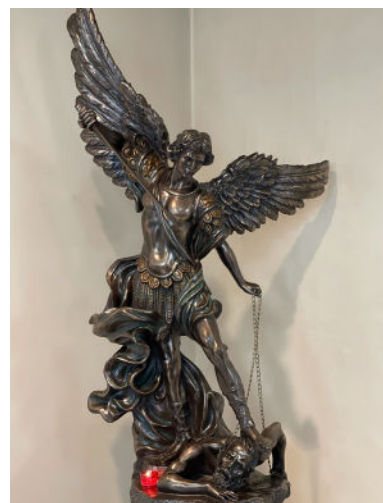


Mass Intentions: April 1-7, 2023

Sat. April 1	6 p.m.	Birthday blessings for Ivo Philbert requested by Louise Philbert; and for Hailey Antoine for God's blessings, protection and guidance requested by Nausica Antoine
Sun. April 2	7:30 a.m.	In loving memory of Alana Liburd requested by Sandra Donaie
	9:30 a.m.	For Lubens Besse for healing and deliverance requested by Julia Besse
	12:30 p.m.	For the Coral Bay community
	5:30 p.m.	For the Hispanic Community of St. John
Tue. April 4	6 p.m.	For Lubens Besse for healing and deliverance requested by Julia Besse
Wed. April 5	6 p.m.	In loving memory of Mike Lugert requested by his family
Thu. April 6	7 p.m.	For the repose of the soul of Avis Browne
Fri. April 7	5 a.m.	Stations of the Cross (Caneel Bay entrance)
	2 p.m.	Stations of the Cross (in the church)
	3 p.m.	Good Friday Service

Offer a Mass for your loved ones. Call the office at 776-6339.



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: April 3
Is 42:1-7
Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: April 4
Is 49:1-6
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: April 5
Is 50:4-9a
Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: April 6
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14
1 Cor 11:23-26
Jn 13:1-15

Friday: April 7
Is 52:13-53:12
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9
Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: April 8
Gn 1:1-2:2; Gn 22:1-18; Ex 14:15-15:1; Is 54:5-14; Is 55:1-11; Bar 3:9, 32-4:4; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Rom 6:3-11
Mt 28:1-10

Sunday: April 9
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Col 3:1-4
Jn 20:1-9

Stewardship of Treasure

March 25	6 p.m.	\$505.00
March 26	7:30 a.m.	\$447.00
	9:30 a.m.	\$1,723.00
	12:30 p.m.	\$324.00
	5:30 p.m.	\$51.00

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church
HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2023

PALM SUNDAY
~ ~ Saturday, April 1 ~ ~
Mass at 6 p.m.
~ ~ Sunday, April 2 ~ ~
7:30 & 9:30 a.m. (CRUZ BAY)
12:30 p.m. (CORAL BAY)
5:30 p.m. (SPANISH MASS)

HOLY THURSDAY
~ ~ Thursday, April 6 ~ ~
Mass of the Lord's Supper begins at 7 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues until midnight.

GOOD FRIDAY
~ ~ Friday, April 7 ~ ~
Stations of the Cross at 5 a.m. from Caneel Bay entrance to Mongoose Junction
Stations of the Cross at 2 p.m. (IN THE CHURCH)
The Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3 p.m.

EASTER VIGIL
~ ~ Saturday, April 8 ~ ~
Mass begins at 7:30 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY
~ ~ Sunday, April 9 ~ ~
Mass: 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. (CRUZ BAY)
12:30 p.m. (CORAL BAY)
5:30 p.m. (SPANISH MASS)

~ Wish List ~

OLMC Member Birthdays April 1-7

- Evelyne Stephen Apr. 3
- Annette Smith Apr. 6
- Bernadette LaFond Apr. 7

If your birthday is not listed, call the office at 776-6339.

- 800-gallon water tank for homeless shelter = \$1,000.00
- Foam for pews = \$7,000.00

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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:** This weekend's second collection is for the Bishop's Appeal. The Bishop's Appeal supports the poor and needy; Catholic Schools; and more.
- **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** There is no Religious Education classes on Saturday, April 8.
- **LEARN TO SWIM:** The Friends of the V.I. National Park is holding free Learn to Swim Classes at Cinnamon Bay. The classes are from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. every first and third Saturday. Free transportation is available from and to Cruz Bay. Transportation leaves Cruz Bay at 9 a.m. and leaves Cinnamon Bay about 11:40 a.m. Ages 4 and up are welcome. Adults and children are invited. Register at www.friendsvinp.org.
- **TAXPAYER:** IRB will provide taxpayer assistance on St. John on Wednesdays and on St. Thomas on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. through April 1, 2023, at their offices. For more information, call 340-715-1040 ext. 2280.
- **MASS CARDS:** Parents, please have your child's Mass card signed by a priest, deacon, acolyte or teacher when they attend Mass on the weekend.
- **MEMBER REGISTRATION:** Please fill out a parish registration form if you are not registered or if your information needs to be updated.
- **COOK NEEDED:** Catholic Charities St. John needs a cook. If you are interested, call Digna Doway at 340-775-0969.
- **YOUTH GROUP:** Youth Group meeting is held on Mondays at 4:30 p.m. Youth ages 11-18 are welcome.



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

Isaiah 52:13—53:12

God's servant, like a gentle lamb takes on all our illness, pain, and sorrows to set us free. "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."

Psalms 31

With confidence, approach the holy cross, the throne of grace! Our King and our God reigns in glory from the cross.

Hebrews 4:14—16; 5:7—9

John 18:1—19:42

On this difficult and sacred day, the scriptural passages we hear bring our Lord's suffering and death into focus. Isaiah describes the scapegoat of a sinful people, the blameless one who takes on the sins of the people and whose suffering brings forgiveness to the community. The scapegoat, the sacrificial lamb, the Lamb of God, sacrifices his body and commends his spirit into the hands of God. Hebrews celebrates that Christ, the high priest, was tested just like we are, yet remained sinless and is now the source of our salvation. John's account of Jesus' passion and death emphasizes the obedience and steadfastness of our Lord in testifying to the truth and accomplishing his mission. Listening to the word of God, let us appreciate the resolve of him who sets us free from sin and death.



• 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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Week in Preview

Youth Ministry:
Mondays at 4:30 p.m.

Music Ministry:
Wednesdays at 6:30 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)

Weekday

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

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