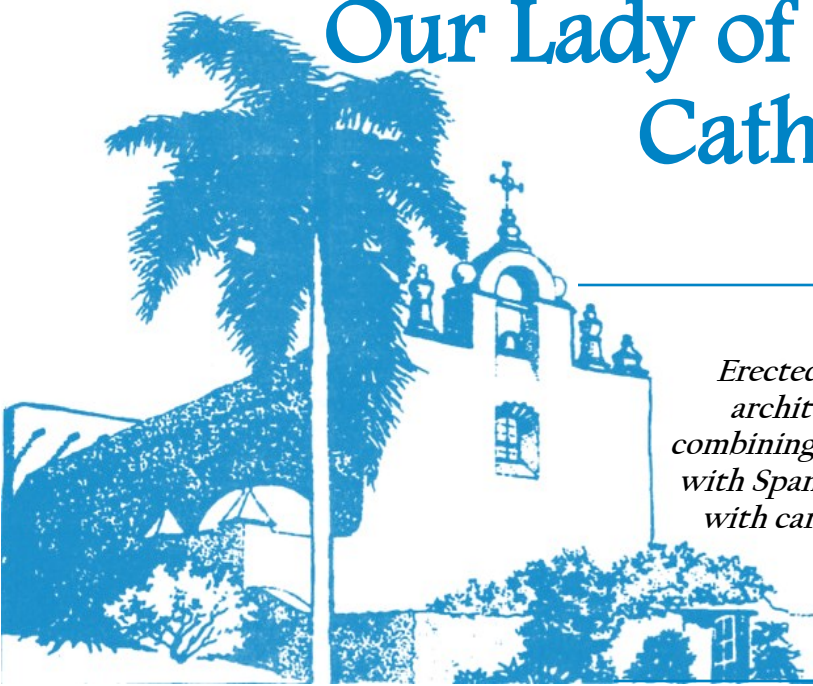


Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church



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 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

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Sister Kathleen Patrice, C.S.J. - Director
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Youth Minister/Confirmation Coordinator

Sarah Mack - Youth Minister 805/574-9941
olmcsb93108@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.

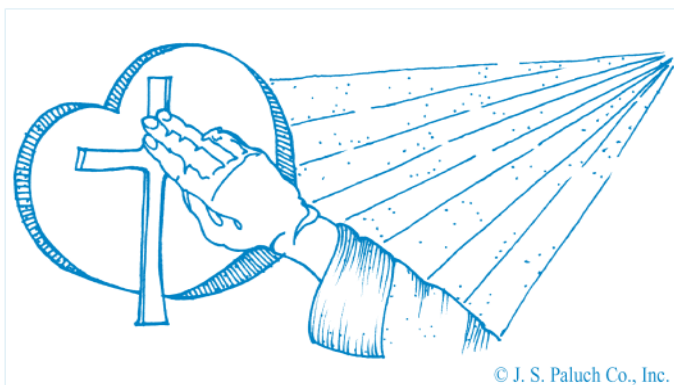
Please call the Rectory at least six months before the proposed date of marriage or email us at weddings@olmc-montecito.com for more information.

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 805/969-3858



The Fifth Sunday Of Lent MARCH 22, 2015

I will place my law within them
and write it upon their hearts;
I will be their God
and they shall be my people.

Jeremiah 31:33

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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Fr. Steve

As we begin the last two weeks of Lent, we focus more and more on Jesus as he moves towards his agony, death and resurrection. In today's Gospel (John 12:20ff) Jesus says: "The hour has come". Now is the time for him to go through suffering and death to reign gloriously from the Cross (in John's Gospel the Cross is the throne of the King of All rather than an instrument of suffering). Yet in John's Gospel Jesus still suffers. We hear Jesus say today: "I am troubled now." In the Second Reading (from Hebrews 5:7-9) we are told that Jesus "offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to God...Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered." For Jesus, and for us, obeying God's will means facing the Cross. The grain of wheat must fall to the ground and die so new life can come forth (Jesus tells us in today's Gospel). As we walk with Jesus in these last days of Lent to the Cross on Good Friday and Resurrection at Easter may we die to selfishness and live for God and others so we may come to joyful new life at Easter in Christ.

