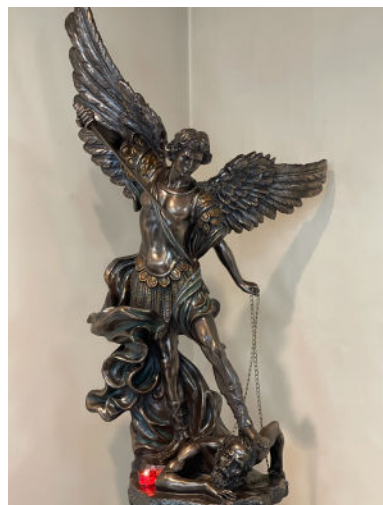


Mass Intentions: Sept. 30-Oct. 6, 2023

Sat. Sept. 30	6 p.m.	For Shekinah Abraham for God's guidance and protection requested by Justina and John Abraham
Sun. Oct. 1	12:30 p.m.	For St. Therese benefactors
Tue. Oct. 3	6 p.m.	For the Coral Bay community
Wed. Oct. 4	6 p.m.	For the sick in our parish
Thu. Oct. 5	7 a.m.	For the homeless in our community
Fri. Oct. 6	7 a.m.	For Cynthia Charles, and her children and Tommy Charles for God's blessings, deliverance and protection requested by Cynthia Charles

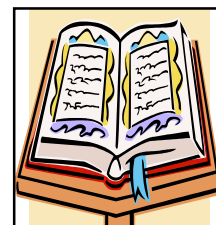
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St. Michael Prayer

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: Oct. 2
Zec 8:1-8
Mt 18:1-5, 10

Tuesday: Oct. 3
Zec 8:20-23
Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Oct. 4
Neh 2:1-8
Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Oct. 5
Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12
Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Oct. 6
Bar 1:15-22
Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Oct. 7
Bar 4:5-12, 27-29
Lk 10:17-24

Sunday: Oct. 8
Is 5:1-7
Phil 4:6-9
Mt 21:33-43

Stewardship of Treasure

Sept. 23	6 p.m.	\$283.00
Sept. 24	7:30 a.m.	\$313.00
	9:30 a.m.	\$977.00
	12:30 p.m.	\$129.00

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



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~ Wish List ~

- Upholstering the pews = \$7,000.00

OLMC Member Birthdays Sept. 30-Oct. 6

- Sherry-Ann Francis Oct. 4
- Hakeem Noel Oct. 4
- Davidson Verdant Oct. 5
- Mary Smith Oct. 6

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 Our Lady of Charity Homeless Shelter.
- **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. from the ferry dock and along the way on Centerline Road.
- **YOUTH GROUP:** Youth Group meets at 4:30 p.m. Mondays.
- **ALL-DAY PRAYER:** All-day prayer for priests and religious will be held on Monday, Oct. 2 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **PRAYER MEETING:** Prayer Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5.
- **ALL-NIGHT VIGIL:** All-night vigil will be held on Friday, Oct. 6 starting at 7 p.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 forks, spoons, 6x6 and 9x6 to-go containers, flour, sugar, evaporated milk, beans, Vienna sausage, tuna and other dry and canned goods. For information, call 775-0969.



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Youth Group President: Liandra Dagou
Young Adults President: Shanequa 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.

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

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

Pastor's Hours
Tuesdays to Fridays:
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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.-
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Mat 21:28-32

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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

- Ezekiel 18:25–28** Turn away from sin and live!
Psalms 25 "Remember your mercies, O Lord."
Philippians 2:1–11 Christ became obedient even to the point of death.
Matthew 21:28–32 The one who obeys the Lord, even reluctantly is the one who does the will of the Father.

It is never too late to change, for the worse or for the better. Ezekiel contrasts the virtuous person who turns away from God and chooses to sin with the wicked person who turns away from sin to do what is right. Jesus asks the chief priests and elders to consider two sons, one who says no, but ends up obeying, and the other who promises to obey, but doesn't follow through. Between these two readings, we hear Saint Paul — who changed his life dramatically after his encounter with Christ — exhort the Philippians to unify in Christ in thought and action. May we do the same.

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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