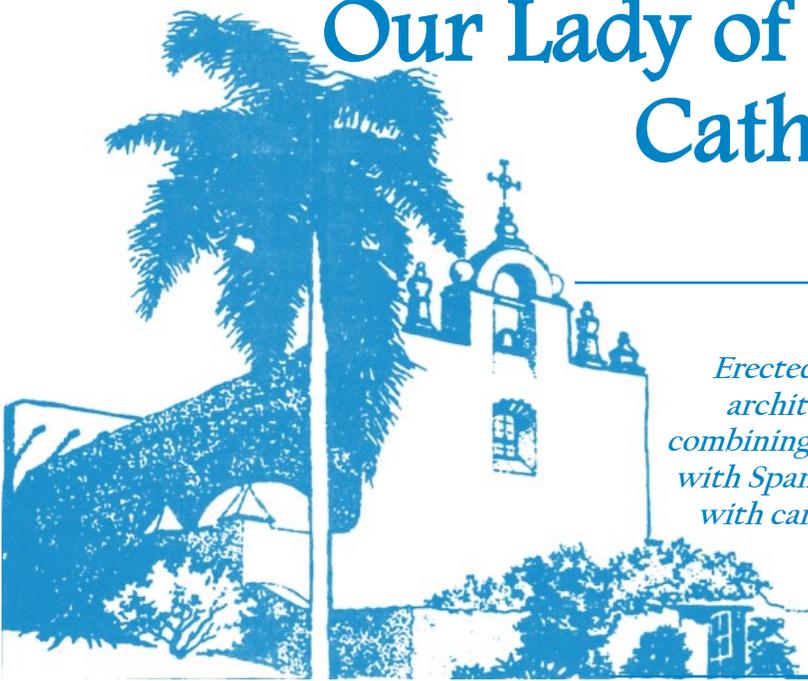


Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church



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.

Monsignor Stephen Downes, Pastor
Father Maurice O'Mahony, Pastor Emeritus
Father Carrol O'Sullivan, Retired
Father Jack Shine, C.M., Weekend Associate

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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 5:30 PM
Masses on Holy Day:
7:45 AM, 9:00 AM (*School Mass*) & 5:30 PM

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

Baptisms: 1st & 2nd Sundays of the month

Religious Education 805/969-4868
Sister Kathleen Patrice, C.S.J. - Director
srkathleen@mountcarmelschool.net

Youth Minister/Confirmation Coordinator
Sarah Mack - Youth Minister 805/574-9941
sarahm@mountcarmelschool.net
High School Confirmation - '*El Camino*'
Middle School Youth Group - '*The 'M&M's*'

Weddings
The Bride or Groom must be a registered, contributing and active member of Mt. Carmel Parish for at least one year before requesting a marriage date.
Please call the Rectory at least six months before the proposed date of marriage or email us at weddings@olmc-montecito.com for more information.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School 805/969-5965
530 Hot Springs Road • Santa Barbara, 93108
Pre-K thru 8th Grade • Principal — Karen Regan
www.mountcarmelschool.net

Secular Order of Carmelites - Meets 2nd Sat. of each month
Evelyn Duimovich 805/969-3858

The Baptism of the Lord
January 12, 2014

A voice came from the heavens, saying,
"This is my beloved Son, with whom
I am well pleased."

— *Matthew 3:17*



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, Retired Priests and Parish Family extend the hospitality of Jesus Christ to you.

If you would like more information about our Parish, please call or stop by our Parish Office. The hours are M-F, 8:30am-12 noon and 1:30pm-5 pm. Coffee, Donuts & Cappuccino are served in the side courtyard after the 10am Sunday Mass.

PLEASE JOIN US!



Our Lady of Mount Carmel

WHOLE COMMUNITY FAITH SHARING

Week of January 12th — Matthew 3:13-17

Reflection: This week, we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. In the Gospel, John the Baptist knows who Jesus is and feels completely unworthy to baptize Him. Jesus knows the bigger plan and urges John to ignore his own feelings and allow Scripture to be fulfilled. Once the baptism is performed, the miracles begin and God reveals that, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Faith Question: What evidence can I offer that I am a faithful servant of the Lord?

Faith Response: I will surrender to the Holy Spirit this week and do something remarkable to please God.

FULFILL TODAY

If what you did yesterday still looks big to you, surely you have not done much today.

- Anonymous

Total commitment to Christ

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GROUP LECTIO DIVINA
WHEN : EVERY FRIDAY
TIME: 7PM TO 8PM
WHERE: SPIRITUAL LIBRARY

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Bruce Albertson, Jack Jones, Eric Lundy, Kevin McKernan, Marti Boise, Carolyn Bell, Jo Dushais, Maria Bregy, Jack McClellan, Rosemary Donohue, Rosemary Redmond, Patricia McNamara, Christopher Guadagnini, Sir Daniel Donohue, Tyler Hester, Dylan Swalley, Frances Maher, "Maddie" Press, the Borgatello Family, Marilyn Schuermann, Pat Moylan, Mary McCormack, Robert Munoz, Roger Cass, Jim Fuller, Harry Williams, Susan Basler and Natalie McGrath Lang . Let us also pray for Bowe Bergdahl, a POW detained by the Taliban.

