

# MAY 16TH, 2010—SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## BAPTISMS / BAUTISMOS

Baptisms are celebrated twice monthly, once in English and once in Spanish. Please see the bulletin for exact dates. Parents should make arrangements at the Rectory at least one month in advance and must present child's Birth Certificate and proof of residence within the parish.

Los padres deben hacer los arreglos por lo menos un mes antes del Bautismo es necesario presentar el Acta de Nacimiento y prueba de que viven dentro de la parroquia.



## MARRIAGES / MATRIMONIOS

Couples should make arrangements at least six months in advance.

Los novios deben hacer los arreglos en la oficina parroquial, por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha propuesta. Las parejas preparando para el sacramento se reúnen cada otro martes en el centro., Salon Guadalupe.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OF CHILDREN / CATECISMO

For information about the program, please call our Director of Religious Education at (718) 278-1881, Monday through Friday, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Favor de llamar a Zilia (718) 278-1881, Lunes hasta viernes, desde 10:00 am hasta 4:00 de la tarde.

## QUINCEANERA

Favor de llamar a Zilia (718) 278-1881

## PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK / SACRAMENTOS PARA LOS ENFERMOS

Call the Rectory to arrange for a Priest or Eucharistic Minister to bring Communion to the homebound. In case where one's health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age, please contact one of the Priests to administer the sacrament of the anointing of the sick.

Favor de llamar la oficina parroquial para los enfermos.

## CHOIR / CORO

The Choir meets every Monday from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm in the Lower Church. If you are interested in joining the choir, please call the Rectory.

Coro Español: Martes 7:30 pm en la iglesia abajo.

## CARMEL DIAMOND SENIORS

Meet every Thursday from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. in the Parish Center, Guadalupe Room.

## ROSARY SOCIETY

Rosary Society meets the first Sunday of each month after attending the 10:00AM Mass. We have a brief meeting followed by refreshments in the Lourdes Room. Come join us... we warmly welcome new members.

## GRUPO DE ORACION CARISMATICA

"Manatales de Gracia": Todos los viernes 7:30 pm en la Iglesia de abajo.

## DISABILITIES ADVOCATE

Mrs. Frances Peace. Please note that the north-west church door close to the parking lot is handicapped-accessible (no steps). All levels of the Parish Center are accessible by elevator.

## FAMILY MASS

Generally Second Sunday of every month at the 11:15 am Mass. Check inside of bulletin for exact date.

## JORNADA YOUTH

Meet every Friday evening at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center—Guadalupe Room

## SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Coordinator: Ms. Winnie Burke. Awareness education required for all volunteers who interact with minors

## YOUNG ADULT—CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP

3rd Sunday of every month—5:00 pm Mass.

## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES / CEMENTERIOS CATOLICOS

For information and availability options, please call (718) 894-4888. Please remember that cremated remains should be interred in the same manner as bodies, out of respect for the human body.

## PRE-ADMISSION ANOINTING

If you know you will be entering the hospital for elective surgery, it is appropriate and recommended to received the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick **BEFORE** entering the hospital. Simply ask one of the parish priests to give you the sacrament before admission.

## BAPTISM SCHEDULE-2010—ENGLISH

WEDNESDAY Conference 8:00 pm-Center	SUNDAY Ceremony 2:00 pm
June 9	June 13
July 7	July 11
August 4	August 8
September 8	September 12
<b>PLEASE NOTE SEPT. 12 BAPTISM WILL BE AT 4:00 PM</b>	
October 6	October 10
November 3	November 7

## HORARIO de BAUTISMOS—2010—ESPAÑOL

MIERCOLES Charla 8:00 pm—Centro	DOMINGO Bautimo 2:00 pm
19 Mayo	23 Mayo
23 Junio	27 Junio
21 Julio	25 Julio
18 Agosto	22 Agosto
22 Septiembre	26 Septiembre
20 Octubre	24 Octubre
24 Noviembre	28 Noviembre

## PARISH REGISTRATION/ INSCRIPCIÓN PARROQUIAL

Please return this form in the collection or drop off at rectory. We will send you weekly collection envelopes every two months.

