

# Our Lady of the Rosary Roman Catholic Church

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# July 15, 2023 Blessed Virgin Mary Saturday



#### **Mass Intention**

Michael Hilliard (Dan and Christy Hilliard)

Father is current accepting Mass intentions. Customary offering is \$25 per Mass.

# Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

What the fruits of wisdom are, St. Paul points out in the Epistle: "What fruit had you therefore in those things, of which you are now ashamed?... For the end of them is death. But now being become servants to God, you have your fruit unto sanctification and the end life everlasting." In the Gospel our Lord tells us: "By their fruits you shall know them.... Every good tree bringeth forth good fruit and the evil tree bringeth forth evil fruit." And He adds, "Not every one that saith to me Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of Heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father who is in Heaven." In commenting on today's Introit St. Augustine remarks: "Hand and tongue must agree together; let the one glorify God and the other act accordingly." True wisdom does not consist only in hearing God's words but in fulfilling them; not only in praying to Him, but in showing Him by our actions that we love Him. "The Gospel," says St. Hillary, "warns us that pleasing words and kindly airs are to be appraised according to the fruit of a man's works, and that a man is to be judged, not only as he paints himself in words but as he shows himself in deeds, since often the sheeps' clothing serves to hide the fierceness of the wolf." Therefore, it is by our mode of life that we must merit eternal happiness, desiring what is good, avoiding evil and obeying the heavenly precepts with our whole heart, so that through the fulfillment of such duties we may be acknowledged by God.

# **Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

According to a pious tradition authorized by the liturgy, on the day of Pentecost a number of men who walked in the footsteps of the holy prophets Elias and Eliseus and whom John the Baptist had prepared for the advent of Jesus, embraced the Christian faith and erected the first church to the Blessed Virgin on Mount Carmel, at the very spot where Elias had seen a cloud arise, a figure of the fecundity of the Mother of God. They were called Brethren of Blessed Mary of Mount Carmel. These religious came to Europe in the thirteenth century and in 1245 Innocent IV gave his approbation to their rule under the generalship of Simon Stock, an English saint. On July 16, 1251, Mary appeared to this fervent servant and placed in his hands the habit which was to be their distinctive sign. Innocent IV blessed this habit and attached to it many privileges, not only for the members of the Order, but also for those who entered the Confraternity of our Lady of Mount Carmel. By wearing the scapular, which is in smaller form than that of the Carmela Fathers, they participate in all their merits and may hope to obtain through the Virgin a prompt delivery from purgatory, if they have faithfully observed abstinence, charity according to their state, and said the prayers prescribed by John XXII in the Sabbatine bull, published on March 3, 1322.

## Spiritual Life

"O my God, I fear only my fear; it could make me abandon Thee. O my God, I fear only my fear; it could make me lose courage before the end. O my God, do not forget me in Thy Glory, but give me Thy Love and the strength to give my life for Thee. Amen.

If you learn everything except Christ, you learn nothing. If you learn nothing except

Christ, you learn everything. - St. Bonaventure

May Christ be heard in our language, may Christ be seen in our life, may He be perceived in our hearts. - St. Peter Damian

#### **Announcements**

Please join us for the Rosary. Sundays at 9 AM on Discord.

https://discord.gg/K42TYCr

If you are not receiving the mission newsletter, please contact Christy Hilliard, <a href="mailto:cahilliard7@gmail.com">cahilliard7@gmail.com</a>.

#### **Prayer List**

Please remember the following intentions:

Sharon Rose, Donna Perry, Michael Spann, Kathleen Weidner, Dennis Smith, Theresa Fishman, Father Trough, Success of the Mission

## **Upcoming**

July 29: Mass, 10 AM August 12: Mass, 10 AM

August 15: Assumption BVM (Holy

Day)

August 26: Mass, 10 AM

# **Collections**

Last Mass: \$347 Year-to-date: \$11,548

#### Dress Code

Welcome! Out of respect for the True Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and for the edification of our neighbor, we kindly request that all who come to our parish observe the basic traditional Catholic standards of dress for church attendance:

-Women and girls must cover their heads.
-Women and girls must wear dresses or skirts that cover the knee completely when standing or sitting. Slacks, shorts, sleeveless, tight or low-cut clothing, and dresses or skirts with long slits above the knees are not permitted.

-It is recommended for men and boys to wear suit coats and ties for Sunday Mass. Jeans and other casual attire are inappropriate for attendance at church.