

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) This process of sharing faith stories and studying the Bible and the teachings of the Church is open to anyone who is in need of receiving any one or all of the Sacraments of Initiation. -Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation or to anyone who wishes to enter into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church.

#### FAITH FORMATION TEAM

Mrs. Joan D'Argenis Director of Religious Education Maria Sciannameo RCIA Director

#### LITURGICAL MUSIC MINISTRY

Mr. Scott Olson, Organist

Mr. Michael Garceau, Organist/Wedding Ministry

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Council meets on the third Tuesday of every month. The Council is committed to assisting the pastor in various liturgical celebrations and parochial and diocesan fundraisers and to pursing its own charitable endeavors.

#### **ORGANIZATIONS**

Guild of Our Lady of Sorrows Beato Angelo D'Acri Society The Gene J. DeFeudis Italian Cultural Center Mt. Carmel Golden Years Club

#### **PRO-LIFE CONTACTS**

Pro-Life Office, Mrs. Allison LeDoux: 508-929-4311 Respect Life Parish Representative: Louise Faiola: 508-756-1150

Visitation House: 508-798-0762 Problem Pregnancy: 888-310-7217

Arrangements can be made to have Holy Communion brought those who are homebound due to illness, age, or impairment of any kind or to celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing and Reconciliation with them. Please notify the parish office with the necessary information.

#### PARISH REGISTRATION

To become a registered member of the parish, please call the office. One of the secretaries will gladly assist anyone and complete the registration over the phone or through the website.

#### REPORTING THE ABUSE OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

To report the abuse of a child or a teenager, please contact Mrs. Frances Nugent, Director of the Diocesan Office of Healing and Prevention at 508-791-7171. You may also call Gloria Caprioli, our parish coordinator for prevention and education, at 508-344-7718. Lastly, you may call Msgr. F. Pedone at 774-243-1154.

#### LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00, and 11:30 a.m.

#### **DAILY MASS**

Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m.

#### **HOLYDAY MASSES**

Vigil: 7:00 p.m.

Holyday: 7:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. or by private appointment.

#### **PASTORAL STAFF**

Msgr. F. Stephen Pedone, Pastor Rev. Jesus Martinez, Associate Pastor Most Rev. George E. Rueger, in residence

Deacon Gerry Montiverdi, Part-time Liturgical Assistant.

#### PARISH OFFICES AND STAFF

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Lisa Fenuccio, Administrative Assistant

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Mr. Francis Heffron, Head Custodian Mr. Glenn MacGregor, Part-time Custodian Mr. Walter Borek, Part-time Church Caretaker

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents and Godparents must attend the Baptismal instruction session before the Baptism is celebrated. These sessions take place on the First Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Community baptisms are celebrated on the third Sunday of every month after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Private baptisms may also be arranged by calling the parish office.

#### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

To prepare for this lifelong commitment, couples must begin marriage preparation twelve months before the proposed wedding date, according to the diocesan policy.

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

The Religious Education Program offers instruction to children and young people from Grade One through the high school years. Children are prepared for the reception of First Reconciliation and then First Holy Communion and young people for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation in high school, including those who attend Catholic schools. Rel. Ed. Office: 508-791-6139.

#### WEEKEND COLLECTION 8/1/2015 & 8/2/2015

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Restricted Funds	\$1,	557.00

Total \$7,337.85

The Finance Committee has determined that we need to collect \$9,400 each week to meet our current expenses. Thank you for your continued support of Our Lady of

**Unrestricted Funds** 

Mount Carmel-St. Ann parish.

## TRIP TO SOUTHERN ITALY AND SICILY – MAY 12-23, 2016

\$5,780.85

You are invited to join us on this beautiful trip to southern Italy and Sicily, featuring Taormina, Alberobello, and the Amalfi coast. The trip is being organized through AAA Travel and Collette Tours. It will be an enjoyable trip at a reasonable cost. Seating is limited. Informational packets are available at the entrances to the church and also in the parish office. You may also call Linda Burke at 508-853-7000 x3324 for more information.

#### Dear Devotee's of San Vitaliano:

It's that time of year again for our Annual Feast of San Vitaliano. This year our date is Sunday August 30.2015. Our celebration Mass will be held at 11:30AM, with the reception immediately following at Leo's. This year we will have a family style dinner down stairs, the cost is \$35.00 per person. Any Baked goods would be appreciated. Hope to see all of you there to give Thanks to San Vitaliano for another year!

