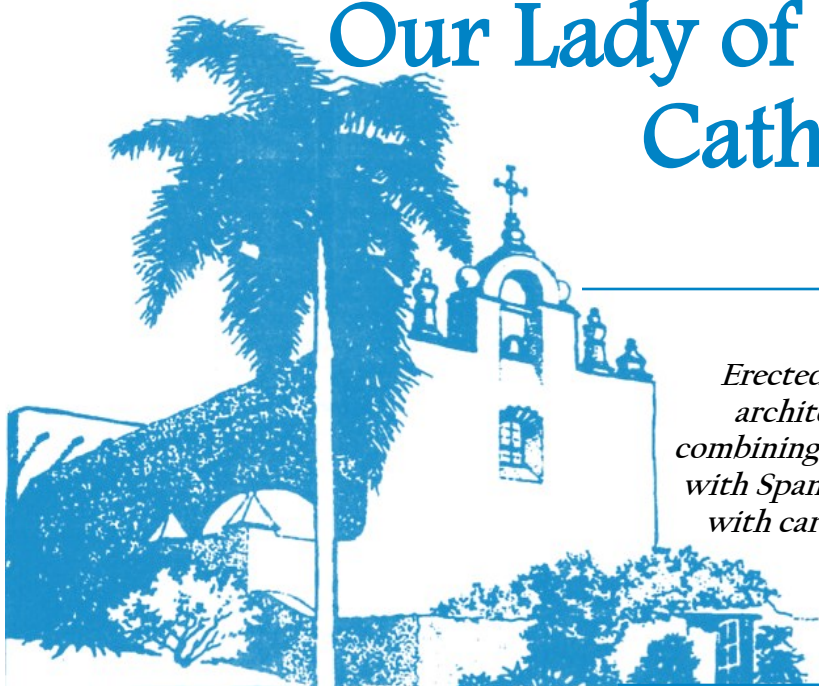


Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church



Erected in 1936, the entire structure reflects the architectural style developed by missionaries, combining the building patterns of the Pueblo Indians with Spanish-Colonial design. Even the landscaping, with carefully selected shrubs and trees is typical.

Monsignor Stephen Downes, Pastor
Father Maurice O'Mahony, Pastor Emeritus
Father Carrol O'Sullivan, Retired
Father Jack Shine, C.M., Weekend Associate

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Masses

Daily	7:45 AM
Saturday	7:45 AM Vigil Mass 4:30 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM. 10:00 AM. 12 Noon

Holy Day Mass Vigil Mass 5:30 PM

Mass Times on Holy Days

7:45 AM. 9:00 AM (*School Mass*) & 5:30 PM

Confessions: Saturdays 3:30- 4:15 PM **In Side Chapel**

Baptisms: 1st & 2nd Sundays of the Month

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Sister Kathleen Patrice, C.S.J. - Director
srkathleen@mountcarmelschool.net

Youth Minister/Confirmation Coordinator

Sarah Mack - Youth Minister 805/574-9941
olmcsh93108@gmail.com - Young Adult Ministry - MCYA
High School Confirmation - '*El Camino*'
Middle School Youth Group - '*The 'M&M's*'

Weddings

The Bride or Groom must be a registered, contributing and active member of Mt. Carmel Parish for at least one year before requesting a marriage date.

Please call the Rectory at least six months before the proposed date of marriage or email us at weddings@olmc-montecito.com for more information.

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**Second Sunday of Easter
(Divine Mercy Sunday)
APRIL 12, 2015**

**Who indeed is the vicar over the
world but the one who believes that
Jesus is the Son of God?**

1 John 5:5

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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Fr. Steve

The Church celebrates Easter as a festival of fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost, seeing this whole season as the one feast of the Lord's resurrection, one "Great Sunday". Can we believe the Good News that Jesus is risen from the dead and has appeared to Peter and the other disciples? Thomas couldn't, at first, in today's Gospel (John 20:19-31). He needed to meet and experience the Risen Lord before he could surrender and say: "My Lord and my God". Jesus asks: "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." We are blessed if we believe in Jesus risen from the dead with a faith that transforms our life and experience.

