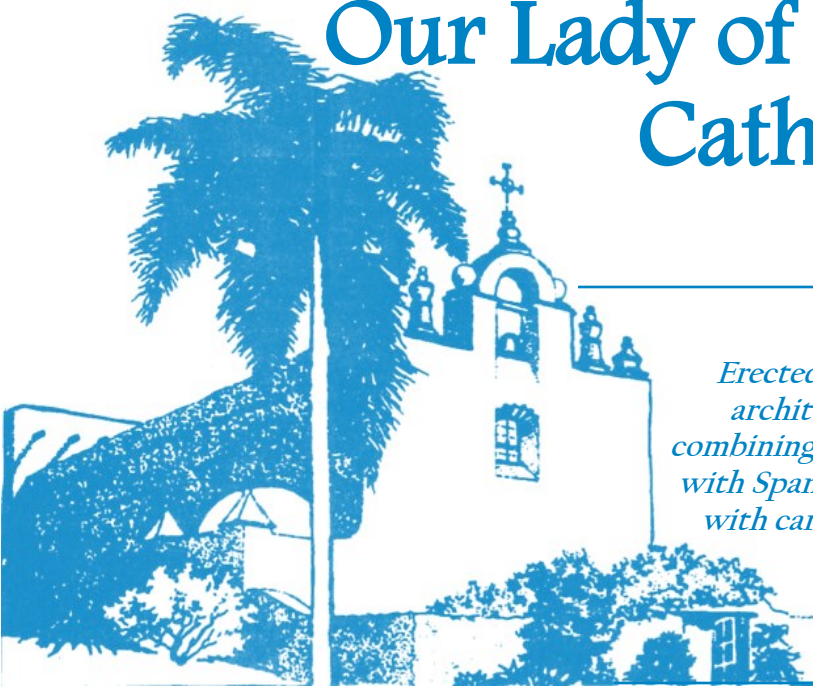


Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church



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

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



Thirty-Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
NOVEMBER 16, 2014

Blessed are you who fear the LORD.
Psalm 128:1a



Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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, our Retired Priests and Parish Family extend the hospitality of Jesus Christ to you. If you would like more information about our community, please call or stop by our Parish Office. The office hours are Mon-Fri, 8:30am- 12 noon and from 1:30pm - 5pm. Coffee, Donuts & Cappuccino are served in the Side Courtyard after the 10am Sunday Mass.

PLEASE JOIN US!

WHOLE COMMUNITY FAITH SHARING

Week of November 16th — Matthew 25:14-30

Faith Reflection: The parable in this Sunday's Gospel tells of a man (God) who entrusts his talents of gold (our gifts and talents) to his servants (me), each according to his or her ability. The first two servants are given more and increase their talents. The third servant buries his talent and only returns exactly what he is given out of fear of failure. The first two servants are praised by the Master, but the third is chastised and banished. The lesson is to use our talents for God's glory and not hide them.

Faith Question: What are my talents and blessings and how am I using them to strengthen God's Kingdom?

Faith Response: I will name 3 talents I have and use them next week to make someone's life better.

Please Pray For The Sick Of Our Parish

Bruce Albertson, Jack Jones, Marti Boise, Jo Dushais, Jack McClellan, Rosemary Donohue, Patricia McNamara, Christopher Guadagnini, Sir Daniel Donohue, 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, Joe Maguire, Eric Lundy, Laurie Maguire, Domini Tarman and Natalie Orfalea.

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.

Online Giving

We announced two weeks ago that we're now offering **Online Giving**.

If you manage your bills online, why not give to your church online? It's **safe and secure**, and you decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes.

Online Giving lets you set up a recurring pledge or a one-time gift to our Offertory or special collections, so you'll be able to give the way you want—even if you've forgotten your envelope or cash.

Please visit our website, www.mtcarmelsb.com, and click our **Giving** (or **DONATE**) link/tab.



