

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish-Shrine

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 3rd, 2017



The Italian National Parish of the Archdiocese of Chicago
Served by The Missionaries of Saint Charles – Scalabrinians

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Office Hours

Sunday

-8:00am—3:00pm

Tuesday- Friday

-8:30am—8:30pm

Saturday

-8:30am — 1:00pm
-2:00pm—5:30pm

Monday

- We're Closed

Sunday Mass Schedule

5:30pm - Sat. Vigil Mass
7:45am - English
9:00am - Español
10:30am - Italiano
12:00pm - English
1:30pm - Español
5:00pm - Español

Weekly Mass Schedule

English

-Monday - Saturday at 7:30am

Español

-Martes y Jueves a las 6:30pm

Italiano

-Sotto richiesta

THE SCALABRINIAN MISSIONARIES
AT MOUNT CARMEL SINCE 1905



Our Lady of Mt Carmel, is served
by the Congregation of the Missionaries of
St. Charles – Scalabrinians – .

We are an community of Catholic religious
serving migrants and refugees of different cultures,
religions and ethnicities in 32 countries.

The Congregation was founded in Italy
on November 28, 1887,
by Blessed John Baptist Scalabrin (1839-1905),
bishop of Piacenza (Italy).

Our missionary focus is to be migrants
with the migrants and to be in mission
with people on the move,
with a special priority for the poorest
And neediest migrants.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL —MISSION STATEMENT

We are a faith community bound by the Grace of God the Father
who adopted us all as beloved children through Baptism.

We journey as brothers and sisters
inspired in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, nourished with the Eucharist
and strengthened by the love of the Holy Spirit.

Encouraged in the practice of our Catholic Tradition,
we experience and honor the maternal protection of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
while joyfully celebrating the religious practices of our ancestors in Faith.

Heartened by the zealous ministry of the Missionaries of St. Charles (Scalabrinians),
we strive to create a welcoming space were justice for all and the wellbeing of God's people
become the inspiration in our efforts to build God's Kingdom.

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NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL MONTE CARMEL — VISIÓN

Somos una comunidad de fe vinculada por la Gracia de Dios Padre,
que nos ha adoptado como hijos amados por el Bautismo.

Caminamos como hermanos y hermanas
inspirados en el Evangelio de Jesucristo, nutridos con la Eucaristía
y fortalecidos por el amor del Espíritu Santo.

Alentados en la práctica de nuestra Tradición Católica,
experimentamos y honramos a la protección materna de Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo,
celebrando alegremente las prácticas religiosas de nuestros ancestros en la Fe.
Animados por el celo ministerial de los Misioneros de San Carlos (Scalabrinianos),
nos esforzamos por crear un espacio de bienvenida donde la justicia para todos
y el bienestar del pueblo de Dios nos inspiran en nuestros esfuerzos para construir el Reino de Dios.

Church Services

We encourage all to register
at the Parish-Shrine.

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*Les invitamos a registrarse
en el Santuario Parroquial.*

Support Staff

Business Manager
Alexander Sanchez 708.345.3632

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Activities Coordinator
Miguel Aldana 708.345.3632

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Pablo Cruz 708.345.3632

Sacramental Life

Confessions *Confesiones*

Saturdays—*Sábados*

4:00pm—5:30pm or by appointment/ *o con cita*.

Baptisms *Bautizos*

Come to the parish office. *Pase a la oficina parroquial.*

Weddings *Bodas*

Contact the priest at least six months in advance.

Contactar al sacerdote seis meses antes de la ceremonia

Quinceañera

Contactar a la secretaria cuatro meses antes de la ceremonia.

