

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
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Rectory

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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 Mass 5:30 PM

Mass Times on Holy Days

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

olmcsh93108@gmail.com - Young Adult Ministry - MCYA

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

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The Epiphany of the Lord

JANUARY 4, 2015

All kings shall pay him homage,
and all nations shall serve him.

Psalm 72:11

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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Fr. Steve

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD JANUARY 4, 2015

Today we celebrate the Epiphany or revealing of Jesus as the Savior of all peoples. Jesus is the light who shines for all. We see Magi or astrologers following a star until they find Jesus, our new-born Savior in Bethlehem. They represent all peoples of time and history. All are called to salvation in Jesus and are "coheirs, members of the same body and copartners in the promise of Christ Jesus" (St. Paul tells us in the Second Reading today from Ephesians 3:2ff).

The Magi bring gifts to the new born King. Their goodness is the origin of gift giving at Christmas. Like the Magi can we bring: the gold of charity (love of God and neighbor)? Frankincense which stands for prayer and adoration of God? Can we bring the symbolic gift of myrrh which was used in embalming and is a reminder of the suffering and death Jesus will face on the Cross and our sufferings in life which we can offer and face in the love of Jesus?

Like the Magi, may we come to know Christ Jesus and follow his star in the New Year

- May God's blessings, grace and peace be with you all throughout the New Year. A Happy and Blessed New Year to all!
- 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 will begin again this Tuesday, January 6th 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).
- Online giving is now available at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Online giving is a convenient and safe way to make your donations expressing your love for God and your parish Church, especially if you are out of town or unable to come to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church every Sunday. Just visit our parish website at www.mtcarmelsb.com and click on Giving (or DONATE) link/tab.

They were overjoyed at seeing the star,
and on entering the house they saw
the child with Mary his mother.



Our Church's last wedding of 2014, celebrated by our Pastor, Fr. Steve. A beautiful couple, M/M Patrick & Samantha Grass.



Our Lady of
Mount Carmel

WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CHURCH

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

If you would like more information about our faith community, please call or stop by our Parish Office. Our office hours are Monday thru Friday, 8:30am- 12 noon and from 1:30pm - 5pm.

Join us for cappuccino, coffee and donuts in the Side Courtyard, after the 10am Sunday Mass.

Parishioner Registration Form

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) _____
email _____

Check One: ☐ New Parishioner ☐ New Address
☐ Would like Offertory Envelopes
☐ Moving out of Parish

Please place the form into the Offertory basket or you can bring it by the Parish Office.





Ministry Assignments

SATURDAY, JAN. 3rd

4:30 PM

Lector ~ Anthony Dal Bello

Euch. Ministers ~ E. Guadagnini, S. de Ponce & J. Samuelson

Altar Servers ~ Maxwell Schwarz, Matthew Helkey, & Guliaiana Ziliotto

SUNDAY, JAN. 4th

8:00 AM

Lector ~ John Duffy

Euch. Ministers ~ G. & M. Mueller

Altar Servers ~ George, Henry & Ted Schuberg

10:00 AM

Lector ~ Jane Burkemper

Euch. Ministers ~ B. Nielsen, F. Cogburn, B. Jones, W. Gragg, M & T. Lorge, J. & P. Langhorne

Altar Servers ~ Alyssa Pakes, Makeila Cervantes, Caitlin Hubbs

12:00 PM

Lector ~ Martin Bell

Euch. Ministers ~ M. Guadagnini & H. Peterson

Altar Servers ~ Grayson MacLeod, Luke & Riley Peterson



Catholic Charities Food Pantry

Catholic Charities Food Pantry continues to need food for the homeless and those who have lost their jobs, especially during this holiday season! Your donations can be dropped off in the Vestibule of the Church or at the Rectory Office. Thank you for your generosity!

**"Whatever you do for one of my brothers,
you do for me."** **Matthew 25:39**

You Are Supported in Your Time of Loss

The Parish Staff & Clergy of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish want you to know that we are here to serve you at the time you might suffer the loss of a loved one.