Ministry Assignments

- SAT. NOV. 15th**
 4:30 PM Peter Da Ros - Lector
 S. de Ponce, J. Samuelson & E. Guadagnini
 Eucharistic Ministers
 Luke Wegrzynowicz, Ava Prober, Caitlin Hubbs
 Altar Servers
- SUN. NOV. 16th**
 8:00 AM Alicia McFarlane - Lector
 D. Crooks & J. Casey - Eucharistic Ministers
 Michael Reyes, Luke Williams &
 Anna Braastad - Altar Servers
- 10:00 AM John Duffy- Lector
 B. Nielsen, B. Jones, W. Gragg, H. Peterson
 M. & J. Kelly, M. & T. Lorge
 Eucharistic Ministers
 Claire Nielsen, Ann Bentajado &
 Nicole Figueroa - Altar Servers
- 12:00 PM Frederic Cogburn - Lector
 R. & J. Victoria
 Eucharistic Ministers
 Makeila Cervantes, Emily & Joshua Wazny
 Altar Servers



Mass Intentions

- SAT. NOV. 15th**
 7:45 AM Nova Brown +
 4:30 PM Colleen Neary +
- SUN. NOV. 16th**
 8:00 AM Int. of Catherine Carroll Beck
 10:00 AM Jane Weinheimer +
 12:00 PM Rolland Ogawa +
- MON. NOV. 17th**
 7:45 AM Margot Chandler +
- TUES. NOV. 18th**
 7:45 AM Edward Collins +
- WED. NOV. 19th**
 7:45 AM Edward Macias +
- THU. NOV. 20th**
 7:45 AM Joan Haider +
- FRI. NOV. 21st**
 7:45 AM Daniel James Perez +
- SAT. NOV. 22nd**
 7:45 AM Beatrice Rosales +
 4:30 PM Int. of Cliff Powell Family
- SUN. NOV. 23rd**
 8:00 AM John Rosecrance +
 10:00 AM Fred Velasquez +
 12:00 PM Walter Conn +

Parishioner Registration Form

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

Check One: New Parishioner New Address
 Want Offertory Envelopes Moving out of Parish
Please place the form into the Offertory basket or you can mail in or drop-off at the Parish Office.



**Tuesday, Dec. 9th ♦ 9am
Monthly School Tour**

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

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

RE Scripture By Heart - "GRATITUDE"

**We give You thanks and praise the majesty of
Your name.** **Chronicles 29:13**

Adopt A Family

Since Christmas is a time of giving and sharing, we are inviting our parishioners, including children, to join us in helping some of the less fortunate families in the Santa Barbara community experience the joyful love of Christmas. This year in addition to our individual children, we are looking for parishioners to adopt a family. We have many different size families available. Remember that there is a 3 gift limit per child. This helps us to ensure that all the family gifts are delivered together. If you are interested in adopting a family, please call Sister Kathleen Patrice at 805/969-4868.

Santa's Workshop

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish is planning our 14th Annual Santa's Workshop. On December 7th & 8th from 6p.m. – 8p.m. in the Parish Hall. We are inviting children from grades 6th – 12th to come decorate the hall so it will look like Santa's Workshop, help paint, repair, wrap, and tag toys. Christmas music and refreshments will add to our festivities. We are in need of gently used toys to be repaired or painted. Please check your closets once, twice... for toys your children may have outgrown. The toys may be dropped off in the Parish Hall or Religious Ed office beginning Monday, November 3rd. These toys will be given to economically poor children living in Carpinteria and Santa Barbara.

Giving Tree

Sunday, November 30th, as we begin the Season of Advent, there will be three special Christmas trees filled with ornaments. These ornaments will have a child's first name, age and their requests to Santa. If you wish, you can take one home, buy up to three gifts for the child, wrap it, and bring it to church with the tag by Friday, December 5th. What a wonderful way to brighten a child's Christmas! Parishioners will deliver hundreds of these gifts to families. We are serving an extra 100 children this year.



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.



Sessions & Gatherings

- ♦ Dec. 7th - RITE OF ELECTION - Year II @ 10 am
Mass, followed by Regular Session in Hall
- ♦ Dec. 14th - Regular Session in Parish Hall

"Sanctus" High School Leadership Group

- ♦ Dec. 14th - Lunch & Gift Giving Trip to Ventura

"M & M's"

Middle School Youth Group

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



Upcoming Events

- ♦ Dec. 3rd **Advent Party**—White Elephant Gift Exchange
- ♦ Dec. 7th **Santa's Workshop** Service Project

YAM — SB Region of Young Ministry

Santa's Workshop Service Project
Dec. 7th & Dec. 8th ♦ Parish Hall

YAM—Open to ALL Young Adults 21 — 39

For more info, call or text Sarah at 805.969.6868 or 805.574.9941

Safeguard Our Children

Get Involved In School Activities

Back-to-school does not have to mean back-to-worrying. Though safety inside school is ultimately the responsibility of the principal and school staff, parents can take a few basic steps to ensure a safe school experience."