Presentaciones

Contactar la Secretaría al menos dos semanas antes

Religious Services

Recitation of the Holy Rosary
Mon—Sat at 7:00am

Adoration *Adoración al Stmo. Sacramento*
Wednesdays 6:00pm—8:00pm

Novena & Benediction
Wednesday/Miércoles 7:30pm

Grupo de Oración Carismática
Martes a las 7:00pm

Other Services

Gift Shop Hours *Venta de Artículos Religiosos*
During the regular office hours.
Durante las horas de oficina

Community Center *Centro Comunitario*
Social outreach *Servicios a la comunidad* (708) 345 - 3632

Food Pantry *Despensa de comida*
Wednesdays 4:00pm—6:00pm

Religious Education—*Catecismo*

Saturday - *Sábados* 3:30pm — 6:30pm

Sunday - *Domingos* 10:00am—1:00pm

- Mass Included—*Incluye la Misa*

***For the Month of
SEPTEMBER***

September 11th Mon/Lun

- 7:00pm Memorial Service for 9/11

September 16th Sat/Sab

- CCD Begins/ Catecismo Empieza

September 25th Mon/Lun

- 7:30pm Misa por la Paz

Monday/Lunes

5:30pm Clases de Guitarra

Thursday/Jueves

6:30pm Ballet Folklorico

Tuesdays / Martes

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7:00pm Grupo de Oracion

7:00pm Eng. Choir Practice

Friday/Viernes

7:30pm Practica de Coros

7:00pm Matrimonios con Prop.

7:00pm Jornadas Matrimoniales

7:00pm Boys/Girls Scouts

7:00pm Jovenes para Cristo

Wednesday/ Miércoles

6:30pm Ballet Folklorico

7:00pm Men of Mt. Carmel

7:00pm OLMC Fitness Club

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***Wedding Banns***

- ♥ Jose M. Perez & Ana M. Rivas...3
- ♥ Florentino Soriano Jr. & Mayra Lopez...2
- ♥ Hector A. Ortiz & Cynthia Marrufo...1
- ♥ Mark A. Scarlato & Princesa M. Pozo...1

Weekly Offering

August 26 - August 27, 2017

Regular Sunday Collection: \$5,597.00

From the Pastor's Desk



Labor Day weekend provides people with the opportunity to prolong our rest beyond Sunday and make out of Monday an extraordinary holyday, one where families have the chance to get together and share a meal -traditionally a nice barbecue- while enjoying the clemencies of nice weather. This holiday weekend is also seen as the time to wrap up our summer experience and prepare ourselves for the autumn season. The old established custom of not wearing white after this date, somehow speaks to us of the need to cowl inside our homes and begin to prepare for winter. Summer is officially over!

This weekend also offers those from Melrose Park, the possibility to enjoy the “Taste”, a festival where the diversity of our community is celebrated in a family oriented festival where we can experience the variety of our community and the joy of living together as a neighborhood. As believers in Christ we are called to discover these opportunities as a God given Grace, one where we can relax and celebrate while seeking to build stronger family ties. It is important to profit from the season and go out as a family, to enjoy a nice outdoor meal and have fun together, to strengthen the bond between parents and children, to sit and relax while listening to a live performance as a couple, in other words, to value the importance of being there all together as members of the same family, while enjoying the Festival. Nowadays, little value is given to this type of experiences but those who dare to practice them, know how much good they bring to the family, how much they can bless the home!

Before summer goes, and winter moves us indoors, let us take advantage of the beauty of the season. Let us plan family outings and trips, let us spend time with the family while enjoying the Gift of creation and let us let each other know how important they are for us, how good it is to be together and how blessed we feel because they are part of our lives. For the little ones, these will be the type of memories that will encourage them in the moments of difficulties once they grow up, to the grownups, these will be the type of experiences that make life more bearable, and to all seniors these are the type of graces that make life still a worth living experience for in being together and sharing together and going out together we discover the value of family love.

Adsum,

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish & Shrine 2017 Altar & Rosary Upcoming Events

Bag & Bling

Get ready for a “girls night out” on *Friday, September 22nd from 7:00pm-10:00pm*.
It’s another fun evening of food, drinks, raffles, and shopping.

Tickets \$30
Tickets will be on sale so-on!

3rd Annual Holiday Bazaar

Here’s a chance for you to get a head start on your Christmas shopping.

Sunday, November 12, from 8:30am – 4:00 pm

There will be a variety of vendors so you can find something for everyone on your list.
Come early, stay late. Coffee, doughnuts, snacks and other treats will be available

Admission is Free



Advent Evening of Recollection with Fr. Dan Brandt

On *Thursday, December 7*, (Pearl Harbor Day) Fr. Dan Brandt, Chicago Police Department Chaplin will pay tribute to all our veterans, police, fire, and military personnel as he celebrates mass at 6:00pm.

