the catholic community of
OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

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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.

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."

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TODAY'S GOSPEL MESSAGE

Sunday, May 14th
John 14:15-21

"Jesus said to his disciples: 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you. . .Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him.'"

Reflection: "'If you love me, you will keep my commandments,' Jesus told his disciples. Taken one way, it may seem quite demanding, but it was really the equivalent of saying, 'If you love me, you will want to keep my commandments.' Think about someone you love dearly—your spouse, your significant other, your parent, your child. Do you not want to do what they ask? You want to please them, you want to bring them joy. Assuming that they are sincere and not demanding or unreasonable, you want to do what they ask. Love of God brings us a desire to do God's will, to do what God asks of us."

SOURCE: *Pastoral Patterns*, Summer 2023

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DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path."
Psalm 119:105

Monday	Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26—16:4a
Tuesday	Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11
Wednesday	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; John 16:12-15
Thursday	Acts 18:1-8; John 16:16-20
Friday	Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23
Saturday	Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28

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"Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts."

1 Peter 3:15

to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

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.' Also, please see page 2 of this bulletin for our schedule of Masses and Sacrament information.

Change of address? Please contact the Church Office with your new mailing address so we can update our records. And, we wish you happiness and blessings in your new home!

Moving out of the parish? If you will be moving out of the parish, please let us know. The Church Office and the Religious Education Office are here to assist you with any sacramental or religious instruction information you need to provide to your new parish.

Suggestions? Comments? The Parish Advisory Board reminds you that we want to hear from you! Please feel free to email your thoughts to us at olmcadvisoryboard@gmail.com.

>>**Please check out the pages of this bulletin and our website for ways that you can become involved in the parish life of Our Lady of Mount Carmel!**

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, MAY 15th
8:30 Mother's Day Novena

TUESDAY, MAY 16th
8:30 Mother's Day Novena

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17th
8:30 Mother's Day Novena

THURSDAY, MAY 18th
8:30 Mother's Day Novena

FRIDAY, MAY 19th
8:30 Mother's Day Novena

SATURDAY, MAY 20th
8:30 Mother's Day Novena

5:00 Don Miller
Requested by His Family

SUNDAY, MAY 21st
8:00 Constance Mathus
Requested by Her Family

10:00 Donald Chinery
Requested by The Brigati Family
and Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

12:00 Mother's Day Novena

Let us pray for the needs of the following individuals:

Carmelo Abbruzzesi
Marie Abbruzzesi
Lorna Asuncion
Brian Bingman
Ann Carolan
Dave Clemens
Tom Cooke
Cathy Correri
Richard Correri
Sr. Pat Coyle
Richard Croney
Sereno Danese
Denise de Almeida
Rachel Durso
Corazon E. Evora
Deacon Lex Ferrauiola
Wanda Ferrauiola
Cynthia Fineza
Terri Giovannone
Rosa Guillen
Michael Kashmer
Luca Kashmer Floridis
Evan G. Kellish
Adam Kokosinski
Antonio Lopez
Lolita Lopez
Charles Machaka
Dikeledi Machaka
Chris Malamut
Catherine Marchiona
June Miller
David Mobley
Aaron Monteagudo
Keith O'Brien
Joseph Pae
Henriette Paternayan
Alexander Pavur
Anastasia Pavur
Clara Rothenberg
John Salvatore
Vita Santulli
Eufrocina Sarreal Paredes
Jason Scalora
Kathleen Selinka Dragon
Nicholas Sequino
Margaret Sullivan
Betty Supple
Rosario Ugarte
Diana Valencia
Sara Van Horne

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

THE BREAD AND WINE

This week the Bread and Wine
are in birthday remembrance of Ann Turigiano
requested by Felicia Pizzulli.

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THE SANCTUARY LAMP

This week the Sanctuary Lamp
is in memory of Larry Stevens
requested by Joan, Edward, Lillian, Gil & Family.

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REST IN PEACE

Please remember in your prayers all the
military men and women who have died this week.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord has been transferred from Thursday, May 18th to Sunday, May 21st.

