

ST. ELIAS COMMUNITY

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THE NEXT COMMUNITY MEETING: CHANGED TO SUNDAY, AUGUST 24TH

SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY

11:00 – Phase I Instructor –Ellen

Phase II Year I Instructor - Diane with Janet, Stephanie and Neil

**Phase II Year II Instructor –Luciana with Aurea, Rose, Mary Ellen, Teresa & Bill,
Lisa M., Lisa S.**

Mentor Year I – Michael with Tom (Will meet in August)

Mentor Year I – Linda with Annabelle R. (Will meet in August)

Mentor Year I - Ellen with Annabelle S. (Will meet in August)

Mentor Year II – Luciana with Leonora, Margaret and Durney (Will meet in August)

Mentor Year III – Linda with Lousie (Will meet in August)

12:00 – Mass & then the Angelus in front of the statue of Our Blessed Mama

1:00 - Social/Refreshment/ Celebration of our newly Temporary & Final Professed Carmelites

1:30 - The Glorious Mysteries of The Holy Rosary

OPENING PRAYER AND SCHEDULE FOR THE MEETING:

2:00 – (LOTH) Midafternoon Daytime Prayer – CANTOR 1 ANNABELLE R.

CANTOR 2 - ROSE

2:30 – Business and updates of Our Community READER - JANET

**3:00 - ONGOING FORMATION: THE GLORIES OF MARY– PLEASE READ PAGES 363-392
& NEW CARMEL'S CALL – PLEASE READ PAGE 12, CHAPTER 16**

4:00 – Lectio Divino

4:15 - Closing Prayer

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING CHANGED TO: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH at 1:00 pm

A VOICE SPOKE FROM THE CLOUD:

THIS IS MY BELOVED SON IN WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED; LISTEN TO HIM



Jesus took with him Peter, James and John, and led them up a high mountain where they were alone. There, before their eyes, he was transfigured. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as light. Then the disciples saw Moses and Elijah appear, and they were talking to Jesus.

These are the divine wonders we celebrate on the Feast of the Transfiguration; this is the saving revelation given us upon the mountain; this is the festival of Christ that has drawn us here. Let us listen, then, to the sacred voice of God so compellingly calling us from on high, from the summit of the mountain, so that with the Lord's chosen disciples we may penetrate the deep meaning of these holy mysteries, so far beyond our capacity to express. Jesus goes before us to show us the way, both up the mountain and into Heaven, and I speak boldly, it is for us now to follow him with all

speed, yearning for the Heavenly vision that will give us a share in his radiance, renew our spiritual nature and transform us into his own likeness, making us forever sharers in his Godhead and raising us to heights as yet undreamed of.

Let us run with **CONFIDENCE** and **JOY** to enter into the cloud like Moses and Elijah, or like James and John. Let us be caught up like Peter to behold the divine vision and to be transfigured by that glorious transfiguration. Let us retire from the world, stand aloof from the earth, rise above the body, detach ourselves from creatures and turn to the Creator, to whom Peter in ecstasy exclaimed: “Lord, it is good for us to be here.” It is indeed good to be here, as you have said, Peter. It is good to be with Jesus and to remain here forever. What greater happiness or higher honor could we have than to be with God, to be made like Him and to live in His light?

Therefore, since each of us possess God in his heart and is being transformed into his divine image, we also should cry out with joy: It is good for us to be here – here where all things shine with divine radiance, where there is joy and gladness and exultation; where there is nothing in our hearts but peace, serenity and stillness; where God is seen. For here, in our hearts, Christ takes up his abode together with the Father, saying as he enters: “Today salvation has come to this house.” With Christ, our hearts receive all the wealth of his eternal blessings, and there where they are stored up for us in him, we see reflected as in a mirror both the first fruits and the whole of the world to come. (LOTH)

To my Dear Family in Carmel,

May the peace of The Divine Child Jesus & His Most Sacred Heart be with you and the Love of the Sorrowful & Immaculate Heart & Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel surround you. The Big day is almost here for Our Temporary & Final Professed Carmelites! Please make sure you read the newsletter to be certain of times for the Day of Profession. Our meeting has been **CHANGED** to the **FOURTH SUNDAY** so please make a note of that date.

