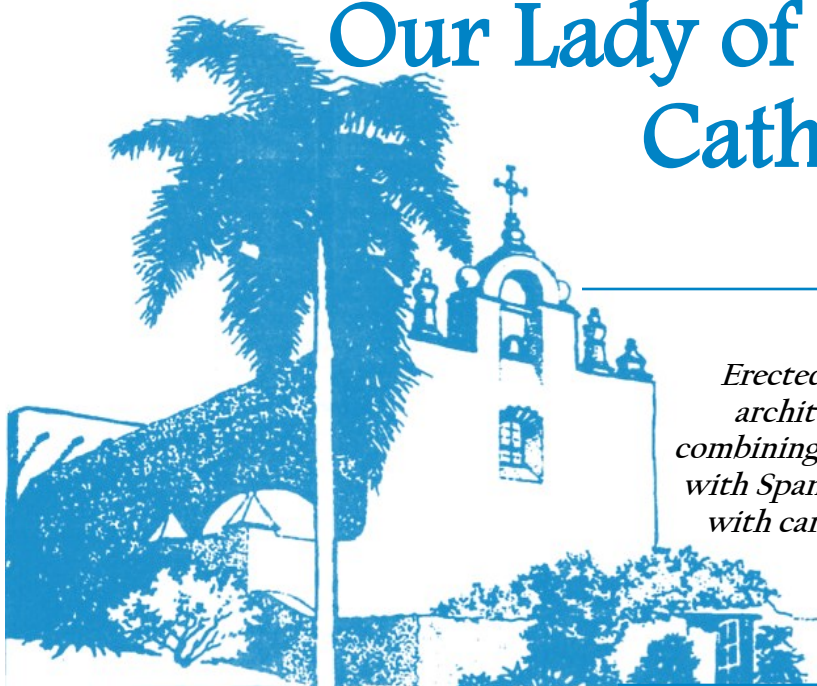


Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church



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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srkathleen@mountcarmelschool.net

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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.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School

805/969-5965

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 805/969-3858



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The Baptism of the Lord

JANUARY 11, 2015

All you who are thirsty,
come to the water!

Isaiah 55:1

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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Fr. Steve

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD JANUARY 11, 2015

The Christmas season ends today with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord Jesus. After many years of silent life in Nazareth, Jesus now begins his public ministry by coming to John the Baptist at the river Jordan. John is saying: "I have baptized with water; he will baptize with the Holy Spirit" (Mark 1:7ff). Jesus shows he is one with us in his humanity as he joins sinners in the waters of repentance and conversion. But Jesus is more than human. He is divine. As he is baptized by John, the Spirit descends upon Jesus and the voice of God is heard coming from the heavens: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Now Jesus begins his ministry of preaching, going about "doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil" (as we hear in our Second Reading from the Acts of the Apostles 10:34ff).

Today is a good day to recall our own Baptism in Christ. Like Christ we too are anointed with the Holy Spirit at our Baptism and called to bring light and hope and the Good News of God's love to our troubled world.

- This Sunday, the Church Baptistry will be open at Mass times so you can visit this beautiful part of our Church on the Feast of the Baptism of Jesus, and to remind you of your own Baptism.

- On Monday we begin Ordinary Time in the Church year. Ordinary Time refers to the thirty four weeks of the Church year that are not part of the Advent-Christmas or Lent-Easter seasons. All time is sacred to God and every Sunday is of great importance as the day of the Lord's resurrection and the day of the completion of creation. Let every Sunday be a day of worship together at Eucharist and a day of play and rest in God's love.

- Our Religious Education children will help us in our celebration of Holy Eucharist at 10:00 AM this Sunday.

- 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 continues on Tuesday from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Spiritual Library in the School. Any questions? Call Father Steve at the Parish Office (805)969-6868.

- Many thanks again to all who shared so much to make our Christmas celebrations so beautiful. A special thanks to the Overgaag Family, who donated the beautiful poinsettias on the altar; to Mrs. Geonine Moriarity, who spent many hours with other parishioners decorating the Church; and to Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Dal Bello who donated the beautiful Christmas trees and Christmas wreaths (in the bulletin of December 28, 2014, they were mistakenly listed as Mr. & Mrs. Tony Dal Bello - our apologies to Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Dal Bello).