Sincerely, Mark Gerardi

Send payments to me at Mercadante Funeral Home 370 Plantation St., Worcester MA 01605

### TRIP TO WRIGHT'S CHICKEN FARM, HARRISVILLE, RHODE ISLAND – FRIDAY, AUGUST 28<sup>TH</sup>

This event is an appreciation trip for our altar servers and is a gift from the parish for them. It is open to CYC and family members who wish to attend. On the way home, we'll stop for ice cream. This event will include the altar servers, teenagers and family members from Our Lady of Loreto Parish. We will leave from Mt. Camel parking lot on Mulberry Street at 5:00 pm and return around 9:00 pm. Permission slips, available in the church vestibule, must be filled out and returned to Joan D'Argenis. Altar server permission slips should be returned to Anna Mae Gentile. Space is limited to the first 40 people from both parishes who return signed permission slips.

# SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – SATURDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>

This year the feast, although a holy day, is not a day of obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 12:15 pm.

### SPECIAL FESTIVAL MASS – SUNDAY, AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup> AT 10:00 AM

The principal celebrant of this Mass will be our Bishop Robert J. McManus. He has graciously accepted our request to be with us on this special day. Please be aware that <u>THERE WILL BE NO 11:30 MASS CELEBRATED</u> <u>THAT DAY.</u>

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

This week the parish office will be open Monday and Tuesday from 8 a.m.-4 pm and Wednesday and Thursday from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

## PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Saturday, August 8, 2015—4:00 a.m.

**Carmella Lanzilotti** (Birthday Remembrance) by Domenic and Family

Leonard Cariglia (Month's Mind) by Family

Sunday, August 9, 2015—8:00 a.m.

**Michael Sputo** by Butch and Grace Mahoney **Jack Masiello and Dominick Marrone** by Caryl

Sunday, August 9, 2015—10:00 a.m.

Rose Bello by Daughters

Patsy J. Tomaiolo by Family

Sunday, August 9, 2015—11:30 a.m.

**Guy Mattero** (6th Anniversary) by Wife Rose Marie and Family

**Gennaro "Gene" Maruca** by Hank, Rose and Angelo Leone

Andrew Mastrototaro by Family

Monday, August 10, 2015—7:00 a.m.

Parishioners Intentions

Tuesday, August 11, 2015—7:00 a.m. **Beverly Sacco** (Month's Mind) by Family

Wednesday, August 12, 2015—7:00 a.m.

**Parishioners Intentions** 

Thursday, August 13, 2015—7:00 a.m.

The Sick of the Parish

Friday, August 14, 2015—7:00 a.m.

**Parishioners Intentions** 

Saturday, August 15, 2015—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary—12:15 p.m.

The People of the Parish

Saturday, August 15, 2015—7:00 a.m.

John Loconto and Vitello Family by Wife and Children

Rose Marie Semon by Anna Griffin

Sunday, August 16, 2015—8:00 a.m.

Charles D'Elia by Family

Arthur Mari by Frank Valenti

Sunday, August 16, 2015—10:00 a.m.

Bonifacio and Assunta D'Angelo by Family
Anthony P. Cicio by Cicio, Freeburn and Piltzecker

**Anthony P. Cicio** by Cicio, Freeburn and Piltzecker Families

Sunday, August 16, 2015—11:30 a.m.

Gloria Castagna McCauley by Family

**Louise DiFranco** (30th Anniversary) by Camille and Eugene Casillo and Family



Please pray for the sick of our parish: Anna Perro, Francis Caffone, Susan Stomski, Donna Grasseschi, Lena Sbrogna, Lori Blackwell, Carmella Szklarz, Matteo Fiore, Matthew Hicks, Henry Penny, Patrick Loconto, Eleanor Lupisella, Butch Rano, Mary O'Connor, Christina Rovezzi, Christopher Collazo, Eleanor Gaudenzi, Eileen Biziewski, Patricia Naples, Paula Mari, Sim Simone, Cathy Coffey, Mary Ciuffredo, Mildred Bassan, Vincent Pusateri, Debbie Caffone, Carol Youngstrom, Juana E. Pignataro, oseph Lapomardo and Joseph Ginskus. May the Lord give them strength, courage and healing.



# THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY LAMPS ARE DEDICATED TO HEALTH AND WELL BEING OF:

Richard Battelle By Wife and Family

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joseph DiLeo. May the angels lead him into Paradise.



