

the catholic community of
OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL



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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



BEHOLD, THE LAMB OF GOD



Masses

Daily

Monday – Saturday 8:30 AM

Weekends

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 NOON

Holy Days

As announced.

Sacraments

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 – 4:30 PM, or by appointment.

Please call the Church Office to arrange an appointment.

The Sacrament of Baptism

The second Sunday of each month, except during Lent.

Please arrange for Baptism at least two months in advance.

The Sacrament of Marriage

Please make an appointment with a priest or deacon at least one year in advance.

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Church Office to request a visit.

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Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mission Statement

“We are the Roman Catholic Community of

Our Lady of Mount Carmel based in Tenafly, New Jersey.

Our mission is the promotion of the holiness of life through
the celebration of the Sacraments, the sharing of the Gospel
and the promotion of Catholic values.

We offer pastoral care through ministries that provide education,
healing, spiritual growth and social outreach in the Carmelite tradition.”



*“No matter who you are, no matter what you’ve done,
no matter where you’re from, no matter where you’re going,
no matter how good or bad things seem,
you are always welcome.”*

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish
looks forward to the arrival of its new pastor

Fr. Richard Supple, O. Carm.

on February 1, 2021



Dear Brothers and Sisters of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish,

My name is Fr. Richard Supple. I am a Carmelite priest and I am excited and I feel honored to serve you as the pastor of OLMC Parish in Tenafly, N.J. I have been ordained for 19 years. Most of my years of service have been spent in New Jersey. Prior to my ordination, I spent two years at St. Therese Parish in Cresskill, N.J., where I was known as Brother Richard. After my ordination on February 9, 2002, I was assigned as associate pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Bogota, N.J. Then, on July 1, 2005, I became pastor of St. Joseph's in Bogota. I served as pastor for the next nine years. The Carmelites withdrew from St. Joseph Parish on June 30, 2013. Since that time, I have been serving as associate pastor at OLMC in Osprey, Fla. I have to say that I have always been happy wherever I have served, and I know that I will be very happy at OLMC in Tenafly.

I would like to tell you a little bit about myself. I was born and raised in Chicago, Ill. I am the eleventh of 13 children. My history with the Carmelites actually began in 1975 when I transferred to the Carmelite High School Seminary in Niagara Falls, Ontario. During my first year at the high school in Niagara Falls, Fr. Ashley Harrington was also the principal as well as one of my teachers.

I spent five years in the U.S. Navy. I served on the USS Midway aircraft carrier that was stationed in Yokosuka, Japan. My next assignment was on the USS Cape Cod, a destroyer tender stationed in San Diego, Calif. While in the navy, I served as a supply petty officer. After the navy I used the money I earned to finish college. I graduated from Rosary College, now Dominican University, in River Forest, Ill. with a bachelor degree in accounting. I worked for several years after graduation and then decided to join the Carmelite formation program for priesthood.

As I said, I have been happy wherever I have served. I look forward to serving with Fr. Emmett who was in charge of formation while I was in the seminary in Washington, D.C., as well as with Fr. Anthony. I also feel blessed to have the support of Fr. Ashley and Fr. Dan O'Neill. Fr. Dan has also been a friend for many years.

I am excited that OLMC has such a wonderful school. When I served at St. Joseph in Bogota I loved our school and, together with the principal, the school board, and the finance council, we worked hard to make it a success. During that time, I formed many long-lasting relationships and made many friends. While serving at my parish here in Osprey, Fla., I have also served on the local school board for Epiphany Cathedral School in Venice, Fla.

I look forward to meeting new friends while serving the people at OLMC in Tenafly. I promise to continue to serve with the same spirit and dedication that I have throughout my life. I know I will be happy! May God continue to bless you.

Sincerely,
Fr. Richard Supple, O.Carm.

TODAY'S GOSPEL MESSAGE

Sunday, January 17th
John 1:35-42

“John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, ‘Behold, the Lamb of God.’ The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus.”

“Each person who receives a call in today’s readings needs an intermediary. Andrew followed Jesus because John the Baptist identified him as the Lamb of God. Then, Simon was brought to Jesus by Andrew. After their encounters, each one’s life is transformed, for each stays with the Lord and the Lord stays with each one.”

Source: *Pastoral Patterns*, Winter 2020-2021

**DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday Heb 5:1-10; Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday Heb 6:10-20; Mark 2:23-28

Wednesday Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mark 3:1-6

Thursday Heb 7:25—8:6; Mark 3:7-12

Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr (Memorial) – Agnes was one of the most popular early Roman martyrs, and her feast has been celebrated on this day since the fourth century. She was martyred at a young age (twelve or thirteen) during a Roman persecution. Because of the connection of her name to the Latin word for lamb (*agnus*), she is often pictured with a lamb, which is also a reminder of her sacrifice and innocence.

