Our Lady of Mount Carmel

1300 East Valley Road Montecito, Santa Barbara, California 93108 (805) 969-6868; Fax (805) 565-5959

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.

Msgr. 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 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 969-6868

Religious Education Office

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

Weddings weddings@olmc-montecito.com

969-4868

At least one party must be a registered, contributing and an active member of Mt. Carmel Parish for at least one year before requesting a marriage date. Please call the Rectory at least 6 months before the proposed date of marriage or contact us at the above email address.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School 969-5965

530 Hot Springs Rd.

Santa Barbara, California 93108 Principal — Mrs. Karen Regan www.mountcarmelschool.net

Secular Order of Carmelites: Meet 2nd Saturday of the month in OLMC Parish Hall — All are welcome to attend.

Rudyne 967-3691 Evelyn Duimovich 969-3858

Pastoral Council Co-Chairmen

Frederic Cogburn 570-6747 Sergio Gonzalez 283-7003



The Epiphany of the Lord. January 6, 2013

"Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!
Your light has come
The glory of the Lord shines upon you."

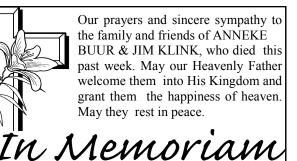
— Isaiah 60:I



Our Lady of Mount Carmel

WELCOME TO **OUR LADY OF** MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

If you are visiting or new in our community, we are blessed that you are here to worship with us. 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, M-F. 8:30- 12 noon, 1:30- 5 p.m. Coffee, Donuts & Cappuccino are served after the Sunday, 10 am Mass, in the side courtyard. Please join us!



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Letitia Brown, Beverly Peters, Jack Jones, Infant Adrian, Infant Dorian Vazquez, Robert Munoz, Joseph Davis, Eric Lundy, Shawn Cunningham, Nikki DeLeon, Kevin McKernan, Marti Boise, Ava Nebroski, Jadwiga Bielawski, Carolyn Bell, Elizabeth Love, Jo Dushais, Coann Dow, Baby Angelina Repetti, Maria Bregy, Jim Fuller, Oriana Bielawski, Dottie and Jack McClellan, Maureen Turner, Bruce Albertson, Olga Aros, Anita Blanchett, Martha Bradley, Rosemary Donohue, Paul Dosa, Carmen Dragon, Jeffrey Luna, Sharon Graham, Laird Murfey, Virginia McDermott, Wayne Dreyer, Andrea Munoz, Rosemary Redmond, Vivian Sherwood, Patricia McNamara, Christopher Guadagnini, Sir Daniel Donohue, Mario Lara, Jr., Tyler Hester, Leonard Jarrott, Chuck Rimp, Dylan Swalley, Frances Maher. & "Maddie" Press.

If anyone you know is ill and needs to be visited, please call the Rectory at 969-6868. Let us pray also for Bowe Bergdahl, a POW detained by the Taliban.



SAT. JANUARY 5th

4:30 PM Peter Da Ros, Lector

M. Guadagnini, C. Jimenez

I. Stafford — Eucharistic Ministers Isabella Dozer, Sarah & Luke Peterson

Altar Servers

SUN. JANUARY 6th 8:00 AM Stephanie Kwock, Lector

G. Mueller & M. Mueller Eucharistic Ministers

Anna Braastad, Cory & Luke Williams

Altar Servers

10:00 AM Frederic Cogburn, Lector

B. Jones, C. Wathen, P. Langhorne, B. Nunez J. Langhorne, J. Klink, J. King, M. Press

Eucharistic Ministers

Angela, Justin & Adam Coffin, Altar Servers

12:00 PM Mary Pat Whitney, Lector

M. Tynan & R. Sailors, Eucharistic Ministers Pia Valtierra, Isabella & Jillian, Altar Servers



Mass Intentions

SAT. JANUARY 5th

7:45 AM Molly Lopez+

4:30 PM Liv & Dec. Members of Borgatello Family

SUN. JANUARY 6th

8:00 AM For All Parishioners 10:00 AM Dr. Jack Love+ Thomas Nelson+ 12:00 PM

MON. JANUARY 7th

7:45 AM Grace & Don Tynan+

TUES. JANUARY 8th

Robert Colleary + 7:45 AM

WED. JANUARY 9th

7:45 AM Thomas Quirk+

THU. JANUARY 10th

7:45 AM Robert Rich+

FRI. JANUARY 11th

7:45 AM Robert Colleary+

SAT. JANUARY 12th

7:45 AM Barry Berkus +

Rosetta & Gino Guadagnini + 4:30 PM

SUN. JANUARY 13th

8:00 AM John Morehart + 10:00 AM Jeanne Regis + 12:00 PM For All Parishioners +

You Are Supported in Your Time of Loss

Parish Office & 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.