Thursday, May 18th will not be a holy day of obligation, and there will only be the regularly scheduled 8:30 AM Mass that day.

Happy Mother's Day!

"A society without mothers would [be] a society that has lost its heart, lost the 'feel of home.' Because mothers, even at the worst of times, are capable of testifying to tenderness, unconditional self-sacrifice, and the strength of hope. Where there is a mother, there is unity, there is belonging."

– Pope Francis

Holy Baptism

Congratulations and welcome to those recently baptized at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church.

Leila Marie Gillen
August Chase Grafman
Collyn Shellman

May the Lord bless you and keep you in His care.

Mother's Day Prayer

Loving God, through Your incarnation You took on human flesh and lived among us here on earth. We beseech You, as one who has experienced the gentle touch of a loving mother, to hear our prayers for all mothers.

On this Mother's Day, we pray for our mother, who gave us birth, and to Mary our spiritual Mother who intercedes for us. May all mothers this day glory in their children as Mary did, and rejoice always in the Lord as she beseeches us to do.

Bless especially the mothers of newborn babies. May they always mirror Your love in the care and guidance they give. Bless the mothers of teenagers. Give them wisdom and courage to lead their children to adulthood and mature Christian faith.

Grant that all mothers, especially as their children grow and leave the home for new lives, may find joy, peace and rest. May they know the joy of seeing their family prosper, and the grace of watching their families grow closer to God by living the message of the Gospel.

We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord and Savior.

METROPOLITAN plant & flower EXCHANGE

Mother's Day is this Sunday! Make a purchase at Metropolitan Plant & Flower Exchange valued at $50 or more and Metropolitan will donate $10 to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Tenafly.

Complete Form Below & Present at Time of Purchase
Expires 6/30/2023

Cannot be combined with any other offers.

Name _____

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(For Store Use)

Order #_____ **Total $**_____ **Date**_____

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Visit Metropolitan Plant & Flower Exchange or place an order by calling 1-800-METRO-13

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Metropolitan Farm
119 Hickory Lane, Closter, NJ 07624
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It's Mother's Day and Spring Planting Season!
Visit Metropolitan Plant & Flower Exchange!

Church provides a sense of belonging and fellowship. Feel the joy of being a part of—and contributing to—a faith community.

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. Adult Altar Servers are also needed to serve at funeral Masses. We're also looking for adults to join OLMC's Choir. Thank you to all who currently serve in Our Lady of Mount Carmel's Liturgical and Music ministries.

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 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
___ Music Ministry

Mass Preference:

___ 5 PM ___ 10 AM
___ 8 AM ___ 12 NOON

ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY

Boys and girls in grades 3 through 7 are invited to join Our Lady of Mount Carmel's Altar Server ministry! Training is provided prior to serving. Altar servers are scheduled based on their availability and on a rotating basis. Please consider joining this ministry and becoming active in the life of OLMC parish. Complete and return this form to the Religious Education Office.

Name_____

Phone_____

Parent Email_____

Mass Preference: ___5 PM
___8 AM
___10 AM
___12 NOON

MEN'S CORNERSTONE

Men's Cornerstone brings together men of five local parishes who share with each other their faith and challenges around a theme. These meetings provide prayer, friendship and support. We meet every other Wednesday at St. Mary's Church, 20 Legion Place, Closter at 7:30 PM. **The next meeting date is Wednesday, May 24th.** For info, please call Deacon Michael Giuliano at 201-983-1591.

MEN'S CURSILLO RETREAT

Save the Dates:
June 1st – 4th
Kearny Retreat Center

Deepen your faith and make new friends for the journey. Men's Cursillo Retreat is a four-day retreat to ***LEARN ABOUT*** our faith, ***RENEW*** our faith, and ***SHARE*** our faith. Please call Deacon Michael Giuliano at 201-983-1591, if interested.

MOUNT CARMEL BOOK CLUB

Facilitated by Elliot Guerra

Our Next Meeting:

Tuesday, June 13th
9:15 AM & 7:30 PM
Titus Room/Conference Room

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Interested in joining?