Can we experience the presence of the Risen Christ in a community of the faithful, our Church, just like the community of believers we hear about in today's First Reading (Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35)? We are told that they were of "one heart and mind", especially in their concern for the poor and those who were needy in any way. By living this ideal of faith and love in Jesus, our Easter joy will last for many days.

- April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. At all Masses this Sunday our Pastor and a member of our Parish Safeguard the Children Committee will lead a prayer Litany for Healing of Victims of Abuse. Our parish, our Archdiocese and our Church in the United States are dedicated to the protection of all children and the healing of victims of abuse.

- Our Holy Week and Easter celebrations were wonderful. We express many thanks to all who helped in our celebrations: our priests, Eucharistic Ministers, lectors, ushers, altar servers, all who decorated the altar for each celebration, the Overgaag family who donated the beautiful Easter lilies, our collection counters, parish staff, parish choirs and musicians under the leadership of Gary Smith. Many thanks also to you, the worshipping community of our parish for your devotion, prayerfulness and participation and generous donations in the Easter collection.

- The Easter greeting of Jesus is "Peace be with you", Peace - Shalom", the fullness of God's blessings. Today and throughout the fifty days of Easter may our hearts and lives be open to Jesus and his

love and peace!

- Online giving is now available at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Online giving is a convenient and safe way to make your donations which show your love for God and his Church. Just visit our parish website at www.mtcarmelsb.com and click on Giving (or DONATE) link/tab.



DIVINE
MERCY
SUNDAY



Our Lady of
Mount Carmel

WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CHURCH

If you are visiting or new to our community, **we are blessed that you are here to worship with us and we welcome you.** Our Pastor, our Retired Priests and Parish Family extend the hospitality of Jesus Christ to you.

If you would like more information about our faith community and ministries, please call or stop by our Parish Office. Our office hours are Monday thru Friday, 8:30am- 12 noon and from 1:30pm - 5pm. Our office number is 805/969-6868.

Join us for cappuccino, coffee and donuts in the Side Courtyard, after the 10am Sunday Mass.

Online Giving

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel now offers Online Giving.

Convenient. Easy. Secure.

Sign up today at

www.mtcarmelsb.com

How great is God's love for us! Your generous giving shows your love for God and God's Church.

Parishioner Registration Form

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) _____
email _____

Check One: ☐ New Parishioner ☐ New Address
☐ Would like Offertory Envelopes

☐ Moving out of Parish

Please place the form into the Offertory basket or bring it by the Parish Office.





Ministry Assignments

SATURDAY, APRIL 11th

4:30 PM

Lector ~ Anthony Dal Bello

Eucharistic Ministers ~ J. Stratford, S. de Ponce & S. Carroll

Altar Servers ~ Nicole Figueroa, Matthew Helkey & Luke Wegrzynowicz

SUNDAY, APRIL 12th

8:00 AM

Lector ~ Peter Da Ros

Eucharistic Ministers ~ D. & B. Crooks

Altar Servers ~ Halie Bissell, Natali Flint & Caitlin Hubbs

10:00 AM

Lector ~ Mary Pat Whitney

Euch. Ministers ~ M. Press, W. Gragg, C. Webb, E. Guadagnini, M & T. Lorge, A. & R. Bentajado