- Children from Our Lady of Mount Carmel School will help us celebrate a Family Mass at 10:00 AM this Sunday.
- We invite you to come to daily Mass at 7:45 AM in Lent and the Friday Stations of the Cross at 6:00 PM. The final Soup Supper of Lent will take place in the Parish Hall after the Stations of the Cross this Friday. You may sign up at the doors of the Church to bring soup from home this Friday for the Soup Supper or call Sister Kathleen Patrice at 969-4868.
- Next Sunday is Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. The solemn blessing of palms will take place in the Garden around the fountain before the 4:30 PM Saturday Mass and then there will be a procession into Church. Distribution of palms will take place at the doors of the Church at all Sunday Masses.
- The full schedule of Holy Week and Easter services will be found in today's bulletin.
- On Holy Saturday, April 4, there will be NO 4:30 PM Vigil Mass. Instead the Easter Vigil and Mass of the Resurrection will take place at 7:00 PM (lasting about two hours). On Easter Sunday, April 5th, Masses will be at 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM.

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- Online giving is now available at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Online giving is a convenient and safe way to make your donations which show your love for God and his 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.



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 and ministries, please call or stop by our Parish Office. Our office hours are Monday thru Friday, 8:30am- 12 noon and from 1:30pm - 5pm. Our office number is 805/969-6868.

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

Online Giving

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel now offers Online Giving. **Convenient. Easy. Secure.**

Sign up today at
www.mtcarmelsb.com

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

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 bring it by the Parish Office.





Ministry Assignments

SATURDAY, March 21st

4:30 PM

Lector - J. Kelly

Eucharistic Ministers - J. Stratford, K. Flynn & E. Guadagnini

Altar Servers - Grayson MacLeod, Natasha Huey & Emma Cogliner

SUNDAY, MARCH 22nd

8:00 AM

Lector - Tina Da Ros

Eucharistic Ministers - D. & B. Crooks

Altar Servers - Maxwell Schwarz, Theo & Emmett Mack

10:00 AM

Lector - OLMC 1st Grade Student Lector

Euch. Ministers - R. & M. Willmon, W. Gragg, M. Press, A. & R. Bentajado, J. & P. Langhorne

Altar Servers - Jillian Chierici, Luke & Riley Peterson

12:00 PM

Lector - Molly Rosecrance

Eucharistic Ministers - G. Tejada & A. Pacheco

Altar Servers - Juan Valtierra, Caitlin Hubbs & Halie Bissell



Mass Intentions

SAT. MARCH 21st

7:45 AM Int. of Carmelina O.C.D.

4:30 PM Louise Cote +

SUN. MARCH 22nd

8:00 AM Gino & Rosetta Guadagnini +

10:00 AM Eleanor Messar +

12:00 PM Int. of Sr. Mary James O.C.D.

MON. MARCH 23rd

7:45 AM Int. Sister Gloria Theresa O.C.D.

TUES. MARCH 24th

7:45 AM Lucille Otto +

WED. MARCH 25th

7:45 AM Int. of Sr. Margaret Ann O.C.D.

THU. MARCH 26th

7:45 AM Ethel Jarchow +

FRI. MARCH 27th

7:45 AM Bill Kiburz +

SAT. MARCH 28th

7:45 AM Douglas Duimovich +

4:30 PM Int. of Laura Borgatello

SUN. MARCH 29th

8:00 AM For All Our Parishioners

10:00 AM Dan Naretto +

2:00 PM Jane Schaeffer +



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.

I am the resurrection and the life,
says the Lord.

Please Pray For The Sick Of Our Parish

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

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.

Have mercy on me, O God.



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

- ◇ March 29th 10am Mass ~ Session on *The Sedar*
- ◇ April 19th Rite of Acceptance — Yr. II 10am Mass, followed by Reg. Session

"Sanctus" High School Leadership Group

- ◇ March 27th/28th Up All Night Retreat

"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



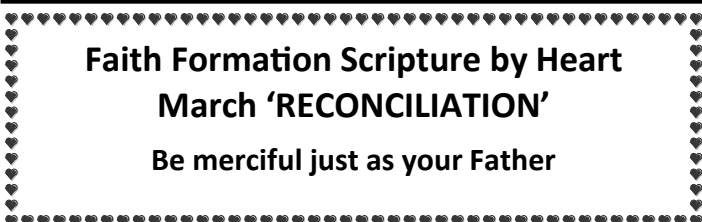
Upcoming Events

- ◇ March 27th & 28th 'UP ALL NIGHT' 3rd Annual Retreat @ St. Mary's
"So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake." (1 Thessalonians 5:6)
Contact Sarah Mack, our Youth Minister to RSVP!
- ◇ April 15th Study Break—Games, Snacks, Fun

