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Sunday, July 12, 2026

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Rev. Joseph G. Fonti, S.T.L., Pastor
Rev. Italo Barozzi, In Residence
Msgr. Kevin B. Noone, In Residence
Deacon Joseph A. Freda

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday - 9:00 A.M., 5:00 P.M. (Vigil)
Sunday - 8:00 A.M. (Bilingual),
10:00 A.M., 12:00 P.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES

September - June

Monday - Friday: 7:00 A.M., 9:00 A.M.

July - Labor Day

Monday - Friday: 8:00 A.M.

CONFESSION

Saturday 11:00 - 12:00 P.M.
and by appointment at the Rectory.

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BAPTISMS

Call the Rectory Office for information at least one month in advance.

MARRIAGES

Call the Rectory Office for information and appointment with a priest at least six months prior to the date you wish.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We are always happy to welcome new parishioners into the family of St. Mel. Stop in at the Rectory to register, ask questions and meet the priests who gladly serve you.

PASTORAL CARE TO THE HOMEBOUND

We are concerned about parishioners who are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, the Sacrament of Reconciliation or the Anointing of the Sick. If you are homebound, or if you know someone who is unable to come to Mass - please do not hesitate to contact the Rectory -718-886-0201. Visits will be happily arranged for you.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & NOVENA

Each Monday after the 9:00 A.M. Mass.

Blessed Sacrament Devotions:

First Friday Adoration 9:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Daily Recitation of the Rosary: 8:30 A.M.

EVANGELIZATION

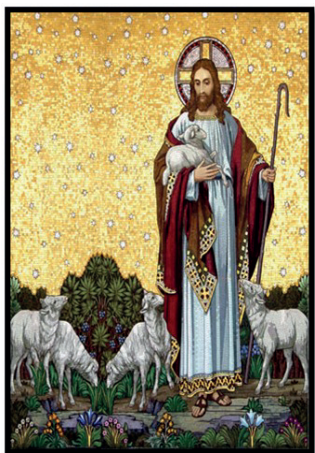
If you know of any Catholic, who is not attending Church or receiving the Sacraments and desires help in returning, please call or refer them to one of the priests at 718-886-0201. All information is confidential.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Weekends by Appointment Only

Emergencies any time.



A few months ago, my cousins generously donated the beautiful statue of our Blessed Mother that had stood for many years in front of their mother's home in the Bronx. Today, that statue graces the front of our convent on the 27th Avenue side.

Their gift was made just before I had the privilege of baptizing their first grandchild here at St. Mel's. During their visit, they noticed that our parking lot could use a little attention, especially the faded parking lines.

In yet another act of generosity, they offered to have all of the parking lot lines repainted as a gift to our parish.

The work is scheduled for this Tuesday, July 14, immediately following the 8:00 a.m. Mass provided there are no funerals that morning. A professional company will be on site to repaint the parking lot. I am told the paint dries rather quickly, but I wanted to give everyone a heads-up. If you are attending the morning Mass or planning to visit the parish that day, please be mindful that portions of the parking lot may be temporarily unavailable while the work is being completed.

This generous gift is yet another reminder of how blessed we are at St. Mel's. I am deeply grateful to my cousins and to all the families and benefactors whose generosity helps keep our church, buildings, and grounds beautiful, welcoming, and worthy places of worship.

Thank you to everyone who supports our parish family through your financial gifts, your volunteer service, your countless acts of kindness, or your hands folded in prayer. Every contribution, no matter how great or small, helps us proclaim the Gospel and care for this parish we all call home.

As I have often said, I am one of the most blessed and fortunate pastors in the Diocese. St. Mel's is truly a parish where many hands and many hearts come together to praise the Lord, care for His house, and serve the needs of others.

May God continue to bless you abundantly for your generosity, your faith, and your love for our parish family.

