

Church of Saint Rita

281 Bradley Avenue - Staten Island, NY 10314

SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2017

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

On Sunday, July 16th, we will celebrate the Feast Lady of Mount Carmel at a sung Mass at 12:30pm. After the Mass, we will have a procession with a statue of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and two Italian festival bands. At the conclusion of the procession, refreshments will be served in the school auditorium.

We invite our young children, boys and girls up to age seven, to dress as angels, to carry flowers to the Blessed Mother during the Offertory Procession, and to accompany the statue of Our Lady of Mount Carmel during the procession following the 12:30pm Mass. This will add to the festivities of our procession and honor Our Lady in a special way.



If you are interested in helping us defray the cost of this celebration, donations are greatly appreciated. Any offering you make will go towards the celebration honoring Our Lady of Mount Carmel!

A special thank you to those who have already contributed to the feast. We are grateful for your generosity.

- Fr. Eugene

Welcome to St. Rita's Parish Community

Please introduce yourself and register at the parish office. We welcome new parishioners to participate in the spiritual and social life of our church.



Church Website: www.stritachurch.net **School Website:** www.stritaschoolsi.org

SERVED BY

Rev. Eugene J. Carrella, Pastor
Rev. Abraham Berko, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Stephen Challman, In Residence

PARISH OFFICES

61 Wellbrook Avenue ~ Phone: 718-698-3746
Hours: Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm
Ms. Mary Grace Liss, Parish Manager
Mrs. Deborah Williams, Music Director

ST. RITA SCHOOL—S. I. REGION

30 Wellbrook Avenue ~ Phone: 718-761-2504
Mrs. Nicole C. Fresca, Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Phone: 718-982-6948
Mrs. Mary Gillespie, Coordinator

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm, and 6:00pm

Monday to Friday: 7:00am and 9:00am

Saturday: 9:00am

Holy Days: Please refer to the bulletin or website

CONFESSIONS

Saturday from 3:00pm to 3:45pm,
First Sunday of the month after the morning Masses
and by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Second & Fourth Sundays after the 12:30pm Mass.
Baptism class for the parents is held on the
Second Saturday of the month at 5:00pm by appt.

SICK CALLS

Please call the Parish Office to arrange Communion
Calls and Hospital Visits.

MARRIAGES

Must be arranged six months in advance.
Couples must see a priest to secure a date.

OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH NOVENA

First Saturday of the month after the 4:00pm Mass,
reception following in Church Hall.

SAINT RITA NOVENA

Tuesdays after the 7:00am and 9:00am Masses

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Thursdays after the 7:00am and 9:00am Masses

Groups not meeting in Summer, resume in Fall

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Tuesdays 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

ADULT CHOIR

Adults sing every Sunday at the 10:30am Mass.
Rehearsal Wednesdays at 7:30pm in Church Hall.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children sing every Sunday at the 8:30am Mass.
Rehearsal Wednesdays at 5:15pm in Church Hall.

LORD'S FLOCK

First Friday Mass at 8:00pm in the Chapel.
Third Friday Prayer Meeting at 8:00pm in Chapel.

ST. RITA'S LADIES GUILD

First Tuesday of the month at the 9:00am Mass,
meeting following in the Parish Center.

ST. RITA'S ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

First Monday at 7:30pm in the School Café.

stritasports@gmail.com

ST. RITA'S BOY SCOUTS

Fridays at 7:30pm in the Parish Center.

ST. RITA'S GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Thursdays at 12:00 noon in the Church Hall.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, JULY 8

4:00 Doris Delaney

SUNDAY, JULY 9

8:30 Emma Pospischil & Pospischil Family

10:30 Leonard Charles & Gina Marie Carriero

12:30 Vincent Toa & Maria Quan Nguyen

6:00 John Petito, Sr.

MONDAY, JULY 10

7:00 Albert Bonoan

9:00 Anne Winslow

TUESDAY, JULY 11

7:00 Lina Quan Llacer

9:00 Robert P. Patterson, Jr.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

7:00 Dolly Motchan

9:00 Frank LaForgia

THURSDAY, JULY 13

7:00 Josephine DeLuca

9:00 Rodger Loughlin, Sr.

FRIDAY, JULY 14

7:00 Erik Worobey (Living)

9:00 Josephine Srsic

SATURDAY, JULY 15

9:00 Verne Bruzzese

4:00 Joy Musumarra

SUNDAY, JULY 16

8:30 Clement Siclare

10:30 Camille & Paul Lemma (Living)

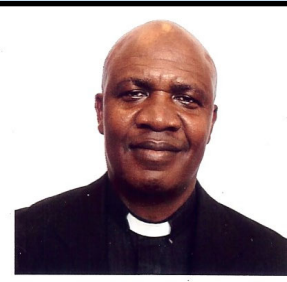
12:30 In Honor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

