

Mass Intentions: July 15-21, 2023

Sat. July 15	6 p.m.	For Felice Burin for healing requested by Deacon Cassius Mathurin
Sun. July 16	8:30 a.m.	For OLMC Parish; & birthday blessings for Janice Mathurin
Tue. July 18	6 p.m.	For an end to gun violence in our community
Wed. July 19	6 p.m.	Birthday blessings for Desmond Charles Sr. requested by Sandra Donaie
Thu. July 20	7 a.m.	Birthday blessings for Shari Raphael requested by Melanie Plummer
Fri. July 21	7 a.m.	For Felice Burin for healing requested by Deacon Cassius Mathurin

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

Newly baptized



Fr. Anthony Abraham baptized Ava Jonque on Saturday, July 1, 2023. Ava, held by her mother, Monique Jonque, was welcomed into the parish.

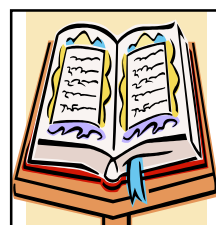
Daily Readings

Monday: July 17
Ex 1:8-14, 22
Mt 10:34--11:1

Tuesday: July 18
Ex 2:1-15a
Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: July 19
Ex 3:1-6, 9-12
Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: July 20
Ex 3:13-30
Mt 11:28-30



Friday: July 21
Ex 11:10--12:14
Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: July 22
Sg 3:1-4b or
2 Cor 5:14-17
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Sunday: July 23
Wis 12:13, 16-19
Rom 8:26-27
Mt 13:24-43

Stewardship of Treasure

July 8	6 p.m.	\$125.00
July 9	7:30 a.m.	\$326.00
	9:30 a.m.	\$1,346.00
	12:30 p.m.	\$40.00
	5:30 p.m.	\$127.00



Our Lady of Mount Carmel has obtained property in Cruz Bay to build a homeless shelter.

We need your financial support to make this a reality.

To make a donation,

- * Make checks payable to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, P.O. Box 241, St. John, VI 00831; memo line: Our Lady of Charity Shelter.
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~ Wish List ~

- Foam for pews = \$7,000.00

OLMC Member Birthdays July 15-21

- Janice Mathurin July 17
- Desmond Charles Sr. July 19
- Vincentia Laurencin July 19
- Vincente De Jesus July 19
- Shari Raphael July 20

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:** This weekend's second collection is for the Our Lady of Charity Homeless Shelter.
- **PRAYER MEETING:** Prayer Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 20. There will be intercessory prayer with Fr. Anthony.
- **RCIA:** We are accepting registration for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) classes. These classes are for adults who would like to become a Catholic; adult Catholics who may not have made their First Communion or Confirmation; or Catholics who may want to know more about their faith. To register, call the church office at 340-776-6339. Classes begin on August 7 at 6 p.m.
- **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.

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.**



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.

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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Isaiah 55:10–11 God's word accomplishes its intended purpose.
Psalm 65 "The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest."
Romans 8:18–23 All creation eagerly awaits the glory of God.
Matthew 13:1–23 A sower went out to sow.

On this day in the middle of summer, our readings take us outside and into nature. In both the first reading and the Gospel, we hear of seeds and their potential within. Isaiah's focus is on the rain that nourishes the earth, enabling the seeds planted there to bear fruit. Jesus' focus is on soil where seeds can either fail or be fruitful. Both Isaiah and Jesus explain that the seed represents God's word, which can be fertile and fruitful. Let us listen to God's word today, imagining it as a seed that will take root in us, grow in us, and bear fruit in us, yielding a rich harvest for the kingdom.



**Come, Holy Spirit!
Come!**

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"I am not capable of doing big things, but I want to do everything, even the smallest things, for the greater glory of God."

-- St. Dominic Savio




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Week in Preview

Youth Ministry:
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)

Weekday

Tuesdays at 6 p.m.
(CORAL BAY)

Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
Thursdays & Fridays
at 7 a.m.

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration
Available 24 hours a day, 7
days a week

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays at 5 p.m.; after
Masses; or by appointment

Rev. Fr. Anthony
Abraham, Pastor

Hours

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Mondays to Fridays:
7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Saturdays: 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Sundays: 6:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Office Hours
Mondays to Fridays:
9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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for us!

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