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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – AUGUST 16, 2026

"GREAT IS YOUR FAITH!" – MATTHEW 15:28

Today's Gospel highlights the surprising encounter between Jesus and the Canaanite woman, a Gentile who begs him to heal her daughter. Although Jesus initially seems to reject her request, she persists with remarkable humility and faith. Her response transforms the situation, and Jesus praises her faith and heals her daughter.

Matthew's Gospel reflects the early Christians' struggle to understand how God's covenant with Israel was connected to the salvation offered to the Gentiles. The Canaanite woman's faith reminds us that God's mercy is abundant and extends beyond every boundary.



XX DOMINGO ORDINARIO – AGOSTO 16, 2026

"¡QUÉ GRANDE ES TU FE!" – MATEO 15:28

El Evangelio de hoy destaca el sorprendente encuentro entre Jesús y la mujer cananea, una mujer pagana que le suplica que cure a su hija. Aunque al principio Jesús parece rechazar su petición, ella persevera con una humildad y una fe admirables. Su respuesta transforma la situación, y Jesús alaba su fe y sana a su hija.

El Evangelio de Mateo refleja la dificultad de los primeros cristianos para comprender cómo la alianza de Dios con Israel estaba relacionada con la salvación ofrecida también a los gentiles. La fe de la mujer cananea nos recuerda que la misericordia de Dios es abundante y supera todas las fronteras.



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF KABALE- UGANDA

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August 11, 2026

Rev. Jhonnatan F. Carmona
Pastor, Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Dear Fr. Jhonnatan, Gail, and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Family:

I write to express my most heartfelt gratitude for the gracious welcome you offered me at your lovely parish this past weekend. You made me feel very much at home, and I'm profoundly grateful.

The prayers and generous contributions of your faith community will go a long way in helping us to provide healthcare for the rural poor, help with training/formation of our seminarians and catechists, and support the most disadvantaged Ugandan children—the orphans under our care with a home, dedicated religious and professional staff, nourishing food, adequate clothing, medical attention, as well as suitable education. Most important, your donation will significantly help us realize our dream of providing these “little ones” of God with a good moral atmosphere, where their emotional and spiritual needs can be met; and where they are given a dignified and brighter future—a future they can in turn offer to their own children.

Thank you, Fr. Jhonnatan. team, and parish family. Our children and diocesan community thank you so very much. May our wonderful Lord abundantly bless you and your parish family that so generously gave in prayer, love, and financial support.

Yours Gratefully,

Rev. Frederick K. Byaruhanga,
Diocesan Representative
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CALL FOR PRO-LIFE VOLUNTEERS

The Madonna del Sasso Respect Life Group needs volunteers for their Pro-Life booth at the Monterey County Fair, September 2–7.



Volunteers may serve for several hours during the fair, with the booth open daily during fair hours. Help welcome visitors, share materials, and spread the Culture of Life. No experience needed — an experienced volunteer will be with you, and entry tickets are provided. Community service hours available for teens. Contact Kathy Lett at (831) 238-0118 or kathlett9196@sbcglobal.net to sign up or ask questions.

NEW PARISHIONER RECEPTION

Have you joined OLMC in the past year? Join us for a New Parishioner Reception on Friday, September 18th at 5:30 PM in the rectory! Enjoy appetizers, drinks, and a chance to meet our ministry chairpersons — plus receive our new picture directory.

Please register online or via the form in front of the church, then RSVP to the office email or Gail after Sunday Masses.

We look forward to welcoming you!



FR. JHONNATAN'S BIRTHDAY SUNDAY AUGUST 16

Coffee and donuts will be served after both Sunday Masses.



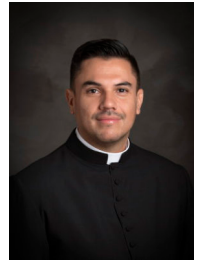
PARISH BINGO NIGHT

Sunday, Sep 27 in the Parish Hall. More details to come.



FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...

This Sunday, Jesus reminds us that genuine faith perseveres, even when we do not immediately understand God's ways. The Canaanite woman approached Jesus with humility and great trust, refusing to give up on her prayer. Her faith moved Jesus to respond with mercy.



I invite you to read the thank-you note from Fr. Fred following his mission appeal for Uganda. Lastly, I give thanks to God for the gift of life and for calling me to serve Him as I celebrate my birthday today. I am truly grateful for His many blessings and for all of you who are part of my life journey.

I would also like to sincerely thank those parishioners who have increased their offerings following my recent appeal and last Sunday's letter. Your generosity and support are deeply appreciated and make a meaningful difference in our parish.

Shalom! Father Jhonnatan

MASS INTENTIONS

AUGUST 15 – 23, 2026

Saturday Aug 15, 4:30 PM:	People of the Parish
Sunday Aug 16, 9:00 AM:	† Fr. Scott McCarthy
11:00 AM:	Intentions of Fr. Jhonnatan (Birthday)
Wednesday Aug 19, 12:00 PM:	† Anita Zumach
Thursday Aug 20, 12:00 PM:	† Karen Mushkin
Friday Aug 21, 12:00 PM:	Health of Greg Ford
Saturday Aug 22, 4:30 PM:	† Ellsworth Gregory
Sunday Aug 23, 9:00 AM:	† Jim Arnold
11:00 AM:	Health & Healing of Pat Lucido

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The weekly collection for the past week and this week will be reported in next week's bulletin.



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SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Wednesday – Friday: 12 PM

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 AM, in English

Spanish Masses:

2nd Sunday of the Month, 1:00 PM in the Church

4th Saturday of the Month, 7:00 PM in Cachagua

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday – Friday: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Sundays: 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

*"At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer
is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is
service."*

— St Teresa of Avila

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