Let us continue to pray for our dear Sister & Brother, Ellen & Michael for their healing. We thank Our Dear Lord Jesus and Our Mother Mary that they are alive and still with us. Let us always remember that “Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.” Also, “We are often troubled, but not crushed, sometimes in doubt, but never in despair; there are many enemies, but we are never without a friend; and though badly hurt at times, we are not destroyed.” Let us continue to love and support each other in our beautiful family in Carmel. I also thank you all for all your continued prayers for Bob & I. The prayers go up and the graces come down. As always you are in my heart and prayers every day.

In Our Lady of Mount Carmel’s Love,

Linda

IMPORTANT CARMELITE EVENTS

PROFESSION DAY FOR REGIONS 3 & 4 – SATURDAY, AUGUST 16TH

8:30am – Registration/Breakfast (St. Agnes Parish Center) -Try to reserve two tables for St. Elias
10:00am – Temporary & Final Candidates Practice (In the Cathedral)
11:00am - Mass & Profession (In the Cathedral) After Mass, pictures in front of the altar and then all are to return to their tables in the Parish Center.
12:00pm – Lunch (In the parish Center) Each table will have a number on it, and you will be called up to line up at the Buffet Tables)

Location: St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR LOUISE WHO WILL BE MAKING HER FINAL PROFESSION AND ROSE, TERESA, BILL AUREA, LISA M., MARY ELLEN AND LISA S. WILL BE MAKING THEIR TEMPORARY PROFESSION.

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR PARCHMENT PAPER THAT DAY AND DON'T SIGN OR DATE YOUR PARCHMENT PAPER.

ON THE DAY OF YOUR PROFESSION LISA M. WILL BE GIVING OUT YOUR TEMPORARY PROFESSION & FINAL PROFESSION CERTIFICATES WHICH FATHER FRANCES WILL SIGN DURING THE LUNCHEON. RELAX, PRAY AND “GO AND PREPARE FOR YOUR PROFESSION.”

CARMELITE & SPECIAL FEAST DAYS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

August 5th – The Dedication of St. Mary Major
August 6th - The Transfiguration of the Lord
August 7th - St. Albert of Trapani
August 8th - St. Dominic
August 9th - St. Teresa Benedicata of the Cross (Edith Stein)
August 12th – Blessed Isidore Bakanja
August 14th - St. Maximilian Mary Kobe
August 15th - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
August 16th - Blessed Maria Sagrario of St. Aloysius Gonzaga
August 17th - Blessed Angelus Augustine Mazinghi
August 18th - Blessed Joh Baptist, Michael Aloysius, James Gagnet & 64 Martyrs
August 22nd - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
August 24th - St. Bartholomew, Apostle – Also in 1562 St. Teresa of Jesus opened her first convent on this date.
August 26th - St. Teresa of Jesus' Transverberation & Blessed Jacques Retouret
August 28th - St. Augustine
August 29th - The Beheading of St. John the Baptist

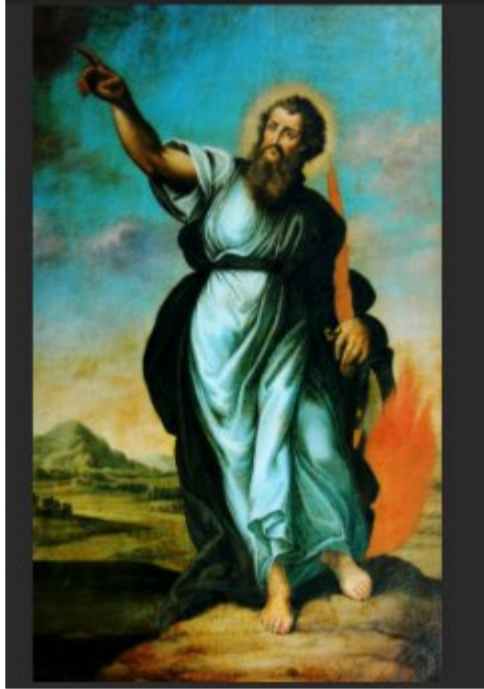
****August 24, 2024 – Anniversary of Mary Elizabeth Therese of the Divine Child Jesus' Temporary Profession**

