



ST. ELIAS COMMUNITY

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REGION 3

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NEXT COMMUNITY MEETING: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18th

Phase I Instructor – Luciana with Guadalupe

Mentoring Year I Instructor for Stephanie and Neil (will meet in November with your mentors)

Mentoring Year II Instructor –Luciana with Rose, Aurea, Mary Ellen, Lisa S. (Call Luciana)

Mentoring Year II Instructor – Ellen with Teresa (Talk to Ellen to set up your Mentoring)

Mentoring Year II Instructor – Linda with Lisa M. (Next Mentoring is end of October)

Mentoring Year II Instructor – Michael with Bill (Talk to Michael to set up your Mentoring)

Mentor Year III Instructor – Michael with Tom (Talk to Michael to set up your Mentoring)

Mentor Year III Instructor – Linda with Annabelle R. (Next Mentoring is in November)

Mentor Year III Instructor - Ellen with Annabelle S. (Call Ellen for Mentoring overdue)

PLEASE CALL YOUR MENTOR - ALL MENTORING MUST BE DONE EVERY THREE MONTHS

1:00 - Social/Refreshment

1:30 - The Most Holy Rosary

OPENING PRAYER AND SCHEDULE FOR THE MEETING:

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

CANTOR 2 - MICHAEL

READER - TOM

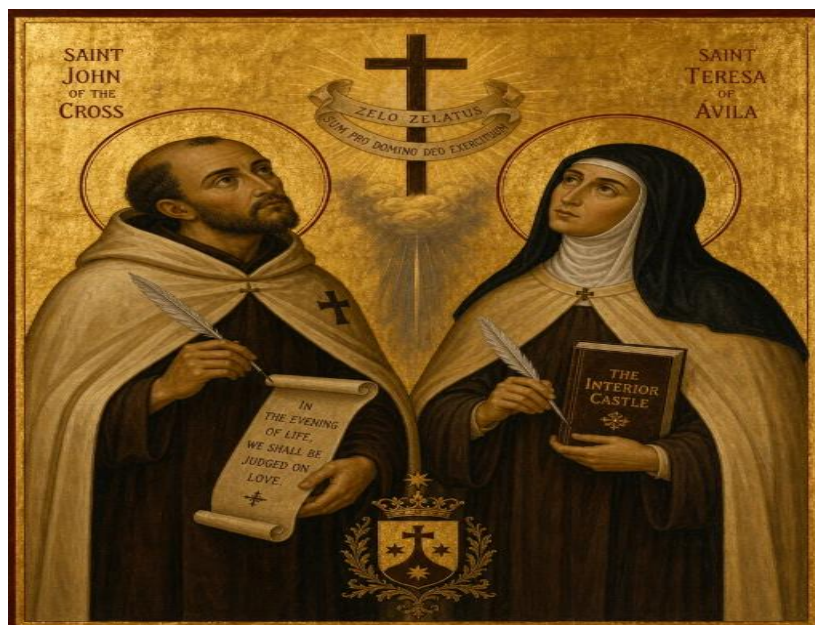
2:30–Business and updates of Our Community

**3:00 - ONGOING FORMATION: OUR NEW BOOK – WORSHIPPING A HIDDEN GOD
READ CHAPTER 1 & CARMEL’S CALL – PLEASE READ PAGE 10, CHAPTER 4**

READER FOR CARMEL’S CALL - LEONORA

4:00– Lectio Divino & Closing Prayer

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING IS ON SATURDAY OCTOBER 17th at 1:00 pm



**CELEBRATING THREE HUNDRED YEARS OF THE CANONIZATION
OF ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS & ONE HUNDRED YEARS
IN HONOR OF HIS DOCTORATE**

THE JUBILEE MOTTO: “HOPE ATTAINS AS MUCH AS IT HOPES FOR.”

This year marks a rare convergence: three hundred years (December 27, 1726) since the canonization of St. John of the Cross and one hundred years (August 24, 1926) of his proclamation as a Doctor of the Church.

St. John of the Cross is one of history's greatest mystical theologians and poets. His writings map the difficult journey of the human soul stripping away worldly attachments to achieve perfect union with God. He wrote stunning poetry during his intense sufferings while imprisoned in a dark cell by his own religious order.

THE DARK NIGHT OF THE SOUL

His most famous concept. It describes a passive spiritual trial where God cleanses the soul of sensory and spiritual attachments, leaving it feeling abandoned, dry, and blind before guiding it into divine light.

THE ASCENT OF MOUNT CARMEL

A systematic guide to the active steps a person must take to empty the soul of desires, preparing it for transformation in God.

THE SPIRITUAL CANTICLE

A passionate, allegorical love poem modeled on the biblical Song of Songs, Tracing the ecstatic search of the Soul (the Bride) for Christ (the Bridegroom).

THE LIVING FLAME OF LOVE

A deeply intimate text exploring the highest stages of mystical union, where the soul feels completely consumed and transformed by the Holy Spirit's fire.

**"In order to come to be all, desire in all things to be nothing."
St. John of the Cross**

**"A bird caught by a thread, whether thin or thick cannot fly unless the thread be broken"
St. John of the Cross**

**"Seek in Reading, and you will find in Meditation, knock in prayer
and it will be opened to you in Contemplation."
St. John of the Cross**

THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS, SECOND EDITION FROM ASCENSION PRESS

At our October meeting we will be making a list of all who would like to obtain the new Four Volume books on the Liturgy of the Hours, Second Edition. Roberta Morrissey from Merciful Love Community is organizing this and helping our whole Region by obtaining these books for us.

