

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.

Priest

Fr. Lawrence Seyer, **Pastor**

lseyer@mtcarmelsb.com

Monsignor Stephen Downes, **Pastor Emeritus**

Father Maurice O'Mahony, **Pastor Emeritus**

Parish Office

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Hours: 9am to 12pm and 1:30pm to 5pm

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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

7:45 AM – 9:00 AM (School Mass) - 5:30 PM

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

Baptisms: Sundays (after the 12 Noon Mass)

Religious Education

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Youth Ministry

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Sarah Mack - Youth Minister

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High School Confirmation - 'El Camino'

Middle School Youth Group - 'The M&M's' _

Young Adult Ministry - 'MCYA' _

Weddings

805/969-6868

Dori Macias - Wedding Coordinator

olmcweddings@gmail.com

Please call the Parish Office at least six months before the proposed wedding date.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School

805/969-5965

530 Hot Springs Road - Santa Barbara, 93108

Principal - Tracie Simolon

Pre-K thru 8th Grade

www.mountcarmelschool.net

Secular Order of Carmelites

805/969-3858

Evelyn Duimovich

Meets 2nd Sat. of each month



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 20, 2017

Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed.

~ Isaiah 56:1

WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

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 Father Lawrence, our retired priests, Fr. Steve and Fr. O' Mahony 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 phone number is 805/969-6868. Or email us at olmcweddings@gmail.com.

And please join us for cappuccino, coffee and donuts in the side courtyard after the 10am Mass every Sunday.



Our Lady of Mount Carmel
be with you always.
She is the star that guides you
and never disappears from
your horizon.

May she lead you now, throughout your life,
and at its completion to a safe haven.

Pope John Paul II

Parishioner Registration Form

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

Welcome

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Reflecting on God's Word

"Beggars can't be choosers!" we might say to a child who asks for a different candy bar from the one we have handed him. "Beggars can't be choosers!" we might think as we watch a struggling mother sort through hand-me-downs at the free store. "Beggars can't be choosers!" we might tell ourselves when we are mistreated by someone we rely on to supply our needs. Those four little words may seem logical and harmless. Yet, how many children, unemployed, elderly, sick, or otherwise vulnerable people have lost their self-respect and stopped voicing their needs because they believe those four little words!

Today's scriptures challenge us to stop using, or even thinking, those four words. They invite us to see that, yes, beggars *can and should* be choosers. The first and second readings seem directed to those who feel they deserve better than others. They show God's mercy extending to all who call on and love the name of the Lord, and remind us that all of us have disobeyed, thus all of us are beggars. The Gospel speaks to those who feel they deserve worse than others. The Canaanite woman is held up as a model to imitate, not someone to be scorned and rejected. We are encouraged never again to let feelings of unworthiness convince us that our needs don't deserve a hearing, respect, and a response.

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Whole Community Faith Sharing

Reflection: Just as the Canaanite woman displayed, our faith must have grit and endurance. Even at her darkest moment, she persevered in her response to Jesus. She was willing to take "crumbs"; so great was her faith. The best thing we can do as Christians, around other cultures and religions, is to set an example by our faith that God is with us, and that He cares and loves us. When people observe faith and positive example, most will want to experience it for themselves...it may take time for some, but we must believe the seeds we plant and our living example will spread; it will resonate in ways we may not see or experience; but our faith will shine in interior and exterior ways that we may not "see."

Reflection Question: Have I ever been asked for help by someone of another race or culture? How was I enriched by the experience?

Faith Response: I will be inspired by this determined Gentile's faith in Jesus, by being a living example to all of those I experience in my daily life; especially other cultures and religions.

Ministry Assignments

SATURDAY, August 19th

4:30 PM

Lector - John Kelly
Eucharistic Ministers - Michelle Kelly & Jack Stratford

SUNDAY, August 20th

8:00 AM

Lector - Peter Da Ros
Eucharistic Ministers - David & Bridet Crooks

10:00 AM

Lector - Don Gragg
Euch. Ministers - Wendy Gragg, Bob Nunez, Mary Press, Carol Webb, Tracie Simolon, Carolyn Groth-Marnat, Mark & Tina Lorge

12:00 PM

Lector - Stephanie Kwock
Eucharistic Ministers - Gloria Tejada & Merle Guadagnini

For I will sing the
 goodness of the Lord.

