

Mass Intentions: Sept. 23-29, 2023

Sat. Sept. 23	6 p.m.	For Becky Ward for healing requested by Deborah Schnell
Sun. Sept. 24	7:30 a.m.	Birthday blessings for Sandra Donaie and Stanford Charles
	9:30 a.m.	For Cynthia Charles & her children and Tommy Charles for God's blessings, deliverance and protection requested by Cynthia Charles
	12:30 p.m.	For Jonathan Benkovic for healing requested by Deborah Schnell
Tue. Sept. 26	6 p.m.	For the Coral Bay community
Wed. Sept. 27	6 p.m.	Birthday blessings for Philomene Mitchel Girard
Thu. Sept. 28	7 a.m.	In loving memory of Chandler Heath requested by Mary Athanase
Fri. Sept. 29	7 a.m.	For Cynthia Charles, and her children and Tommy Charles for God's blessings, deliverance and protection requested by Cynthia Charles

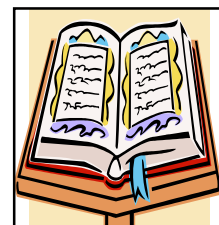
Offer a Mass for your loved ones. Call the office at 776-6339.



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: Sept. 25
Ezr 1:1-6
Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Sept. 26
Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20
Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Sept. 27
Ezr 9:5-9
Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Sept. 28
Hg 1:1-8
Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Sept. 29
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14
Jn 1:47-51

Saturday: Sept. 30
Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a
Lk 9:43b-45

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

Stewardship of Treasure

Sept. 16	6 p.m.	\$511.00
Sept. 17	7:30 a.m.	\$173.00
	9:30 a.m.	\$839.00
	12:30 p.m.	\$110.00
	5:30 p.m.	\$115.00

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



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.
- * PayPal: Our Lady of Mount Carmel (olmc@hotmail.com)
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Donations are tax-deductible.

~ Wish List ~

- Upholstering the pews = \$7,000.00

OLMC Member Birthdays Sept. 23-29

- Lisa Etre Sept. 23
- Kendell Laurencin Sept. 26
- Sandra Donaie Sept. 27
- W. Eugene Sept. 28

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 soup kitchen.
- **'THE SOUND OF FREEDOM' MOVIE:** The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will again host the showing of the movie, "The Sound of Freedom," at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24 at Caribbean Cinemas. Tickets are \$10 and are available in the church office. "The Sound of Freedom" is an inspiring movie about rescuing trafficked children.
- **YOUTH GROUP:** Youth Group meets at 4:30 p.m. Mondays.
- **STEEL PAN:** Steel pan for adults will be held at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 25 and for youth at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26.
- **PRAYER MEETING:** Prayer Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 28. It will be an evening of praise and worship and intercessory prayers.
- **GROUND BREAKING:** On Sunday, Oct. 1, there will only be one Mass at 12:30 p.m. in Coral Bay for the groundbreaking of St. Therese Chapel. Please sign up if you need transportation. Transportation will be provided at 11:30 a.m.
- **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** We are accepting registration for new students for Religious Education. Forms are available at the back of the church. Classes are held at 10 a.m. Saturdays.
- **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church will hold a Life in the Spirit seminar beginning on Thursday, October 19, 2023, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The seminar will be held for six weeks. Registration forms are available at the back of the church.
- **PANTRY:** Catholic Charities will hold its monthly food drive at Mass on the fourth Sunday of every month. Items include flour, sugar, evaporated milk, beans, Vienna sausage, tuna and other dry and canned goods. For information, call 775-0969.




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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Our Lady of Mt Carmel
invites You to the
**Ground Breaking of
St Therese Chapel**
with
Holy Mass
October 1st 2023
Time: 12:30
Address:
6R-2C Estate Carolina,
Coral Bay, St John.

RSVP by 18 September, 2023
Rev. Mr Michael Jackson Sr
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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 (CORAL BAY)
Tuesdays at 6 p.m.
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

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Isaiah 55:6-9 The ways and thoughts of God are above our own.
Psalms 145 "The Lord is near to all who call upon him."
Phil 1:20c-24, 27a Saint Paul rejoices that to live is Christ and to die is to gain.
Matthew 20:1-16a "The last will be first, and the first will be last."

The Lord may surprise us and even confound us, but that is because God's ways are so far above our own. Nevertheless, Isaiah tells us, we can depend upon God for mercy. Paul trusts that Christ is with him, in life as well as in death. Jesus tells his disciples that God is more generous than what we would consider sensible. Listening to God's word today, let us take comfort in God's unfathomable generosity and mercy.

Hurricane Season Prayer
June 1-November 30

God, our Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Keep us safe from the danger of hurricanes, earthquakes, floods, and other natural disasters. May we be secure in your protection and always feel the presence of your love as you turn our fears into praise of your goodness. Bless our families and bring peace to all nations. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you forever and ever. **Amen.**

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