Altar Servers ~ Juan Valtierra, Anthony & Katie Jensen

12:00 PM

Lector ~ Debbie Saucedo

Eucharistic Ministers ~ R. & J. Victoria

Altar Servers ~ Clarissa Davis, Emily & Joshua Wazny



Mass Intentions

SAT. APRIL 11th

7:45 AM Joe MacDonald +

4:30 PM Janet Ravenscroft +

SUN. APRIL 12th

8:00 AM Gino & Rosetta Guadagnini +

10:00 AM Dr. Erno Daniel +

12:00 PM John McAndrews +

MON. APRIL 13th

7:45 AM Montez Riley +

TUES. APRIL 14th

7:45 AM Int. of Molly Rosecrance

WED. APRIL 15th

7:45 AM John Kriger +

THU. APRIL 16th

7:45 AM Mary Sorrow +

FRI. APRIL 17th

7:45 AM Int. of Tyler Hester & Scott Hester +

SAT. APRIL 18th

7:45 AM John Cohn +

4:30 PM Mary Owen +

SUN. APRIL 19th

8:00 AM Jack Morehart +

10:00 AM Harry & Irma King +

12:00 PM Jeff Parker +



Catholic Charities Food Pantry

Catholic Charities Food Pantry continues to need food for the homeless and those who have lost their jobs, especially during this holiday season! Your donations can be dropped off in the Vestibule of the Church or at the Rectory Office. Thank you for your generosity!

**"Whatever you do for one of my brothers,
you do for me." Matthew 25:39**

You Are Supported in Your Time of Loss

The Parish Staff & Clergy of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish want you to know that we are here to serve you at the time you might suffer the loss of a loved one.

Please contact the Parish Office immediately upon the death of a family member so that we can begin to pray for you, your loved one, and make us aware of your needs in the coming days — (805) 969-6868.

"His mercy endures forever."

**My strength and my courage is the
LORD, and he has been my savior.**

Please Pray For The Sick Of Our Parish

Patricia McNamara, Eric Lundy, Christopher Guadagnini, Tyler Hester, Dylan Swalley, Ann Rosecrance, Frances Maher, Maddie Press, the Borgatello Family, Mary McCormack, Marilyn Schuermann, , Robert Munoz, Roger Cass, Jim Fuller, Susan Basler, Ritz Brunello, Francisco Ramos, Ruben Camacho, Richard Sharp and Judy McGrath.

Do you know of someone who is NO longer in need of being on our list? Wish to add immediate family? Does someone need to be visited? Please call our Parish Office at 805/969-6868.



SHRINE CANDLES

Candles can be purchased in the Parish Office or from Oscar, our Parish Care-taker. The donation is \$4.00.



Here at OLMC Parish, we strive to offer our youth a place to "Belong, Believe, Become".



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM
Instructing children in an enriching, loving, and learning environment.

"El Camino"

High School Confirmation Group

We explore our faith & journey to The Rite of Confirmation through topical discussion, music, debate, multimedia & art. Meets two Sundays a month, from 11am to 12:30pm in our Parish Hall.



Sessions & Gatherings

- ◇ April 19th Rite of Acceptance — Yr. II
10am Mass, followed by Reg. Session
- ◇ May 3rd Family Mass and
End of Year Celebration Gathering

"Sanctus" High School Leadership Group

- ◇ LA Day-Cathedral & Holocaust Museum Trip

"M & M's"

Middle School Youth Group

Open to all 6th - 8th graders from ANY school. Meets on Wednesdays, 6:30pm - 8pm in Parish Hall



Upcoming Events

- ◇ April 15th 'It's Still Easter' Study Break
Egg Hunts, Raffles, Games & a short discussion about finding Jesus in our daily lives.
- ◇ April 26th LA Day - Cathedral & Holocaust Museum Trip
- ◇ May 4th "May the Fourth Be with You"
Star Wars Movie Festival - Glo games, Snacks & Fun!!! (Parish Hall) 6 - 9 pm

'YAM' — OLMC Young Adult Ministry

We are young adults between the ages of 18 to 39 who strive to develop our Catholic identity, strengthen our relationship with Christ, with one another, and with the wider community. We do this by planning and participating in a variety of spiritual, social, and service opportunities. Theology on Tap, Retreats, Food drives and much more.

Please contact Sarah Mack Youth/Young Adult Minister @ 805-574-9941 or olmcyb93108@gmail.com to be added to our email list.

Faith Formation Scripture by Heart APRIL 'Peace'

We have peace with God through
our Lord Jesus Christ.

