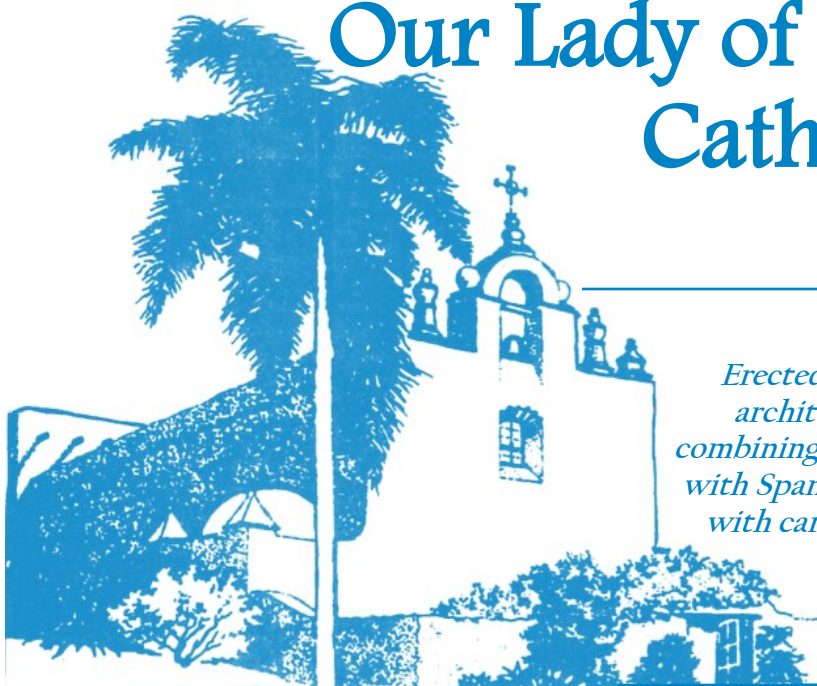


Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church



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 5:30 PM
Masses on Holy Day:
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 969-6868

Religious Education

969-4868

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

Youth Minister/Confirmation Coordinator

Sarah Mack - Youth Minister 574-9941
sarahm@mountcarmelschool.net
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

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School

969-5965

530 Hot Springs Road • Santa Barbara, 93108
Pre-K thru 8th Grade • Principal — Karen Regan
www.mountcarmelschool.net

Secular Order of Carmelites - Meets 2nd Sat. of each month
Evelyn Duimovich 969-3858

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 25, 2013

Strengthen your drooping hands
and your weak knees.

Make straight paths for your feet,
that what is lame may not be disjointed
but healed.

—Hebrews 12:12-13



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Our Lady of
Mount Carmel

WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL PARISH

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, Retired Priests and Parish Family extend the hospitality of Jesus Christ to you.

If you would like more information about our Parish, please call or stop by the Parish Office. The hours are M-F, 8:30am-12 noon and 1:30pm-5 pm. Coffee, Donuts & Cappuccino are served after the Sunday, 10am Mass (in the side courtyard). ***Please join us!***

WHOLE COMMUNITY FAITH SHARING

Week of August 25 - Luke 13:22-30

Faith Reflection: In today's Gospel, an onlooker asks, "Lord, will only a few be saved?" Jesus' response, the short parable about the narrow gate, seems restrictive. Yet read in the context of the rest of the Gospel, the message is not about exclusivity, but rather about hard work and due diligence... virtues that do not come easy to us. The issue is not the hard work of earning salvation, but rather the hard work of remaining faithful to the gift of salvation we receive from The Lord. Remember that it is The Lord who has control of opening the door of salvation, not us...

Faith Question: What daily choices are you making that will allow you to be recognized at the doorway of the reign of God?

Faith Response: I will practice good habits in order to be a good Christian.

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Beverly Peters, Jack Jones, Eric Lundy, Shawn Cunningham, Kevin McKernan, Marti Boise, Carolyn Bell, Jo Dushais, Maria Bregy, Jim Fuller, Dottie and Jack McClellan, Bruce Albertson, Olga Aros, Anita Blanchett, Rosemary Donohue, Paul Dosa, Carmen Dragon, Jeffrey Luna, Wayne Dreyer, Andrea Munoz, Rosemary Redmond, Patricia McNamara, Christopher Guadagnini, Sir Daniel Donohue, Tyler Hester, Leonard Jarrott, Dylan Swalley, Frances Maher, "Maddie" Press, the Borgatello Family, Maria Sandoval Pedrava, Marilyn Schuermann, Elizabeth Chulick, Pat Moylan, Nancy Braunger, Mary McCormack, Robert Munoz and Roger Cass. Let us also pray for Bowe Bergdahl, a POW detained by the Taliban.

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.