OLMC Youth Ministry News

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

"El Camino" *High School Confirmation Group*

Meets twice a month for scripture study, faith sharing, retreats, trips, art, food and fun!

Upcoming Session — January 13th

11 am to 12:30pm in the Parish Hall

Santa Barbara Youth Day—January 19th @

Bishop High School

"M & M's" *Middle School Youth Group*

Meets twice a month for friendship, discussion, food, games, raffles and fun trips too!

*Upcoming Gathering — January 9th 6:30 to 8 pm in the Parish Hall — "Game Night"

If you would like more information about OLMC Youth Ministry or want to be added to our mailing list, please contact our Youth Minister,

Sarah Mack at 805-574-9941 or email her at sarahm@mountcarmelschool.net.

WHOLE COMMUNITY FAITH SHARING January 6, 2013 — Epiphany of the Lord Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12

Reflection: In today's Gospel, the journey of the wise men is a metaphor for the spiritual journeys that all of us must make. Like the Magi, we must be attentive; we must be willing to act; we must expect opposition; we must give our best to Christ and finally, we must be willing to change, "to go back by a different route."

Question: What "signs" in my life have led me to Jesus?

Faith Response: I will reflect on some of the "Little Epiphanies" in my life and share them with others.

THE YEAR OF FAITH AND BIBLE STUDY

Pope Benedict XVI has declared a Year of Faith from October 2012 to November 2013, so all Catholics can deepen their faith in Jesus Christ. Coming to know Jesus in the Holy Scriptures is all important. Father Steve will begin a Bible Study on Mark's Gospel on Monday, January 21 from 10:30 am to 12 Noon in the Parish Hall. All are welcome. Bring your Bibles. If there is enough interest, he will repeat the class on Monday evening from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. call Father Steve at the Rectory (969-6868) if you are interested in an evening class.

School News

Applications are now being accepted for the 2013-14 school year!

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School provides a quality education for all grade levels including pre-kindergarten through the eighth grade, with maximum class sizes of thirty students per class. Pre-kindergarten applicants must be three years of age and potty trained before September 1st of the year enrolled and kindergarten applicants must be five years of age before September 1st of the year enrolled. Assessment testing for all K-8 applicants will be scheduled for the first week in February, with admission decisions being made by the 1st of March. Visit our website at www.mountcarmel school.net to download application materials or call our school office at 805/969-5965 and we would be happy to send you a copy.

*Thank you!*Karen Regan

Principal, Our Lady of Mount Carmel School

HIGH SCOUTING AWARDS

Two young members of our parish recently received some of the highest awards in Scouting and did so by completing important projects for the benefit of our parish.

Congratulations to Clare Kelly who received the Silver Award in Girls' Scouting on December 14. Clare received this award by her work with our Altar Severs: she wrote a wonderful training booklet with visual aids for new Altar Servers; she recruited and trained 15 new servers since May, 2012; hung a picture of St. John Berchmans, the patron saint of Altar Servers and put alongside the Altar Server prayer in the Altar Server room in the Sacristy and continues to serve_with a great appreciation of the honor of serving God at the altar.

