

## Mass Intentions: July 29-August 4, 2023

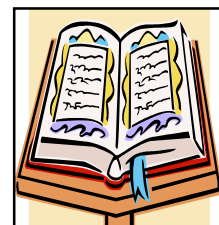
Sat. July 29	6 p.m.	For Tricia Schomeck for healing requested by Pat
Sun. July 30	7:30 a.m.	In loving memory of Dr. Vincent Poblete requested by Dora Tira
	9:30 a.m.	For Frank DiSimone for healing requested by Pat; for Olive Edward for healing & God's blessings requested by Randy Morton; for Yolanda Morton and Claudette Prentice for God's blessings requested by Randy Morton; & for the repose of the soul of Christianne Hart requested by Deborah Hopkins
Tue. Aug. 1	12:30 p.m. 6 p.m.	For the Coral Bay community For the repose of the soul of Christianne Hart requested by Deborah Hopkins
Wed. Aug. 2	6 p.m.	For Mary Rene for healing requested by the family
Thu. Aug. 3	7 a.m.	For Kayla Mitchel for God's deliverance and blessings requested by her family
Fri. Aug. 4	6:30 p.m.	For Fr. Anthony Abraham and Fr. John Mark on their anniversary to the priesthood



### 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: July 31**  
Ex 32:15-24, 30-34  
Mt 13:31-35

**Tuesday: August 1**  
Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28  
Mt 13:36-43

**Wednesday: August 2**  
Ex 34:29-35  
Jn 15:15b

**Thursday: August 3**  
Ex 40:16-21, 34-38  
Mt 13:47-53

**Friday: August 4**  
Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37  
Mt 13:54-58

**Saturday: Aug. 5**  
Lv 25:1, 8-17  
Mt 14:1-12

**Sunday: August 6**  
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14  
2 Pt 1:16-19  
Mt 17:1-9

## Stewardship of Treasure

July 22	6 p.m.	\$354.00
July 23	7:30 a.m.	\$360.00
	9:30 a.m.	\$924.00
	12:30 p.m.	\$74.00
	5:30 p.m.	\$60.00



A delegation from the U.S. Virgin Islands attended the Fourth African National Eucharistic Congress this past weekend in Washington, D.C. Eight parishioners from OLMC were among the delegation.



### ~ Wish List ~

#### OLMC Member Birthdays July 29-Aug. 4

- Mary Dalmida July 31
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- If your birthday is not listed, call the office at 776-6339.

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- Upholstering the pews = \$7,000.00

## 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 Our Lady of Charity Homeless Shelter.
- **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 Monday, July 31 at 6 p.m.
- **PRAYER MEETING:** Prayer Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, August 3.
- **ANNIVERSARY MASS:** Fr. Anthony Abraham invites all to his 15th anniversary Mass at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 4.
- **ALL-NIGHT VIGIL:** All-night vigil will be held after Mass on Friday, Aug. 4.
- **DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN:** The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will host the movie viewing of the "Sound of Freedom" at 3 p.m. Sunday, August 6, 2023, at Caribbean Cinemas, St. Thomas. This is an inspiring film about rescuing trafficked children. Tickets are \$5 in the office. If you are unable to attend, please consider donating to support the event. For more information, call 340-774-3166 or 340-642-7052.
- **ST. ANNE:** Saint Anne Parish will celebrate its patronal feast on Sunday, July 30, 2023. There will be the blessing of the boats on the Quay at 7:30 a.m. followed by the procession and the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.
- **CASSI HILL:** Holy Family Church will celebrate the 76th Annual Pilgrimage and Patronal Feast of Our Lady of Cassi Hill on Sunday, Aug. 20, 2023. All will gather at Four Winds Plaza parking lot starting at 2 p.m. The procession begins at 2:30 p.m. from Four Winds to the Cassi Hill Shrine. Mass will conclude the event.



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,

- \* Make checks payable to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, P.O. Box 241, St. John, VI 00831; memo line: Coral Bay Chapel.
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## Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

- 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12** Solomon asks for an understanding heart.  
**Psalm 119** "Lord, I love your commands."  
**Romans 8:28-30** God predestined us to be conformed to the image of the Son.  
**Matthew 13:44-52** "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field."

What do we treasure? Material success, good health, a comfortable life? Today's readings offer a different perspective. In the first reading, we hear what Solomon asks for when God gives him the opportunity to ask for anything at all. Hint: it's not health or wealth. Saint Paul tells the Romans how blessed we all are to have been called by God. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples that the kingdom of heaven is like buried treasure or a priceless pearl, worth more than all we have. May the examples we hear today teach and inspire us.



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-- St. Augustine of Hippo  
 (mycatholic.life/inspiring-quotes/)

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## Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church

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Most Rev. Jerome Feudjio, Bishop

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.

**Pastor:** Father Anthony Abraham  
**Associate Pastor:** Fr. Yacob Fopa Lonfo  
**Administrative Assistant:** Simonia Dagou  
**Rel. Ed. Coordinator:** Julia Mingo  
**Parish Council President:** Linique Dagou  
**Deacons:** Evans Doway, Peter C. Laurencin, Cassius Mathurin & Michael Jackson Sr.  
**Acolytes:** Hayden Smith & Audy Castillo  
**Youth Group President:** Liandra Dagou  
**Young Adults President:** Shanekea Tyrell



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

Hours

**The Church is open**  
 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.

**Pastor's Hours**  
 Tuesdays to Fridays: 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Call for an appointment**



Fr. Yacob Fopa Lonfo, Fr. Anthony Abraham and Fr. Andrea Filippucci celebrate Mass at OLMC on Wednesday, July 26, 2023.

"TOGETHER BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD"