

SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 2021

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# St. Mary of Mount Carmel Blessed Sacrament Parish

## ABOUT THE PARISH

**Address:** 648 Jay St., Utica, NY 13501.

**Telephone:** 315-735-1482; fax: 315-735-9806.

**Office hours:** Masks must be worn.

- 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday.
- Closed on Friday and national holidays.

**Faith Formation and Scalabrini Center:** 315-724-3950.

**Email:** stmaryutica@syrdio.org

**Hearing impaired:** Listening devices available in the sacristy.

## MASS SCHEDULES

### Weekend

**Saturday:** 4:30 p.m. (livestream on parish YouTube)

**Sunday:** 8 and 10:30 a.m.

### Weekday

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:** 8:30 a.m.

**Rosary for the Unborn and Divine Mercy Chaplet:**

Thursday after Mass.

### Holy Days

Consult the bulletin and website.

## RECONCILIATION

**Saturday:** 3:45 p.m.

## MARRIAGE

Make arrangements six months in advance.

## BAPTISM

Call the parish office to arrange. New parents are encouraged to attend the parent class before the birth of your child.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Adults or children, 7 or older who have never been baptized or confirmed or received the Eucharist, are invited to call the parish office for information.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our parish family. We invite you to become an active participant of our parish community. Please be sure to register by calling the parish office.

## PARISH STAFF

**Pastor:** Rev. Jim Cesta

**In Residence:** Rev. Luis Olgua

**Faith Formation K-6:** Terri Piazza-Panuccio

**Faith Formation 7-10:** Anne Carlone-Elacqua

**Music director:** Peter Elacqua

**Website manager, bulletin, publicity:** Fran Perritano



Making pizza fritta at the parish festival in 1996.



Mount Carmel School Class of 1967.



St. Anne Society in June 1965

## FATHER JIM'S WISE & OTHERWISE

# Symptoms of inner peace can be contagious



Be on the lookout for symptoms of inner peace.

The hearts of a great many already have been exposed to inner peace and it is possible that people everywhere could come down with it in epidemic proportions. This could pose a serious threat to the never-ending condition of conflict in the world.

Some signs for which to look:

- A tendency to think and act spontaneously rather than on fears based on past experiences.
- An unmistakable ability to enjoy each moment.
- A loss of interest in judging other people.
- A loss of interest interpreting the actions of others.
- A loss of ability to worry. (This is a seri-

ous symptom.)

• Frequent overwhelming episodes of appreciation.

• Contented feelings of connectedness with others and nature.

• Frequent attacks of smiling.

• An increasing tendency to let things happen rather than make them happen.

• An increased susceptibility to the love offered by others as well as the uncontrollable urge to extend it.

### And the otherwise ...

• Many folks want to serve God, but only as advisers.

• It is easier to preach 10 sermons than it is to live one.

• The Lord didn't create anything without a purpose, but mosquitoes come close.

## NEXT WEEKEND'S SCHEDULES

### Lectors

**SATURDAY, JUNE 19**  
4:30 p.m. Mass

Mary Martin and Karen McBride (POF)

**SUNDAY, JUNE 20**  
8 a.m. Mass

Melissa Leone and Barbara Inserra (POF)

**10:30 a.m. Mass**

Mary Siniscarco and Fred Valentini (POF)

### Eucharistic ministers

**SATURDAY JUNE 19**  
4:30 p.m. Mass

Bonnie Gardiner, Vito Valenzi and Vicki Perritano

**SUNDAY, JUNE 20**  
8 a.m. Mass

Kuhn Su, Helen Toczala and TBD  
10:30 a.m.

Tina Caggese, Joanne Gerace and Marsha LaBella

## PARISH WEBSITE

Visit [www.mountcarmelblessedsacrament.com](http://www.mountcarmelblessedsacrament.com) for the latest parish news and announcements. There's even a mobile version for your smart phone. Here's some of what you'll find on the site:

- Wedding Planning Guide.
- Funeral Service Planning Guide.
- Weekly prayers, reflections, photos, videos and more to enrich your faith.
- Photo galleries
- Bulletin
- Father Jim's "Wise and Otherwise"
- History of the parish
- Lector, minister schedules
- Mass schedules
- Parish news
- Ministries
- Event calendar
- Weekly reflection on Sunday's readings
- "More Good News" magazine
- Links to our social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube.

