

## Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish COVID Weekly Update as of October 20, 2020 at 3:00 PM

Dear Parishioners,

Good News, now that Santa Barbara county is allowing 25% capacity of the church for gatherings, we are moving the Sunday 8:00 am Mass inside the church this weekend. I met with the Parish Council and in a spirit of cautious, with a concern to keep people healthy, if all goes well, we will add back the Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm Mass and the Saturday, 3:30 pm Confession time the following weekend, on October 31<sup>st</sup>. The 4:30 Mass will be inside the church and Confessions will be outside at the school lunch benches. Because of the limited space requirement, the indoor Masses will require a reservation. We have plenty of space for the outside Masses, so reservations are not required, but suggested. Again, keep an eye out for next week's Flocknotes for more information.

Daily Mass and Wednesday Adoration are going well inside the church, and I am looking forward to the upcoming virtual Parish Bingo Night this Sunday at 7:00 pm. See the website for details.

Finally, a big shout-out of thanks to our Parish Council and parish staff for their help with this big development.

God bless,

Fr. Lawrence

**Sunday Mass:** The 8:00 am Mass will be held in the church; reservations are required. Mass on the Grass will be held at 10:00 am; reservations recommended. The 10:00 am Mass will also be livestreamed on our website [www.mtcarmelsb.com](http://www.mtcarmelsb.com) or you can go to our Facebook page at [@mountcarmelsb](https://www.facebook.com/mountcarmelsb). Masks are required for both Masses.

Those who are unable to attend the Mass because of their age or health concerns, they are invited to come by the church, starting at 11:10 am to 11:30 am to receive Holy Communion.

**Daily Mass:** Monday through Saturday at 7:45 am in the church. Masks are required.

**Adoration:** Wednesdays, from 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm in the church. Masks are required

**Confession:** Please call the office to set up an appointment (805) 969-6868.

**Parish Office:** Still closed for in-person assistance, but we are still taking phone calls, answering emails, and accepting regular mail.

**Flocknotes:** To get up-to-date information from the Parish, please register for our communication program managed by Flocknotes.

1. Go to "flocknote.com"
2. Click on "Find Your Church"
3. Type Zip Code — 93108
4. Select "Our Lady of Mount Carmel"
5. Fill in your information
6. Click on "Sign me up"

**Weekly Giving:** Thank you all for your continued financial support of the parish. Our faith community is so blessed to have you.