Friday Heb 8:6-13; Mark 3:13-19

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

– “Among the vulnerable for whom the Church wishes to care with particular love and concern are unborn children, the most defenseless and innocent among us.” (Pope Francis)

Saturday Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Mark 3:20-21



***“By opening our lives
to God in Christ,
we become new creatures.”***

—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



The altar flowers this week
are given by
The Durso Family
in memory of
Ralph and Laura Durso.

**Being active in your church
helps put your faith into action.**

The church is a living, growing sign of Christ’s presence in the world. In order to serve God, you and other members of the church translate your faith into actions. These actions may include evangelizing, worship programs, social ministry, family ministry, mission projects, leadership and counseling, and community service.

Source: *12 Reasons to Be an Active Church Member*, ©2013 Channing Bete Company, Inc., 2018 Edition



Please check out the pages of this bulletin for ways you can become involved in the parish life of Our Lady of Mount Carmel! And remember to visit our Web site, www.olmc.us, for news about what is happening here at OLMC!



To register with Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, please contact the Church Office at 201-568-0545 or find our form online at www.olmc.us. Click on ‘Welcome’ and scroll down to ‘Parish Registration.’ Please see page 2 for schedule of Masses and Sacrament information.

Suggestions? Comments? The Parish Advisory Board reminds you that we want to hear from you! Please feel free to contact us with any suggestions or comments you may have. Email your thoughts to us at olmcadvisoryboard@gmail.com.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JANUARY 18th

8:30 Mary Crowley
Requested by The Crowley Family

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19th

8:30 Donald McDermott
Requested by Kimberly Shamamian

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20th

8:30 Harry Thomas
Requested by Veronica Keevins

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21st

8:30 Josephine & Lawrence Novack
Requested by OLMC Parish Staff

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22nd

8:30 Dava & Marko Gjini
Requested by Their Son

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23rd

8:30 Kelli Eileen Curran
Requested by Donna Mundy

5:00 Frank Biscaldi
Requested by Cloie Biscaldi

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24th

8:00 Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
10:00 Leonard Turigiano
Requested by The Viar/Herendeen Family
12:00 Carolina Clauser
Requested by The Meo Family

Join Us In Church Or Facebook Live

Join us on Sunday mornings at 10 AM and on Thursday mornings at 8:30 AM for our live streamed Masses via Facebook Live, or join us in person according to the schedule below.

Private Prayer: The Church is open for private prayer from 8 AM to 2 PM Monday through Saturday.

Daily Mass: The Church is open for daily Mass Monday through Saturday at 8:30 AM.

Sunday Mass: The Church is open for weekend Masses on Saturday at 5 PM and Sunday at 8 AM, 10 AM and 12 Noon.

Church Offices: Church offices are open Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 2 PM.

Confessions: Available at 4 PM on Saturday before the 5 PM Mass.

We are in compliance with Archdiocesan guidelines of limiting church capacity, social distancing, sanitizing, and wearing face masks. We thank you for persevering in faith and charity during these challenging times. We look forward to seeing you again and hope you will join us however you are able. In the meantime, stay safe and stay healthy.

***Our Lady of Mount Carmel,
pray for us!***

THE BREAD AND WINE

This week the Bread and Wine are in memory of Frank Biscaldi requested by Cloie Biscaldi.



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

This week the Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Jane White requested by Pat and Rich White.



REST IN PEACE

Please remember in your prayers
Carmelita Garcia (mother of Carl Garcia),
Joaquin Sanchez-Escudero (father of Cristina McBeth)
and all the military men and women
who have died this week.

2021 MASS BOOK

There are dates available in the 2021 Mass book for Masses, Bread and Wine, and Sanctuary Lamp intentions. There is a limit of 4 Mass intention requests (2 weekends and 2 daily) and 2 requests for either Bread and Wine or Sanctuary Lamp. No phone requests will be taken at this time. **If you are unable to visit the Church Office,** please mail your requests to the Church Office and provide contact information in case your dates of choice are not available. Checks should be made payable to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in the amount of \$10 for each Mass, Bread and Wine, and Sanctuary Lamp intention.



Let us pray for the needs of the following individuals:

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| Leonard Abbruzzesi | Amy Hartwell |
| Bernadette Alvarado | James Ierardi |
| Arturo Benemerito | Jeffrey Kellish |
| Brian Bingman | Adam Kokosinski |
| Maria Capo | Rumi Kubo |
| Tom Cook | Elon Lages Lima |
| Sr. Pat Coyle | Deacon David Loman |
| Carlos Crespo | Joanne Mitchell |
| Remedios De Guzman | Aaron Monteagudo |
| Rachel Durso | Anthony Salvatore |
| Patricia Eboli | John Salvatore |
| Peter Gagne | Jason Scalora |
| Zenaida Gatdula | Dominic Tavormina |
| Judy Gegel | Jeanny Torres |
| Edwin Grube | Liza Ty Beasca |
| Joan Hargett | Giselle Velez |

The New Year Is An Opportunity To Begin Something New! You're Invited To Serve In One Of Our Parish's Liturgical Ministries.