Dinner and a reflection by Fr. Dan will follow

Tickets are \$15.00

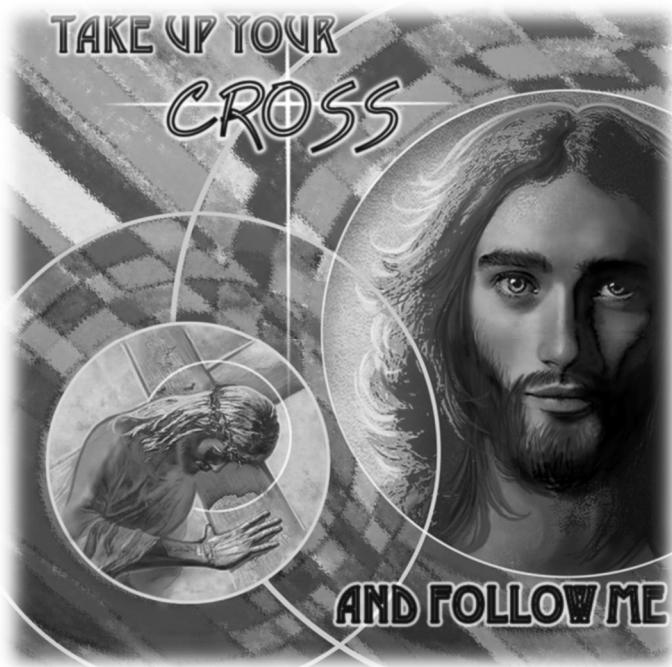


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Be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.

— Romans 12:2

FOLLOWING CHRIST

If you've ever had an unpleasant but somewhat amusing practical joke played on you, then you have some understanding of how Jeremiah feels today when he tells God "good one—you duped me." We can almost see him shaking his head with a bit of a rueful smile, but an angry undertone in his voice. In similar fashion, Peter thinks Jesus is "duping" him when Jesus starts to explain that being Messiah means suffering and dying, and being a follower of the Messiah means taking up a cross and doing the same. Jeremiah tries to deny God's will for him by trying to shut up; Peter—who has just been made the foundation of the church—out and out denies the teaching of Jesus, for which he is named "Satan" today. Fortunately for us, Jeremiah comes to realize that to have the word of God placed in your heart means that it will be futile to try and keep silent, even if it means scorn and derision from those around you. Luckily Peter ultimately returned to the faith he professed in last week's Gospel, and came to understand our need as baptized followers of Christ to follow in his way, even when it means following him to our very death.

Presence Health

Early Head Start program services pregnant women and children from 0 - 32 months.

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Gabriela Santilanes at 708 620-9153



Mensaje del Párroco

Con el fin de semana festivo que estamos celebrando, los habitantes de esta parte del mundo somos llamados a concluir la experiencia veraniega y comenzar a prepararnos para el otoño. La estación que sigue, de manera sutil y casi desapercibida dará paso al frío invierno, cuando nuestra existencia se congela por un momento mientras todo a nuestro derredor parece rendirse ante lo fuerte del hielo y la nieve. El día del trabajo - *Labor Day*- se celebra reuniéndonos como familia y preparando una carne asada; con ello disfrutamos todavía de las clemencias del tiempo mientras nos divertimos juntos.

Aquí en Melrose Park, este fin de semana nos ofrece el Festival de Sabor a Melrose Park como una manera de recrearnos mientras aplaudimos la unidad en la diversidad. El próximo fin de semana tendremos la oportunidad de asistir al “*Hispano Fest*” y allí podremos descubrir la presencia tan fuerte de la comunidad latina que se ha establecido en este lugar y que poco a poco ha ido destacando también en el ámbito comercial y financiero. Pienso que sería bueno aprovechar estos dos festivales y asistir a ellos como familia. Es importante que Padres e Hijos hagan planes para salir juntos, pasar tiempo juntos, comer juntos... la unidad familiar no es algo que se dé automáticamente en el hogar, es algo que debe ser practicado una y otra vez hasta que todos los que viven en casa se convenzan de la importancia de pasar tiempo juntos. Es necesario crear las memorias familiares en el corazón de los pequeños, porque en ellas los hijos y las hijas al crecer se sienten fortalecidos y se descubren amados. El tiempo que los Padres pasan con los hijos, es la mejor inversión que se puede hacer en la vida de los adultos del mañana. Aprovechemos pues de estas oportunidades que tenemos a la mano con los festivales de estos días y a divertirse juntos.