Mass Intentions

SAT. Aug. 19th

7:45 AM Kerry Doud +
 4:30 PM Dr. Ronald Robertson +

SUN. Aug. 20th

8:00 AM For All Our Parishioners
 10:00 AM Alex Saucedo +
 12:00 PM David Pellegrin +

MON. Aug. 21st

7:45 AM Bernice Morison +

TUES. Aug. 22nd

7:45 AM George & Annette Corbett +

WED. Aug. 23rd

7:45 AM John Rosecrance +

THURS. Aug. 24th

7:45 AM Christopher Guadagnini +

FRI. Aug. 25th

7:45 AM Ted Niec +

SAT. Aug. 26th

7:45 AM Jane Niec +
 4:30 PM Vincent Mezzio +

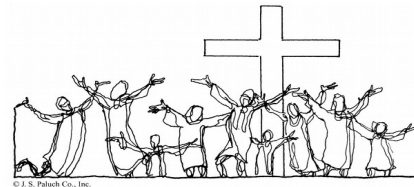
SUN. Aug. 27th

8:00 AM Jacob Synder +
 10:00 AM For All Our Parishioners
 12:00 PM Christopher Guadagnini +

You Are Supported in Your Time of Loss

The Parish Staff & Clergy of Our Lady of Mount 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.



Please Pray For The Sick Of Our Parish

Tyler Hester, Ann Rosecrance, Marilyn Schuermann, Robert Munoz, Roger Cass, Donna Tobin, Richard Steiler and Alicia Bolonis.

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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD PANTRY



Catholic Charities Food Pantry continues to be in need. Please always remember those who may be in need between jobs and those whose families have a basic need. **Your continued support is appreciated.** Food and clothing donations are accepted in the baskets in the back of the Church, in the Side Chapel 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

Parish Giving Week of July 29th/30th



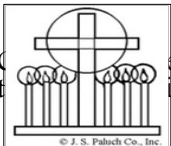
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May God bless you for your commitment and continued support of our Parish community.

Fingerprinting At Our Lady of Mt. Carmel THIS Monday ~ August 21st

Our Lady of Mount Carmel is hosting a fingerprinting opportunity for parish volunteers and parish/school staff. In order to cooperate with the Archdiocesan policies in providing a safe environment, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, school/parish staff and parish volunteers are required to be fingerprinted along with Safeguard Training.

If you're thinking of volunteering in the future or still need to be fingerprinted, please call for an appointment. **Space is limited.** For any questions or to make an appointment, please email Bridget Crooks at bocrooks@cox.net.



SHRINE CANDLES

are purchased during the weekday in the parish office. The donation is \$4. Thank you.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Prayer and meditation before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament are great ways to spend some special time with Him. You can ask Him for graces for yourself or for loved ones, reflect on His Word, or just keep Him company! And it's no bother for Jesus. In fact, He very much *wants* to see you!

Adoration is held every Wednesday, from 5pm to 8pm in the Main Church. Please find the time to spend with our Lord and sign-up on the white boards at the Church doors.

Transition House Meals

Our Parish provides dinner on the first Friday of every month for Transition House. The residents of Transition House are families with children who need temporary assistance. We need your help!! We are looking for volunteers to help prepare the meals. No special skills are required and there is no cost **involved**. Any amount of time you can give would be most appreciated.

If you would like to participate, please contact Pierina Lowdermilk at 805/969-0463 or call the Parish Office at 805/969-6868.

Parish Online Giving

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.



Help Snare Christ's Message

Volunteer to Co-Teach

What an opportunity to:

- Discern God's call to be a Catechist
- Deepen your own faith
- Model Christ-likeness to young people
- Share your gifts and talents
 - Meet other Catechist who enjoy praying & ministering together

**Seven Catechists/Assistant Catechists Greatly Needed
For Sunday mornings – 8:40am to 9:50am
(between the 8am and 10am Masses)
(excluding 3 day weekends & holidays)**

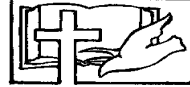
**Come & inquire....Bring a friend
Contact Sr. Rosalie at 805/969-4868
srrosalie@mountcarmelschool.net**



Our Parish, we strive to offer our young adults a place to "Belong, Believe, Become."

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FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM



educating children in an engaging, loving, and learning environment.

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"El Camino"

High School Confirmation Group

We explore our faith & journey to The R Confirmation through topical discussion, debate, multimedia & art. Meets two Sunday months, from 11am to 12:30pm in our Parish Hall.



Coming Year Information

Registration forms for 2017-2018 are on the parish website or a registration packet may be picked up at the Parish Office during business hours. Registration may also be completed on Orientation Day.

♦ Aug. 27th Orientation Meeting (11am to 12 noon in Parish Hall)

♦ Sept. 10th First Session

Back to School Religious Education Welcome Back!