Galatians 1:3

Safeguard Our Children **Did you know? Our Archdiocese Continues to Help Survivors of Sexual Abuse and Their Families.**

During the month of April, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles wants to reiterate that it remains committed to helping survivors and their families, heal and find peace. If you believe you or someone you know is a victim of sexual abuse by a Church employee or volunteer, please contact the Archdiocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator at (213)637-7650. Suzanne Healy is available to help and support.



WHOLE COMMUNITY FAITH SHARING Week of April 12th ~ John 20:19-31

Reflection: Too often, the path of way, truth and life are lost to our "human" desire/demand to "see". What many may not know, is that Thomas was transformed and went on to establish many Churches in his lifetime that served as hospitals for the broken. If we lean into our beliefs and find the truth, we can move forward to change into a stronger faith. We can re-direct our doubt, fear, and anger to renewed faith and compassion. The Holy Spirit can guide us to this renewed Faith if we trust in the power.

Reflection Question: Sometimes when we hide behind the locked doors of doubt, fear, or anger, Jesus makes his presence known to us. What are some of the ways he might do that for me?

Faith Response: I will reflect on the power of the Holy Spirit to bring about peace and forgiveness.

School News

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Come Check Us Out! Monthly School Tour

THIS Tuesday, April 14th ♦ 9:00 am

Pre-K thru 8th Grade

For more information, please call our School Office at (805)969/5965 or visit our website — www.mountcarmelschool.net.

(Our Lady of Mount Carmel School is a Catholic day school associated with the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and fully accredited by the National Catholic Education Association as well as the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.)



GROUP LECTIO DIVINA

When : Every Friday

Time: 7pm to 8pm

Where: Spiritual Library
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



OLMC Spiritual Center

Open Sundays, from 11 am to 12 noon.
(Located behind the Church, next to the school lunch benches.)

spiritualcenter@mountcarmelschool.net


Heart to Heart

As we prepare for our trip to Mexico, we have put together our "Wish List" for the families receiving the new homes. Anything you can contribute is appreciated and can be dropped off to the Religious Education Office or the Rectory Office.

- ♥ dry goods — large bags of beans & rice, salsa, flour, sugar, cooking oil, peanut butter, can veggies & fruit
- ♥ drinking water—large 2.5 gallon containers
- ♥ new blankets, beddings, sets of towels
- ♥ medicine cabinet/first aid items — aspirin, cough syrup, children's Tylenol, band-aids
- ♥ hygiene items (soap, shampoo, lotion, dental items)
- ♥ toilet paper
- ♥ indoor garbage bags
- ♥ smoke detector
- ♥ cooking utensils
- ♥ clothesline, laundry soap
- ♥ cleaning supplies—sponges, cleaning solutions
- ♥ radio with batteries
- ♥ Welcome Mat
- ♥ Coleman lanterns with spare batteries or propane

Thank you for the kind deeds you do in the



OUR PARISH FINANCES

Many thanks to all for your generous contributions to our Church in the Offertory Collection each Sunday. Here is the report for the Offertory Collection on Sunday, March 21st/22nd:

Envelopes & Plate Collection	\$7,439.00
Donations for Maintenance	\$150.00
Total	\$7,589.00

Your generous giving in the Offertory Collection each Sunday is very important and funds all the parish worship, religious, educational and service programs and helps in making necessary repairs and continuing maintenance of the Church and parish buildings and grounds.

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Many thanks and God's Easter blessings on you and your family.



Bishop Garcia Diego High School is proud to announce that 12th grader **Sierra Lopez**, Our Lady of Mount Carmel School alum, Church parishioner and volunteer, was recently honored with the **Christian Service Award** from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles Department of Catholic Schools. She will be wearing her medal proudly during graduation ceremonies in June, as it represents the true spirit of God's love, compassion, and service of others.

Sierra has accumulated an abundance of Christian service hours over her four years at Bishop Diego, many of them working as a volunteer for Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church and school, with Santa's Workshop, retreats, Confirmation, and youth mission trips. Sierra also spent several summers volunteering for the Crane Coyote Camp, assisting with art, music, drama and dance.