Finalmente, es también importante que como familia se asista a la Iglesia, que, desde pequeños, los hijos y las hijas aprendan la importancia de hacer un alto en la semana para visitar a Dios y celebrar nuestra Fe. Aprovechemos del buen tiempo, hagamos lo posible para organizar salidas en familia, y que su presencia en la Iglesia para Misa Dominical haga parte de su proyecto.

Adsum,

Holy Hill

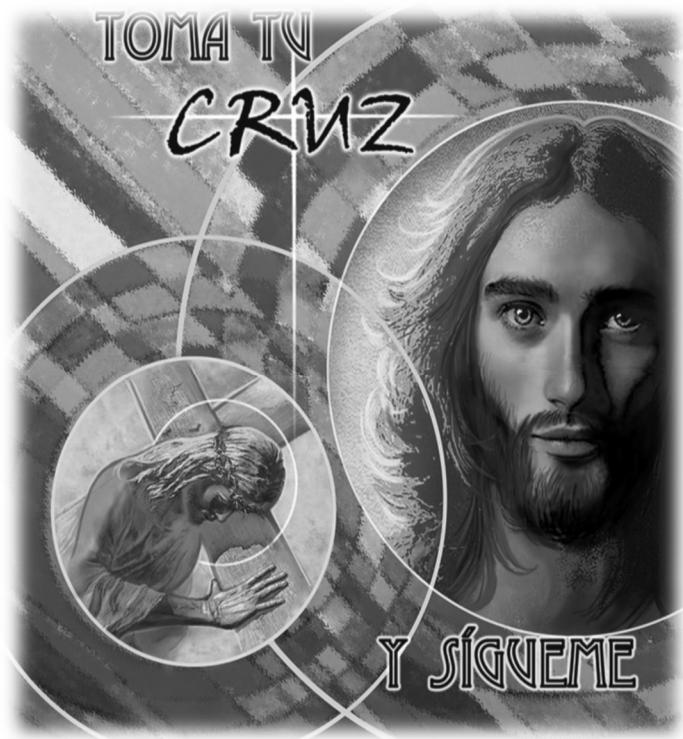
El día 9 de septiembre habrá un paseo a Holy Hill.

El Costo es de 20 dólares por persona. Para más detalles favor de comunicarse a la oficina parroquial.

(708)344-4140

Dejen que una nueva manera de pensar los transforme internamente, para que sepan distinguir cuál es la voluntad de Dios, es decir, lo que es bueno, lo que le agrada, lo perfecto.

— Romanos 12:2



Fortaleciendo Familias

Participe en un programa familiar para las familias del área de Proviso.

Aprenda...

- Disciplina efectiva
- Comunicación Saludable
- como resolver conflictos
- como Controlar el Estrés
- Como mejorar la union Familiar

Como fijar límites Acompáñanos en la primera orientación este próximo jueves 31 de agosto, de 5PM a 7PM.

Llame para registrarse al Teléfono

708-786-8519.