- Online giving is now available at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Online giving is a convenient and safe way to make your donations expressing your love for God and your parish Church, especially if you are out of town or unable to come to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church every Sunday. Just visit our parish website at www.mtcarmelsb.com and click on Giving (or DONATE) link/tab.



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.

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 you can bring it by the Parish Office.





Ministry Assignments

SATURDAY, JAN. 10th

4:30 PM

Lector ~ Eloise Srednicki

Eucharistic Ministers ~ J. Stratford, K. Flynn & S. Carroll

Altar Servers ~ Matthew Helkey, Emily & Joshua Wazny

SUNDAY, JAN. 11th

8:00 AM

Lector ~ Mel Weddle

Eucharistic Ministers ~ D. & B. Crooks

Altar Servers ~ George, Henry & Ted Schuberg

10:00 AM

Lector ~ Religious Education Student Lector

Euch. Ministers ~ B. Nielsen, C. Webb, J. Klink

W. Gragg, R. & M. Willmon, J. & P. Langhorne

Altar Servers ~ Nicole Figueroa, Michael Reyes & Ann Bentajado

12:00 PM

Lector ~ Frederic Cogburn

Eucharistic Ministers ~ MB Tynan & O. Loretto

Altar Servers ~ Jillian Chierici, Emma Coglizer & Clarissa Davis



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.

Sing praise to the LORD
for his glorious achievement.



Mass Intentions

SAT. JAN. 10th

7:45 AM Thomas Sneddon +

4:30 PM Paul Ahn +

SUN. JAN. 11th

8:00 AM For All Our Parishioners

10:00 AM Frances Johnson +

12:00 PM Norman Savage +

MON. JAN. 12th

7:45 AM Inez Gilkeson +

TUES. JAN. 13th

7:45 AM Al Haider +

WED. JAN. 14th

7:45 AM Carlo Weber +

THU. JAN. 15th

7:45 AM Frances Johnson +

FRI. JAN. 16th

7:45 AM Mike Olsen +

SAT. JAN. 17th

7:45 AM Patsy Cappell +

4:30 PM Gino & Rosetta Guadagnini +

SUN. JAN. 18th

8:00 AM For All Our Parishioners

10:00 AM Al Ogier +

12:00 PM Vince Vincer +

Give thanks to the LORD,
acclaim his name

Please Pray For The Sick Of Our Parish

Bruce Albertson, Jack Jones, Marti Boise, Jo Dushais, Rosemary Donohue, Patricia McNamara, Christopher Guadagnini, Tyler Hester, Dylan Swalley, Frances Maher, Maddie Press, the Borgatello Family, Marilyn Schuermann, Mary McCormack, Robert Munoz, Roger Cass, Jim Fuller, Susan Basler, Ritz Brunello, Francisco Ramos, Eric Lundy, Laurie Maguire, Ann Rosecrance, Domini Tarman, Richard Sharp and Ruben Camacho.

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

- ◇ Jan. 17th ~ Santa Barbara Youth Day at Bishop Diego High School
- ◇ Feb. 8th ~ Mass & Regular Session

"Sanctus" High School Leadership Group

- ◇ Jan. 17th ~ Peer Ministers for Santa Barbara Youth Day at Bishop Diego High School

"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 Event

- ◇ Jan. 24th 'Roller Boogie Skating Night'
At Skating Plus (Ventura)
\$20 pp (includes lunch & transportation)
Must RSVP with Sarah; 1pm—5pm



"MC-YA" OLMC Young Adult Ministry Bowling Night Meet Up'

Friday, January 16th ◇ 6:30pm — 8:30 pm
Bowling • Beer • Soda • Pizza • Friends
\$10 per person

**OPEN TO ALL YOUNG ADULTS IN
THE SB REGION**

Zodo's Bowling & Beyond 5925 Calle Real, Goleta
TO RSVP or for more information, please contact

Sarah Mack Youth/Young Adult Minister at
olmc93108@gmail.com or 805.574.9941.

Faith Formation Scripture by Heart

January
'Responsibility'

Bear one another's burdens and so you
Will fulfill the law of Christ.

