



MONDAY JANUARY 30

7:00AM Dorothy King by Daughters of Isabella
Hope Circle #70
Nicoletta Ruggiero, 1st Anniv. by Family

TUESDAY JANUARY 31 – St. John Bosco

7:00AM Peter Grimo, Birthday Remembrance,
by Wife & Children
DiCianni, Goodman & Sansone Families
by Family

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 1

7:00AM Samuel & Jennie Fanara by Bequest
Caroline & Louise Maturi by Estate

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 2 - Presentation of the Lord

7:00AM Mass
5:30PM Joseph & Anna Russo & Deceased Mbrs.
of Russo Family by Family
Virginia Parella, Anniversary, by Sister,
Jennie

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 3 – Sts. Blaise

7:00AM Mass
9:00AM Deceased Mbrs. of Vittoria Family by
John Vittoria
Josephine Gaffney by Sisters of Our Lady
of Mount Carmel Convent

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 4

9:00AM Purgatorial Society
Deceased Mbrs. of Domenic Cappuci Family
by Family
5:00PM Joseph Brown, 10th Anniversary, by Wife
& Children
Tindaro & Mary Maiorano by Daughters
Frances & Anne

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 5

7:30AM Mass
9:00AM Thomas Malone by Family
10:30AM Joseph & Lillian Baron by
Adam & Priscilla



January 30 – February 5

OUR LADY OF GRACE STATUE CANDLES

Deceased Members of Mariano Pasqua Family
by Filomena Larkin

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd is the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. Traditionally known as CANDLEMAS DAY, candles are blessed on that day as a sign that Christ is the light of the nations. Candles will be blest and distributed at the 7:00AM and the 5:30PM Mass.

THE FEAST OF ST. BLAISE is Friday February 3rd. St. Blaise was a Bishop and Martyr in the early Church and a miraculous cure of a child choking was accomplished by him. Throats are blest on that day. The Blessing of the Throats will take place at the 7:00AM and 9:00AM Mass that day.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION SOCIETY

MASS will be celebrated on Thursday, February 3, at 5:30PM. The petition for the month of February is for the sick, handicapped, lonely and elderly of our parishes. The flowers have been donated by Joyce Bryant in memory of Jesse Medeiros and David Alves; Fran and Bea in memory of Fred Cavallaro; Mary Carol Bryant and Dorothy King in memory of Harold Bryant and Alice Bryant.

BUDGET SUMMARY: JANUARY

Week of January 1 - \$5,299.22
Debt Reduction - \$1,928.00
New Year's Collection - \$2,093.22
Week of January 8 - \$6,470.69
Week of January 15 - \$5,645.89
Week of January 22 - \$5,771.67
School Collection - \$1233.00

COME, VISIT WITH HIM!

SCHOOL NEWS**Catholic Schools:****“Character, Compassion, Values”****Catholic Schools Week****January 29th - February 3rd**

We have fun activities planned all week long, ending with First Friday Mass at 9:00 AM on the 3rd. We will celebrate with a Crazy Hat Day, an orchestral assembly on “Diversity” and fun special interest classes that the kids get to choose! In addition, the following are some of our activities that you may be able to take part in:

School Registration/Open House takes place during Catholic Schools Week, from January 29th to February 3rd. Join us at our OPEN HOUSE on January 29th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

“Our Heroes Day” – at 9:00 AM in the Parish Center, the school children will put on a patriotic assembly featuring songs, readings and ceremonies, followed by coffee and refreshments, to honor our Police Officers, Fire Fighters and Service Men/Women. Please join us in saying “Thank You” to our heroes...and if you are a hero yourself, you are welcomed and encouraged to attend!

Coat Drive – All week, you may drop off new or gently used coats, hats, mittens and gloves, which will be distributed to the needy in our community this winter. Please place your contributions in the bin in the Church foyer by Friday.

Pet Food Drive – Also, we are collecting canned or dry cat and dog food and treat, which will be donated to the Bristol Animal Shelter.

Please stop by and visit our school during this fun week! We hope to see you!

OLMC PICTORIAL DIRECTORY – MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!! You may register “on line”! Please read the enclosed flyer.

ROSARY & ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING
February 9th at 7:00PM in the Parish Center.

ADULT CONFIRMATION: Any Adult who needs to receive any of their sacraments is asked to contact the rectory at 253-9449. A class of preparation will soon form.

DEAR PARISHIONERS

The end of January always brings to us the celebration of Catholic Schools Week throughout the United States. Catholic Schools are indeed a blessing for a parish, for a community, indeed for the whole country. Not only do Catholic Schools provide a solid education with a Catholic foundation, they have been consistently providing leaders for towns, cities, and states and likewise providing the best and brightest to all walks of life. At more than half the per pupil cost of the public school system, Catholic Schools provide the country with tremendous tax relief as well!!

We are so fortunate to have, what I think, and what many of you know to be, the best Catholic School in the Diocese of Providence. With the leadership of the Maestre Pie Filippini for more than 50 years, a dedicated teaching staff, aides, and administrators, and support from the parish at large, our school has provided a solid education built upon the rock of our Catholic Faith.

What is even more important, now with our phasing in of a Tuition Aid Program, a Catholic education here at Mount Carmel can be available to any parishioner, regardless of their financial means. Instead of a subsidy given to the school, tuition is moving towards the exact per pupil cost, and families apply through a financial aid tool to determine how much aid they can receive. Many families this year found that the cost of tuition for them went down even though the tuition itself went up. This current year we have 238 students and we are anticipating an enrollment of 268 for next year. We are adding a 3 year old pre-K program and will now offer 4 languages Latin, Italian, Spanish, and Portuguese. In our pursuit of more space, a room in the Convent is being fixed to accommodate our arts program and our School Board and Finance Council are exploring other ways to make room for our expanding school population.

The instruction of the Catholic faith and the foundation in Christian values is paramount in our school, so it is marvelous that we have 3 religious sisters and 2 priests actively involved in the school. No other Catholic School in the Diocese has this.

The best Catholic School in the Diocese?? I think so! Come and see! Open house is this Sunday 10-2PM and you are most welcome throughout the week. Indeed, “our Spirit will move you!!”

FR. ZINNO