Favor de volver en la colecta o en la casa curial. Les enviamos los sobres semanales cada dos meses por el correo.

Family Name/ Apellido \_\_\_\_\_

Head of Household/Cabeza de familia \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Esposo(a) \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Dirección donde vive \_\_\_\_\_

Apartment \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code/Código postal \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #/Telefono # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail/Dirección del Correo electrónico \_\_\_\_\_

**New Registration** \_\_\_\_\_ **Moving Out of Parish**  
**Change of Name/Address**

# MASSES



## OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

### SATURDAY, MAY 15

(Easter Weekday)

- 8:00 am Antonio & Maria Carullo  
10:00 am Beato Roberto—Lower Church-Italian  
5:00 pm Carmen J. Guerra

### SUNDAY, MAY 16

(7th Sunday of Easter)

- 8:00 am Daniel Allaha Rakha  
10:00 am Lucy & Pietro Mascia  
11:15 am Laudelina S. Leier  
12:30 pm Jose Vincente Chros  
5:00 pm Parish Family

### MONDAY, MAY 17

(Easter Weekday)

- 8:00 am Mario Tumia  
Noon Angela & Vito Lenoci

### TUESDAY, MAY 18

(Easter Weekday)

- 8:00 am Vincenza Brandimarte  
Noon Anthony Ricotta

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

(Easter Weekday)

- 8:00 am Angela Cotiletta  
Noon Serafina & Baldassaro Rappa

### THURSDAY, MAY 20

(Easter Weekday)

- 8:00 am Rev. James Mueller  
Noon Joseph Squeri, Sr.  
7:30 pm Salvatore Pollizze—Living

### FRIDAY, MAY 21

(Easter Weekday)

- 8:00 am Francesco DelGreco  
Noon Giuseppe & Maria DiCicco

### SATURDAY, MAY 22

(St. Rita of Cascia, religious)

- 8:00 am St. Rita  
11:00 am Memorial Mass for Michael Lynch  
2:00 pm Memorial Mass for Giuseppe Giordano  
5:00 pm Giuseppe, Marianne and Charles Alaimo

## REMEMBERING THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Sophie Assunta Caro, , Paul Morrissey, Evelyn Filomena, Juan Luis Guerra, Adele Logan, Dorothy Lawlor, Vinny Falcetti, George Nagy, Mauricette Latuner, Eugene Browne, Josephine Tramosch, Arthur Owen, Frank Tramosch, , Adam Herman, Helen Curran, Martin Soven, Norma Soven, Mann O'Connell, Rita Steele, Brendan O'Connor, Alfred Battista, Vincente Cortes, Wanda Suckiel, Bill Celio, Luis Perea (brother of Rosita Hernandez)

The ALTAR BREAD and WINE has been donated this week in loving memory of—



MICHAEL LYNCH

This was requested by Celeste & Meghan Stewart and Mickey Rodeschini

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

ANTONIO LAFORGIA

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

TODAY'S READINGS

### First Reading: Acts 7:55-60

Stephen, the first martyr after the resurrection, is granted a vision of the risen Christ just before he is stoned to death.

### Second Reading: Apocalypse 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

Jesus tells us that he is the beginning and end of the creation he loves, and will one day come to judge the living and the dead.

### Gospel: John 17:20-26

Jesus prays especially for all those believers who will come after his earthly life, that through their witness the world may know the Blessed Trinity.

MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES AT  
MOUNT CARMEL

**The Tree of Life:** gracing the east wall of the church vestibule. Gift categories include:

Silver Leaf: \$500.00      Gold Leaf: \$1,000.00  
Gold Rock at Base of Tree: \$2,500.00

**Announced Mass:** \$15.00

**Weekly Altar Flowers:** \$75.00

**Weekly Altar Bread and Wine:** \$35.00

**Weekly Sanctuary Lamp:** \$25.00

**Weekly Altar Candles:** \$15.00

**Vestments and Furnishings:** See one of the priests.

MEMORIAL MASS

There will be a Memorial Mass for Michael Lynch, brother of Fr. Frank Lynch on Saturday, May 22nd, 2010 at 11:00 am. Fr. Lynch will be the main celebrant. All are invited to attend.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends:

