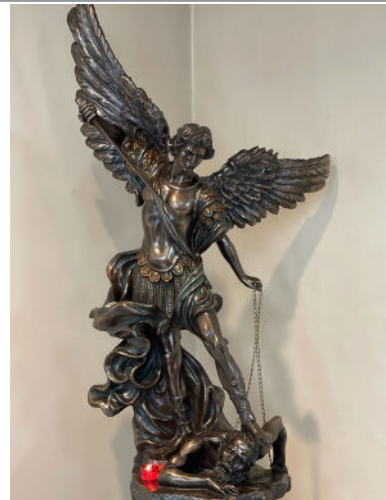


Mass Intentions: Nov. 18-24, 2023

Sat. Nov. 18	6 p.m.	For Shekinah Abraham for God's blessings and protection requested by Justina and John Abraham and for Patti Nolan and her family and friends for God's blessings
Sun. Nov. 19	7:30 a.m.	Birthday blessings for Kayla Mitchel requested by her family; and for the repose of the soul of John Tira
	9:30 a.m.	Birthday blessings for Mary Athanase requested by her family
	12:30 p.m.	For Patti Nolan and her family and friends for God's blessings
	5:30 p.m.	For the Hispanic Community of St. John
Tue. Nov. 21	6 p.m.	For Adeline Jean's deceased family members requested by Adeline Jean
Wed. Nov. 22	7 a.m.	In loving memory of Martha and Felix Cherry requested by Rosemary Joseph and family
Thu. Nov. 23	8:30 a.m.	For peace throughout the world requested by Patti Nolan
Fri. Nov. 24	7 a.m.	For Cynthia Charles & her children & Tommy Charles for God's blessings, deliverance and protection requested by Cynthia Charles

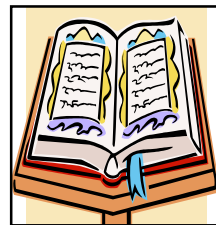
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St. Michael Prayer

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: Nov. 20
1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43,
54-57, 62-63
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Nov. 21
2 Mc 6:18-31
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Nov. 22
2 Mc 7:1, 20-31
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Nov. 23
1 Mc 2:15-29
Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Nov. 24
1 Mc 4:36-37,
52-59
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Nov. 25
1 Mc 6:1-13
Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Nov. 26
Ez 34:11-12, 15-17
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28
Mt 25:31-46

Stewardship of Treasure

Nov. 11	6 p.m.	\$383.00
Nov. 12	7:30 a.m.	\$421.00
	9:30 a.m.	\$1,407.00
	12:30 p.m.	\$92.00
	5:30 p.m.	\$83.00

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

OLMC young authors



OLMC youth -- A'maya Abraham, left, Liandra Dagou and Gleidy Castillo Carballo -- are among six young women whose poems, memoirs, rants and a collective piece were published in a book titled, "Hear Every Voice Creative Writing for Teens." This is a collaboration between Society 340 and St. John School of the Arts. The youth had a book signing on Saturday, Nov. 11, 2023, at Bajo El Sol Gallery. The book is available at Bajo El Sol for \$20.00.

~ Wish List ~

OLMC Member Birthdays Nov. 18-24

- Mary Athanase Nov. 21
- Kaylee Prosper Nov. 21
- Dora Tira Nov. 24
- Catherine Lee Nov. 24

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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 Catholic Campaign for Human Development, a national collection.
- **MASS CHANGES:** On Wednesday, Nov. 22, Mass will be held at 7 a.m. not 6 p.m.
- On Thursday, Nov. 23, Thanksgiving Day, Mass will be held at 8:30 a.m. not 7 a.m.
- **THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel will hold our annual Thanksgiving luncheon at noon Thursday, Nov. 23. All are invited.
- **BOOK OF THE DEAD:** The Book of the Dead has been placed in the back of the church. Write the names of your deceased loved ones so they can be remembered during the month of November.
- **RAFFLE:** OLMC is holding a raffle to raise funds for the operating expenses of the Our Lady of Charity Homeless Shelter. There are 15 prizes. Prizes include a 2-night/3-day stay at a resort; dinners; a spa treatment; and many more. The drawing will be held on Christmas Day. Tickets are \$10 for one ticket or \$100 for a book of 11 tickets. Tickets are available in the church office.
- **ADVENT MISSION:** OLMC will hold an Advent Mission from Dec. 4-8. The guest speaker will be Fr. Brancker John from Dominica.
- **PRE-CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** The St. Joseph Workers of Holy Family Church will hold a pre-Christmas Concert on Sunday, Dec. 3 at 5 p.m. at the Columban Hall. Guest artists include Yvette Powell, Wendy Joseph, Gilchrist Sprauve, Howard Jones and Allison Charles. Tickets are \$25, available in the OLMC office.
- **SOUP SALE:** The 250th Jubilee Committee of the Diocese of St. Thomas will hold a pick up and go soup sale on Saturday, Dec. 2 at the Hospitality Lounge at Sts. Peter and Paul Cathedral. Soups include bull foot, chicken, pumpkin, red peas and mutton. Orders must be placed by Nov. 27. For ticket information, call the OLMC office at 340-776-6339.



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,

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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Prov 31:10–13, 19–20, 30–31

Psalm 128

1 Thessalonians 5:1–6

Matthew 25:14–30

To whom would we entrust what is precious to us? In the first reading, a husband entrusts his heart and household to his wise and industrious wife. In the Gospel, the master entrusts his possessions to his good and faithful servants. The Lord has entrusted each of us with talents and duties. As we listen to God's word, let us listen to how those entrusted with gifts respond to their responsibilities.



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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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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.

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Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

Thursdays & Fridays at 7 a.m.

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