Please contact the Parish Office immediately upon the death of a family member so that we can begin to pray for you, your loved one, and make us aware of your needs in the coming days — (805) 969-6868.

Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shine upon you.



Mass Intentions

SAT. JAN. 3rd

7:45 AM George Ponty +

4:30 PM Thos. 'Vince' Vinceri +

SUN. JAN. 4th

8:00 AM For All Our Parishioners

10:00 AM Charlene Mundell +

12:00 PM Thos. 'Vince' Vinceri +

MON. JAN. 5th

7:45 AM Mike Olsen +

TUES. JAN. 6th

7:45 AM Franco Marchetti +

WED. JAN. 7th

7:45 AM James Tabacchi +

THU. JAN. 8th

7:45 AM Frances Johnson +

FRI. JAN. 9th

7:45 AM Guido Fenu +

SAT. JAN. 10th

7:45 AM Thomas Sneddon +

4:30 PM Paul Aha +

SUN. JAN. 11th

8:00 AM For All Our Parishioners

10:00 AM Frances Johnson +

12:00 PM Norman Savage +

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Please Pray For The Sick Of Our Parish

Bruce Albertson, Jack Jones, Marti Boise, Jo Dushais, Rosemary Donohue, Patricia McNamara, Christopher Guadagnini, Tyler Hester, Dylan Swalley, Frances Maher, Maddie Press, the Borgatello Family, Marilyn Schuermann, Mary McCormack, Robert Munoz, Roger Cass, Jim Fuller, Susan Basler, Ritz Brunello, Francisco Ramos, Eric Lundy, Laurie Maguire, Ann Rosecrance, Domini Tarman, Richard Sharp and Ruben Camacho.

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.



SHRINE CANDLES

Candles can be purchased in the Parish Office or from Oscar, our Parish Care-taker. The donation is \$4.00.



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



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL
FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM
Instructing children in an enriching, loving, and learning environment.

"El Camino"

High School Confirmation Group

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.



Sessions & Gatherings

- ◇ Jan. 11th - Regular Session in Parish Hall
- ◇ Jan. 17th - Santa Barbara Youth Day at Bishop Diego High School

"Sanctus" High School Leadership Group

- ◇ Jan. 17th - Peer Ministers for Santa Barbara Youth Day at Bishop Diego High School

"M & M's"

Middle School Youth Group

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



Upcoming Events

- ◇ Jan. 7th Happy New Year 'Glo Session' "How is Jesus like a Glo-Stick?"
- ◇ Jan. 24th 80's Roller Skating Night Skating Plus (Ventura)

"MC-YA" OLMC Young Adult Ministry

We are young adults between the ages of 18 to 39 who strive to develop our Catholic identity, strengthen our relationship with Christ, with one another, and with the wider community. We do this by planning and participating in a variety of spiritual, social, and service opportunities. Theology on Tap, Retreats, Food drives and much more. Please contact Sarah Mack Youth/Young Adult Minister @ 805-574-9941 or olmcyb93108@gmail.com to be added to our email list.

Faith Formation Scripture by Heart

January
'Responsibility'

My portion is the Lord: I promise to keep your words.

Safeguard Our Children Shopping Mall Safety Tips

It's easy for kids to get sidetracked with all the sights, sounds, and smells surrounding us at holiday time. It is especially important to monitor your children when taking them through the mall during the Christmas season. If children become separated from you, teach them to look for a "safe stranger" who can help them. For example, a mom with kids or the cash register person can help a child who is lost. Avoid telling children to go to the "manager." Any adult in a suit, who looks important, can look like the manager to a child. Children must be told never to leave the mall or store to go looking for you in the parking lot. Let them know that you would never go outside or leave until you are reunited -- no matter what anyone else tells them.