I would like to address the place of our parish in relation to the diocesan Strategic planning process entitled "*Christ Jesus Our Hope*". The goal is not merely to cut expenses by closing parishes; rather, we are being asked to "re-imagine" our diocese and parishes so that we can more effectively carry out the mission of evangelizing our neighborhoods and culture in general. On March 21, we published our Parish Data Report with our parish statistics. For the last several weeks we have been summarizing in our bulletin the larger report that has been printed each week in the *Tablet*, with diocesan-wide data about the stark realities in our diocese. To recap:

- Statistically, between 1999 and 2009:
  - Overall Mass attendance in Brooklyn and Queens has declined by 16%. Mass attendance increased at OLMC-by 76%, while SMM Mass attendance decreased by about one third.
  - OLMC-SMM parish baptisms, First Communion and Marriages have declined by large percentages, while parish confirmations have gone up. Diocesan totals have been basically down for these periods as well.
- Financially, the diocesan picture is extremely bleak. The diocese has severely depleted its assets for more than forty years, primarily to pay the bills of parishes that no longer could. You saw our own parish totals showing that OLMC and SMM combined received subsidy and debt forgiveness totaling over \$2 million. Too many parishes simply have been living beyond their means. Seriously cuts in parish expenses and creative uses for generating income from existing properties in the parishes will have to be made. (Remember that less than 3% of the total expenditures of the diocese in recent years went to abuse case settlements. The problem is parish debts, not law-suits.)
- Demographically, our City will increase in population, but become older and less American-born, and perhaps less Catholic in make-up.
- Leadership-wise, the salient fact is the aging and shrinking of the number of priests. Where thirty years ago our diocese had over 700 priests, today there are 294, and by 2020 that number will be 258. The average age of the three priests assigned to our parish is 55 plus. That is under the diocesan median age of priests. We're just one bad flu or broken leg away from not having a priest around to say Mass. (And remember that our parish has eleven masses every weekend—the most of any parish in Brooklyn or Queens.)

Because of the prudent building and maintenance of our properties by previous generations of pastors and laity, our parish is in a better position than many to face these challenges of pastoral mission. That does not mean we have no problems here. Our tasks include:

- Our Mass schedule will have to be addressed in the light of the clergy shortage.
- Outreach to newcomers from other parts of the U.S. is central for us, as well as assisting the poor and foreign immigrants here.
- Re-connecting with the fallen-away American-born Catholics who no longer attend Sunday Mass is crucial. In a neighborhood so heavily Catholic, having only 976 people attending our 6 Sunday Masses in English, as we did May 2 and 3, is sadly remarkable, especially as almost half of those are English-speaking immigrants.

When we complete our diocesan self-study, including your response to the questions from the Parish Assembly and bulletin, we will publish the complete report in the bulletin. In the coming months, we will need to make some hard decisions about the shape of the pastoral mission in this parish in the future. Stay tuned. God love you, Msgr. Ogle

## DE EL PASTOR

Queridos hermanos,

Me gustaría abordar el lugar de nuestra parroquia en relación con el proceso de planificación estratégica diocesano titulado "*Jesucristo Nuestra Esperanza*". La meta más grande es el de mejorar nuestra diócesis y parroquias para que podamos llevar a cabo más eficazmente la misión de evangelizar a nuestros vecindarios y la cultura en general. El 21 de marzo, publicamos nuestro Informe Parroquial de Datos con nuestras estadísticas de la parroquia. Para las últimas semanas hemos estado en nuestro boletín resume el informe más amplio que ha sido impreso cada semana en el *Tablet*, con datos de todo el diocesano-sobre las crudas realidades de nuestra diócesis. Para recapitular:

Estadísticamente, entre 1999 y 2009:

- En general la asistencia a misa en Brooklyn y Queens ha disminuido en un 16%. la asistencia a misa mayor en OLMC-en un 76%, mientras que la asistencia a misa SMM disminuido en un tercio.
- En la parroquia: bautizos OLMC-SMM, primeras comuniones y matrimonios han disminuido en un alto porcentaje, mientras que la confirmación de la parroquia han subido. Totales de la Diócesis han sido básicamente establecen para estos períodos también.