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.



Ministry Assignments

SAT. 4:30 PM	JANURARY 11th Jack Kelly - Lector M. Kelly, S. de Ponce & J. Stratford Eucharistic Ministers Matthew Helkey, Clare & Sean Kelly Altar Servers
SUN. 8:00 AM	JANUARY 12th Alicia McFarlane - Lector G. & M. Mueller - Eucharistic Ministers George, Henry & Ted Schuberg Altar Servers
10:00 AM	OLMC Religious Ed Student Lector C. Wathen, B. Nielsen, W. Gragg, M. Press, M. & R. Willmon, A. & R. Bentajado Eucharistic Ministers Clarissa Davis, Andrea Castellanos & Ann Bentajado Altar Servers
12:00 PM	John Duffy - Lector M. Guadagnini & M.B. Tynan Eucharistic Ministers Natali Flint, Caitlin Hubbs & Halie Bissell Altar Servers



Mass Intentions

SAT.	JANUARY 11th	7:45 AM Int. of Robert Woodfield
		4:30 PM Gino & Rosetta Guadagnini +
SUN.	JANUARY 12th	8:00 AM For All Our Parishioners
		10:00 AM Inez Gilkerson +
		12:00 PM Robert Menke +
MON.	JANUARY 13th	7:45 AM Int. of Robert Woodfield
TUES.	JANUARY 14th	7:45 AM Teresa Kimball +
WED.	JANUARY 15th	7:45 AM Jim Burkemper +
THU.	JANUARY 16th	7:45 AM Jim Burkemper +
FRI.	JANUARY 17th	7:45 AM Int. of Susan Basler
SAT.	JANUARY 18th	7:45 AM Int. of Robert Woodfield
		4:30 PM Catherine & George Connor +
SUN.	JANUARY 19th	8:00 AM For All Our Parishioners
		10:00 AM James King +
		12:00 PM Robert Menke +



OLMC Spiritual Center

Spiritual books, DVD's, and CD's for adults and children are available for checkout. Open Sundays, from 11 am to 12 noon.

(Located behind the Church, next to the school lunch benches.)

spiritualcenter@mountcarmelschool.net

Safeguard our Children What Can I Do As A Parent Following A Trauma?

Establish a sense of safety and security. It is essential that children feel protected, safe and secure in the aftermath of a trauma. Ensure that all basic needs are met, including love, care, and physical closeness. Spend extra time to let children know that someone will nurture and protect them. Children will need a lot of comforting and reassurance. If you would like a copy of the article "A parent handout for helping children heal," email jviena@la-archdiocese.org. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Through the centuries, artists and craftspeople have depicted Jesus' baptism in the Jordan River by John. At first in mosaics and frescoes, and later in tapestries, stained glass, and paintings, the scene is familiar. Jesus is standing waist-high in flowing water. Above him, standing on dry land, John the Baptist pours water over Jesus. The first artists to depict this were sketching from memory. This is exactly how most people were baptized in the early days: as adults, standing or kneeling in the water, with water poured over their heads.

This method of baptizing, called immersion, is the favored way today. An adult enters a font, or an infant is lowered a bit into the water supported by a parent's hand, and water is poured or splashed over them. The treasures of baptistry art attest that submersion, or plunging beneath the water's surface, is not really in our tradition, and that "infusion," the mere pouring of a few drops of water, yields too narrow an understanding of what it means to be plunged into Christ's life. Jesus Christ has gone before us into the water, and waits for us there with abundant gifts. No wonder the tradition calls for abundant symbols!



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will help you enjoy life with a new closeness to each other and God.

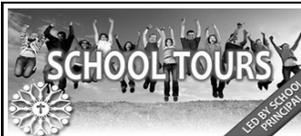
Come join us for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend which gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

The next WWME weekends are Jan. 17th-19th in Ventura; Jan. 24th-26th in Arcadia; Feb. 14th-16th in Santa Ana and Feb. 28th - March 2nd in Chatsworth.

Apply online at www.twocanlove.org or call Jeanine and Russ Walker at 805/648-4244.

We Make Good Marriages Better!!

School News



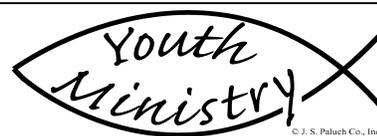
Come see what OLMC School has to offer!!
Every 2nd Tuesday of the month starting at 9am.

Call the school at 805/969-5965 for all the details.
Check out our website - mountcarmelschool.net

Religious Education Scripture By Heart

January "Responsibility"

Direct my heart toward your decrees and
away from unjust gain.