WHOLE COMMUNITY FAITH SHARING

Week of January 4th — Matthew 2:1-12

Reflection: This week we celebrate the feast of Epiphany, God's 'showing forth' of Jesus to many nations. The great star guided the wise foreign kings to where the Savior lay. King Herod was interested in what the kings were seeking for all the wrong reasons. Fortunately, the magi find Jesus and pay him homage without returning to tell Herod the exact location of Jesus.

Question: The star guided the magi to Jesus. Who are the people and what are the events that have guided me to Jesus?

Faith Response: I will look for Jesus in unexpected places this week.

School News

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Monthly School Tour

Tuesday, Jan. 13th ♦ 9am

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School
Pre-K thru 8th grade

We accept students for admission with-out reference to race, color, age, national and ethnic origin or gender.



Visit our school website,
www.mountcarmelschool.net. When you shop through foundation revenue marketplace, a portion of the sale will be donated to OLMC school.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A weekend of discovery, a lifetime of love.

Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend to help deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and **renew your sacrament**. The next WWME weekend is February 6th thru 8th in Ventura.

For more information, please contact Jeanine and Russ Walker at 805/648-4244. You can also register at the WWME website—www.twocanlove.org.

A new command I give you; love one another.

Married? Great! You're just who we're looking for to help **Catholic Engaged Encounter** prepare engaged couples for marriage. Whether you've been married 2 months or 40+ years, we need your help. What better way to start 2015 than with a resolution to share your sacrament of matrimony! **Catholic Engaged Encounter provides free training based upon your busy lifestyle.**

Call Paciano & Molly Diaz @ 310/729-5890 or email them at MollyandPaciano@gmail.com.

Online Giving

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel now offers Online Giving.

Convenient. Easy. Secure.

Sign up today on
www.mtcarmelsb.com

How great is God's love for us! Your generous giving shows your love for God and God's Church.

2015 Los Angeles Religious Education Congress

Join us March 13th—15th at the Anaheim Convention Center. **You will be enriched and revitalized!** If you have never attended Congress, you are assured of a wonderful experience. **All are welcome to attend!** The Congress, offers a variety of opportunities for personal faith enrichment, prayer and entertainment - 310 workshops, covering topics of interest from spirituality and person development to biblical studies, theology and catechesis — **there is a topic of interest for you.** In addition to workshops, participants will enjoy morning praise, evening liturgies and a variety of noon time and evening concerts.

REGISTER NOW! Online @ www.RECongress.org or call the RE Congress information line at 213/637-7348 to request a registration book.

OUR PARISH FINANCES

Many thanks to all for your generous contributions to our Church in the Christmas collection. Final figures on that collection are not available as this bulletin goes to press. Here is the report for the Offertory Collection for Sunday, December 6th/7th:

Envelopes & Plate Collection	\$7,169.00
<u>Donations</u>	<u>\$1,595.00</u>
Total	\$8,764.00

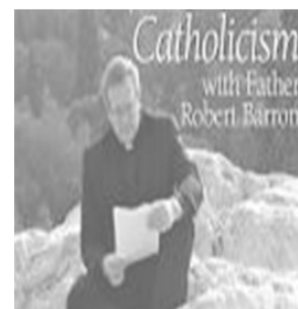
Many thanks and God's blessings on all our donors. Your faithful and generous giving at Offertory at Sunday Mass expresses your love for God and funds all the parish worship, religious, educational and service programs of the parish.

Online giving is now available at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Just visit our parish website at www.mtcarmelsb.com and click on Giving (or DONATE) link/tab. Many thanks and God's blessings on all our donors.

Many thanks and God's blessings on you and your family in the New Year.

Come with us on a . . .

"Catholic Road Trip"



Over 10 weeks beginning Sunday morning, February 1st, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish invites everyone to come on a journey; a truly stimulating pilgrimage! Passports not required.