#### **DONATIONS OF ITALIAN COOKIES**

We are looking for donations of Italian cookies for the Mount Carmel Italian Festival August 21-23. If you are capable of making and donating these please contact Stella at 774-253-7015. All donations are appreciated.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Festival Committee is looking for volunteers for the Italian Festival to be held at Mount Carmel August 21-23, 2015. Volunteers are needed to help out either in the kitchen, setting up, breaking down and many other various duties for any of the days and times starting Thursday, August 20—Sunday, August 23. There is a sign up sheet in the main office in the parish center or you may call Stella at 774-253-7015 to sign up and volunteer.

#### **WOMEN'S GUILD**

For years we had a Women's Guild here at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. It was extremely active. But, like so many other groups, their members, grew older and eventually it slowly ended. I spoke with Msgr. Pedone and he has given his ok to start the Guild up again in the fall. The Women's Guild with faith, prayer, knowledge and concern, helps build community through friendship, spiritual reflection, mutual support and support to those in need. Let us step up to the plate and make this happen once again as our grandmothers and mothers have done in the past. Our first meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 29 at 7:00 p.m.

## OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL – ST. ANN GOLDEN YEARS CLUB

August 11, 2015

10:00 A.M. Socializing

12:00 Noon Lunch – Followed by Social.

August 18, 2015

9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. VNA "Keep Well Clinic" -

Pressure Etc.

10:00 A.M. Socializing

12:00 NOON Lunch - Followed by Social.

August 25, 2015

10:00 A.M. Socializing

12:00 Noon Lunch – Followed by Social.

#### **REMINDER --- PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING**

FOOD FOR THE POOR --- FOOD FOR OUR FOOD BANK---DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK HAVE BEEN VERY LOW---IF MEMBERS DONATE ONE ITEM EVERY TUESDAY FOR THE FOOD BANK IT WILL BE VERY HELPFUL.

#### ST. ANTHONY FEAST

North End, Boston Friday, August 28, 2015 Bus will leave Mount Carmel at 5:30 p.m. And leave Boston at 10:00 p.m. The saint will be presented with fanfare at 7 p.m.

Visitors stroll the beautifully decorated streets sampling the best Italian street foods from 100 pushcarts enjoying arancini, sausage peppers & onion, quahogs, calamari, pizza, pasta and of course zeppole, cannoli and gelato. Guests can also browse the wide selection of souvenir keepsakes and mementos.

Cost \$25
Call Gladys - 508-798-8071
Carmelita—508-853-0019
Please make checks payable to Carmelita Bello,
4 Cheyenne Road, Worcester, MA 01606

#### **FLU CLINIC**

VNA Care Network will provide a flu clinic and Keep Well/Blood Pressure Clinic on Tuesday, September 15 from 9-11 a.m. in the parish center. Please bring your insurance cards.

#### **FAMILY BEACH TRIPS**

Monday, August 10 Newport

We leave at 8:00 a.m. and return at around 5:00 p.m. The cost is \$20.00 per person or \$35.00 per family up to 5 members each person thereafter is an additional \$5.00.

#### **PRAYING for PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS**

Christians are being persecuted, especially in the Middle East. They are being killed, tortured, and forced to give up everything! They are forced to leave their homes and country simply because they are Christians! They need our prayers and support. Although we may not be able to support them physically or financially, we can and should support them with our prayers!

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel St. Ann Parish will be holding a novena for Persecuted Christians.

This novena is for all Persecuted Christians especially in the Middle East, and for religious freedom, so it would coincide with others praying this novena throughout the U.S. (There is power in numbers) We will meet in the church, pray the prayers of the novena and conclude each evening with the Rosary. This is open to everyone who wants to participate, We realize that it may be difficult for some of you to attend every evening, but every bit helps, attend when you can.

Although trying to find time that will be best for everyone is difficult, we think the following schedule may be best for most people...

**Saturday August 8, 2015 - 5:00 pm** (After the 4:00 pm Mass)

**Sunday August 9, 2015** 7:0

7:00 pm

If you have any questions, please contact Maria @ 508-842-7604

#### NEWPORT PLAYHOUSE

Dinner Show and Cabaret Saturday – October 3 **The Odd Couple** 

Cost - \$65.00 includes bus, show and dinner

#### WHITE CHRISTMAS

Two World War II vets have become partners in a songand-dance act after the war. Looking for love, they follow a duo of beautiful singing sisters to a gig at a Vermont lodge, which happens to be owned by their former army commander General Waverly.