"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 olmcsb93108@gmail.com

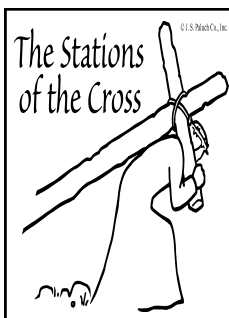


Faith Formation Scripture by Heart
March 'RECONCILIATION'

Be merciful just as your Father

Safeguard Our Children
Tips To Help Protect Children From Sexting

Before buying your child a cell phone, set rules for its use, including what sort of information and images are appropriate to share via text. Know what safeguards are available on your child's phone, such as turning off and/or blocking texting and picture features. Talk to your child about the possible social, academic, and legal consequences of sexting. They could face humiliation, lose educational opportunities, and get in trouble with the law. Encourage your child to not be a bystander or an instigator. If he or she receives a "sext," discuss why it is important that he or she not forward the image to anyone else. Remind your child that they can talk to you if they receive a nude picture on their cell phone. Report any nude or semi-nude images that your child receives to law enforcement or contact www.cybertipline.com.



In the spirit of the Lenten Season, you are invited to

The Stations of the Cross & a Soup Dinner
Every Friday Evening
during Lent
Time: Stations at 6:00pm
(In the Church)

The Soup Dinner will be held in the Parish Hall. Sign-up sheets to make soup are on the tables by all the Church doors or you can call Sr. Kathleen Patrice at 805/969-4868.

School News

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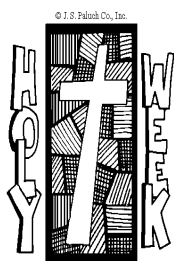
Monthly School Tour

Second Tuesday of the Month ◇ 9:00 am

Pre-K thru 8th Grade

For more information, please call our School Office at (805)969/5965 or visit our website

— www.mountcarmelschool.net



PALM SUNDAY – March 29th

Blessing of Palms before Vigil Mass is in the garden around the fountain.

Palms will be distributed at all the Masses.

HOLY WEEK

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

Regular Mass at 7:45 am

HOLY THURSDAY – APRIL 2nd

7:00 pm - Solemn Mass with Adult Choir, followed by the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 9:30 pm

GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 3rd ***

12 Noon – Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm - Liturgical Service & Holy Communion

5:30 pm - Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY – APRIL 4th

7:00 pm – Easter Vigil & Mass of Resurrection (Adult Choir)

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES – APRIL 5th***

8:00 am - Organ & Piano with Cantor

9:30 am - Children’s Choir

11:00 am - Adult Choir

12:30 pm - Organ & Piano with Cantor

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday - March 31st 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Weds. - April 1st 3:30-4:30 pm & 7:00-8:00 pm

*** Please note times of Good Friday Services & times of the Masses & the extra Mass on Easter Sunday.



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Congratulations to the beautiful children of our Religious Education Program who made their First Reconciliation on Saturday, March 7th. May God bless their parents and teachers and keep them in his loving care.

Stella Ashamalla
 Nicholas Boller
 Sienna Boyce
 Eleanor Crafton
 Savannah Delesalle
 Anja Fassbind
 Jacob Gonzales
 Elena Johnson
 Madeline Kanerviko
 Elisa Laughrin
 Adrianna McElearnay (Year I Confirmation Candidate)

Joseph McElearnay
 Martin McElearnay
 Emma Miller
 Olivia Miller
 Eva Rivas
 Hugh Ryan
 Gabriel Saglie
 Brooklyn Shamblin
 Adeline Tognotti
 Georgette Von yurt

Catholic Road Trip Continues.....

Through the incomparable enthusiasm of Father Robert Barron --speaker, author, and theologian -- we **continue** to explore, be challenged, and even surprised by our Catholic Faith. **Join in and watch the acclaimed series ‘Catholicism’** in our Parish Hall on Sundays, from 8:40am to 9:50 am.

For more information, please contact Sr. Kathleen Patrice at the Religious Ed Office, 805/969-4868 or Tina Lorge at 949/300-7980.

OUR PARISH FINANCES

Many thanks to all for your generous contributions to our Church in the Offertory Collection each Sunday. Here is the report for the Offertory Collection on Sunday, February 28th/March 1st:

Envelopes & Plate Collection	\$9,285.50
<u>Donations for maintenance</u>	<u>\$100.50</u>
Total	\$9,386.00

Your generous giving in the Offertory Collection each Sunday is very important and funds all the parish worship, religious, educational and service programs and helps in making necessary repairs and continuing maintenance of the Church and parish buildings and grounds.