At Bishop Diego, Sierra is an active member of the Campus Ministry team and over the years, has participated in Project Santa, as well as spearheaded the Art for Good Club, rallying students to make Valentines for the elderly in homes, and the Empty Bowls Project. **Bishop Diego High School is proud of Sierra as she is an inspiration to all those around her. She truly embodies the Gospel values.**



WE ARE YOUR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

"The academics and athletics are great at Bishop but there's more...I feel like Bishop has helped me to be a better person."

Jonathan Gaasch, BDHS '15

Respect • Perseverance • Compassion

For additional information regarding Bishop or the admissions process, please contact
Ms. Lori Willis, Director of Admission 805.967.1266, ext. 118
lwillis@bishopdiego.org

Bishop Diego High School, 4000 La Colina Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is so proud to have three of their Confirmation youth represented in the Bishop Diego admissions flyer.

{In the picture above, from right to left - Matthew Pate (Year I Candidate);
Sierra Lopez (Confirmed in 2013) and Jonathan Gaasch (Confirmed in 2013)}

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Easter
 Sunday of Divine Mercy
 Julian Calendar Easter
 Monday: St. Martin I
 Wed.: Income Tax Day
 Thursday: Yom Ha-Shoa
 (Holocaust Remembrance Day)

A CHEERFUL GIVER

A cheerful giver does not count the cost of what he gives. His heart is set on pleasing and cheering the one to whom the gift is given.

—St. Julian



Interested in Serving Your Parish?

Our Parish Council is looking for interested parishioners to serve on the council. Find a council member, and ask them what it is we do. Nomination forms are on the tables in the back of the Church. Please take one if you or someone you know is interested in joining this most rewarding ministry. Dead line for applications is April 30th. Completed forms can be dropped off at the Parish Office.



SAVE THE DATE ALL ARE WELCOME Alumni Mass Honoring the Class of 1965

Friday, April 24th • 11:45 am
 Bishop Diego Main Gym

100 Year Celebration
 Sat., April 25th • 1:00pm ~ 5:00pm
 Bishop Diego High School Football Field

For all the details and activities, please check the school website - www.bishopdiego.org

To RSVP for one or both days, please contact Rachael Manzo, Alumni Relations Coordinator alum-



RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

The Rosary is recited everyday after the 7:45 am Mass.

Please join us in the Main Church.

The Rosary is a special set of prayers to God that help us to remember the most important events in the lives of Mary and Jesus.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-9; Jn 3:1-8
 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
 Weds: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20;
 Jn 3:31-36
 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
 Jn 6:1-15
 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19;
 Jn 6:16-21
 Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9;
 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When we imagine the disciples cowering behind locked doors on the first Easter, it is a matter of the greatest urgency that the doors get opened. They are not locked in as if in prison; rather, they have chosen to marinate in fear. Both the lock and the key stand on their side of the door, in their control. Christ breaks through this significant barrier with a message of "Peace." The risen Lord's word propels them through the door and along the path leading to the consoling image of the community living in harmony in the first reading today. What do we pray for in our tradition? More than anything else, we pray for peace. Every Mass is an earnest prayer for peace with God, with self, with neighbor, and for peace in the world. Yet, curiously, the peace Christ offers is deeper than the mere absence of conflict. Our tradition treasures the memories of saints who were remarkably open to Christ's gift of peace even in the maelstroms of history. St. Edith Stein and St. Maximillian Kolbe, martyrs of the Holocaust, are but two examples. At the eye of a fearful storm, they stand as witnesses to the power of Christ's rising in our lives.

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ALELLUIA!

SB 128

The California Catholic Conference, along with a broad coalition of physicians, nurses, disability rights and health care advocates, is opposing proposed legislation SB 128.

SB 128 would legalize physician-assisted suicide in CA. Pope Francis reminds us, "The biblical commandment to honor our parents reminds us in a broader sense of our duty to honor all elderly people." Take action now to protect the elderly and those with disabilities. Visit archla.org/sb128 to learn more, contact your legislator and get involved.