Ministry Assignments

SAT. AUGUST 24th

4:30 PM Debbie Saucedo - Lector
K. Flynn, C. Jimenez & S. de Ponce
Eucharistic Ministers
Michelle Henderson & Lucas Ricci
Altar Servers

SUN. AUGUST 25th

8:00 AM Jane Burkemper - Lector
G. Mueller & D. Crooks - Eucharistic Ministers
Pilar Renteria, Cory & Luke Williams
Altar Servers
10:00 AM Tina Da Ros - Lector
B. Nielsen, F. Cogburn, R. & A. Bentajado
D. Macias, O. Loretto, P. & J. Langhorne
Eucharistic Ministers
Antonia Bazzani, Sofia Tognotti &
Clarissa Davis - Altar Servers
12:00 PM Mary Pat Whitney - Lector
R. & J. Victoria - Eucharistic Ministers
Nathan Lopez & Alec Rubio
Altar Servers



Mass Intentions

SAT. AUGUST 24th

7:45 AM Ernest & Maria Pospischil - 50th Ann.
4:30 PM Dolores Hanrahan +

SUN. AUGUST 25th

8:00 AM Int. Of Janet & Mike Mendoza
10:00 AM Barbara Merritt +
12:00 PM For All Our Parishioners

MON. AUGUST 26th

7:45 AM Nilde DeBiasi +

TUES. AUGUST 27th

7:45 AM Carmen Maria Daily +

WED. AUGUST 28th

7:45 AM Int. of M/M Scott Daily

THU. AUGUST 29th

7:45 AM Mary Sue Riccio +

FRI. AUGUST 30th

7:45 AM Nicholas Duimovich +

SAT. AUGUST 31st

7:45 AM For the Youth of our Parish
4:30 PM Joseph J. Leon Sr. +

SUN. SEPTEMBER 1st

8:00 AM Int. of Jasmine Montes de Oca
10:00 AM Int. of Sheila & David Linson
12:00 PM For All Our Parishioners



Mario Borgatello

Mario, a lifetime, faithful member of our Parish, died on August 15, 2013. He was born in Montecito on April 15, 1918, baptized in our Church on October 13, 1918 and was an Altar Server in the first Mass celebrated in our present day Church.

Our community, as well as the entire Catholic community of Santa Barbara, benefitted greatly from Mario's generosity. His presence will greatly missed. May he rest in peace.



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

"El Camino"

High School Confirmation Group

Join us as we explore our faith & journey to The Rite of Confirmation through topical discussion, music, debate, multimedia & art. Meets two Sundays a month, 11am to 12:30pm.



Orientation & Registration

THIS Sunday - Aug. 25th, 11am - 11:45 am in the Church
If you cannot attend, please contact Sarah to request a Confirmation Packet and Handbook.

"M & M's"

Middle School Youth Group

Open to all 6th—8th graders from any school.



Upcoming Events

THIS Sunday Parent/ Student Fall Orientation
Come see what all the 'buzz' is about!!
Sept. 4th Youth Group Kick-Off—Game On!

For more information or to be added to our email list, please contact our Youth Minister Sarah Mack at 805-574-9941 or email her at sarahm@mountcarmelschool.net.

Faith Formation Registration Begins!

Please Save the Date! THIS Sunday, August 25th

Where: Parish Hall When: After All the Masses

Classes begin on Sunday, Sept. 8th at 8:40 am.

If you have a child who is 7 years or older and he/she has not been baptized, please call the Faith Formation Office for more information at 805.969.4868.

Thank
You



El Campo Del Sol

Thank you for all who participated with El Campo Del Sol. Your prayers and donations helped to

create an unforgettable day of fun, food, backpacks and school clothes for 155 children and their families.

Living Stewardship Now.....

If anyone expresses doubt about faith and religious belief, don't argue with them. Speak words of encouragement and pray for them.

School News

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School still has openings at various grade levels for the upcoming school year. Contact the school office at 969-5965 or visit our website at www.mountcarmelschool.net

for our application materials. We have one assessment testing date left before the opening of school. Preschool applicants must be 3 years of age by September 1st and Kindergarten applicants must be 5 years of age by September 1st. All are welcome!

Safeguard our Children

How is compliance with child prevention efforts verified?

While background checks and fingerprinting of all those who work with children in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles are important, they are used in conjunction with abuse awareness and prevention training programs to help ensure that we create the safest possible parish and school environments for our children. An archdiocesan background-tracking information system, Volunteer and Personnel Information Network (VPIN), tracks assignment histories and compliance by employees and volunteers of fingerprinting, background checks and mandatory VIR-TUS sexual abuse prevention training. VPIN allows parishes and schools to adapt features of the system to fit their local needs and it assists the archdiocese to complete its audit reports.

VIRTUS NEWS

OLMC hosts

'Keeping the Promise Alive Session'

August 29th • 6pm - 7:30pm • In the Parish Hall
(This session is a follow up requirement to the Protecting God's Children Session.)

Protecting God's Children Session

Monday, Sept. 9th • 6pm-9pm • In the Parish Hall

Archdiocesan Fingerprinting Session

Saturday, September 21st • Where: Parish Hall

Time: 10am to 1:40pm & 3:20pm to 5:20 pm

FOR ALL School, Parish and Faith Formation volunteers who are around children & the elderly on a regular basis, fingerprinting is required.

