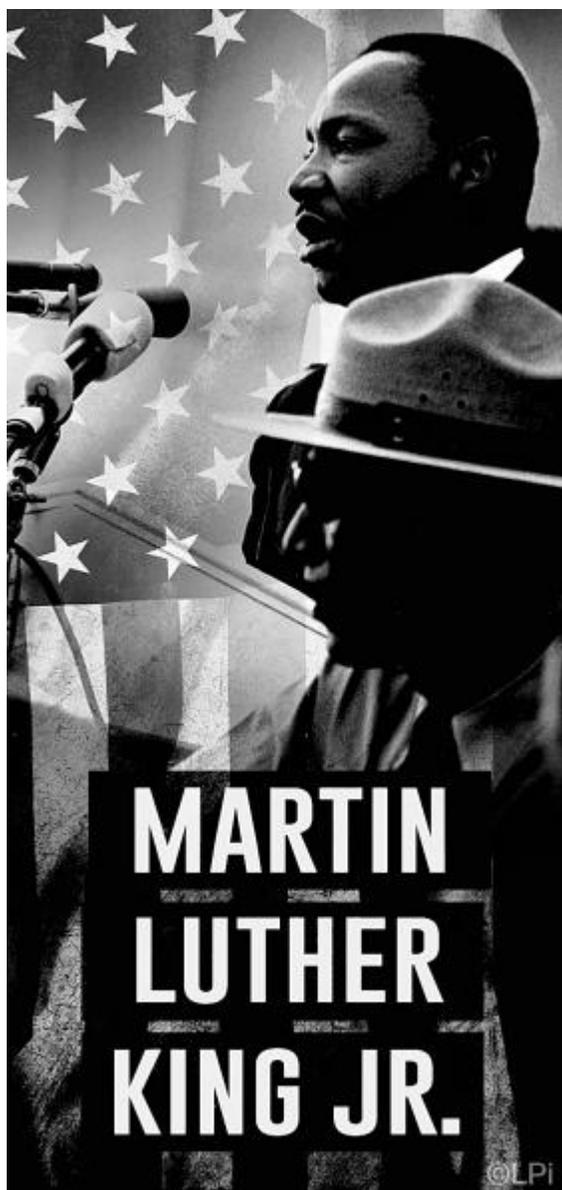
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Our faith is not just about ideas. It's really about having an encounter with God and, in particular, the Risen Christ! Once we give ourselves over to the notion of God's presence, we have to train ourselves to listen for God's voice and be attentive to God's call. Having companions on our faith journeys is so incredibly important as they can help us fine-tune our listening skills and discern God's voice from others we may be hearing. Faith is all about having these profound encounters not only with God but with our brothers and sisters, and creation itself. Anyone or anything that is alive with God's presence becomes an occasion for God to speak and call us to deeper graces and experiences. "Come, and you will see."

The example and teaching of Jesus, the lives of the saints, those living among us and those glorified in heaven, and the wonder and beauty of creation can all serve to help us listen more clearly and assist in positioning ourselves for this profound God meeting. It is an encounter that can quickly and easily lead to a friendship and intimate intertwining of our souls to their Maker, making a claim on us like no other. Then, the Word of God moves from being just a body of ideas to something we simply accept and do. The person of Jesus Christ swiftly moves from being just a good prophet in word and deed to the incarnate presence of God Himself, the Lamb of God. The voice leads us to the Person behind it.

The Gospel is hard to follow. We can intellectually debate whether what Jesus said is really what we are asked to do. The Gospel ideas do not always make sense in our practical, secular world. The person of God always does. We can debate the practicality and sense of ideas and doing so often keeps the more difficult ones at a safe distance away from us. Jesus said to love our enemy, but we really don't need to do that, our minds try to convince us. It just doesn't make sense. Yet, if we are truly in love with the God who is behind the voice of those words, they make perfect sense. Our deep and intimate love of this God would even find us laying down our lives for Him if necessary. Speak Lord, your servant is listening.



Christ Is Anything but Ordinary

We're about to dive headlong into week two of Ordinary Time, and we need to admit, after the hustle and bustle of the holidays, things are indeed looking more ... ordinary, at least in our spiritual lives.

The transcendent highs of the Christmas season are flatlining a bit and the vivid imagery of the Nativity scene has faded. The solemn anticipation of the Advent season is by now a distant memory.

Are you bored yet?

Here's a secret: I think that Ordinary Time can actually be quite extraordinary, if we're really living out our baptismal call.

In today's Gospel, Jesus point-blank asks Andrew, who is following him after hearing John the Baptist's testimony: "What are you looking for?" He's asking us the same question.

What are you looking for? Why are you following me? Is it for the Christmas cookies and the Advent carols? Is it for the King's Cake on the Epiphany? Is it for the feeling we get on Christmas when we just know God has done a wondrous thing?

None of those things are bad, but they are not what Andrew was looking for, and they were not what Christ promised him when he said, "Come, and you will see." Andrew was looking for the Messiah — the One who makes even Ordinary Time extraordinary. The One who can sanctify the longest and dullest of to-do lists, on the longest and dullest of days. The One whose peace can reign in our homes on January 25, not just December 25.

Remember what you are looking for. Come, and you will see.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

The Obligation to attend Mass in our Archdiocese - both for Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation such as Christmas and New Years- continue to be suspended during the pandemic.

Your Health and Safety in our worship environment continue to be our top priority.

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Pope Francis has said that respect for life is not just about the unborn child in the womb, but also about the least of our brothers and sisters. Yes, it is even upon the undocumented resident alien who has no voice but ours. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are all called to protect the voiceless.

Let us pray...

Good and gracious God,
you blew into our nostrils the breath of life.
You are the One to whom we owe our very existence.

Give us the courage to take that unpopular position
of protecting those who have no voice,
the unborn child in the womb
to the person taking his or her last breath.

The life you have given us is a gift beyond measure.
Embolden us to speak the truth
about protecting the child, the elderly,
and the one without a voice in the public square.

With thankful hearts,
we ask all this of the One God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

A Peak on the Lighter Side: Just a Second

Adam: What is a million years like to you?

God: Like one second.

Adam: What is a million dollars like to you?

God: Like one penny.

Adam: Can I have a penny?

God: Sure, just a second.

PRAY everyday

Will you pray for a priest, deacon or religious everyday?

Sunday	Fr. Paul Moudry
Monday	Fr. Bill Kenney
Tuesday	Fr. John Powers
Wednesday	Deacon Mike Powers
Thursday	Fr. John Tigatiga
Friday	Archbishop Bernard Hebda
Saturday	Fr. Tom Margevicius

Please pray for God's healing mercy for:

Audrey Krolikowski, Fr. Bill Kenney, Dan Krolikowski, Anonymous Parishioner, Ursala Scolfield, Jack Graff, Roland Brown, Hattie Gansemer Andy Uzougbo, Barb Nell, Michael Guadagnoli, Mike Zappa & Lydia Zappa

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