## SEND US YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish has compiled a database of email addresses that is being used to contact parishioners in case of emergencies, important schedule changes or other pertinent information. We ask all parishioners to submit their email address to Fran Perritano at [fperritano@syrdio.org](mailto:fperritano@syrdio.org) using the subject line PARISH EMAIL. You also can include a phone number, if you wish.

## YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

**June 5-6: \$11,453**

If you're unable to attend Mass, you still can make your donation by mailing it to: Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish, 648 Jay St., Utica, NY 13502. You also can contribute online on our website. Look for the DONATE button in the right column.

[MAKE YOUR DONATION](#)



## PARISH NEWS

# Parish golf tournament returns Aug. 29 at Stonebridge Golf and Country Club

The Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Golf Tournament returns after a year's absence.

The eighth tournament is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 29, at Stonebridge Golf and Country Club in Frankfort.

The cost is \$90 per player, which includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, food and beverages on the course, a one-hour open bar after play, steak dinner, 50/50 raffle, door prizes and other raffles.

Brochures will be available in church and parish office soon.

If you and/or your foursome would like to play, pick up a brochure or call the parish office at 315-735-1482



## Chelsea Opera performances Friday and Saturday

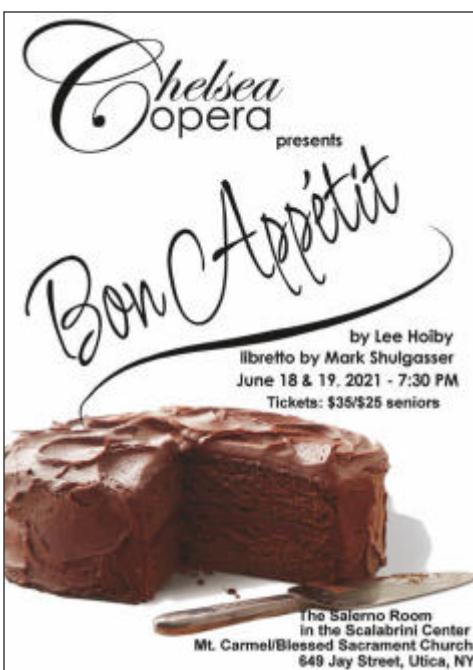
Chelsea Opera is pleased to present a delightful musical confection — “Bon Appétit” a short opera about The French Chef, Julia Child, composed by Lee Hoiby.

“Bon Appétit” will be presented at two performances — at 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 18, and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 19, in the Salerno Room at the Scalabrini Center, 649 Jay St. Performances will include other French fare and, of course, wine, hors d’oeuvres, nibbles and cake. Come for the cake; stay for the music!

Tickets are \$35 per person (\$45 at the door) and \$25 for seniors (\$35 door). To purchase with a credit card, visit <https://web.ovationtix.com/trs/pr/1052695>.

You may pick up a ticket form in church. Complete the form, include your payment and place it in an envelope marked: “Attention Anne Elacqua / Bon Appétit.” You can drop the envelope in the collection basket or at parish office.

Seating is limited. Six guests will be seated per round table. No masks are required for audience members who are fully vaccinated. If you are not vaccinated, you will be required to wear a mask.



## Parents: Father Jim in need of many altar servers

Now that most COVID protocols have been lifted in our diocese and church, altar servers can return.

Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament has a wonderful tradition of dedicated youngsters and young people who serve weekend Mass and special services. We only have a handful of servers remaining, and they have been sent an email about returning so we can begin to schedule them very soon.

We are in need, however of many more servers, especially for the 4:30 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. Sunday liturgies. Mass at 10:30 a.m. Sunday also can use more.

If your child is at least in third grade and has received First Communion, we urge you to

consider signing up him or her to become an altar server. Once we get new servers, a training session will take place.

If we get enough volunteers, your child might have to serve only once a month, though they can serve more often if they like. A two-month schedule is sent via email in advance so you can plan your weekend when your child serves.

**If you and can answer this call, send your child's name, what Mass he or she can serve and your email address as soon as possible to Fran Perritano at [fperritano@sydio.org](mailto:fperritano@sydio.org).**

We ask that you prayerfully consider this request so our parish can continue this beautiful tradition.