Wednesday, December 9 in Providence show is at 7:00 p.m. we will leave at 4:30 p.m. Dinner is on your own. There are some nice restaurants in the area. Cost - \$55.00 includes ticket

#### **OUR LADY OF SORROWS**

Our Lady of Sorrows will meet on **Wednesday**, **August 19 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center.

#### CYC WELCOME COOKOUT

On Tuesday, September 8 beginning at 6:00 p.m. our present CYC will host a "Welcome Cookout" All young people in grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> (old and new) and their parents are cordially and sincerely invited to come to this cookout. The CYC will provide the hotdogs. If you would like to attend please call 508-791-6139 in advance so that we may get a head count and plan the food. Also new and old members are asked to bring potluck dishes for example, salads, casseroles , desserts, etc. Come and find out what CYC is all about. Again, WELCOME!!!!

#### **BIBLE STUDY**

Our Bible study will begin on September 30 at 1:00 p.m... and before we begin the prophet Isaiah, we shall read the work of a modern prophet, Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter, Laudato Si' - On Care for Our Common Home.

In the heart of this world, the Lord of life, who loves us so much, is always present. He does not abandon us, he does not leave us alone, for he has united himself definitively to our earth, and his love constantly impels us to find new ways forward. Praise be to him! Pope Francis, Laudato Si In his second encyclical, Laudato Si: On Care of Our Common Home, Pope Francis draws all Christians into a dialogue with every person on the planet about our common home. We as human beings are united by the concern for our planet, and every living thing that dwells on it, especially the poorest and most vulnerable. Pope Francis letter joins the body of the Church's social and moral teaching, draws on the best scientific research, providing the foundation for the ethical and spiritual itinerary that follows. Laudato Si outlines:

- The current state of our common home
- The Gospel message as seen through creation
- The human causes of the ecological crisis
- Ecology and the common good

Pope Francis' call to action for each of us

#### ITALIAN CLASSES

This semester we are offering three levels of classes for adults. Italian for Beginners 1, this class is intended for people who have had no exposure to Italian. A Beginner 11 is intended for those who have completed Beginners 1 and are not ready of Intermediate. Intermediate Italian for those that have completed Beginners Italian I and II. Beginners 1 will be offered on Tuesday, Intermediate will be held on Thursday, Beginners 11 will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Cost: \$130.00 non-members and \$100.00 members of The Gene J. DeFeudis Italian American Cultural Center. Classes run for ten weeks and will begin the week of September 15. For more information email Joan at joan dargenis@yahoo.com

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Children in public schools or non-Catholic private schools and academics should be attending religious education classes on a yearly basis. Children planning on receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion <a href="mailto:must">must</a> attend classes for two years (Grade 1 and Grade 2.) Candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation <a href="must">must</a> attend classes for two years (Grade 9 and Grade 10.) Children in parochial schools and private Catholic schools are required to attend classes only for one year (the year of preparation.) First Holy Communion is usually received in Grade 2 and Confirmation in Grades 9 or above. Registration forms are available in the office at the Parish Center, Monday — Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

#### **CCD SCHEDULE**

Classes will begin on **Sunday, September 27.** Grades Pre-K through Grade 6 will meet on Sunday mornings from 8:30 – 11:00 a.m. and includes attendance at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Parents are asked to attend Mass with their children. Attendance in the pre-K and Kindergarten are not mandatory. Grades 7 – 10 will meet on Sunday mornings from 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Students are required to attend Mass, it is suggested that they attend the 10:00 a.m. Mass.**CCD** 

#### **TEACHERS MEETING**

CCD Teacher's Meeting will be held on **Tuesday**, **September 22 at 7:00 p.m**. This meeting is intended for all teachers, veteran and new. Please make every effort to attend so that we can make 2015 an exciting and productive year.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PARENTS MEETING

There are two meeting scheduled for parents on Sunday, **September 27 at 8:45 a.**m. for parents of children in grades K – 6.11:15 a.m. for parents of students in Grades 7 – 10. This is our first week of CCD classes; students will attend class while parents attend the meetings. These meetings are important, for they will include a description of the programs and will include discussions on the reception of the Sacraments of First Penance, First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

#### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

**Sunday, September 27** from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Pancakes, sausage, and juice - \$4.00

#### **PARISH FOOD PANTRY**

Through your generosity, we are able to help families in our local area with food. Please drop off food items in the white cart near the shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Your donations make a big difference to some one who is hungry. Many thanks!