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Fr. Francis Amodio, Father Justin, Our Prayer Brother John Viet Nguyen, O. Carm, All of our Carmelite members loved ones, The Unborn, Conversion of Americas Heart to end Abortion, All Persecuted Christians, All Lay Carmelite Office Prayer requests, All of Our Inactive Members, Protection of Our Prolife Centers & Rosary Warriors, Mary Elizabeth (Thanksgiving for Healing - the Holy Face of Jesus), Krisiti & Baby, Jennifer & Baby Alex (Fran's Granddaughter & Great Grandchild), Protection of Students for Life, Marge Garafano & son Michael, Mary Elizabeth (In Thanksgiving, Two Miracles - Our Sorrowful Mother & Mother of God) Nicholas (3Years old), Jacqueline, (Marge Little's daughter), Fran, Britney (Anna C. granddaughter), Pedro (Brain damage), Kevin (Cancer), In Thanksgiving to Our Sorrowful Mother for Anne Merendino (Lung Cancer survivor), Evelyn Campfield, Elizabeth (Mary Ellen's friend), Marge Little, Diane Lake, Carmen Martir, Rose, her daughter, and baby in the womb and Grandson and her son, Christopher (Protection), Francesca (Radiation), Msgr. Joe DeGrocco (Parkinson Disease), Gino & family, Danielle (Ovarian Cancer), Gerry (Breast Cancer). Father Joseph (for safety & protection in Nigeria), Eileen (Ann M. friend), George & Aurea Maley, KarenLee, our Regional Formation Director, Marin Rose, (Epilepsy), Ellen & Mike's granddaughter, Michael, (Sarcoidosis), Bill's brother, Rose Curto (Cancer), Veronica (Colitis), Bruce (healing from surgery), Aurea's son, Cindy (Fourth stage Cancer), Ellen's friend, Wayne, (Severe injuries), Bill's friend, Anne Robinson, (Car accident), Ann (Bladder Cancer), Gail (Surgery), Annette, Evelyn Campfield neighbor, Steve, (Surgery- some of his colon and intestines removed), Linda's brother-in law, Gino & Family, Cheyenne and newborn baby, Anna Cantone's Granddaughter, Lizette, Our newly elected 266th successor of Saint Peter, Pope Leo XIV, Mary Ellen's brother Steve, Ellen & Michael (Healing from Car accident)

Pray for our beloved Deceased

All of our Deceased members of our community & province. Fr. Brocard Connor, Sr. Joan Kellenberg RC., Steve Dondero, Mark Farina, Dora & Pat Macchia, David Campfield, Clem Cote., Serafino Giorano, TOC, Jean DeVito, John Martir, Winnie, John Paul, Marge Kulik, Jeanne R. Calise (Linda's Mom), Lillian Setti (Linda's Mother in Law), Father Paul G. Driscoll (Spiritual Assistant), Mary, Matilde Innusa, TOC, Jane Wigutow, Robert Little, Christine, Charles Porto (Ellen's Father), All of the souls of our Family and Friends in Purgatory, David (Rose's cousin), Jenny Bey (Carmen's sister in law), Anthony Cantone, Gertrude Deegan, Marjorie Pozdrec (Carmelite Sister), Peter, (Fran's son-in-law), Stefan Kazic, William (Rose's Cousin), Barbara (Tom's sons Mother-In-Law), Christine (Ellen's Friend), Mary Connolly (Bill's Mom), Roger (Friends of Charles & Annabelle Rufino), Leslie Malone-Walker, TOC (Carmelite Sister), Rosemary Hall, Edmund Martir (Carmen's Brother-in-law), Jessica Lancellotti (Rosemary & Jim's daughter), Madonna Roney (Friend of Lisa M. Family), Lorena Gregory, (Carmen's cousin) Pope Francis, Our Sister in Carmel, Rosalie Fabrizi, TOC, Margaret Carnovale, TOC, Mary Elizabeth Therese of the Divine Child Jesus Setti, TOC (Our Littlest & Purest Pearl in our Carmelite Community)



OUR CARMELITE MOTTO AND MISSION

“WITH ZEAL I HAVE BEEN ZEALOUS FOR THE LORD GOD OF HOSTS IN WHOSE PRESENCE I STAND”

MAY WE EMBRACE MARY’S PURITY OF HEART (PURITAS CORDIS), AS SHE HELPS US TO PONDER THE LAW OF THE LORD DAY AND NIGHT ASSISTING US TO BE CONTEMPLATIVES AND TEACHING US TO LISTEN. AS WE WALK IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF OUR FATHER AND LEADER ST. ELIJAH; WITH HIS FLAMING ZEAL AND COURAGE WHICH ALLOWED HIM TO COMBAT THE EVILS OF HIS DAY. MAY WE PRAY THAT HIS PROPHETIC SPIRIT BE AN INTEGRAL PART OF OUR CARMELITE LIFE.”
