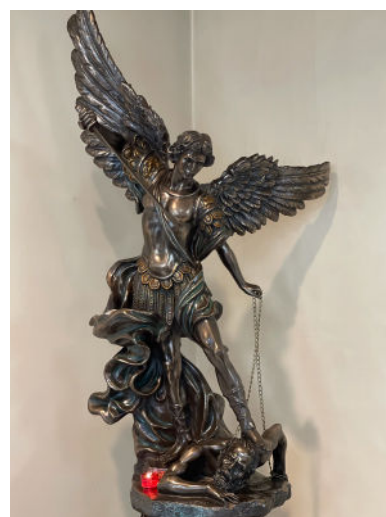


Mass Intentions: March 16-22, 2024

Sat. March 16	6 p.m.	Birthday blessings for Ann Monsanto requested by Simonia Dagou
Sun. March 17	7:30 a.m.	For OLMC benefactors
	9:30 a.m.	For the repose of the soul of Bernadette Regis
	12:30 p.m.	For the Coral Bay community
	5:30 p.m.	For Hispanic community of St. John
Tue. March 19 (Coral Bay)	6 p.m.	In thanksgiving to Thomas & Georganne Kubic & Lisa Storms & Dave Roberts
Wed. March 20	6 p.m.	For the repose of the soul of Madeline Kubic requested by Thomas & Georganne Kubic
Thu. March 21	7 a.m.	For Ann and Charles Jules for God's healing and blessings
Fri. March 22	7 a.m.	For Anne & George Griffith for God's healing and blessings

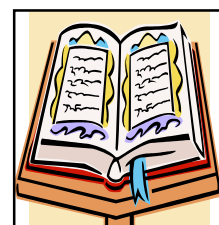
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St. Michael Prayer

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the divine power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. **Amen.**

Daily Readings



Monday: March 18
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30,
33-62 or 13:41c-62
Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: March 19
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Wednesday: March 20
Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95
Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: March 21
Gn 17:3-9
Jn 8:51-59

Friday: March 22
Jer 20:10-13
Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: March 23
Ez 37:21-28
Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: March 24
Mk 11:1-10 or
Jn 12:12-16
Is 50:4-7
Phil 2:6-11
Mk 14:1—15:47

Stewardship of Treasure

March 9	6 p.m.	\$875.00
March 10	7:30 a.m.	\$971.00
	9:30 a.m.	\$1,357.00
	12:30 p.m.	\$103.00
	5:30 p.m.	\$157.00

Thank you for your offerings. May God bless you abundantly.

Stations of the Cross: Religious Education



Religious Education students led the Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 8, 2024.

OLMC Member Birthdays March 16-22

- Ann Monsanto March 16
- Maxine Nunez March 18
- KingAsa McCoy March 18
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If your birthday is not listed, call the office at 776-6339.

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Parish Announcements

Continue to pray for the members of our body who are sick or suffering both on and off island. May we keep them in our hearts and in our minds. The names of the sick are posted on the bulletin board in the back of the church.

- **SECOND COLLECTION:** The second collection this weekend is for the Bishop's Appeal. Our goal is \$14,000.00. Brochures are available at the back of the church. You can choose to pledge and distribute your payments monthly or make one-time donations in the form of cash, check, credit card, or direct online payments. Thank you for your generosity.
- **LENTE MISSIONS:** St. Anne Parish in Frenchtown will hold their Lenten Mission at 6 p.m. Monday, March 18 and Tuesday, March 19. The guest speaker will be Rev. Fr. Anthony Abraham. The theme is "Jesus, Son of David, have Mercy on me," Luke 18:38.
- OLMC will hold our Lenten Mission from Wednesday, March 20 to Friday, March 22 at 6:30 p.m. On Wednesday and Thursday, the mission will be held in the Frank Powell Park. On Friday, the mission will move into the church. The theme is "Going into the Deep," based on Luke 5:4. The guest speakers will be Rev. Fr. Anthony Abraham on Wednesday on "Knowing and Loving God" and Rev. Fr. Jacob Lonfo Fopa on Thursday on "Serving God." On Friday, it will be a Penitential Service and confession.
- **STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** On Friday, March 22, we will have one Stations of the Cross and it will be in Cruz Bay at 6 p.m.
- **FUNERAL:** Funeral services for Bernadette Regis will be held on Saturday, March 23. The viewing will be at 9 a.m. followed by Mass at 10 a.m.
- **OFFICE HOURS:** We have office hours in Coral Bay from Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. If you would like to talk with a priest or deacon, call 340-693-2650 to schedule an appointment.
- **PERPETUAL ADORATION:** It's not too late to sign up for Perpetual Adoration, which is available 24 hours a day. Come spend some time with the Lord. The sign-up sheet is at the back of the church.



Our Lady of Mount Carmel has purchased land in Coral Bay to build this chapel, which will be named, St. Therese. We need your financial support to make this a reality.

To make a donation,

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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Jeremiah 31:31–34 I will make a new covenant and remember their sin no more.
Psalm 51 "Create a clean heart in me, O God."
Hebrews 5:7–9 Christ learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation.
John 12:20–33 If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit.

Jeremiah looked forward to the day when God's covenant with humanity would be internalized in us, when it would be imprinted on our hearts. To prepare our hearts for keeping the covenant, we pray that God will create clean hearts in us. Especially during Lent, our longing for reconciliation and forgiveness can help to prepare our hearts. In the Gospel, Jesus speaks from the heart, questioning why he would ask God to save him from suffering and death when that was the purpose in the first place. May we let God's word penetrate our hearts as well.



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Hurricane Thanksgiving Prayer

December 1-May 31

God, our Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. We praise and thank you for your protection during the hurricane season. We ask you again to guide us through a new year free of earthquakes, floods and other natural disasters. Bless our families and bring peace to all nations. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

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• On Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent: Everyone ages 14 and up must abstain from eating meat.

• On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday: Everyone ages 18 to 59 must fast, unless exempt due to a medical reason. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

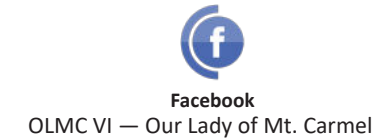
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Mondays at 4:30 p.m.

Music Ministry:
Wednesdays at 4:45 p.m.

Charismatic Prayer Group:
Thursdays from 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Masses

Weekend
Saturdays: 6 p.m.
Sundays: 7:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
12:30 p.m. (CORAL BAY)
5:30 p.m. (SPANISH)

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Tuesdays at 6 p.m.
(CORAL BAY)
Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
Thursdays & Fridays
at 7 a.m.

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