#### TAKE FIVE FOR FAITH

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2015

#### **NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

#### Taking desert time

The word *desert* often evokes images of a vast, hostile environment devoid of life. Yet the desert is a common symbol used in scripture to give context to an experience of God. It can, for example, be a symbol of quieting ourselves and finding our grounding in God, even in the busyness of everyday life. How do you enter into the desert? While we may not have a vast wilderness to retreat into, we can find small ways: plugging into our favorite reflective song, breathing in fresh air, closing our eyes and opening our heart to God.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Kings 19:4-8; Ephesians 4:30-5:2; John 6:41-51 (116). "Elijah went a day's journey into the desert."

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

#### FEAST OF SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACON, MARTYR

#### Know where your treasure lies

When Saint Lawrence, a third-century deacon, was ordered by the prefect of Rome to hand over whatever wealth the early church had, Lawrence rounded up the poor and sick, presented them to the prefect, and announced, "These are the treasures of the church!" The poor and sick continue to be the church's greatest treasure. "In the poor and outcast," says Pope Francis, "we see Christ's face; by loving and helping the poor, we love and serve Christ." In your service to those in material need you will find your life's greatest riches.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26 (618). "Where I am, there also will my servant be."

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

#### FEAST OF CLARE, VIRGIN

#### Support your soul companions

Clare of Assisi was born into a well-to-do family in 1194. By custom, she was expected to marry into a family of similar social status. After hearing Francis preach, Clare chose a very different path. Like Francis, Clare desired to follow closely the model of Jesus. Her wish for a life of prayer, simplicity, and evangelical poverty was realized in 1212 when she and Francis founded the second Franciscan order, later known as the Order of Saint Clare. The two encouraged and supported each other for the rest of their lives. Today, say special prayers for your companions on the spiritual journey!

TODAY'S READINGS: Deuteronomy 31:1-8; Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 (414). "It is the Lord, your God, who marches with you; he will never fail you or forsake you."

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

#### Let the children lead

Today is International Youth Day, a good day to acknowledge that the future is present and walking among us. A day to ponder your own legacy—what can you offer the youth of today? What have you learned that you can teach? Where have you found good in the world that you can point out to those whose eyes are fresher? How has your faith helped in hard times and what lessons can you pass on? And what can you learn in turn from those who are more innocent and spontaneous?

TODAY'S READINGS: Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Matthew 18:15-20 (415). "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother."

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

#### Healthy hearts forgive

The Mayo Clinic specializes in wellness—not just physical health but also emotional wellness. Their list of the benefits of forgiving someone include: healthier relationships; greater spiritual and psychological well-being; less anxiety, stress, and hostility; lower blood pressure; fewer symptoms of depression; a stronger immune system; improved heart health; higher self-esteem. Pretty healthy stuff, this forgiveness. Take two forgiveness pills and call an estranged loved one in the morning!

TODAY'S READINGS: Joshua 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Matthew 18:21-19:1 (416). "So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives his brother from his heart."

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

#### FEAST OF MAXIMILIAN KOLBE, PRIEST, MARTYR

#### Love like this saves the world

The old Burt Bacharach song said, "What the world needs now, is love, sweet love," and Franciscan Maximilian Kolbe showed that it is possible to give the world what it needs in Jesus' name. Kolbe summed up a life of love and service in a simple but dramatic act. Hearing a fellow prisoner at Auschwitz cry out, "My wife! My children!" as his name was called out for execution, Kolbe volunteered to take his place. There were likely thousands of similar heroic acts of compassion in the years of the death camps—flickers of love and light—now forgotten. But Kolbe's story has been remembered and retold just to remind you that while your act of love today probably will not cost you your life, it will go far to bring Christ's sweet love alive.

TODAY'S READINGS: Joshua 24:1-13; Matthew 19:3-12 (417). "No greater love than to lay down life for a friend."

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

#### SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

#### Sav ves to God

The young woman who traveled the hill country to visit her cousin on that long ago day did not know what the future held. Pregnant, and with more questions than answers, she nonetheless had given her assent to God's will. It was the first yes in an earthly life of total surrender. That young woman on the road to Judah would have been as stunned as anyone to know she would share in her Son's Resurrection. She alone among humanity would one day be taken, body and soul, into heavenly glory. Ask for the grace to surrender the worries of this day to Mary's Son.

TODAY'S READINGS: Vigil: 1 Chronicles 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; 1 Corinthians 15:54b-57; Luke 11:27-28 (621); Day: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1:39-56 (622). "Blessed are you who believed."

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