



SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

A PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

Oh Saint Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. O Saint Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your divine son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, our Lord; so that having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers. Oh Saint Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while he reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss his fine head for me, and ask him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. Saint Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen.

WELCOME—We hope you will favor our parish with prayer, presence and talents. In good stewardship please pick up a Household Data Form (located in the Vestibule) and use our Offertory Envelope System. Our Church is handicapped accessible .

LITURGY

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

CONFESSION

At 3:00pm on Saturday at
Our Lady of Mount Carmel
785 Highland Avenue
Waterbury, CT

SACRAMENTS— please contact the Rectory Office of Our Lady of Mount Carmel at 203-756-8981 to arrange for the Sacraments of Baptism or Matrimony.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY—is held on the 1st Sunday of each month at 8:30 a.m. Facilitator, Mark Greene

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS has joined with Our Lady of Mount Carmel Council #36. Meetings are on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00pm at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church hall.

PASTORAL CARE—please contact the Rectory Office of Our Lady of Mount Carmel at 203-756-8981 if someone is homebound, in the hospital or in a nursing home and is need of a pastoral visit or an anointing of the sick.

PARISH STAFF

Reverend Frederick M. Aniello, Pastor
Deacon Mark Stevens
Joe Faryniarz, Organist
Mary Armour, Parish Secretary

PARISH OFFICE HOURS 8:00am to 2:00pm

Please contact the Rectory Office of
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BINGO—On Thursdays at 7:00pm at OLMC School hall. Doors open 5:30pm.



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Mass Intentions for the Week

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH TWENTY-SIXTH
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 AM Helen & John Stevens and
Deceased Members of
The Stevens Family
By Mark & Cecelia Stevens

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND TWENTY-SEVENTH
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 AM John & Isabelle Orintas
By Bob Orintas

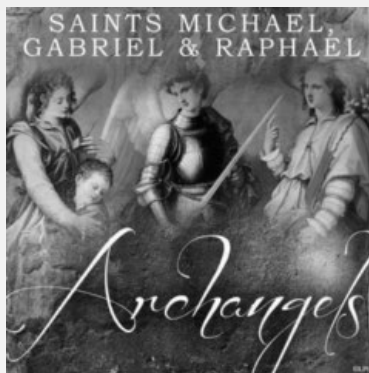


The Tabernacle Lamp will burn this week in loving memory of the Deceased Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish.



Every First Sunday of the month a member of The Knights of Columbus will lead us in the Rosary before Mass. On **October 2nd** the

Rosary will be recited before the **9:00 AM** Mass.



Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, archangels

September 29th
The liturgy celebrates the **Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, archangels**, who are venerated in the tradition of the

Church. Michael (*Who is like God?*) was the archangel who fought against Satan and all his evil angels, defending all the friends of God. He is the protector of all humanity from the snares of the devil. Gabriel (*Strength of God*) announced to Zachariah the forthcoming birth of John the Baptist, and to Mary, the birth of Jesus. His greeting to the Virgin, "Hail, full of grace," is one of the most familiar and frequent prayers of the Christian people. Raphael (*Medicine of God*) is the archangel who took care of Tobias on his journey.

Catholic Culture

Healing Prayer Requests

Jim Danauskas, Anna Pakalnis, Karen Maestas, James Vaicaitis, Kristina Solmita, Megan Heath, Lee Wyma, Charlotte Sepe, Sue Fitzgerald, Sandra Cox, Douglas White, Annamay & Sam Sperazza, Elizabeth Brazis, Bob Benson, Mary Helie, Ada Solomita & Family, Judge McKenna, Georgette Adomaitis, Danute Kuras, Cynthia Solomita and Janice Rosselot, Baby Sawyer, Dolores Harris, Dolores Darin, Denise Boucher, Armand Solomita, Daniel Pierelli, Bob Steponaitis, Dane Joseph

If there is a family member or friend that you would like to offer a healing prayer, please contact OLMC Rectory at 203-756-8981 or email the secretary at: officeolmcwtby@aol.com.

Church News

CHURCH OFFERTORY

The sacrificial offering you provide to our Parish is your expression of loyalty, love and support.

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Thank you for your generosity. *Fr. Aniello*



2022 HOPES Collection: Help Our Parish Elementary Schools September 24 & 25

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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A major theme in the Gospel of Luke is the importance of the care of the poor in the life of discipleship. In the parable found in today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor.

In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as "loving money." (Note: The Pharisees were followers of a sect of Judaism active before, during, and after Jesus' lifetime. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for popular Jewish piety. They put less emphasis on Temple worship and more on applying the law to everyday life. Though they are often portrayed negatively in the Gospels, they shared many of Jesus' and the early Church's concerns about the law.) Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God.

—Loyola Press

My Novena Rose Prayer

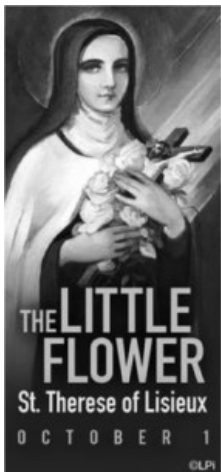
O Little Therese of the Child Jesus, please pick for me a rose from the heavenly gardens and send it to me as a message of love.

O Little Flower of Jesus, ask God to grant the favors

I now place with confidence in your hands . . .

(mention in silence here)

St. Therese, help me to always believe as you did in God's great love for me, so that I might imitate your "Little Way" each day. Amen



The rich and powerful are visited with woe and exile in today's Liturgy—not for their wealth but for their refusal to share it; not for their power but for their indifference to the suffering at their door.

The complacent leaders in today's First Reading feast on fine foods and wines, reveling while the house of Joseph, the kingdom of Israel (see Amos 5:6), collapses around them.

The rich man in today's Gospel also lives like a king—dressed in royal purple and fine linen (see 1 Maccabees 8:14). The rich man symbolizes Israel's failure to keep the Old Covenant, to heed the commandments of Moses and the prophets. This is the sin of the rulers in today's First Reading. Born to the nation God favored first, they could claim Abraham as their father. But for their failure to give—their inheritance is taken away. The rulers are exiled from their homeland. The rich man is punished with an exile far greater—eternity with a "great chasm" fixed between himself and God. In this world, the rich and powerful make a name for themselves (see Genesis 11:4) and dine sumptuously, while the poor remain anonymous, refused an invitation to their feasts. But notice that the Lord today knows Lazarus by name, and Joseph in his sufferings—while the leaders and the rich man have no name.

Today's liturgy is a call to repentance—to heed the warning of One who was raised from the dead. To lay hold of the eternal life He promises, we must pursue righteousness, keep the commandment of love, as Paul exhorts in today's Epistle.

"The Lord loves the just," we sing in today's Psalm. And in this Eucharist we have a foretaste of the love that will be ours in the next life—when He will raise the lowly to the heavenly banquet with Abraham and the prophets (see Luke 13:28), where we too will rest our heads on the bosom of our Lord (see John 13:23). —

Scott Hahn



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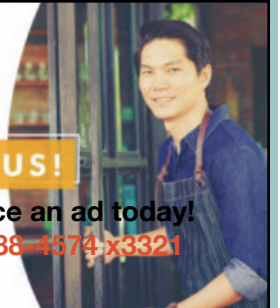
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