- Financieramente, el panorama es muy sombrío diocesanos. La diócesis ha reducido severamente sus activos por más de cuarenta años, principalmente para pagar las cuentas de las parroquias que ya no podía. Viste nuestra propia parroquia mostrando las cantidades totales que OLMC y SMM combinado recibieron subsidios y condonación de la deuda por un total de más de \$ 2 millones. Demasiado parroquias muchos simplemente han estado viviendo fuera de su alcance. En serio recortes en los gastos de la parroquia y usos creativos para generar ingresos de las propiedades existentes en las parroquias tendrán que hacerse. (Recuerde que menos del 3% del total de gastos de la diócesis en los últimos años se fue a los asentamientos caso de abuso. El problema es parroquia no deudas, juicios).
- Demográficamente, nuestra ciudad se incremento de la población, pero se vuelven más viejos y menos nacidos en Estados Unidos, y tal vez menos católicos en el maquillaje.

Otro hecho sobresaliente es el envejecimiento y la disminución del número de sacerdotes. Cuando hace treinta años, nuestra diócesis tenía más de 700 sacerdotes, hoy hay 294, y en 2020 ese número será 258. La edad media de los tres sacerdotes asignados a la parroquia se encuentra a 55 más. Eso está en la edad media de los sacerdotes diocesanos. Estamos a sólo una gripe fuerte o una pierna rota lejos de no tener un sacerdote en torno a decir misa (y recuerde que nuestra parroquia tiene once misas cada fin de semana—más que cualquier otro parroquia en Brooklyn o en Queens).

Debido a la construcción de prudente y mantenimiento de nuestras propiedades por la generación anterior s de pastores y laicos, nuestra parroquia se encuentra en una mejor posición que muchos para hacer frente a estos retos de la misión pastoral. Eso no significa que no tenemos problemas aquí. Nuestro horario de la Misa debe ser enviada a la luz de la escasez de clero. Alcance a los recién llegados de otras partes de los EE.UU. es central para nosotros, así como ayudar a los inmigrantes pobres y los extranjeros aquí. Vuelva a conectarse con los caídos-lejos católicos que ya no asisten a la misa del domingo es crucial. En un barrio tan fuertemente católica, con sólo 976 personas que asisten a nuestras seis misas dominicales en Inglés, como lo hicimos 2 y 3 de mayo, no es bueno. Cuando nos sometemos nuestra diócesis de auto-estudio, incluyendo su respuesta a las preguntas formuladas por la Asamblea Parroquial y el boletín, publicaremos el informe completo en el boletín. En los próximos meses, tendremos que tomar algunas decisiones difíciles acerca de la forma de la misión pastoral en esta parroquia en el futuro. Que Dios les bendiga.

Dios les cuida—Monsenor Ogle

***Our Lady of Mount Carmel will be celebrating a Mass of Thanksgiving honoring Reverend Joseph T. Pham's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:15am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church***  
***Mass will be followed by a Reception at the Parish Center***  
***A dinner in his honor will be held at 6:00 pm at Riccardo's Under the Bridge, 21-01 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Astoria***

***Cost \$60 – Contact Nina Carullo or Winnie Burke for tickets***

Dinner tickets may be obtained by contacting Nina Carullo 718-728-1256 or Winnie Burke 718-726-8116. Tickets should be paid in cash or check payable to Our Lady of Mount Carmel in the amount of \$60 per person. Reservations for the dinner must be made by May 28<sup>th</sup>.

Please provide the following information:

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

How many tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ Table (10) \_\_\_\_\_

MASSES



St. Margaret Mary  
SUNDAY, May 16th, 2010  
(Seventh Sunday of Easter)

10:00am Manuel Ayavaca  
11:30 am Rev. James Mueller

MEMORIAL MASSES FOR FR MUELLER  
Both the 10 AM Spanish and 11:30 AM English masses at St Margaret Mary on Sunday June 6 will be offered for the repose of the soul of the former pastor, the Rev. James J. Mueller, who died on March 31. All are welcome to attend.

