

## Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish - Weekly Update as of May 14, 2021 at 3:00 pm

Dear Parishioners,

Praise God, the country is moving forward in lower cases of covid-19, hence the CDC has changed its requirements for wearing masks for vaccinated people. Unfortunately, at this time, the State of California, the County of Santa Barbara and the Archdiocese of Los Angeles have not lifted the mask mandate. So, at this time, we are still required to wear masks inside and outside during our church services. Also, I would like to remind you that reservations, at this time, are only needed for the 8:00 am Mass. Again, thank you for our cooperation.

As we get ready to celebrate the Ascension of the Lord, let us remind ourselves about this great feast as we see our humanity is taken up to heaven through Jesus Christ. Where He has gone, we hope to follow.

God Bless,

Fr. L.

**Sunday Masses:** The Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm and the Sunday 8:00 am Masses are inside the church. At this time, reservations are required only for the 8:00 am Mass. RSVP to [info@mtcarmelsb.com](mailto:info@mtcarmelsb.com). The 10:00 am Sunday Mass will be celebrated on the school grass behind the church parking lot. Please remember to bring your own lawn chair. 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 everyone attending, even if you have been vaccinated.

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

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

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

**Confession:** Saturday, 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm up at the school lunch benches or you can call the office to set up an appointment (805) 969-6868.

**Parish Office:** Our Parish office is closed to the public, but still operating. Please call or email with a request or need. Phone messages and email are checked throughout the day. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation!

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

1. Go to “[flocknote.com](http://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”

**Parish Giving:** Thank you to those who have continued with your regular offering! Our parish relies on the contributions from our faith community to maintain our parish staff and continue our ministries. Contributions may be made online at [mtcarmelsb.com](http://mtcarmelsb.com) – just click on the DONATE tab or you can mail your check to the parish office – 1300 East Valley Rd, SB 93108. We are so grateful for your generosity.