SIGUIENDO A CRISTO

Si alguna vez te jugaron una broma desagradable y algo risible a la vez, entonces comprenderás cómo Jeremías se siente hoy cuando le dice a Dios “me sedujiste, Señor, y me dejé seducir”. Ya lo imaginamos sacudiendo la cabeza con una sonrisa desconsolada, pero con el enojo latente en su voz. De igual manera, Pedro piensa que Jesús lo está “embaucando” cuando éste comienza a explicar que ser el Mesías significa sufrir y morir, y ser seguidor del Mesías significa cargar la cruz y hacer lo mismo. Jeremías trata de negar la voluntad de Dios para él al tratar de permanecer callado; Pedro -quien ha sido hecho cimiento de la Iglesia- totalmente niega la enseñanza de Jesús, por lo que hoy es llamado “Satanás”. Por suerte para nosotros, Jeremías se llega a dar cuenta de que tener la Palabra de Dios en el corazón significa que será inútil tratar de permanecer en silencio, aunque ello signifique el desprecio y la burla de los que te rodean. Felizmente Pedro al final volvió a la fe que profesó en el Evangelio de la semana pasada, y llegó a comprender nuestra necesidad, como bautizados seguidores de Cristo, de seguir su camino, aunque signifique seguirlo hasta la muerte.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Muchos católicos afroamericanos son miembros de los Caballeros de san Pedro Claver, organización fundada para ellos en 1909, cuando el racismo no les permitía participar en organizaciones euroestadounidenses. Esta organización toma su nombre de un jesuita español del siglo XVII, Pedro, quien llegó a Cartagena (Colombia) en 1610 y se escandalizó ante la trata de esclavos en el continente americano. A pesar de censuras papales en contra de la esclavitud esta pecaminosa costumbre seguía robando humanidad a los africanos. Pedro se consagró al servicio de ellos, recibiéndolos con caridad, comida y alivio apenas llegaban en los barcos.

Pedro no pudo liberar a los esclavos pero si se dedicó a servirlos y convertirlos. Él preparaba catequistas de entre los mismos africanos para que pudieran cristianizar a los recién llegados. Pedro Claver sufrió muchos insultos y calumnias por reunir a los africanos en iglesias y en especial, por darles los sacramentos cristianos. Sus propios superiores, dejándose llevar por las críticas de los criollos, lo castigaban por el trabajo que hacía con los esclavos. Por tal razón se autonombró como “Pedro Claver, de los negros, esclavo para siempre”.

**MI ALMA ESTÁ
SEDIENTA DE TI,
OH SEÑOR**



Fr. Feccia's Reflection



Ventiduesima Domenica del T.O. — Già nel racconto della professione di fede a Cesarea, il personaggio principale non era tanto Gesù, col mistero della sua persona, quanto Pietro, il discepolo-tipo. L'episodio che si verifica subito dopo, conferma questa impressione. Anche qui, come nella descrizione dell'episodio che cammina sulle acque, si rimane colpiti dal contrasto tra la sua fede e la sua mancanza di fede.

Gesù è stato riconosciuto da Pietro, come il Cristo, il messia atteso. Ma in che modo? Senza dubbio nella gloria di una regalità vittoriosa. ed ora il Maestro si presenta come il servo sofferente di Isaia, che riscatta il suo popolo attraverso la passione e la morte. Anche e soprattutto attraverso la risurrezione, certo, ma non è ancora chiaro che cosa egli intende con questa parola. Allora Pietro, l'impulsivo spinto da un amore poco illuminato, si ribella all'apparente crudeltà del piano divino, e all'improvviso assistiamo a un totale capovolgimento della sua situazione. Lo stesso Gesù che gli aveva detto: «*Beato te!*» dopo la sua professione di fede, ora lo rimprovera aspramente: «*Lungi da me, satana!*». Un momento prima l'apostolo era una «*pietra*» abbastanza solida perché Gesù potesse costruire la propria chiesa, e adesso viene trattato come un ostacolo, una pietra d'inciampo sulla strada del messia. Gesù, che gli aveva detto: «*Il Padre mio che sta nei cieli te l'ha rivelato*», ora afferma, «*Tu non pensi secondo Dio!*»

«*Lungi da me!*» L'ingiunzione rivolta a Pietro, che letteralmente significa «*passa dietro a me*» può essere interpretata da ogni cristiano come un invito a seguire il maestro: come il Cristo, il discepolo non può eliminare dalla propria vita la croce della salvezza. Davvero i pensieri di Dio non sono quelli degli uomini. «*Non bisogna salvare la propria vita, come si salva un tesoro. Bisogna salvarla come si perde un tesoro.*» (Peguy)

La parola di Dio, fuoco divorante— Geremia avrebbe preferito essere un profeta di prosperità e di consolazione, e invece lo deve essere di contestazione. Come Mosé, incompresso, come Elia disgustato e deluso, come Gesù nel Getsemani, egli prova nello stesso tempo l'annientamento dinanzi alla sua missione e la potenza di una parola che vince ogni resistenza. *Perché ti ho incontrato?* sembra dire Geremia. La vita è già difficile di per sé; perché complicarla ancora di più con l'esperienza bruciante della fede?