**The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Margaret Mary Chapel will be burning during the month of May in loving memory of Mr. Neil Mulraney. Donated by his son Anthony and family.**

**EVENTS FOR THE WEEK of**  
**MAY 16<sup>th</sup> - MAY 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**ST. MARGARET MARY**

**SUNDAY, MAY 16<sup>th</sup>**

11 a.m. Spanish Faith Sharing Group – (Room A)  
6 – 9 p.m. “Peregrinos de Cristo Jesús” -  
(Hall & Chapel)

**MONDAY, MAY 17<sup>th</sup>**

5 – 8 p.m. Religious Education Classes – (Hall)

**TUESDAY, MAY 18<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. RUMMAGE SALE – (Hall)

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 19<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. RUMMAGE SALE – (Hall)  
7:30 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group – (Chapel)

**THURSDAY, MAY 20<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. RUMMAGE SALE – (Hall)  
7:30p.m. N.A. Step by Step Meeting – (Hall)

**NEXT SUNDAY – MAY 23<sup>rd</sup>**

11 a.m. Spanish Faith Sharing Group – (Room A)  
6 – 9 p.m. “Peregrinos de Cristo Jesús”  
(Hall & Chapel)

**St. Margaret Mary Food Pantry News:**

In the month of **April 2010** a total of 1,673 people were served. This number included; 703 Children, 679 Adults and 291 Seniors.

**A total of 381 families served.**

For an appointment to our food pantry, please call (718) 721-9020

**FOOD STAMP SCREENING**

available at St. Margaret Mary Office, 9-18 27<sup>th</sup> Ave, Astoria, NY 11102.

Call for an appointment (718) 721-9020.

Walk-ins are welcome. Office hours 9 to 11 a.m.

INCOME TAX PREPARATION AT:  
**St. Margaret Mary 9-18 27 Ave. Astoria, NY 11102**  
**Federal and NY State Forms (\$75)**

*You may be eligible for earned income tax credit*  
**OBTAIN TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS**  
**(APPLICATIONS \$20)**

**Call Denise for more info: (718) 721-9020**

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**IMPUESTOS (INCOME TAX)**  
**SE PREPARAN AQUÍ:**

**Santa Margarita María 9-18 27 Ave. Astoria, NY**  
**11102**

**Formulario Federal y Estatal de NY (\$75)**  
*Usted hasta pueda calificar para el crédito de los impuestos de salario*

**Obtenga su número de identificación de impuestos**

**(Aplicaciones \$20)**

**Llame a Denise para más información al: (718)**  
**721-9020**

**St. Margaret Mary Chapel**  
*9-18 27 Ave, Astoria, NY 11102*

**BLOOD DRIVE**

**Wednesday June 2, 2010**

**2:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

Please Call (718) 721-9020 for an appointment

**We all need your help!**

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*Done Sangre el 2 de Junio, 2010*  
*en la Parroquia de Santa Margarita María*  
*9-18 27 Ave, Astoria, NY 11102*

*De 2:00 p.m. a las 7:30 p.m.*

*Por favor llame para una cita al*  
*(718) 721-9020*

*¡Todos necesitamos de su ayuda!*

**RUMMAGE SALE AT**  
**ST. MARGARET MARY CHURCH**  
**9-18 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Astoria, NY 11102**  
**(718) 721-9020**

**Tuesday, MAY 18<sup>th</sup>,**  
**Wednesday, MAY 19<sup>th</sup> &**  
**Thursday, MAY 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
*(doors will open @ 9:00 a.m.)*

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**VENTA EN LA IGLESIA**  
**SANTA MARGARITA MARIA**  
**9-18 27 Avenue, Astoria, NY 11102**  
**(718) 721-9020**

*Martes, MAYO 18,*  
*Miércoles, MAYO 19 y*  
*Jueves, MAYO 20, 2010*  
*(las puertas se abrirán a las 9:00 a.m.)*

## WEEKLY EVENTS

### Sunday, May 16th:

- **8:30am-10:00am-Spanish RCIA-Year 2-Fatima Room**
- **10:30am-12:30pm-Cursillo - Guadalupe Room**
- **11:30am-12:30pm—Czech Community—Lourdes Room**
- **3:00pm-5:30pm-HS Confirmation RCIA (Year 2)—Fatima Room**
- **3:00pm-9:00pm-Catholic Fellowship-Main Floor**
- **3:00pm-7:00pm-Philipino Community Group-Gym**

