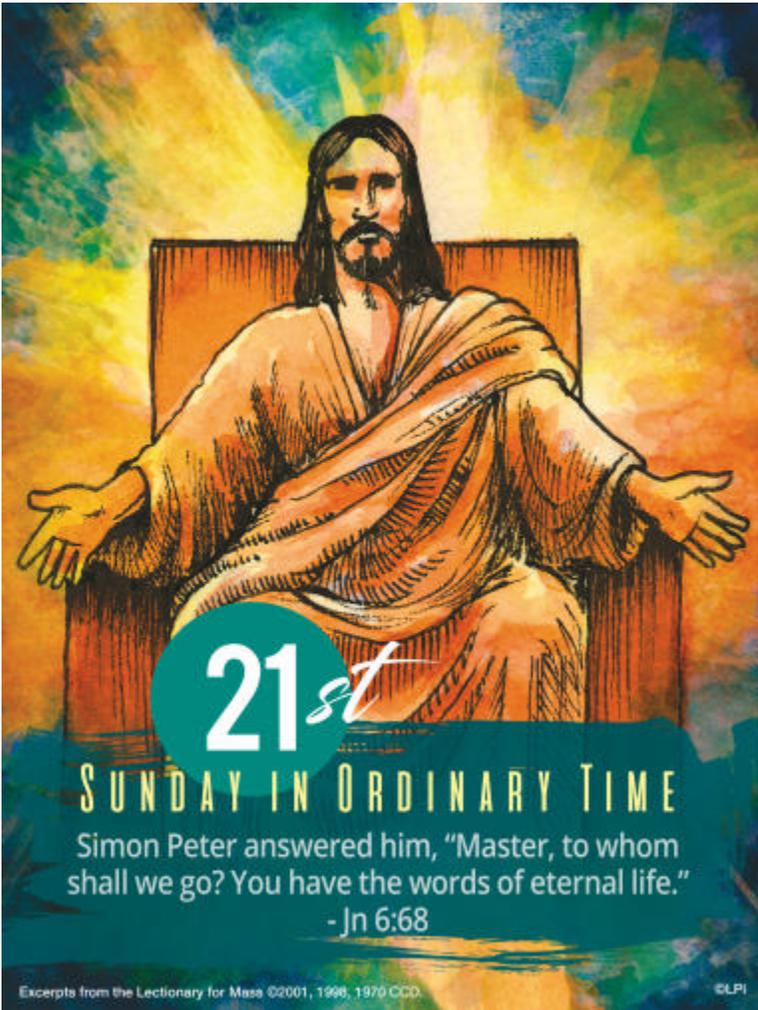




# Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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**August 22nd, 2021**  
**TODAY'S MASS**

**READINGS Gather Page #1059**

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b  
Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23  
Eph 5:21-32  
Jn 6:60-69

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Frank & Maryteresa Villella

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Mass at 10:30 AM Voiced & Signed

**Daily Readings**

<b>Monday</b> <u>8/23</u>	<b>Thursday</b> <u>8/26</u>
1 This 1:1-5, 8b-10 Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b Mt 23:13-22	1 Thes 3:7-13 Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 & 17 Mt 24:42-5`
<b>Tuesday</b> <u>8/24</u>	<b>Friday</b> <u>8/27</u>
Rv 21:9b-14 Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 Jn 1:45-51	1 Thes 4:1-8 Ps 97:1 & 2b, 5-6, 10-11-12 Mt 25:1-13
<b>Wednesday</b> <u>8/25</u>	<b>Saturday</b> <u>8/28</u>
1 Thes 2:9-13 Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab Mt 23:27-32	1 Thes 4:9-11 Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 Mt 25:14-30

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*

**Festival: July 10th, 2022**

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Susan Sweezo

**Lector for Sunday, August 22nd**

Joan Farrell

**Lector for Sunday, August 29th**

Justin McDevitt



August 22, 2021

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods.” We struggle with our gods. They appear in the forms of things like money, power, prestige, popularity, privilege, and self-fulfillment. We like these “gods” because they make us feel good and ask very little of us in return. When we worship them, we worship ourselves. How can you go wrong with that? We buy into the illusion that if something can give us a comfortable life, free of want and need, then it is worth setting other things aside to pursue it. In essence, we sell our souls. Our struggle with “who is God” and to whom do we belong is a real one and one that can easily find us empty and experiencing disillusionment.

The devil tempted Jesus in the desert and promised him more. We are promised “more.” But in pursuing the more and the satisfying we lose track of the cost, and the cost is great. We sacrifice our very life in pursuit of something disguised as life. We sacrifice truth for something that only “feels” true. While the true and real God certainly promises us many things, many things are also required. It is not about the warm and secure feelings and self-absorption the world wants to provide, but of giving back. There can be no lukewarm stance with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God’s kingdom (not our own), love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, that we must die to ourselves in order to find ourselves, and trust that Jesus truly gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. These are hard things to accept and even harder to put into practice. It is no wonder that many, who may be attracted to Jesus at first, walk away in pursuit of the more self-satisfying gods.

But truth is truth. If we cannot accept it from the lips of Jesus Christ, then where else will we find it? To whom can we go? There is only one source of truth and life, Jesus Christ. Jesus has the words of eternal life and if we do not go to him, then where else will we find this gift? But we must be faithful and buy into the whole package deal that requires sacrifice and fidelity. When we do, we find ourselves, through the Body and Blood of Christ, connected to the Source of all life and then intimately bound with our brothers and sisters. We all have to decide whether we want to stay or go and if we can accept what Jesus has to say. It’s a choice we all have to make.



# Parish Announcements

OLMC is in need of a piano player for our Sunday Mass and Thursday evening choir rehearsals. If you or someone you know would be interested, please contact Cathy or Willard.

A Peak on the Lighter Side: The Kindergartener

A Kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom as the children drew pictures. The teacher would occasionally walk around and see each child's artwork. As she approached one little girl who was working especially hard, she asked what the drawing was.

The little girl told her: "I'm drawing God!"

"But sweetie," the teacher replied, "no one actually knows what God looks like."

Automatically, the little girl continued drawing and said, "well, they certainly will in a minute!"

## *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. Mike Krenik
Friday	Archbishop Bernard Hebda
Saturday	Fr. Tom Margevicius

### Please pray for God's healing mercy for:

Fr. Bill Kenney, Dan Krolikowski, Anonymous Parishioner, Roland Brown, Hattie Gansemer, Barb Nell, Michael Guadagnoli, Russell Berg, Jenny Mertes, Jody Hoppe, Mary Jo Miske, Judy Patricelli, Dicky Jacques, John D'Agostino, & Jack Graff



### **Join the Journey this Fall**

Plan to join us this fall to help shape the future of our local Church through the ongoing Archdiocesan Synod process. Archbishop Hebda needs your input in how to best form:

- Parishes that are in the service of evangelization;
- Missionary disciples who know Jesus's love and respond to his call; and
- Youth and young adults in and for a Church that is always young.

Join a small group to discuss and give feedback on priorities within each Synod focus area. Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 19th following mass at our parish.



OLMC continues to collect for Action for Children Zambia this Sunday, if you wish to make a donation to their cause, please use an envelope or the check memo line to indicate the who the donation is for. If writing a check, please make checks payable to OLMC as we will issue one combined check to Action for Children Zambia.

If you want to learn more about Carol and her work at our Action for Children Zambia Facebook page, or visit their website at [www.afczambia.org](http://www.afczambia.org).

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