Safeguard Our Children

Help Children Game Safely Online

Thousands of children and young people received game consoles for Christmas. Parental involvement is critical when it comes to helping children online game more safely. Take an active interest in the games that your child plays alone or with others. You can research games' ratings and content on www.esrb.org. This website is maintained by the Entertainment Software Rating Board which rates thousands of games each year. Another tip is to know which safety features are available on the gaming equipment that your child uses—a headset may have voice-masking features.

For more information visit on using gaming sites go to: <http://www.netismartz.org/Gaming>.

WHOLE COMMUNITY FAITH SHARING

Week of January 11th — Mark 1:7-11

Faith Reflection: This Sunday's celebration of the Baptism of the Lord brings the Christmas Season to an end. The Gospel tells us that Jesus comes to the Jordan River to be baptized by John and be revealed at God's beloved son. The Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus and God announces, "You are my beloved Son." This also begins Jesus' public ministry to bring healing and justice to the world.

Faith Question: As a baptized member of the Church, what is God's plan for me?

Faith Response: I will listen to God and realize the good works of which I am capable through the Holy Spirit.

School News

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Monthly School Tour

THIS Tuesday, Jan. 13th ♦ 9am

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School
Pre-K thru 8th grade

We accept students for admission with-out reference to race, color, age, national and ethnic origin or gender.

MARKETPLACE

Shop - Save - Fundraise



Visit our school website,
www.mountcarmelschool.net.

When you shop through foundation revenue marketplace, a portion of the sale will be donated to OLMC school.

Online Giving

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel now offers Online Giving.

Convenient. Easy. Secure.

Sign up today on
www.mtcarmelsb.com

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

Flu and Cold Season are Here....

Fr. Steve says, "Your health is a great blessing from God and requires our care and attention. Please follow the advice of doctors in caring for yourself and your family. If you or your family have the flu or a cold, it's best to stay home and care for the person. In this situation, you can excuse yourself from Mass on Sunday. **If you come to Mass and have a cold or possibly the flu, we ask you not to drink from the Sacred Cup at Communion time. At the Sign of Peace, do not shake hands, but let the other person know that you are not feeling well and wish them peace and God's blessings.** These simple common sense suggestions will safeguard your health, as well as the health of other parishioners."

2015 Los Angeles Religious Education Congress

Join us March 13th—15th at the Anaheim Convention Center. **You will be enriched and revitalized!** If you have never attended Congress, you are assured of a wonderful experience. **All are welcome to attend!** The Congress, offers a variety of opportunities for personal faith enrichment, prayer and entertainment - 310 workshops, covering topics of interest from spirituality and person development to biblical studies, theology and catechesis — **there is a topic of interest for you.** In addition to workshops, participants will enjoy morning praise, evening liturgies and a variety of noon time and evening concerts.

REGISTER NOW! Online @ www.RECongress.org or call the RE Congress information line at 213/637-7348 to request a registration book.



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, December 13th/14th

Envelopes & Plate Collection	\$5,599
<u>Donations</u>	<u>\$550</u>
Total	\$6,149

Sunday, December 20th/21st

Envelopes & Plate Collection	\$7,585
<u>Donations</u>	<u>\$200</u>
Total	\$7,785

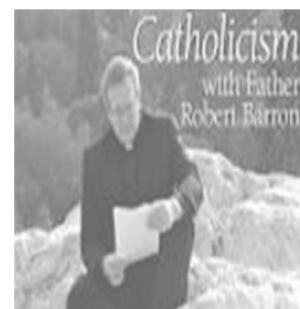
(Final figures for the Christmas Collection will be available in next week's bulletin.)

Your faithful and generous giving at Offertory at Sunday Mass expresses your love for God and funds all the parish worship, religious, educational and service programs of the parish. Online Giving is now available at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Just visit our parish website at www.mtcarmelsb.com and click on Giving (or DONATE) link/tab.

Many thanks and God's blessings on all our donors.

Come with us on a . . .

"Catholic Road Trip"



Over 10 weeks beginning Sunday morning, February 1st, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish invites everyone to come on a journey; a truly stimulating pilgrimage! Passports not required.

Through the incomparable enthusiasm of Father Robert Barron --speaker, author, and theologian -- we will explore, be challenged, and even surprised by our Catholic Faith. We'll watch the acclaimed series 'Catholicism' in our Spiritual Library, and have a short discussion afterwards.