### Monday, May 17th:

- **8:00am-5:00pm-School**
- **3:30pm-5:00pm-Religious Education**
- **7:30pm-9:00pm—Choir Practice-Lower Church**

### Tuesday, May 18th:

- **8:00am-5:00pm—School**
- **5:00 pm-10:00pm CYO**
- **7:00pm -9:00pm-Spanish Pre-Cana—Guadalupe Room**

### Wednesday, May 19th:

- **8:00am-5:00pm-School**
- **4:00pm-7:00pm-Religious Education-Fatima and Lourdes A & B**
- **7:30pm—Spanish Choir Practice— Lower Church**

### Thursday, May 20th:

- **8:00am-1:00pm School**
- **1:00pm-4:00pm-Diamond Seniors-Guadalupe Room**
- **5:00 pm-10:00pm CYO**
- **7:30PM-9:00PM-Confirmation Class-Lourdes Room**
- **8:00pm-10:00pm-Spanish Guitar—Fatima Room**

### Friday, May 21st:

- **8:00am-3:30pm School**
- **3:30 pm-7:00pm CYO**
- **7:00pm-10:00pm Jornada Spanish Youth Group Guadalupe Room**

### Saturday, May 22nd:

- **9:00am-12:00pm—AA Group—Guadalupe Room**
- **10:00am-12:00pm-Adult Faith Sharing-Lourdes Room**
- **3:00pm-6:00pm-Spanish Adult Catechism (Year1) - Fatima Room**
- **6:00pm-8:00pm-Spanish Literacy—Lourdes A**

## NEW USHERS

Father Joe is in the process of recruiting and preparing new ushers at all our masses. Please give his request serious consideration, or see him if you are interested.

## MOUNT CARMEL SCHOOL ALUMNI REUNION

Saturday, June 12th, Parish Center  
Mass at 2:00pm  
Reception from 3:00pm-6:00pm  
\$40.00 per person; \$70.00 per couple  
In Memory of Donald Pitti, '43  
(former Chairman of the Alumni Committee)  
Please RSVP to the Rectory  
(718) 278-1834 by May 24th

## FILIPINO COMMITTEE:

Monsignor Ogle is interested in forming a Filipino Committee in the parish. Anyone interested in being part of this may speak with him this week.

## SEWING CLASS FASHION SHOW

There will be a Fashion Show in the Parish Center, run by the Fashion 101 Class on June 6th, 2010 at 6:00 pm. Tickets can be bought at the door.

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL NEWS

Our sincere thanks for your continued generosity during the 2010 Annual Catholic Appeal. As of May 4th, we have 195 pledges totaling \$46,425 toward our goal of \$55,455. Over \$32,000 has been collected. Thanks to all who have pledged. If you have not made a pledge, please consider doing so.

## SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection this weekend, for Communications. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you and may God Bless You.

## CARMEL DIAMOND SENIORS

The Carmel Diamond Seniors will be having their end of the year Dinner at Ricardo's on June 10th, 2010 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. The cost is \$35.00 per person. You can leave your name and money at the Rectory. Come join us for a truly enjoyable afternoon. Of course, friends are always welcome!

## ST. JOHN'S PREPARATORY SCHOOL

In September, St. John's Prep will be offering a8 review classes for the 2010 TACHS exam that will be given on November 13th, 2010. The cost is \$245.00, which includes the workbook. A \$100.00 deposit is due by June 18th. The program begins on September 18th. If you are interested, please call St. John's Prep at (718) 721-7200.

## ASTORIA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

On May 23 after the 11:15 English and 12:30 Spanish Masses, we will have our annual presentation about Catholic Schools in our neighborhood, including information about applying for tuition assistance. If you have school aged children and are interested in Catholic schooling for them, please join us after Mass on those days.

## ESCUELAS CATOLICAS DE ASTORIA

El 23 de mayo después de las Misas 11:15 en inglés y las 12:30 en español, tendremos nuestra presentación anual sobre las escuelas católicas en nuestro vecindario, incluyendo información sobre cómo solicitar ayuda de matrícula. Si usted tiene hijos en edad escolar y están interesados en la educación católica para ellos, por favor, únase a nosotros después de la Misa en esos días.