6:00 Reynaldo Cacaos

Tree of Life Call the Parish Office

WELCOME FATHER ABRAHAM BERKO

St. Rita's parish welcomes Fr. Abraham Berko as its new parochial vicar. Fr. Berko was ordained in his native Ghana in December 1998. In July 2003, he came to the United States and was assigned to Immaculate Conception Church in Amenia, New York (Dutchess County). In February 2007, Fr. Berko was assigned to Christ the King Church in the Bronx. In November 2013, he was assigned to St. Adalbert Church here on Staten Island. In April 2015, he was incardinated into the Archdiocese of New York. During this time, St. Adalbert merged with St. Roch and Fr. Berko became the parish's temporary administrator. He served at St. Adalbert parish for nearly four years. He was asked to come to St. Rita's parish when Fr. Anthony Gonzales was sent to serve in the Diocese of Brooklyn. Fr. Abraham Berko is a quiet, gentle and humble priest who I'm certain will serve the Parish of St. Rita well. We will welcome him on August 7th as he begins his ministry at St. Rita's Parish.



-Fr. Eugene

PLEASE NOTE

- *Kindly silence your cell phones and electronic devices while in Church. Your cooperation in this regard will be greatly appreciated.*
- *Now that summer is here, we should be mindful of our attire for Church and show our respect for the Lord's House. Our Church is air-conditioned, so when attending Mass, please dress appropriately.*
- *Before you leave the church, please place the missals back neatly in the racks. Please dispose of any garbage (tissues, papers, etc.) . Thank you for your cooperation.*

Religious Education

REGISTRATION GRADES 1 through 8 September 2017-June 2018

For information regarding our CCD Program or to register for classes for new and current students, please call Mrs. Mary Gillespie, CCD Coordinator. She can be reached at 718-982-6948, Monday through Thursday from 9am to 12 noon.

Classes for students in grades 1 through 5 meet on Wednesdays from 3:30pm to 5:00pm. Students in grades 6, 7 and 8 meet on Wednesdays from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

WANTED!

The St. Rita's Athletic Association (SRAA) is in need of a **Basketball Director** beginning in the Fall.

SRAA also has three vacancies beginning in September 2017 on the Board of Directors. The SRAA Board of Directors serves as the governing body for all of the athletic programs administered for the Parish.

If you are interested in serving a two year term as the **1st Vice President, Recording Secretary or Treasurer**, email Anthony Iraci at stritasports@gmail.com.



ALTAR BREAD

Week of July 10-16, 2017

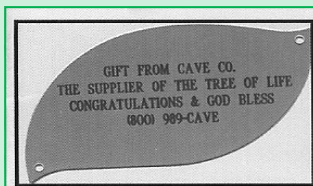
**In Loving Memory of Richard Hansen
Donated by Lorraine & Tom Ferramosca**

TREE OF LIFE

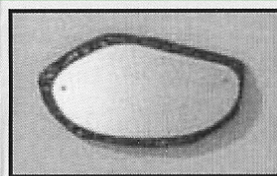
Several parishioners have requested to purchase a leaf on the *Tree of Life*. Since the tree we have was completed, we installed a second tree that was placed on the wall on the right side of the church. We invite you to participate in our *Tree of Life* by donating a leaf or stone to be engraved with your special message of remembrance of a loved one, dedicated to a family, or congratulations for a special occasion.



You can choose:



Leaf
\$1,000.00



Foundation Stone
\$5,000.00

Please complete the form below exactly as you want the leaf to be engraved. You may choose up to twenty letters and spaces on each leaf line and up to four lines. Please print and add dates and spaces wherever necessary. For the Foundation Stone engraving, call the parish office. Please make check payable to *Church of St. Rita*.

TREE OF LIFE Please Print

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA, OUR LADY'S BLUE ARMY SHRINE

Thursday, July 13, 2017

674 Mountain View Road East, Asbury, NJ 08802.

Experience the 150 acre scenic beauty and serenity of our outdoor Shrine.

Celebrate the Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima.

- ♦ 10:30am Confessions
- ♦ 12:00pm Outdoor Rosary Procession
- ♦ 12:30 pm Speaker: **Rev. Andrew Apostoli C.F.R.**
- ♦ 1:00pm Holy Mass Celebrant: **Most Rev. Joseph Perry**
- ♦ 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Visit the Holy House USA containing the largest piece of tree upon which Our Lady stood, altar from Tuy, stone from Loreto. Visit the Angel Tabernacle carved according to the description of the Angel of Portugal by the Fatima seers.

For information: www.bluearmy.com, [908-689-1700](tel:908-689-1700)

A Jubilee Year Plenary Indulgence has been granted to this Shrine.



A HUMBLE KING

Like a tonal center in music, the note to which we keep returning in today's readings is humility. We wait in joyful expectation for the coming of our Lord as King. But what we are told to expect and rejoice over is a meek and humble king, riding on an ass. Not horses or chariots of the great and mighty, but a humble beast carries the Ruler whose dominion stretches "from the River to the ends of the earth" (Zechariah 9:10). This King comes to banish the tools of the warrior and bring peace. No wonder that a weary world rejoices and gives thanks to God!

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