Sunday Mornings ♦ 8:40 am - 9:50 am

- Experience our Faith from its earliest years through the ages of saints and missionaries to the present day, "traveling" to 50 locations worldwide.
- Expect to bring home much more than you brought on this trip. Come with open eyes to the drama, truth, and beauty of our Faith.
- Non-Catholic friends and relatives are most welcome!

For more information, please contact Sr. Kathleen Patrice at 805.969.4868 or Tina Lorge at 949.300.7980

Bishop High School Open House

Tuesday ♦ January 13th ♦ 6 pm ~ 7:30 pm
(Light refreshments will be served.)

RSVP ~ Liv Gonzalez, Admission Assistant

805.967.1266, ext. 1 ~ lgonzalez@bishopdiego.org

Can't make it to the open house?

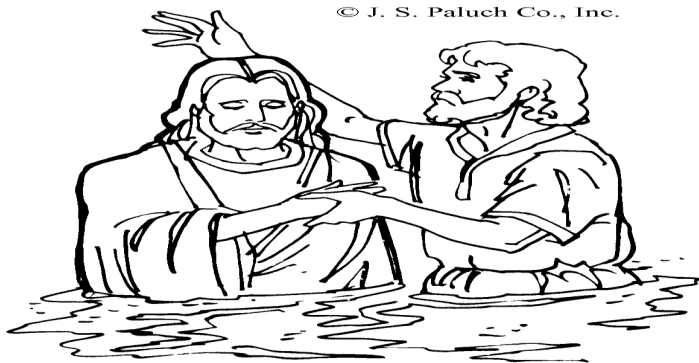


Call Lori Willis, Director of Admission to schedule a tour,
805.967.1266, ext. 118
lwillis@bishopdiego.org

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord
 Monday: First Week in Ordinary Time begins
 Tuesday: St. Hilary
 Saturday: St. Anthony

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**LIVING GOD'S WORD**

At baptism, the Spirit came upon you in the presence of the Christian community, claiming you in Jesus' name, and God said, "You are my beloved son/daughter." Spend some time praying over these words. What do you say to God in return? How does it affect what you do in life?

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LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

"Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received — only what you have given.

St. Francis of Assisi (1181-1226)

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OneLife LA — You are Invited!

Join Archbishop Gomez and thousands of people from throughout Southern California on **January 17th** at OneLife LA, the first ever large scale event in downtown Los Angeles, promoting the beauty and dignity of every human life from conception to natural death. **Beginning a walk at 10am** at La Placita Olvera and ending in Grand Park with a family friendly picnic, music, entertainment, speakers, food trucks and exhibits.

Visit the website—OneLifeLA.org for more info.



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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.

AN ANCIENT BAPTISTERY

One of the most ancient and enduring sites for baptism in Rome is the church of San Giovanni in Fonte. This church is in fact a baptistery, and houses the font for the Lateran Basilica, the cathedral of Rome. The Emperor Constantine sponsored its construction in the year 315, and it is therefore the oldest baptistery in the world. It is the model for nearly all later baptisteries, including perhaps the font in your own parish church

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9;
 Mk 1:14-20
 Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9;
 Mk 1:21-28
 Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9;
 Mk 1:29-39
 Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
 Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8;
 Mk 2:1-12
 Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15;
 Mk 2:13-17
 Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10;
 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In the 1560s, the Council of Trent attempted to standardize the widely variant customs for the pastoral care of the sick and dying. We had inherited a practice called "extreme unction," from the Latin words meaning anointing at the point of death. The deeper tradition, however, is about the prayer of faith that will heal and restore the sick person, and is straight from the Letter of James. The Fathers went back to the beginning, and while not discarding the "extreme unction" name, made a plea for the proper use of this sacrament. As soon as a person is in danger of death from sickness or old age, they reasoned, the time for the sacrament had already arrived.

As a result of this desire, the next ritual text for anointing contained an innovation: a rite for visiting the sick that included readings from scripture, psalms, and prayers. Old customs fade slowly, however, and the quality of pastoral care languished for centuries while people delayed the celebration of a consoling and effective sacrament, sometimes missing the opportunity completely. A priest ministering to a dying and unconscious patient alone in a room has never been the desire of the Church. Our tradition is far too rich for this sacrament to be celebrated in such a diminished and ungenerous manner.

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