You're invited to serve at Mass as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister.

Training is provided and scheduling is done based on your availability. Please see the Ministry Sign-Up form below to choose your ministry and choose your Mass. The choice is yours!

Thank you to the Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers who currently serve in Our Lady of Mount Carmel's Liturgical Ministry. You help make every Mass prayerful and joyous.

We are also looking for Adult Altar Servers to serve at funeral Masses.



The Church and Academy Offices will be **CLOSED** on **Monday, January 18th** in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

"Peace is not merely a distant goal that we seek, but a means by which we arrive at that goal."

– Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 18-25)

"Unity Is the Work of the Spirit"

When we are the ones who try to create diversity and close ourselves up in what makes us different and other, we bring division. When we are the ones who want to build unity in accordance with our human plans, we end up creating uniformity, standardization. But if instead we let ourselves be guided by the Spirit, richness, variety, and diversity never become a source of conflict, because he impels us to experience variety within the communion of the Church."

Source:
Pope Francis Speaks to Our Hearts: Words of Challenge and Hope.
Frederick: The Word Among Us Press, 2013. Print.

MINISTRY SIGN-UP FORM

(Please return this form to the Church Office or Religious Education Office.)

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Please consider joining one of OLMC's liturgical ministries; training is provided and scheduling is done based on your availability and Mass preference. Please check ministry choice and Mass preference.

Liturgical Ministry Choice:

- Altar Server (adults to serve funeral Masses)
- Lector
- Eucharistic Minister

Mass Preference:

- 5 PM
- 8 AM
- 10 AM
- 12 NOON



The Sisters of Saint Joseph of Philadelphia Invite You to Celebrate Laudato Si Year

Pope Francis designated May 24, 2020 through May 24, 2021 as Laudato Si Year to commemorate the fifth anniversary of his landmark encyclical on the care for our common home. The following is an excerpt from Laudato Si and a reflection provided by the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Philadelphia.



Pope Francis's *Laudato Si* #95: The natural environment is a collective good, the patrimony of all humanity and the responsibility of everyone. If we make something our own, it is only to administer it for the good of all.

Reflection: The air, water, soil, minerals and all living beings of the natural world are an inheritance we have received from God. Our ancestors passed on the created world to us. What kind of ancestor do you want to be for those who live in the 22nd century?

Caring for God's Creation



“Creation is not some possession that we can lord over for our own pleasure; nor, even less, is it the property of only some people, the few:
creation is a gift,
 it is the marvelous gift that God has given us so that we will take care of it and harness it for the benefit of all, always with great respect and gratitude.”

—Pope Francis

OLMC recently held a film screening of “**Revolution of the Heart: The Dorothy Day Story.**” OLMC parishioner and long-time reporter for *National Catholic Reporter*, Patricia Lefevere and *America* columnist, Bill McGarvey followed up the film with discussion moderated by Fr. Ashley Harrington. Last week in this column we left off with:

“Within days of her only child’s birth, she insisted on having Tamar baptized a Catholic, though the child’s father, Forster Batterham, vehemently opposed it, putting religion even lower on his “dislikes” list than marriage or child-rearing.”

The third of several parts of the presentation follows:

Soon the God-haunted Dorothy was herself baptized having solicited the help of a local nun and four priests who she met in New York and on Staten Island. The priests treated her compassionately, encouraging her to continue to work as a freelance journalist in order to support her family. For the good of her daughter, they advised her not to forsake her common law marriage. Who knows what would have become of Convert Dorothy had she met a stricter band of clerics?

Although Day’s baptism took place four days after Christmas in 1927 – four days after she had ordered Batterham out of her house – she found little joy in her new circumstances. Yes, she loved the church’s liturgy and learning about its dogma, history and saints, but she had no family or friends who rejoiced in her conversion and no lover with whom to share either the joy of union or of parenting.

All that would change late in 1932 when Day travelled to Washington as a freelance journalist to cover the national Hunger March, a demonstration partly organized by communists. Some 3,000 unemployed men spent two days and nights on the streets of the capital waiting for a permit to march in order to call attention to their need for government relief. As committed as she was to the cause of social justice for the men, Day made a detour to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception while in Washington, and asked God to show her how to become more of an activist in alleviating the suffering she saw all about her in the wake of the Depression.