Here at OLMC Parish, we strive to offer our youth a place to "Belong, Believe, Become"

"El Camino"

High School Confirmation Group

Join us as we explore our faith & journey to The Rite of Confirmation through topical discussion, music, debate, multimedia & art. Meets two Sundays a month, from 11am to 12:30pm in our Parish Hall.



Up Coming Session & Gatherings

Jan. 12th - 10am Mass, Regular Session @ 11am
Jan. 18th - SB Youth Day @ Bishop High School

"Sanctus" High School Leadership Group

Date TBD Movie Night Madness

"M & M's"

Middle School Youth Group

Open to all 6th - 8th graders from ANY school. Meets 6:30pm - 8pm in Parish Hall



Upcoming Events

Jan. 11th Boys ONLY Paintball in Ventura
Jan. 12th Girls ONLY Ice Skating in Ventura
(email Sarah for all the fun details!!!)
Jan. 18th SB Youth Day @ Bishop HS
(8th Graders Only! \$20 per student, includes lunch and a t-shirt)

For more information or to be added to our email list, please contact our Youth Minister Sarah Mack at 805-574-9941 or email, sarahm@mountcarmelschool.net.

OUR PARISH FINANCES

Many thanks to all for your generous contributions to our Church each Sunday and in the Christmas Collection. We are happy and grateful to report that the Christmas Collection was \$50,298. This is wonderful as the Christmas Collection is a very important part of our Annual Parish Budget.

Your generous giving in the Offertory Collection each Sunday and at Christmas and Easter funds all the Parish Worship, Educational and Service Programs of the Parish.

Many thanks and God's blessings on all for your generous giving to God and his Church.



Bishop Diego High School Admissions Calendar

Open House

January 15th 6:00pm to 7:30pm

Shadow Day

January 22nd

High School Placement Test (HSPT)

January 25th (Required for ALL Incoming Freshmen)

Catholic Schools Week

January 26th thru January 31st

January 31st - Mass celebrated with

Archbishop Jose Gomez

For more information, contact Lori Willis at 805-967-1266

Clergy of the Santa Barbara Pastoral Region
Appreciation Dinner

Wednesday ◇ January 22nd ◇ 6:30 pm

St. Raphael's Parish Hall

(Our Pastor, Fr. Steve will be attending!!)

To purchase tickets in advance, please call St. Raphael's Rectory Office at 805/967-5641. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus, Goleta Valley Council #5300

Come join Fr. Andrew Garcia S.J. & Fr. Arthur Najera for The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Retreat

Wednesday, January 15th ◇ Open to all Ladies!!

Registration at 8:30am ◇ Mass at 11:30am

Brewer Hall ◇ Our Lady of Sorrows Church

21 E. Sola St. ◇ Santa Barbara, 93101

\$15 pp (Lunch included.)

For reservations, please call Theresa at 805/967-2791.

Bible Study



BIBLE STUDY WITH FATHER STEVE

Father Steve will lead a Bible Study on the Gospel of John on Monday mornings, beginning January 27th, from 10:30am to 12 Noon, in the Parish Hall.

We will read together, share, listen to some insights from Bible Scholars and come to know and be more open to the love of God for all of us as revealed in the wonderful Gospel of John. If there is enough interest, the Study will be repeated on Monday nights.

The Study will conclude on April 7th, one week before Holy Week.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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FR. STEVE

The Christmas season ends today as we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan by John the Baptist. The Baptism of Jesus is a turning point in his life. Now as a young man he begins his public ministry. The Spirit of God descends upon him and "a voice came from the heavens saying: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." In the Second Reading Peter speaks about the Baptism of Jesus and how "God anointed him with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." Like Jesus, we too are anointed with the Holy Spirit at our Baptism and receive power to be the light of Christ in the world through goodness, love and caring. Each one of us is a beloved child of God. The loving example of Jesus is ours to follow today and always.

- On Monday, we begin Ordinary Time in the Church year. Ordinary Time refers to the thirty four weeks of the Church year that are not part of the Advent-Christmas or Lent-Easter seasons. All time is sacred to God and every Sunday is of great importance as the day of the Lord's resurrection and the day of the completion of creation. Let every Sunday be a day of worship together at Eucharist and a day of play and rest in God's love.
- Ordinary Time lasts until Ash Wednesday on March 5th and begins again at the end of Lent-Easter season on June 9th, the day following Pentecost Sunday.
- Our Religious Education children will help us in our celebration of Holy Eucharist at 10:00 AM this Sunday.
- We begin the New Year with the launching of our new parish website at: <http://www.mtcarmelsb.com/> Take a look - its great in many ways, thanks to many hours of work by Valerie Watson and Justin Senke of Phase 3. This is a great resource for parish information and programs and ministries.
- The RCIA class for Non-Catholics inquiring into the Catholic Faith and for adult Catholics who would like to prepare for First Holy Communion or Confirmation continues on Tuesday evenings, from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Spiritual Library in the School. Any questions? Call Father Steve at the Parish Office (969-6868).
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**CHECK OUT OUR NEW
PARISH WEBSITE!!!
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