Please call the Faith Formation office at 805.969.4868 for more information. **Appointments are necessary.**



**Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Summer Book Club**
August Reading Selection

Crossing The Threshold of Hope
by Pope John Paul II

Discussion Gathering - Weds. Sept. 4th, 7pm to 8pm
Spiritual Center - Refreshments Served - Please join us!!!
(The Spiritual Center is located behind the Church, next to the school lunch tables.)

PARISH FINANCES

Here is the report for the Offertory Collection on Sunday, August 11th & 12th:

Envelopes and Plate Collection	\$6187.82
<u>Donations</u>	<u>\$1050.00</u>
Total	\$7237.82

Very many thanks to all our donors. During the summer months, many people leave on vacation and our Sunday donations and contributions go down. Your faithful and generous giving at Offertory at Sunday Mass expresses your love for God and his Church and fund all the parish worship, religious, educational and service programs of the parish. Many thanks and God's blessings on you and your family.

Action Alert - Senate Bill SB 131

Archbishop Jose Gomez, Archbishop of Los Angeles, has asked all Catholics to immediately contact your California Assembly members and urge them to vote "NO" on Senate Bill 131. Simply tell your representatives to VOTE "NO" because this legislation puts the social services and educational work of the Church at risk and unjustly discriminates against Catholic schools and other private employers. The Bishops of the California Catholic Conference believe it is urgent for Catholics to act now. For background on SB 131 visit the Archdiocese's Resources for Faithful Citizenship page at www.la-archdiocese.org/.

PARTNERSHIP IN SERVICE AWARD

Congratulations to Sister Kathleen Patrice, C.S.J. who received a Partnership in Service Award from Catholic Charities in Santa Barbara earlier this summer. The award recognizes outstanding parishioners who give themselves in service at the parish. Sister Kathleen Patrice serves as the Religious Education Director for our Parish and oversees the Confirmation and Youth Ministry Programs. In her free time, she serves in many other ways: with caring for the homeless; with organizing the Christmas Giving Tree and Santa's Workshop Program, which helps families in need at Christmas, in the housing projects in Carpinteria, families served by Catholic Charities in Santa Barbara and families served by St. Vincent's; is in charge of the Corazon project to build a home for a poor family in Mexico in April; organizes El Campo del Sol in August to help children in need prepare for the opening of school; works with Father Steve in our parish sharing in M-4 movement in the four Churches in Santa Barbara. **Well, done Sister. Our Parish is blessed by your presence and ministry.**

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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"Fr. Steve"

"I come to gather nations of every language; they shall come and see my glory" - these words from the First Reading set the theme for today's Mass: that God calls all people to salvation. In the Gospel, Jesus says that "people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the Kingdom of God." We will have lots of surprises because "some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last." We must respond to God's call not only by words but by lives of faith and love so we can enter the "narrow" gate - by ourselves its not possible, only with God's grace. Our wholehearted response to God's call and grace is important and necessary.

* Each summer each parish welcomes a missionary speaker to Sunday Mass to ask for prayers and financial support as part of the Missionary Cooperative Plan. This year Deacon Michael Neba, a seminarian from the Archdiocese of Bamenda, Cameroon, West Central Africa, will speak at all Masses this Sunday, August 25, making an appeal for the support of the Church in his Archdiocese. We are a missionary Church, given a world wide mission by our Savior, Jesus Christ. Your prayers and financial support will be very much appreciated.

* Very many thanks to all who are responding to the Adopt A Student Appeal for donations or pledges to provide scholarship tuition help for students at Our Lady of Mount Carmel School. Your gift could cover the weekly cost of \$140, the monthly cost of \$540 or the full \$5,400 to educate a child for the entire year. Your gift is an investment in the future and it is priceless to the child who receives it.

* Have you ever thought of becoming a Catholic? Do you know someone who is interested in learning about our Catholic Faith? Are you a Catholic who has not received Confirmation or First Communion? You are invited to join Father Steve and the Parish RCIA team on Tuesday nights, beginning September 18, in the Spiritual Library in the School from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. Any questions? Call Father Steve at the Rectory (969-6868).

* Parish Summer Repairs: Two major projects so far this summer:

1. Replacing of the sewer line serving the Church, the School and the Rectory. The final cost was \$12237, much more than the original estimate of \$8,000 because of the need to install a back water valve and a pocket of large rocks and small boulders that required the digging of a third 6 foot deep hole.

2. Replacing wooden beams in the walkway between the Sacristy and the Rest Rooms because of severe wood rot. The cost of the wood materials so far has been \$4,000. Two roof supporting beams in the same area were also found to have severe wood rot from the rains and will require replacement also.



Our prayers and sincere sympathy to the family and friends of *Nancy Braunger* who died this past week. May our Heavenly Father welcome her into His Kingdom and grant her the happiness of heaven. May she rest in peace.