Father Fonti

Mass Intentions - July 12, 2026

Saturday, July 11

5:00 Joseph John DeAnnuntis

Sunday, July 12

8:00 God Bless The Addeo Family on Giglio Sunday
Anna & Angelo Graci, Americo Chima, & Charles Giardina
Maria Scopa
Andrea Suero De Rodriguez
Vincenza Ventimiglia
Erlisa G. Barone
Giuseppe Brusca

10:00 Marijan, Veronica, & Kazimir Boncic

12:00 Lovorka Kuharic

Monday, July 13

8:00 Frank Rappa

Tuesday, July 14

8:00 Mr. & Mr. Joseph Bona

Wednesday, July 15

8:00 Thomas "Tip" DeLeon

Thursday, July 16

8:00 Deceased Members of the Ghee & Joyce Families

Friday, July 17

8:00 Joseph McAuley

Saturday, July 18

9:00 God Bless The Addeo Family on The Feast Day of
Lady of Mt. Carmel

Tony Manchisi

Jana Miketic

Livio Smolizza, Peter Bonforte, & Einer Vucina

5:00 Margaret, Jacquin, Tony, & Jack Cruz

Sunday, July 19

8:00 Maria Mattrella
Giovanni Cangialosi
Angela Avenia
Vincenza Bentimiglia
Thomas Wise
Elisa G. Barone
Jack Brucculeri

10:00 Ronald J. Siracusa

12:00 Bridie Sullivan

Bread and Wine

*This week the Bread and Wine are
donated in Loving Memory of:*

Andrew Charles Giovaniello

Given by: Mom, Dad, & Daniel

Altar Candles

*This week the Altar Candles are
donated in Loving Memory of:*

*The Deceased Members of
The Joyce Family*

Sanctuary Candles

*This week the Sanctuary Candle
donated in Loving Memory of:*

Elisa G. Barone

*Given by: Patrizia & Rosaria
Vicari*

*Newly Enrolled in the Purgatorial
Society*

June, 2026

Ann Edman

Chris Rucker

John "Fish" Salmon

Maureen E. Mulvaney



In your prayers...

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amen

We pray for all those who are sick, especially:

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| • Lisa Sperrazza | • Anthony Marino | • Theresa Bedell | • Gabriel Angulo |
| • Susan Trezioso | • George Behringer | • Angela Infantino | • Thomas McNamara |
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| • Alida Addeo | • Niki Angelopoulos | • Denise Breidenbach | • Marie Caraher |
| • Yolanda Gatti | | • Kathleen O'Connell | |

We pray for those recently deceased from our parish:

Frances Marano

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-Father Fonti



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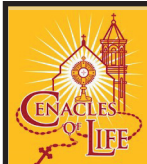
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Mondays - 7:30 PM (Beginners)

Thursdays - 8:00 PM (Open Meeting)



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The Sunday Celebration –

Mass Times for Travelers

Over a quarter century ago, Pope Saint John Paul the Great wrote an apostolic letter called *Dies Domini* ("The Day of the Lord"), On Keeping the Lord's Day Holy. Here are a few reminders from that important document:

"For Christian families, the Sunday assembly is one of the most outstanding expressions of their identity and their "ministry" as "domestic churches", when parents share with their children at the one Table of the word and of the Bread of Life. We do well to recall in this regard that it is first of all the parents who must teach their children to participate in Sunday Mass" (36).

"Since the Eucharist is the very heart of Sunday, it is clear why, from the earliest centuries, the Pastors of the Church have not ceased to remind the faithful of *the need to take part in the liturgical assembly*. "Leave everything on the Lord's Day", urges the third century text known as the *Didascalia*, "and run diligently to your assembly, because it is your praise of God"" (46).

"Moreover, Pastors should remind the faithful that when they are away from home on Sundays they are to take care to attend Mass wherever they may be, enriching the local community with their personal witness. At the same time, these communities should show a warm sense of welcome to visiting brothers and sisters" (49).

Here are three ways to find the nearest Catholic Mass:

*<https://www.usccb.org/mass-times>

*Masstimes.org

*Visit Google or other map service, click the "Nearby" feature, and type in "R Catholic Church"

Remember, there is a place for you every Sunday, no matter where you find yourself.

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