Congratulations also to Benjamin Helkey who received the Eagle Scout Award on December 21. His Eagle project was to transform an underused library at our Parish School into a Parish Spiritual Library. He supervised a team to clean and paint the library; raised \$1,400 for the purchase of new library books and received over six hundred and fifty book donations for the Spiritual Library which is open on Sunday mornings to all parishioners.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Religious Education $SCRIPTURE\,BY\,HEART$

January Theme — "RESPONSIBILITY"

January 6th — Psalm 37:7a

BE STILL BEFORE THE LORD; WAIT FOR GOD

PARISH FINANCES

Many thanks to all for your generous contributions to our Church in the Christmas collection. Final figures on that collection are not available as this bulletin goes to press. Here is the report for the Offertory Collection for Sunday, December 22/23:

Envelopes and Plate Collection: \$6,582

The average Sunday collection would need to reach \$8,500 each week to avoid another parish operating deficit. We will continue to do everything possible to reduce our expenses this year. Your generous giving in the Offertory Collection is very important for our parish and funds all the parish worship, educational and service programs of the parish. Many thanks and God's blessings on all for your generous giving to God and his Church.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Sunday, February 3, 2013 @ 2:30pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Church 227 N. Nopal Street, Santa Barbara 93103

Catholic Engaged Encounter Needs Married Couples Help!

Calling all married couples to help prepare engaged couples for marriage. Whether you have been married for 2 months or 40+ years, we need your help. No experience is necessary and training is free. Please call Paciano & Molly Diaz at 818-763-3683 or visit our website at www.CEEof LA.org.

OLMC Spiritual Center

Come visit our Spiritual Center.

Spiritual books, DVD's, and CD's for adults and children are available for checkout.

Open most Sundays from 9am to 12 noon.

Monthly schedule will be posted on the bulletin board outside the Spiritual Center.

(Located behind the Church in front of the school lunch benches.)

Rectory 805-969-6868 School

School Office 805-969-5965

Safeguard our Children — Did you know?

According to a recent survey, a record high three million youth, aged 12 to 17, abused prescription drugs last year. These are prescription drugs that are taken from medicine cabinets in the home and sold in school hallways and on the street. Non-medical use of stimulants, sedatives, pain relievers and tranquilizers are high in demand at school and at work. Most teens begin using drugs to satisfy their curiosity, to make themselves feel good, to reduce stress, to feel grown-up or to just "fit in". Warnings signs of abuse may include health problems, sudden mood changes, withdrawing, poor grades, depression and a change of friends. For more information, visit www.conectwithkids.com and www.drugfree.org.

From the Pastor

"Father Steve"

Today we celebrate the Epiphany or revealing of Jesus as the Savior of all peoples. Jesus is the light who shines for all. The Magi who come seeking the newborn Christ, following the star, represent all the people and nations of the world who are invited and attracted by God to seek light, truth, peace, life in Jesus, our newborn Savior in Bethlehem. The gifts of the Magi are gold (representing charity - love of God and neighbor); frankincense (which stands for prayer of praise, worship, adoration of God); myrrh

(a gum resin and oil used in embalming, a reminder of the suffering and death Jesus will face on the Cross and the Cross in our lives also). Like the Magi, may we too come to know Christ, the light of all nations, as we follow His star in this New Year.

- * May God's blessings, grace and peace be with you all throughout the New Year. A Happy and Blessed New Year to all!
- * Religious Education classes begin again this Sunday morning with Sister Kathleen Patrice and her wonderful teachers and helpers in the School.
- * Our Lady of Mount Carmel School begins classes again this Tuesday, January 8th.
- * The RCIA class for Non-Catholics inquiring into the Catholic Faith and for adult Catholics who would like to prepare for First Holy Communion or Confirmation will begin again this Tuesday, January 8th from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Spiritual Library in the School.
- * Father Steve will begin a Bible Study on St. Mark's Gospel on Monday, January 21 from 10:30 AM to 12 noon in the Parish Hall. All are welcome. Bring your Bibles. If there is enough interest, he will repeat the class on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 PM please let him know or call him at the Rectory (969-6868) if you are interested in an evening class.
- * Many thanks to all who shared so much to make our Christmas celebrations so beautiful. Many thanks to all for your generous contributions to the Christmas collection, your generous sharing of food and gifts for families in need in our community and your Christmas cards and gifts for the priests of the parish. We are very grateful.



Catholic Charities Food Pantry

Continues to need food for the homeless and those who have lost their jobs during these hard times! Your donations can be dropped off in the vestibule of the Church or at the Rectory Office as it is picked up weekly. Personal hygiene

items are also in great need. Thank you for your generosity! "Whatever you do for one of my brothers, you do for me."

Matthew 25:39