Contact Elliot Guerra at guerra@academyolmc.org or Mary Ann at the Church Office at 201-568-0545.

Family Promise Walk-in Dinner

The OLMC community joins together to feed Bergen County's most vulnerable citizens through the Family Promise Walk-in Dinner Program. **Our next service date is Monday, June 12th.** You can help by praying for us in this social outreach ministry, donating cooked food or pre-packaged desserts, or preparing food in OLMC's kitchen. There are specific menu guidelines that we follow. Please contact Elliot Guerra at guerra@academyolmc.org if interested in helping in some way.

"Passing on the Faith

I had the great blessing of growing up in a family in which faith was lived in a simple, practical way. However, it was my paternal grandmother, in particular, who influenced my journey of faith. She was a woman who explained to us, who talked to us about Jesus, who taught us the Catechism. I always remember that on the evening of Good Friday, she would take us to the candlelight procession, and at the end of this procession, 'the dead Christ' would arrive, and our grandmother would make us—the children—kneel down, and she would say to us, 'Look, he is dead, but tomorrow he will rise.' This was how I received my first Christian proclamation, from this very woman, from my grandmother!

And this makes me think of the love of so many mothers and grandmothers in the transmission of faith. They are the ones who pass on the faith. This used to happen in the early Church too, for St. Paul said to Timothy, 'I am reminded of the faith of your mother and of your grandmother' (cf. 2 Timothy 1:5). All the mothers and all the grandmothers who are here should think about this: passing on the faith! Because God sets beside us people who help us on our journey of faith. We do not find our faith in the abstract, no! It is always a person preaching who tells us who Jesus is, who communicates faith to us and gives us the first proclamation. And this is how I received my first experience of faith."

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

St. Simon Stock Carmelite Feast Day May 16

Our Lady gave St. Simon a scapular for the Carmelites with the following promise: Receive, My beloved son, this habit of thy order. This shall be to thee and to all Carmelites a privilege, that whosoever dies clothed in this shall never suffer eternal fire...It shall be a sign of salvation, a protection in danger, and a pledge of peace.

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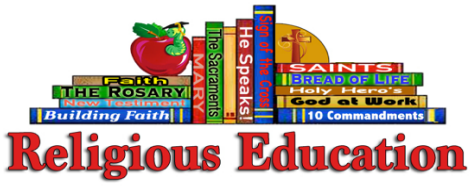
"Mary is often portrayed in art as 'Our Lady of Mount Carmel', dressed in a brown habit with white cloak and looking indeed very 'Carmelite'. She holds the child Jesus in one arm, and from the other drapes a small piece of brown cloth, the scapular. This small scapular is derived from the scapular cloth worn by Carmelite religious originally to protect their habit while they were at work. . .It serves as a constant reminder that our spiritual journey is lived out in the everyday, working-world events of our daily life. The brown scapular today is a symbol of belonging, to one degree or another, to the Carmelite family."

SOURCE: Snow, O.Carm., Glenn. Foundation Stones: A Primer In Carmelite History & Charism. Carmelite Media, 2015.



What Parents Should Expect From A Religious Education Program

According to an information estimate by the National Catholic Education Association, somewhere between eighty and ninety percent of Catholic children now receive religious education in parish religious education programs. What should a parent expect from a religious education program?

Here are six:

- A professional educational director
- Well-prepared catechists
- Well-balanced curriculum
- A parish liturgy that teaches and inspires
- Help in preparing children for sacraments
- An introduction to Scripture

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Please see future bulletins and visit our website in the coming weeks for information about re-registration and new family registration for 2023-24, or give us a call at 201-871-4662.

AMAZING CATECHISTS

"Being a catechist is not a title; it is an attitude of abiding with Him, and it lasts a lifetime! It means abiding in the Lord's presence and letting ourselves be led by Him." – Pope Francis

Many thanks to our catechists, classroom aides and all those who volunteer in the Religious Education and Confirmation Preparation programs. Thank you for sharing your time and faith with the young people of our parish. We hope you will join us again in September!