**St. Joseph School**  
43-19 30th Avenue  
LIC, NY 11103  
Phone: (718) 728-0724

**Immaculate Conception**  
21-63 29th Street  
Astoria, NY 11105  
Phone: (718) 728-1969

**Most Precious Blood**  
32-52 37th Street  
LIC, NY 11106  
Phone: (718) 278-4081

**St. Francis of Assisi**  
21-18 46th Street  
Astoria, NY 11105  
Phone: (718) 726-9405

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/CATECISMO

Holy Communion will take place on May 29th, 2010. Young children's classes will make their Communion at 10:30 am.

Older children from Joann Gomez, Winnie Burke and Elaine Rodriguez's classes will make their Communion at 1:30 pm.

Sacramento de la Sagrada Comunión, 29 de Mayo, 2010. Niños pequeños en la clase de Santa Mararita Winnie Burke y de Gina Caridi de Monte Carmelo a las 10:30 am.

Ms. Joann Gomez/Gotay, Ms. Winnie Burke, Elaine Rodriguez a las 1:30 pm de la tarde.

## MSGR. MC CLANCY HIGH SCHOOL

Msgr. McClancy is now accepting applications for their summer basketball and baseball camps. The baseball camp, for boys ages 6-15 runs for two weeks, July 5th-9th and July 12th-16th; basketball for boys ages 7-15 runs for one week, August 2nd-6th. For more information, please call the school at (718) 898-3800, ext. 18.

## BIBLE STUDIES

Spring Series has begun at OLMC. We will begin the spring season with an eight-part "Quick Journey Through The Bible", a DVD Bible Time by Jeff Cavins. The study is designed to give the student a brief overview of salvation history from Genesis through the resurrection of Christ and the establishment of the Catholic Church. The upcoming meetings will be on May 15, and 22. Sessions will be from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon in the Parish Center Basement, Lourdes B Room. Anyone interested, please leave your name and phone number to Monsignor Ogle or contact James via cell (917) 309-0751 or email jbrians96@gmail.com. This series will be repeated on Tuesday evenings starting May 25th at 7:30pm.

## "VIDEO YEARBOOK"

Part of our strategic planning process the creation of a sort of "video yearbook", which parishioner and professional videographer Eduardo Rivera has offered to create for us. As part of that effort, Eduardo will be visiting as many of the regular meetings of various groups in the parish and filming a few minutes of their gathering as a way of showing the vitality of our parish. Please welcome him when he visits your group.

## "ANUARIO VIDEO"

Parte de nuestro proceso de planificación estratégica consiste en la creación de una especie de "anuario de vídeo", que feligrés y profesional camarógrafo Eduardo Rivera ha ofrecido a crear para nosotros. Como parte de ese esfuerzo, Eduardo va a visitar ya que muchas de las reuniones periódicas de distintos grupos en la parroquia y la filmación de unos minutos de su reunión como una manera de mostrar la vitalidad de nuestra parroquia. Por favor, darle la bienvenida cuando visite a su grupo.

## ITALIAN COMMUNITY

On Wednesday, May 26 we will conduct the "Ora di Guardia" in the Italian language after the noon mass, including the rosary, exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are invited. We hope to conduct this devotion also on a day in October.

## COMMUNITA ITALIANA

Nel Mercoledì 26 maggio, abbiamo "L'Ora di Guardia" nel idioma italiano che include Il SAnTo Rosario Perpetuo, Exposizione e Benedizione del SAnTissimo dopo la Santa messa di mezzogiorno. Tutti siete invitati. Speriamo di fare "L'Ora di Guardia" oppure il mese di ottobre.