Online giving is now available at Our Lady of Mount Church. Just visit our parish website at www.mtcarmelsb.com and click on Giving (or DONATE) link/tab.

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

OLMC Youth/Young Adult "Wine Library" Raffle

Did you know that over 80 teenagers and 14 young adults take part in OLMC's Youth/Young Adult retreats, studies and events every month?

This Lent, we are having a raffle to raise funds to send as many students as possible to our summer retreats.

WIN an Entire Library of Fine Wines

& help raise funds for our youth retreat scholarship program.

\$5.00 per ticket



Tickets can be purchased from Sarah or Maribel in the Parish Office, Monday thru Friday from 9am to Noon and 2pm to 5pm.

Winner will be chosen on April 12th.

(All donations are tax deductible. Winner need not be present to win.)

Heart to Heart — As we prepare for our trip to Mexico, we have put together our "Wish List" for the family receiving their new home. Anything you can contribute is appreciated and can be dropped off to the Religious Education Office or the Rectory Office.

- ♥ dry goods — large bags of beans & rice, salsa, flour, sugar, cooking oil, peanut butter, can veggies & fruit
- ♥ drinking water—large 2.5 gallon containers
- ♥ 2 large plastic coolers to leave for the family to use as a refrigerator
- ♥ medicine cabinet/first aid items — aspirin, cough syrup, children's Tylenol, band-aids
- ♥ hygiene items (soap, shampoo, lotion, dental items)
- ♥ toilet paper
- ♥ smoke detector
- ♥ clothesline, laundry soap
- ♥ new blankets, beddings, sets of towels
- ♥ radio with batteries
- ♥ Coleman lanterns with spare batteries or propane
- ♥ cleaning supplies—sponges, cleaning solutions
- ♥ indoor garbage bags
- ♥ cooking utensils
- ♥ Welcome Mat

Thank you for the kind deeds you do in the name of Jesus .
Goodness begins with you.



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent
 Third Scrutiny
 Monday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo
 Weds: The Annunciation of the Lord
 Friday: Abstinence



Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on Good Friday and all Fridays during Lent.

**WHOLE COMMUNITY FAITH SHARING
 Week of March 22nd ~ John 12:20-33**

Faith Reflection: It is in our day to day interactions with one another that our impatience, selfishness, anger, and a host of other uncaring things come to the surface. It's when we come to see ourselves as we really are that the words of Jesus have a chance to affect us: Unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. When, on a daily basis, we put aside our pettiness, our impatience, our selfishness, we will gradually see the truth of what Jesus is saying. New life will grow within us. We will bring forth the fruit of genuine kindness and concern for others.

Faith Question: How and in what ways have I sacrificed my own desires to be of help to others?

Faith Response: I will release several attachments I now have that prevent me from being a faithful follower of Jesus.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE DURING LENT

To participate in the International Campaign of '40 Days for Life' —a time of prayer and fasting to end the death of innocent babies by abortion, please contact Rita Duley at (805)886.8555 or Molly Rosecrance at (805)455-5040. Please consider giving your time for one hour of prayer in front of our local Planned Parenthood.



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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11
 Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
 Weds: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
 Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
 Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
 Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]



Interested in Serving Your Parish as a Member of the Parish Council ?

Our Parish Council is looking for interested parishioners to serve on the council. Find a council member, and ask them what it is we do. Nomination forms are on the tables in the back of the Church. Please take one if you or someone you know is interested in joining this most rewarding ministry. Dead line for applications is April 30th. Completed forms can be dropped off at the Parish Office.

MONTECITO MEALS ON WHEELS

Montecito Meals on Wheels **NEEDS HELP** with deliveries on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. The pickup is from Casa Dorinda at 11:00 am and the deliveries take about 1¼ hour. Volunteers must have their own car. (Gas is tax-deductible.)

Please consider volunteering for one day a week! Call Scott Schonzeit 805/969-8171 or email at sschonzeit@casadorinda.com.

SB 128

The California Catholic Conference, along with a broad coalition of physicians, nurses, disability rights and health care advocates, is opposing proposed legislation SB 128.

SB 128 would legalize physician-assisted suicide in CA. Pope Francis reminds us, "The biblical commandment to honor our parents reminds us in a broader sense of our duty to honor all elderly people." Take action now to protect the elderly and those with disabilities. Visit archla.org/sb128 to learn more, contact your legislator and get involved.