Get involved. Talk with the principal about what you can do to increase school safety, such as organizing parents to form a neighborhood watch before and after school. Sometimes parent groups are highly successful in making improvements in traffic safety during drop off and pick up times. **For more information, please visit** <http://www.scholastic.com/parents/resources/article/parent-teacher-partnerships/6-rules-school-safety>

OUR PARISH FINANCES

Many thanks to all for your generous donations to our Church in the Offertory Collection each Sunday. Here is the report for the Offertory Collection on Sunday, October 25th/26th:

Envelopes & Plate Collection	\$6,420.00
Restricted Donations	\$150.00
Total	\$6,570.00

On Sunday, November 1st/2nd the Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2014 was presented and it showed a deficit of \$31,870 for the year. The average Sunday collection would need to reach \$8,500 a Sunday to avoid another parish operating deficit this year.

Online giving can be a convenient way to show your love for God and his Church on all Sundays, even when you are traveling or unable to come to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Just visit our parish website at www.mtcarmelsb.com and click on Giving (or DONATE).

We are very grateful to all our donors. Your faithful and generous giving on Sundays expresses your love for God and his Church and funds all the parish worship, religious, educational and service programs of the parish. Many thanks and God's blessings on you and your family.

The Catholic Support Group for Parents of Gay and Lesbian Children from the Santa Barbara and Ventura

Meeting — THIS Monday, November 17th ◇ 7:30 pm

This is a safe and comfortable environment where you can share your feelings and fears, and ask questions. The meetings are informal and confidential. **For more information**, call Kathie & Joe Schneider at 805-687-4338.

Collection for Campaign for Human Development

CCHD needs your help! CCHD was founded to end the cycle of poverty in the United States by funding organizations that help people help themselves. With the tradition of improving education, housing situations and economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact on communities nationwide. Your generous contribution will help defend human dignity and help those living on the margins of our society. **Please use the special envelopes in the pews for the one collection next week at Offertory time.**

Thanksgiving



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Annual M-4 Thanksgiving Prayer Service

Wednesday, Nov. 19th ◇ 7:00 PM

Father Steve, our Pastor, Sister Kathleen Patrice and other parishioners will join members of the other M-4 Churches (All Saints Episcopal Church, El Montecito Presbyterian Church and Montecito Covenant Church) for this community Thanksgiving Prayer Service.

Montecito Covenant Church • 671 Cold Springs Rd.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK : Fr. Steve

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On these last Sundays of the Church year we hear about the final coming of Christ, what is called "the Day of Lord" in the Second Reading today from 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6. St. Paul tells us not to be caught off guard by the unexpected coming of the Lord. Paul says: "stay alert and sober" for we are "children of the light and of the day". We are to use well the gifts and talents that God gives us "according to our ability" (as Jesus tells us in Matthew 25:14-30 today). The great danger is to bury our gift or unique "talent" in the ground and waste our time and our life. Our First Reading today from the Book of Proverbs 31:10 ff gives an example of someone who uses well all of God's gifts. This portrait of the "worthy wife" ends the Book of Proverbs and sums up all that is said about wisdom and the wise person: immensely creative, industrious, loving and faithful, an example to all of how to wait wisely for the coming of the Lord!

* Father Steve, our Pastor, returns this Monday night from his short trip to Ireland.

* Have you ever thought of becoming a Catholic? Do you know someone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Are you a Catholic who has not received Confirmation or First Holy Communion? There is still time to join Father Steve and the RCIA team on Tuesday nights in the Spiritual Library in the School from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. Any questions? Call Father Steve at the Parish Office (969-6868).

* You are invited to the annual M-4 Thanksgiving Prayer Service which will be held this Wednesday, November 19th at 7:00 PM at Montecito Covenant Church on Cold Springs Road. Father Steve, our Pastor, Sister Kathleen Patrice and other parishioners will join members of the other M-4 Churches (All Saints Episcopal, El Montecito Presbyterian Church and Montecito Covenant Church) for this community Thanksgiving Prayer Service.

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Work is now complete on all the renovation projects at the Church, Rectory and school, except for the replacement of the grease trap at the Parish Hall kitchen. With the completion of the renovation of the men's and women's rest rooms in the Parish Hall, both rest rooms are now wheelchair accessible.

We are very grateful to six families who have donated \$30,211 to fund all the projects and the parish family who donated new tables and chairs for the renovated school faculty room. Our parish is very blessed with such generosity.