

Mass Intentions: Sept. 19-25, 2020

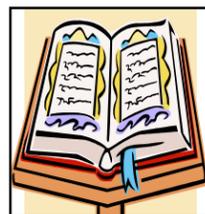
Sat. Sept. 19	6 p.m.	Birthday blessings for Randy & Rowe requested by Mary Roberts
Sun. Sept. 20	7:30 a.m.	For Bob Dawson for a successful surgery requested by Carol Fanucci; & birthday blessings for Shaniqua Charles requested by her family
	9:30 a.m.	Birthday blessings for Sylvester Gaston Jr. & Mitchel Philip & in loving memory of Imbert Prosper requested by Anthonia Philip Prosper
	12:30 p.m.	Coral Bay community
Tue. Sept. 22	6 p.m.	For Peter Zareas for healing requested by Angie Zareas
Wed. Sept. 23	6 p.m.	Birthday blessings for Lisa Etre
Thu. Sept. 24	7 a.m.	For Peter Zareas for healing requested by Angie Zareas
Fri. Sept. 25	7 a.m.	For Peter Zareas for healing requested by Angie Zareas

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



Stephen Roberts and his worker installs the projector screen on the wall inside of the church.

Daily Readings



Monday: Sept. 21
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13
Mt 9:9-13

Tuesday: Sept. 22
Prv 21:1-6, 10-13
Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Sept. 23
Prv 30:5-9
Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Sept. 24
Eccl 1:2-11
Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Sept. 25
Eccl 3:1-11
Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Sept. 26
Eccl 11:9--12:8
Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday: Sept. 27
Ez 18:25-28
Phil 2:1-11
Mt 21:28-32

Stewardship of Treasure

Sept. 12	6 p.m.	\$218.00
Sept. 13	7:30 a.m.	\$325.00
	9:30 a.m.	\$766.00

Thank you for your offerings. May God bless you.

If you would like to donate the SANCTUARY CANDLE or ALTAR FLOWERS in memory of someone or in celebration of a special occasion, please call the office and schedule a date. A free will donation is welcome.

Litany of Humility

O Jesus, meek and humble of heart,
Hear me.

From the desire of being esteemed,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the desire of being loved,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the desire of being extolled, De-
liver me, O Jesus.

From the desire of being honored,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the desire of being praised,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the desire of being preferred to
others, Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the desire of being consulted,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the desire of being approved,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the fear of being humiliated,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the fear of being despised,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the fear of suffering rebukes,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the fear of being calumniated,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the fear of being forgotten,

Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the fear of being ridiculed,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the fear of being wronged,
Deliver me, O Jesus.

From the fear of being suspected, De-
liver me, O Jesus.

That others may be loved more than I,
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.
That others may be esteemed more
than I, Jesus, grant me the grace to
desire it.

That, in the opinion of the world, oth-
ers may increase and I may decrease,
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.
That others may be chosen and I set
aside, Jesus, grant me the grace to
desire it.

That others may be praised and I go
unnoticed, Jesus, grant me the grace to
desire it.

That others may be preferred to me in
everything, Jesus, grant me the grace to
desire it.

That others may become holier than I,
provided that I may become as holy as
I should, Jesus, grant me the grace to
desire it.

OLMC Member Birthdays Week of Sept. 19-25

- Deborah Maximin Sept. 19
- Lisa Etre Sept. 23

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

Our Lady of Mount Carmel thanks all
those who are donating plants to the
church. Thank you for your generosity.

Charismatic Prayer group

You are invited to come pray, praise,
and worship our Lord with us every
Thursday at 7 p.m.

Parish Announcements

TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS, IN LIGHT OF THIS CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC, PLEASE STAY SAFE. MASKS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND MASSES. SOCIAL DISTANCING WILL BE IN EFFECT. MY PRAYERS ARE WITH ALL OF YOU. GOD BLESS.

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.

- **PRAYER MEETING:** Prayer Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, 2020. It will be a night of praise & worship & intercessory prayer.
- **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** There will be a meeting for all parents of Religious Education students at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, 2020.
- We are accepting registration for students for Religious Education classes. Forms are available in the office.
- **BISHOP BEVARD:** Best wishes and prayers for Bishop Herbert Bevard can be mailed to:
The Most Reverend Herbert A. Bevard
1801 Grace Street
Wilmington, NC 28405-2751
- **ST. THERESA FUNDRAISING:** We are starting a fundraising campaign committee for St. Therese in Coral Bay. If you are interested in being on the committee, call the church office.



Our Lady of Mount Carmel has purchased land in Coral Bay to build this chapel, which will be named, St. Therese. To make a donation, make checks payable to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, memo line: Coral Bay Chapel. Donations are tax-deductible.

'Living for the Glory of Paradise'

by Adeline Jean

This Sunday's Mass readings reverses the secular's trust to personal, temporal greatness and instead invites us to radical decision-making and sacrifice.

While the First Reading Isaiah 55:6-9 encourages, "Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near," the Gospel Reading (Matthew 20-1-16) ends with the shocking statement, "The last will be first, and the first will be last."

The first scripture is an invitation to get to know the Lord in a deeper, more intimate way before it is too late. The second scripture shows us the result of this action.

Those who faithfully seek the Lord will always be first in God's eyes though the world may view them as last. They are the ones who may not care about appearances, who do not have the trendiest things in life, yet though they seem to be underprivileged and thus poor, they are rich in God's eyes.

The best way to guarantee your place in the glory of Heaven is to disown this world, to walk away from it. It is stripping ourselves of our "self" and in turn being open to the workings of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

The Second Reading (Philippians 1:20-24, 27) is the voice of one, St. Paul, who has taken up the challenge to be set free of the temptation to live for this world but to have instead an openness to Christ by declaring, "Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death."

The lives of all the saints reflect this self-surrendering after their powerful encounters with the Divine, so much so, that their lives are transformed beyond human imagination. St. Ignatius of Loyola is just one of those saints. He gave up the life of aristocracy to become homeless and to live like a beggar.

Anyone passing him on the street would have considered him as "last," a nobody in this world, but God saw the opposite. He saw the beauty of a soul that developed in magnitudes to deeper and deeper levels of holiness.

In one of several ways his choices enabled him to rise to the point of writing, defending, and leaving the legacy of his Ignatian Spiritual Exercises that are still one of the most purifying, spiritually forming, and life-transforming spiritual undertakings one can take on. He traded his riches for the glory of paradise.

Modern-day Saint, Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta did the same — she abandoned a privileged teaching position working with aristocratic students in the safety of a convent in her adopted homeland of India, and instead literally walked out of the convent walls and into the glory of paradise here on earth, a life among the poor as their advocate.

Surviving on bare minimum and living in obscurity, when she stood up to speak or acted publicly, her seemingly insignificant existence and small physical stature did not hinder her in captivating those who encountered her and in making the powerful feel irrelevant.



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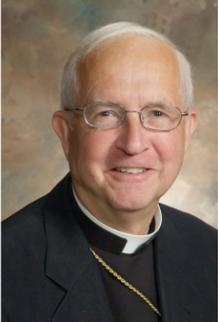
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Saturdays: 6 p.m.
Sundays: 7:30 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.
12:30 p.m. (Coral Bay)

Weekday
Tuesdays at 6 p.m. (Coral Bay) & Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
Thursdays & Fridays at 7 a.m.

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

Pastor's Hours
Tuesdays to Fridays: 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Call to set up an appointment

Week in Preview
Youth Ministry:
Mondays at 5 p.m.

Music Ministry:
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

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



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