## Novena to Our Lady continues Wednesday

The Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel continues at 7 p.m. Wednesday. The novena will run on consecutive Wednesdays through July 14, with the final service at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, July 18. Each 7 p.m. service will be preceded by recitation of the rosary. Father Jim will offer Mass and a brief homily.

## Please respect parking rules around parish

Now that the diocese has lifted most COVID restrictions and more people are returning to weekend Mass, now is a good time to review parish parking regulations:

- There is **NO PARKING** in the driveway in front of the garage near the Scalabrini Center on Jay Street.
- There is **NO PARKING** in the fire lane at the side of the gymnasium.
- There is **NO PARKING** in the emergency lane in front of the church on Catherine Street where the curb is painted yellow.
- There are handicapped parking spots on Jay Street and in the shrine parking lot. Remember, those are reserved for those with handicapped placards or plates.

## Did you purchase your Buona Fortuna ticket?

Our annual Buona Fortuna raffle begins this month in celebration of our 125th anniversary.

- Tickets are \$20.
- Grand prize: \$10,000.
- Second prize: \$2,500.
- Third prize: \$1,000.
- There also will be a bonus drawing for \$1,000.

Tickets are available after every Mass, at the parish office and through parish sellers.

The drawing will take place the weekend of July 17 and 18.

Ticket sellers are needed. Contact Leigh D'Agostino at 315-737-5965.

All ticket sellers who return 20 paid tickets by July 15 are entitled to a free ticket.

## PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

### LIVING

- Geraldine Bello—Rog, Laurie, Roger, Ross and Remmy
- Commisso and Lowden families for their prayers, love, care and generosity—Rosemary
- Virginia “Bee” Esposito—Gerry and Laurie
- Don Nojiem—David Struz
- Children and Grandchildren—mom
- St. Theresa, Blessed Mother and St. Jude—Tessie
- For peace and unity in our country and the world
- For an end to abortion

### DECEASED

- Geraldine Bello—Rog, Laurie, Roger, Ross and Remmy
- Maureen Putrelo Benzo—Rosangela Putrelo
- Dolores Calenda—Jim
- Jennie Callari—family
- Marie Capra—the parish
- Marie Pugliese Capra—Mary T. Cimino Mercurio
- John Collea—Rosanne and family
- Rocco Commisso—Rosemary, Bob and Maria
- Carma Eddy—Fran and Kathy Perritano
- Joseph C. Elacqua—family
- Norton Esposito—Bee
- Edward George—Ro and Gina
- Edward and Frances George—Ro and Gina
- Michael Geno—Peter and Karen Elacqua
- Buddy Gigliotti—wife Patti
- Carmella Graziadei Grande—Rocco and Lisa Grande and family
- Pasquale and Roma Inserra—Joe and Barbara Inserra
- Ann Karpe—Peter and Karen Elacqua
- Rev. Vincent J. Kelly—Connie Watkins and family
- Janice M. Kessler—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Antonelli, Mrs. Frances Doti and Antonia Bevivino
- Francis Kolartis—the parish
- Bill Koury—Gabe and Denise Timpano



### Prayer Remembrance policy

Prayer Remembrances must be submitted two weeks in advance of the desired publication date. Those received this weekend will reach the parish office in time to be placed in the bulletin two weeks from now. You must use ONE envelope for each Mass intention. To ensure that all your intentions are listed as requested, please do not write multiple intentions on ONE envelope as oftentimes names are inadvertently omitted. If you have a prayer intention that you would like parishioners to pray for, please call Pattie Franco at 733-4210. She, along with members of our prayer line, will be glad to pray for you.

and family

- Frances J. Lee—Francis and Marianne Lee
- Anne Lottermoser—Rita Aceto
- Anne Lottermoser—Betty Jane Rossi
- Graceann Manore—Welpe—Tony and Palma Meola
- Ida and Josephine Manze—David Struz
- Ida M. and Josephine D. Manze and family—will
- Manze and Motto Families—will
- Francis Marchio—family
- Frank Mazza—wife Josephine
- Sharon Mazza—Gabe and Denise Timpano and family
- Frank McBride—family
- Frank A. Mercurio—wife Mary Teresa and family



### Memorials

- The St. Marianne Cope candle is lit in memory of **Ellen M. Nichols** by Annette Guido and Nancy Gerzonich.
- The St. Joseph candle is lit in memory of **Dick DeCrescenzo** by son Tom and family.

### Memorial offerings

Please call the parish office at 315-735-1482 to schedule your intentions.

- Monthly donations toward altar bread and altar wine are \$75 each.
- Altar candles (two available each month) are \$15 each.
- The weekly sanctuary lamps (three available each week) gospel light, St. Joseph and St. Marianne Cope candles are all \$10 per week.

- Edward “Eddie” Morgan—Brad and Joann Campbell
- Giuseppe Nistico—Frances Pedulla
- Joe Nistico—Nancy Graniti
- Marie Nancy Pandolf—Jackie Tomassetti Farrell
- Fanny J. Panetta—will
- Salvatore Perritano Sr.—Vicki
- Marco and Palma Piccolino—children and grandchildren
- Tony, Eleanor and Joe Salerno—Lucy
- Stan and Mary Struz—family
- John J. Sorge—Regina George
- Donna Speciale—Pasquale and Theresa Ianno
- William Tiel—Francis and Marianne Lee
- Anthony R. and Erminia M. Trino—daughter Edye
- Joe Vaccarelli—David Vaccarelli
- Maria Sorce Vullo—Rocco and Lisa

## Remember that special person with a memorial gift and plaque

A gift in the name of a loved one, a friend or colleague is a fitting expression of love and charity, a way to remember someone special while at the same time honoring their faith and benefitting the mission of St. Mary of Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish.

A memorial gift will help sustain the parish as the center of our faith community and support the parish's many programs, worship and structures.



Upon the death of a loved one, when planning an obituary, please invite family and friends to contribute to the St. Mary of Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Memorial Fund in memory of the deceased.

There are Memorial Plaques at the Catherine Street side of the church. Space is available for brass memorial plaques in honor of loved ones. The categories are as follows:

**Friend:** \$150. **Donor:** \$250. **Patron:** \$500. **Benefactor:** \$1,000. **Special Giver:** \$2,500. **Heritage Sustainer:** \$5,000.

Please call the parish office at 315-735-1482 to reserve your plaque or if you have any questions.

## THIS WEEK'S MEDITATION, INTENTIONS

### A Prayer for Hope and Patience

*Lord, I place my trust in you.  
Even though I plant the seeds of love  
and faith, even though I encourage others  
to pray and believe, even though I follow  
you with pure devotion  
and inspire others toward fuller  
discipleship, I do not always see the fruits  
of my labor. My effort seems sometimes  
small as a mustard seed.*

*Faith tells me that I must wait — that  
your grace will take the seeds that I plant  
And bring them to fruitful harvest  
in due time.*

*O Lord, Fill my empty wells of worry and  
impatience with your life-giving waters of  
trust and faith. I surrender to you my entire  
life and my desires,  
expecting no immediate fruit  
from my plantings  
because I know for certain  
that the time of your grace will come  
even if it is long after my  
planting season is over.  
I will be a patient farmer.  
Use me as you will. Amen.*



"The Sower" (Vincent VanGogh, 1888)

### Prayer of the Faithful

**Response:** *Receive our prayer, O God.*

- For the Church all over the world. May the seeds of faith planted within all people grow beautifully and bountifully that the entire Earth may be a sign of God's kingdom.

**We ask:** *Receive our prayer, O God.*

- For our country and our world. May we grow in hope and in patience. May we be courageous in times of difficulty. For immi-

grant families, for all who are addicted, for prisoners and those who suffer with debilitating disease. For all who struggle to survive in war-torn lands or amid violence.

**We ask:** *Receive our prayer, O God.*

- For all who need patience to experience growth. For the young, and those who have just discovered faith. For graduates and those beginning a new job. For the engaged and newly married. For all who seek to be in stronger relationships. For those who await the birth of a child or who embrace a new ministry. For people who are retired and seek new direction. For anyone who is eager or experiencing impatience. For nations that are rebuilding slowly. May all our dreams for growth and goodness be empowered by God's Spirit.

**We ask:** *Receive our prayer, O God.*

- For peace in our world and in our hearts. Grant solace to those who suffer and grieve. And hear the prayers we offer in silence.

**We ask:** *Receive our prayer, O God.*

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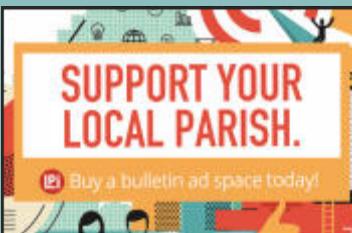
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