Sundays • 8:40am – 9:50am
Kindergarten ~ 8th grade

Our Parish Religious Education program will begin on August 27th for this new school year. A parent orientation meeting will be held in the Parish Hall on the 27th while your children are in class. Registration forms can be found on the Parish website, www.mtcarmelsb.com under the Children's Faith Formation tab.

Please contact the Religious Education office at 805/969-4848 for further inquiries.

"Sanctus" High School CORE Team



CORE 2017-2018

Orientation Meeting • August 27th
6:30pm to 6:30pm
Rusty's Pizza
(Lower States St.)

Pizza, Soda and a time to plan our year!

This is a very important meet-up!

Please come!

CORE Teens must RSVP to Sarah!!

"M & M's"

Middle School Youth Group

Open to all 6th ~ 8th graders from AN. Meets on Wednesdays, once per month, Parish Hall, from 6:30pm ~ 8pm.



New Year Kick-Off Event

♦ Sept. 6th The Return of the 13-Foot Banana Split

and Bubble Soccer!!!

For more information about Confirmation, CORE or the M & M's, please text/call/email Sarah Mack.

A Prayer for Families

God, Our Father, loving and merciful, bring together and keep all families in perfect unity of love and mutual support. Instill in each member the spirit of understanding and affection for each other. Keep quarrels and bitterness far from them, and for their occasional failures instill forgiveness and peace. May the mutual love and affection of parents set a good example. Instill in children self-respect that they may respect others and grow in mature independence. May the mutual affection and respect of families be a sign of Christian life here and hereafter, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Safeguard Our Children

Did You Know?

Teach Kids When to Say Something

It is important to help children understand the difference between telling on others and sharing information that could help keep themselves or someone else safe. Teach children about secrets that are okay (a surprise birthday party), and secrets that are never okay (don't tell mom or dad that...), and, perhaps most importantly, what to do if someone asks them to keep a bad secret. Speaking up can save a kid from harm or abuse.

To request a copy of the VIRTUS® article "To Tattle or Protect" email jvienna@la-archdiocese.org or call (213) 637-7227.

School News

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SAVE THE DATE!

**OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL
SCHOOL**

**34TH ANNUAL
AUCTION & DINNER**

Join us as we honor Pastor Emeritus,
Rev. Maurice O'Mahony,
on his 50th Golden Jubilee Anniversary
and raise funds for our school.

Saturday

September 16th

**Santa Barbara Polo Fields,
Carpinteria**



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

For ticket info visit olmcsauction.org

Monday: St. Pius X
Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Weds: St. Rose of Lima
Thursday: St. Bartholomew
Friday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30

Weds: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

Pastoral Council

Looking Back at the Year

First, Father Lawrence and the Pastoral Council are happy to announce three new appointed members to the council: **Jack Stratford, Nick Teti, and Frank Umanzio**. They will add greatly in serving the parish.

- 2016/2017 has been an exciting year for the Pastoral Council and the entire OLMC parish. It began last July with the Council hosting a Welcome Luncheon for our new pastor Father Lawrence following his Installation Mass. Many family, friends and parishioners were there to welcome Father and enjoy delicious food, music, fellowship -- even Bishop Barron joined in the festivities.

- Last fall the Council conducted a Parish Music Questionnaire, soliciting your input to improve our music liturgy. We also hosted two more of the now popular Wine and Cheese Receptions after the Saturday Vigil Mass. The main purpose of these mixers is to introduce new parishioners to the parish family.

- The Parish Christmas Potluck, coordinated and hosted by the Council, had its largest turnout yet. Between the toasts, caroling, and eating scrumptious food and wine, it truly was a festive holiday evening.

- During Lent we hosted the last Stations of the Cross and Soup Night. It was very well attended and the amazing *cioppino*, prepared for by our own "chef in residence" David Crooks, was not to be forgotten!

- Besides the spring Wine and Cheese Reception, the Council, under the inspiration of Father Lawrence, also hosted and coordinated the very first parish Mass on the Grass and Potluck BBQ. Parishioners and families enjoyed worship, fellowship and the delicious food, with many request to have more.

- In addition to these many hospitality events, the Council continues to advise Father on parish matters, support OLMC school and our various ministries, and to further grow the Sunday Greeters Program.

- This coming year promises to be another exciting one — all under the visionary and energetic leadership of Father Lawrence. We'll keep you posted!

Mark Lorge
Chair
OLMC Pastoral Council



Volunteers Needed

The Catholic Charities of Santa Barbara is seeking volunteers to assist in their Food Pantry, Thrift Store and Administrative office. If interested, please contact Yolanda Vasquez@ 805/964-7045. Applications are now being accepted and training will be provided.