I sent out an e-mail out last week on Monday night, October 5th. Please take the time to read it over and let me know by the latest at our meeting if you would like to order the books. For all our Carmelites that do not have e-mail access I will be going over all the information and prices at our

meeting. There is no pressure at this time if you want to wait or obtain your books in another way which is perfectly fine too. If you are a widow or widower and cannot afford the books, please let our council know or inform me personally and we will assist you.

IMPORTANT CARMELITE EVENTS – SAVE THE DATES

REGIONAL MEETING FOR DIRECTOR & FORMATION DIRECTOR MEETING

ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24TH AT
OUR LADY OF LOURDES SCHOOL, ROOM 1
MASSAPEQUA PARK
11:00 – 1:00pm
\$10.00 PER PERSON - TREASURER SEND ONE CHECK TO SUSAN FINEO

PRESENTATION ON POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II

ON OCTOBER 19TH AT
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CHURCH, LINDENHURST
AT 7:00 pm
FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE LINDA

ADVENT DAY OF PRAYER

AT OLMC SHRINE IN MIDDLETON
ON DECEMBER 12TH
DETAILS AND INFORMATION COMING SOON

LAY CARMELITE LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION

ON FEBRUARY 20, 2027
ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL, ROCKVILLE CENTRE
TWO TALKS BY FATHER FRANCES, LIGHT BREAKFAST, MASS AND LUNCH
\$50.00 FOR THE DAY – PLEASE PAY ANN BY DECEMBER 22ND.

To my Dear Family in Carmel,

May the peace of The Divine Child Jesus & His Most Sacred Heart be with all of you and may the Glorious Immaculate/Sorrowful Heart & Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel enfold you in her arms. We are celebrating St. John of the Cross and his anniversary! Amazing, how we will be starting our new on-going formation book on St. John of the Cross right in line with his Anniversary. Thank you, Holy Spirit, The Divine Little Dove! Also, more exciting news, one of our own, has been Beatified! Blessed Fulton J. Sheen who was a Third Order Carmelite! As always, you are all in my heart and prayers every day.

I remain, your humble servant, in the Three Hearts,
Linda

OUR CARMELITE RETREAT THAT WAS ON OCTOBER 23-25 HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

CARMELITE & SPECIAL FEAST DAYS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER ARE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE: steliaslaycarmelite.com

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Father Francis Amodio, Father Justin, Our Prayer Brother John Viet Nguyen, O. Carm, All of our Carmelite members loved ones, Protection of The Unborn, Conversion of Americas Heart to end Abortion, All Lay Carmelite Office Prayer requests, All of Our Inactive Members, Protection of Our Prolife Centers & Rosary Warriors, Mary Elizabeth (Three years ago - Thanksgiving for Healing – from the Holy Face of Jesus on Shrove Tuesday), Krisiti & Baby, Jennifer & Baby Alex (Fran's Granddaughter & Great Grandchild), Protection of Students for Life, Mary Elizabeth (In Thanksgiving, Two Miracles - Our Sorrowful Mother & Mother of God), Jacqueline, (Marge Little's daughter), Britney (Anna C. granddaughter), Pedro (Brain damage), Kevin (Cancer), Anne Merendino (Thanksgiving Lung Cancer survivor), Danielle (Ovarian Cancer), Gerry (Breast Cancer). Eileen (Ann M. friend), Marin Rose, (Epilepsy), Ellen & Mike's granddaughter, Michael, (Sarcoidosis), Bill's brother, Veronica (Colitis), Cindy (Fourth stage Cancer), Ellen's friend, Wayne, (Severe injuries), Bill's friend, Ann (Bladder Cancer), Linda & Bob (Healing), Aurea, George & her son Joseph and family, Steve – Mary Ellen's brother, Marge Garafano & son Michael, Msgr. Joe DeGrocco (Parkinson Disease), Catherine Grace (15 year old) on a feeding tube, Charlie (Lisa M. husband), Bill cousin and other cousin Al (Cancer), Thanksgiving for Jessica our Deacon's daughter who has special needs and is home after being critical in the hospital for three months (Miracle), Joseph (Teresa's Father), Doug and three daughters. (Lisa's friend), Evelyn Campfield, Diane Lake, Eddie (Stephanie's son who had back surgery), Mary Murphy (In thanksgiving), Little Sisters of the Poor, Carmelite Sisters for the Aged & Infirm, Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne, Missionary Sisters of St. Benedict (All being forced to assist in patient suicides), All Persecuted, abducted & killing of Christians in China & Nigeria and those who persecute, abduct & kill them, Nicole Miranda (Father Francis secretary) & her baby boy Oziyah who has had six surgeries, Christine William (Baby with Down Syndrome), Susan Connelly, Rose and her daughter and grandchildren & Sean & son Christopher, Margaret (foot surgery) & Margaret's friends Amy and her mother (Cancer treatment) Eugenia (Fractured shoulder in two places), Linda's brother-in-law Steve (surgery), Carmen (Lesion on the back/pelvic area) & her daughter Lucy (heart issues), Marge Little (moved to Florida), Randy (Stage 5 Colon Cancer-doing better) Lisa M. (Heart ablation on Friday)

Pray for our beloved Deceased- May they rejoice in the arms of Jesus and Mother

Mary

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 Pozderek (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), Anna & Gilbert Lorenz, TOC, Father Joseph in Nigeria, Rose Curto, T.O.C., Margot Mladinich (Lisa M.'s Mother-in-law), George Pozderec, T.O.C., Yolanda Flecha (Aurea's Mom), Gino Fabrizio (Rosalie's husband), William DeGrocco (Msgr. Joe's brother), Jenna Mayo (Lisa M.'s friend), Salvatore Trapani (Linda's next door neighbor's son), Charles Porto (Ellen's brother, Baby Kate



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.”

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