And, we wish our young catechists who will be attending college in the fall all the best in their future endeavors . . . Claire Bucca, Corrado Buzzerio, Charlie Collins, Nick Hroncich, Aidan McGinty, Ella Oaten, Gerard Santosh, Chris Shamamian, and Will Zinna. Thank you for your help in the Religious Education Program over the years!

What is RCIA? Is RCIA for You?

RCIA is the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**. The Church welcomes into the RCIA process of preparation persons who have never been baptized, those already baptized in another Christian tradition, or baptized Catholics who have not received First Eucharist or Confirmation. **The celebration of Christian initiation takes place at the Easter Vigil liturgy.** If you or someone you know has been thinking about becoming a member of the Catholic Church, but would first like information about the process, please call Sr. Regina at 201-871-4662.

Mrs. Gardner's third grade religious education class is having a **fundraiser *BAKE SALE* this Sunday, May 14th from 8:30 AM to 12 Noon**.

The students will donate the proceeds from this sale to Pet ResQ, Inc., a charity they have chosen. Your generosity and enthusiasm in support of this fundraiser are greatly appreciated!

Let us introduce you to the Academy staff and the programs we have to offer. Visit our Web site at www.academyolmc.org.

Experience the OLMC Difference!

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.

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

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SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

The Academy of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is looking for members to join our School Advisory Board. We are looking for members with experience in the areas of strategic planning, finance, facilities, marketing or development. If interested, please contact Ms. Barbara Verdonck, principal, for more information.

Help me, O God, to be a good and a true friend,
to be loyal and never to let my friends down:
never to talk about them behind their backs
in a way that I would not do before their faces;
never to betray a confidence
or talk about the things I should be silent about;
always to be ready to share everything I have;
to be as true to my friends
as I would wish them to be to me.
This I ask for the sake of him
who is the greatest and truest of all friends,
for Jesus' sake.
Amen.

—William Barclay

Bergen Catholic High School Lead On Program

The Bergen Catholic LEAD ON Program is a three-week summer enrichment program designed for students entering 7th and 8th grades. It provides a stimulating classroom experience in which students will explore and enjoy a variety of topics. Program descriptions and registration can be found on the Bergen Catholic website. For more information, please email admissions@bergencatholic.org.

Rutgers University-Newark Summer Basketball Program

Rutgers University-Newark will be running its 20th annual Summer Basketball Program for children ages 6 – 17. The program is July 10-14, July 17-21, July 24-28, and July 31-August 4 from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM. Early drop off and late pick up are offered free of charge. The cost for one week is $185. Discount rates are available if attending more than one week. For more information/brochure, please call Joe Loughran at 973-353-1483 or email loughran@rutgers.edu.

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"When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully everyone is blessed."

– Maya Angelou

2023 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

The Archdiocesan Annual Appeal is a testament to our faith in action. It supports the ministries that bring Christ to those in need, including our sisters and brothers who are distressed by food insecurity, poverty, and homelessness. The Annual Appeal also supports the formation of our seminarians and our evangelization efforts through diverse ministry offices and multi-ethnic apostolates serving thousands of men, women, and children, which are critical for the future of our Church.

The Office of Concern Food Pantry at St. Cecilia Church, Englewood

The collection for the Office of Concern is THIS weekend.

For over 40 years, the volunteers at the **Office of Concern Food Pantry** have been assisting families in Bergen County with weekly supplemental food, currently serving nearly 700 families living below the federal poverty level. The Office of Concern at St. Cecilia accepts donations of non-perishable items. Non-perishable items can be placed in the elevator lobby at OLMC or dropped off at the Office of Concern at St. Cecilia, Englewood. The Office of Concern also accepts donations of diapers, baby wipes and personal care items.

Monetary donations should be in an envelope marked for the Office of Concern and placed in the donation baskets in the church.

Thank you to all who donate to the Office of Concern to help those in our community.