Through the incomparable enthusiasm of Father Robert Barron --speaker, author, and theologian -- we will explore, be challenged, and even surprised by our Catholic Faith. We'll watch the acclaimed series 'Catholicism' in our Spiritual Library, and have a short discussion afterwards.

Sunday Mornings ♦ 8:40 am - 9:50 am

- Experience our Faith from its earliest years through the ages of saints and missionaries to the present day, "traveling" to 50 locations worldwide.
- Expect to bring home much more than you brought on this trip. Come with open eyes to the drama, truth, and beauty of our Faith.
- Non-Catholic friends and relatives are most welcome!

For more information, please contact Sr. Kathleen Patrice at 805.969.4868 or Tina Lorge at 949.300.7980

BISHOP DIEGO HIGH SCHOOL

JOIN US AT ONE OF OUR OPEN HOUSES

Learn about the lifelong benefits of a Catholic high school education at Bishop Diego. Take a campus tour and see our amazing facilities including our new Multimedia Arts and Technology Center; meet our teachers and students; visit academic departments and learn about our curriculum; explore our arts and athletic programs; talk to admission and college counseling representatives and much more!

Wednesday, January 7, 2015

from 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm.
A light lunch will be served.

OR

Tuesday, January 13, 2015

from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm.
Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP

Liv Gonzalez, Admission Assistant,
967-1266, ext. 101
(lgonzalez@bishopdiego.org)

CAN'T MAKE IT TO OPEN HOUSE?

Call Lori Willis, Director of Admission
(805) 967-1266, ext. 118
(llwillis@bishopdiego.org) to
schedule a campus tour.



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4000 La Colina Road Santa Barbara, CA 93110
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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;
National Migration Week
Monday: St. John Neumann
Tuesday: St. André Bessette
Wednesday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;
Julian Calendar Christmas



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8;
Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13;
Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72: 1-2, 14, 15bc,
17; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;
Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b;
Jn 3:22-30
Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Ps 29:1-4,
3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6;
Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9;
Mk 1:7-11

LIVING GOD'S WORD

Each year in this brief season, we do come close to a bit of innocence, as we find ourselves seeking ways to make this world a better place. Little wonder then, that even the dourest among us is seen to have a twinkle of joy in the eye. In some small way we find our expectations, once hung by the chimney with care, bulging with life.

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LIVING STEWARDSHIP NOW

What are you doing to bring Christ to others beyond your family and parish? Are you young or an active retiree? Consider becoming a volunteer 'missionary' yourself.

Santa Barbara has many organizations whose vision is to help those who live in our community. Catholic Charities, the Santa Barbara Rescue Mission, St. Vincent's, to name a few.

In addition, here at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, we have ministries such as our Religious Ed and Youth Ministry programs, The Giving Tree, to name a few, where your time and talent can be rewarded by sharing your Catholic faith and living your life as a true disciple of Christ.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Epiphany celebrates the wake-up calls of life, the showings of God's majesty and power in the person of Jesus. The feast alerts us to look for signs of the Lord's grace and action in our lives today. In this context, the call of the Second Vatican Council to reform the sacramental life of the Church, including our pattern of care for the sick, is indeed a holy awakening.

Prior to the 1960s, our care for the sick had collapsed in the popular imagination into something everyone called "last rites." An immensely complicated ritual, with anointing accompanied by quickly muttered Latin prayers, was enacted for a marginally conscious person at "death's door." By the time a priest was called, the sick person might not be able to receive viaticum, or derive much personal benefit from the ritual. The healing effects of the sacrament, investing suffering with the dignity of a link to Christ's cross, and the immense assurance of forgiveness for a person reviewing the life journey, were hidden. Suddenly, an epiphany swept through the Church, and the way we care for the sick was utterly transformed. It took several centuries, however, for the Church to reach that moment of renewal.

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RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

The Rosary is recited everyday after the 7:45 am Mass. Please join us in the Main Church.

The Rosary is a special set of prayers to God that help us to remember the most important events in the lives of Mary and Jesus.



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Happy New Year!

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