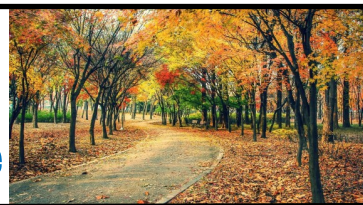


September 26, 2022

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Sept. 24 ~ Vigil/26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM Dave Barbuti, Tony Alteio

Sunday, September 25 ~ 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 AM Gloria Troy, Gary LaBagh, Elaine Halahan

Monday, September 26
9:00 AM

Wednesday, September 28
9:00 AM The People of the Parish

Friday, September 30
9:00 AM Virginia Steinback

Saturday, Oct. 1 ~ Vigil/27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM Dave Barbuti

Sunday, October 2 ~ 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 AM Rich Hutchings, Tony Alteio

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, Oct. 1 ~ Vigil/27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM Ted Wall

Sunday, October 2 ~ 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 AM Janet Murphy

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, Oct. 1 ~ Vigil/27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM Kim Grzybek (a), Kathy Fayol (c)

Sunday, October 2 ~ 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 AM Jean Koktavy (a), Ann Clouse (c)

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy) Dylan Bonitz (Navy)
Sarah Bowen (Navy) Juan Gonzalez (Navy)
Kaila McGowan (Marines) Anthony Pagano (Navy)
Joseph Ruize (Navy) Carissa Tironi (Army)
Elliott Weidel (Marines)

PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Regina Parthesius, Robert Wise

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Bridget Auer, Joanne Bach, Rob Brosnan,
Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, Courtney Collins, Peter Cavalier,
Barbara Ceriale, Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson, Marie DiMare,
Tina DiMare, Mary Donnelly, Agnes Ferrone, Anna Gallo,
Joe Gallo, Michael Gallo, Lenore Giansanti, Margaret Hale,
Ninette Kondratowicz, Laura Lade, Nicole Langer,
Regina Lempka, Jon Miller, Janet Murphy, Helen Ryan,
Frances Salewski, Sue Schmaus, Fr. James Sidoti, Chris Strobl

LOOKING AHEAD

Helping Hands Food Pantry
Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday by Appointment
(9 AM start)

Tuesday, September 27
Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM
Rite of Enrollment Ceremony for Level 7

Tuesday, October 4
Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Friday, October 7
Holy Hour with Exposition
& Rosary for Life ~ 7 PM
Co-Hosted by Mamakating Knights of Columbus

Saturday, October 8
Listening Session with Carmelite Friars
9 AM to Noon

Saturday, October 8 & Sunday, October 9
Carmelite Mission at Masses

Listening Day-Plan to Come!

On Saturday, October 8, from 9 AM to Noon, Fr. Paul Denault, O.Carm. and Fr. Paul Richmond, O.Carm. will be holding a "Listening Day" for our parish. During this morning together we will be talking about where we feel OLA and the Catholic Church is in general is today, and where do we see things going in the future. What type of growth do we anticipate? What are our challenges? *All parishioners are invited to participate. Watch for more information in next week's bulletin.*

Mass Attendance/Collection

Attending Mass September 17 & 18 **145**
Weekend's Collection: **\$3,935.00**

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Today's Scripture Readings

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1a, 4-7 ♦ 1 Tm 6:11-16 ♦ Luke 16:19-31

ABOUT THE LITURGY: Discernment

When Jesus says, "You cannot serve God and mammon," we usually define mammon as wealth or riches. But mammon also means anything that we might rely on, including power and privilege. When Jesus tells us we cannot serve God and mammon, he essentially insists that we cannot serve both God and anything that might prevent us from fully serving God.

In order to serve God, we must intentionally discern what is of God and what is not of God. Saint Ignatius of Loyola teaches that this discernment is something we do every day. He tells us that feelings and desires that bring us joy and happiness, or experiences of faith, hope, and love, are all of God. On the contrary, when we experience fear, inadequacy, doubt, or sadness, these feelings are not of God. As we grow in faith, we are better able to discern what is of God, namely things of spiritual consolation, as well those things that are not of God, which brings spiritual desolation.

It is also important to discern how we might use our gifts to best serve God. Do we use our time and talents to work for justice and the betterments of others? Do we share our gifts with people who might benefit from them? Do we serve God in our daily decision? Today we pray that we may listen to Jesus' command to serve God.

Bereavement Group

GROUP REUNION

Wednesday, October 12 from 1:30-3:00 pm

There will be a reunion of our Bereavement group which met last spring on Wed Oct 12 at 1:30 in the Parish Center. It will be an opportunity to share how your journey has been going since we last met.

NEW BEREAVEMENT GROUP BEING PLANNED
Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? We invite you to consider joining a Bereavement Group.

For more information, please contact Bridget Auer at 845-733-4122 or Gary Texter at 845-733-5781.

Blessing of the Animals

Saturday
October 1st - 12 Noon
Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Middletown

All God's Creatures



The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church

By the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

C) Communion with Christ and the Church

28. The obligation to attend Mass each Sunday, the Lord's Day, on which we commemorate the Resurrection of Jesus, and on other holy days of obligation, is therefore a vital expression of our unity as members of the Body of Christ, the Church. It is also a manifestation of the truth that we are utterly dependent upon God and his grace. A third-century instruction on the life of the Church points out one of the consequences of willful absence from Mass: "Let no one deprive the Church by staying away; if they do, they deprive the Body of Christ of one of its members!" St. John Paul II, writing of Sunday as "a day which is at the very heart of the Christian life," further asserts, "Time given to Christ is never time lost, but is rather time gained, so that our relationships and indeed our whole life may become more profoundly human." We have been reborn in Baptism and nourished by the Eucharist so that we may live in communion with God and one another, not only today but also in the fullness of the heavenly Kingdom. To worship God on Sundays, then, is not the mere observance of a rule but the fulfillment of our identity, of who we are as members of the Body of Christ. Participation in the Mass is an act of love.



Help for the Homeless

Beginning Sunday evening November 20, 2022 and continuing each night (9 P.M. to 7 A.M.) during the cold months the Warming Station in Middletown will provide a warm and safe environment for homeless adults (up to 30) living on the streets in Middletown through April 6, 2023. Men and Women are encouraged to volunteer:

- ♦ For 2 hours, serving food, **and/or**
- ♦ Overnight to supervise Middletown homeless men and women who have been screened for suitability, **and/or**
- ♦ For food pickup and delivery (1 hour)



Join us at one of our orientation/training sessions;

OCTOBER 5~OCTOBER 11~OCTOBER 20~OCTOBER 24

Each session begins at 7:00 P.M. and is held at:
GMIC-Warming Station - 8-10 Mulberry St. Middletown, NY 10940

To volunteer or if you have questions, contact Marilyn (845-346-6110) or midduce@hvc.rr.com
Volunteer calendars are up and running. Please go to our website & sign up: <https://middletownwarmingstation.com>

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