Un ministero scomodo

Il ministero profetico, soprattutto, non è una vocazione alla tranquillità: è scomodo e scomodante. Geremia vorrebbe sottrarsi all'ingrato compito; ma la parola di Dio gli brucia dentro con tale urgenza che non può contenerla. La sua anima è terreno di battaglia dove si scontrano potenze difficilmente conciliabili fra loro: Dio, il mondo, la ricerca di se stesso. Al profeta non rimane che una possibilità: lasciarsi sedurre dal suo Signore.

Diverso è l'atteggiamento di Gesù. Per lui la sofferenza, la passione e la morte non solo non sono uno scandalo, ma sono in certo qual modo una conseguenza della situazione di peccato dell'uomo. La morte è la «sua ora» che si avvicina. E' *necessario* che egli si rechi a Gerusalemme e soffra molto da parte degli anziani e dei sommi sacerdoti.

Nelle parole di Gesù la sofferenza e la morte non sono semplici *previsioni* di un fatto, fondate sulle circostanze (rifiuto da parte dei capi del popolo), ma qualcosa che «deve» venire, un momento specifico e determinante già prefigurato e preannunciato dai profeti nel piano salvifico di Dio.

Con queste affermazioni Gesù si stacca completamente dalle comuni concezioni messianiche del suo tempo, condivise anche dai suoi discepoli. Non è un messia politico, ma neppure un semplice profeta, bensì colui che è mandato a dare la sua vita.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

7:30 am †
5:30 pm In Lovely memory of Lisa from Mom, Dad, & Bobby

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:45 am †
9:00 am †
10:30 am †
12:00 pm †
1:30 pm †
5:00 pm †

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

7:30 am †

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

7:30 am †

6:30 pm †

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

7:30 am †

7:30 pm NOVENA

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

7:30 am †

6:30 pm †

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

7:30 am † Helen & Marco Ortenzi by Madelene Panico

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

SAINT PETER CLAVER

7:30 am †

5:30 pm For Carmela Bartucci Corsini by Mother

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:45 am †
9:00 am †
10:30 am †
12:00 pm †
1:30 pm †
5:00 pm †

WEEKDAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS
WHO ARE ILL OR INFIRMED :

Linda Bandy
Mary Donato
Judith Escamilla

Jacob Duda
Kristie Goldi
Linna Goldi

Susan Humpf
Vandy Liala
Ethan Maidl

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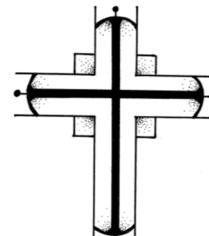
Madeline Vittori
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Emilio Scalzitti

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Fabiola Pintor
Isabel Pintor

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Kelly Ann Haymaker
Macy Grace Giaccone

Josephine Grasso
June Stellato
Conny Rico

John Sepka
Melacia Nuñez



Rest In Peace

† Isaura Saucedo

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

It's interesting to imagine the scene when the changes in our liturgy were first tested. Choices for prayer texts were one thing, but responses from the people were another. In early 1967, secret test-drives of the new Mass were conducted in the Vatican. Pope Paul VI was present, and there was a handful of bishops, priests, a few laypeople and two sisters making up the assembly. Everyone had a booklet with every word of the songs, rubrics, and prayers, blank paper, and a pencil for notes. After each Mass, the ordained men in the group met in the pope's library to share their experiences. The laypeople and sisters met separately.

Over a week's time they tested what they called a "read Mass with singing," a "Mass entirely recited," and a "Sung Mass." While the ordained were generally in favor, the lay comments were very clear and insightful, and had great impact on the final result. This was a brilliant plan on the part of the pope, who got to see how the reform was going, and to recognize in this small trial run a growing consensus that reform was needed and welcome. Based on his observation, Pope Paul VI called for specific innovations, such as beginning the Mass with the sign of the cross. It's amazing that some of our most familiar rites are really quite new treasures of our tradition!

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