Returned to New York the next day, Day found a slovenly dressed man on her doorsteps. He insisted on seeing her. The man was Peter Maurin, the picture of poverty, with the pater of philosophy emerging from his often difficult-to-understand Frenchman’s accent. Still Maurin’s talk enticed Day, especially his questions about human suffering, his knowledge of Catholicism and his belief in education as the lever for all social change. A journalist for several years, Day grew attracted to Maurin’s plans for a Catholic newspaper that would address pertinent issues for the church and the world. Later she would date her real conversion to that initial meeting with Maurin Dec. 9, 1932, almost four years after her baptism.



“Gather To Share Our Faith”

Prayer | Sharing | Instruction

The Religious Education Program is beginning the New Year with “Gather to Share Our Faith.” Students and parents are invited to gather with one another and our catechists in the Church from 3:30 to 4:30 (*socially-distanced and face masks required*) to pray, share, and learn about the Catholic faith. Grades 1, 2 and 3 gathered on January 12. Our schedule for grades 4–8 is:

Grades 4, 5, 6

January 19



Grades 7 and 8

January 26

Please enter the building via the stairs/elevator from the North Parking Lot.



Sacrament Information

First Reconciliation: Parents are reminded to work with their child on the First Reconciliation preparation material they received from the First Reconciliation Parent Meeting and review with their child how to examine their conscience and the way to approach the priest for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23

11:00 AM

for children whose last name begins with A through K



1:30 PM

for children whose last name begins with L through Z



Confirmation: If you have a teen scheduled to receive Confirmation this school year, please be sure to register your child for this sacrament. Visit www.olmc.us and click on ‘LEARN’ then ‘Confirmation’ and ‘Registration.’

Teens preparing for Confirmation are required to attend the following preparation sessions that are being held on Sundays from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM in the Auditorium, unless otherwise noted.

There is no Confirmation preparation session this Sunday. **Our next session is next Sunday, January 24.** Please see the schedule below:

Preparation Sessions – Themes & Dates

Who Am I? **January 10, 24, 31**

Where Am I Going? **March 7, 21, 28**

Who Do I Want To Be? **April 25, May 2, 16, 23**

EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE FOR KIDS

Based on the Ten Commandments.
This week we look at Commandments 6 and 7.

Eighth Commandment

“Neither shall you bear false witness against your neighbor.”

Tell the truth. Have I told the truth? Have I told a lie or things that were only partly true?

Ninth Commandment

“Neither shall you covet your neighbor’s wife.”

Keep your thoughts and words clean. Have I told or listened to any dirty jokes? Have I watched any movies or shows that I shouldn’t have seen? Have I tried to keep my mind on good things?

Source: *Our Sunday Visitor*. Scripture quotations are from the *New Revised Standard Version Bible: Catholic Edition*, copyright 1989, 1993, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America.



Let us introduce you to the Academy staff and the programs we have to offer.

Visit our Web site at www.academyolmc.org.

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The Academy of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is an educational community with roots in the Roman Catholic faith that teaches gospel values. Within our Carmelite tradition we are dedicated to helping students see God in themselves, in each other and in the world around them. We strive to educate the whole person—intellectually, spiritually, physically, socially and emotionally—while building a strong foundation of ethical and moral ideals.

*We invite you to explore our website
and reach out to us
for more information.*



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A Message From The Principal

January 2021

MAP Growth: The winter session of MAP Growth is scheduled to begin the week of January 25th. A schedule is being sent out in mid-January. **ALL STUDENTS** (Grades 2–8) will be taking this test. Information on setting up your electronic devices will be emailed to parents of all virtual learners. It is important that your device is ready for testing. If you have any questions please reach out to Mrs. O’Farrill (nofarrill@academyolmc.org).

Catholic Schools Week: Catholic Schools Week is January 31–February 6. The theme this year is: *Catholic Schools – Faith. Excellence. Service.* The benefits of a Catholic education have been studied and are well documented. Results show that students who attend Catholic schools receive a challenging, high-quality academic experience in a supportive environment, with an emphasis on Catholic values. The self-discipline developed by our students, along with learning to accept responsibility and to respect others, work together to create excellent life-long learners.

Re-registration: Information and dates for re-registration will be sent out in late January.

Though we all have had to make adjustments in 2020 and are acclimating to the new normal, let’s look ahead to the exciting things that await us.

Ms. Verdonck
Principal

*“Intelligence
plus character.
That is the true goal
of education.”*

—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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The 2021 Annual Appeal will fund essential programs and ministries at the heart of our Catholic mission in our four counties – namely to proclaim the gospel, to pass on the faith to future generations, particularly through the celebration of the sacraments, and to care for the poor and those on the margins.

Now more than ever, especially during this health crisis, our ministries and programs need your support.

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