## JORNADA YOUTH

The Jornada Youth Group will have a food sale after the Spanish Mass on May 30th, 2010 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

## Free IT Training; Ages 18-24

Free IT Training for 18-24 year olds who live in the **DC, MD, or VA, Providence, Boston, New York City, Atlanta, San Francisco Bay Area.**

If you know any one with a high school diploma or a GED who are between the ages of 18-24 yrs old and have an interest in IT. Refer them to this site <http://www.yearup.org> to learn more about this free program. This program asks for a 1 year commitment between the hours of 8:30 am and 5:00 pm. They provide the student with a stipend and after six months, internships at companies such as Freddie Mac and AOL to name a few. Check out the website. [www.yearup.org](http://www.yearup.org)

About Year Up. Year Up is a one-year, intensive training program that provides urban young adults 18-24, with a unique combination of technical and professional skills, college credits, an educational stipend and corporate apprenticeship.

Our success is our graduates -- enabling them to move on to full-time employment and higher education. Year Up is about providing opportunities for urban young adults to demonstrate their true potential.

We have achieved excellent results to date:

- 100% placement of qualified students into apprenticeships.
- 83% student retention
- 90% of apprentices meet or exceed apprenticeship partner expectations
- 87% of graduates placed in full or part-time positions within 4 months of graduation
- \$15/hr average wage at placement

## PARISH SURVEY

This month's envelope packet will include a brief "Parish Survey" card. This information will help us to know better the needs of our parishioners, to plan better to meet those needs, and to communicate better with you. Please return this card at your earliest convenience. Parishioners not receiving envelopes can pick up a card at the church doors and return it to the rectory or in the collection basket. Thanks for your cooperation.

### "Encuesta Parroquial"

Este mes se incluirá un paquete de sobres con una tarjeta de "Encuesta Parroquial". Esta información nos ayudará a conocer mejor las necesidades de nuestros feligreses, para planificar mejor para satisfacer esas necesidades, y para comunicarnos mejor y para satisfacer esas necesidades para comunicarnos mejor con usted. Por favor devuelva esta tarjeta lo mas pronto posible. Los feligreses que no reciben sobres pueden recoger una tarjeta en la puerta de la iglesia y devolverlo a la rectoría o en la canasta de la colecta. Gracias por su colaboración.

## PENTECOST

Please pray for the following RCIA Candidates with who be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, May 22nd, 2010:

Gabriela Alvarado  
Pablo Alvarado  
Izel Baez  
Henry Cepeda  
Julieme Cepeda  
Francisco Correa  
Jeanine Endrino  
Cindy Gonzalez  
Carmen Ramona-Gonzales  
Willie Gonzalez  
Alexis Huerta

Fabian Ilera  
Vanessa Jones  
Nicholas Pecora  
Jesse Charles Pecora  
Stephanie Riveria  
Evelyn Sosa  
Shari Toribio  
Richard Vega  
Vivian Vega  
Rocio Valenzuela  
Jennifer Zuniga

### *Christ Jesus, Our Hope, A Diocesan Strategic Plan for Renewal : A Brief Overview of Demographics*

- The City of New York is expected to grow by almost a million people between 2000 and 2030.
  - Brooklyn and Queens will experience much of this growth. Queens alone is expected to increase by half a million people.
  - The cause of this growth includes natural growth by births, but also through immigration of individuals from two sources - immigrants from other countries and "in-migrants"-- individuals moving to New York from the 50 states.
  - A further examination of where new immigrants are coming from will assist the Diocese in providing resources for those who may be Catholic. At the same time, many immigrants are coming from non-Christian countries and come with their own religious traditions.
  - From 1980-2008 the number of people living in Brooklyn and Queens who were born in another country increased by a million people.
  - At the same time the number of people living in the two boroughs who were born in the United States decreased by 200,000.
  - From a Catholic perspective, the addition of these new immigrants creates a unique challenge. First generation immigrants have a need for unique services that assist them in acclimating to their new country while retaining their linguistic and cultural heritage.
  - As the Diocese plans for the future, this significant and steady increase must be considered fully. The total increase in population seems to indicate that this trend will continue. The Church must find ways to serve these new comers.
- At the same time, the majority of the population is native born and remains stable as well. The Diocese must also consider how best to serve all people.

*As Christ Jesus, Our Hope, the Diocesan Strategic Planning Process, goes forward, parish and diocesan leaders will be asked to consider the future of parish life in Brooklyn and Queens.*

For a full report, please visit the website at [www. \*\*ChristJesusOurHope.org\*\*](http://www.ChristJesusOurHope.org).