

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish
Coronavirus Weekly Update as of
May 20, 2020 at 10:00 am**

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Still no news on when we can open the church up for Mass and other Sacraments. However, the CDC just released guidelines on church services; hopefully, our government leaders will allow some church services soon.

As we get ready to celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of Jesus into heaven this Sunday, we are reminded of how his entry into heaven brings our humanity into heaven for He is the head and where the head is, the body is to follow. Jesus also tells us that it is better that he goes to the Father. At first, we think how can it be better if Jesus leaves us. But, as Jesus goes on to explain that if he does not go, we will not receive the Holy Spirit. It is the Spirit that will help us here on this earth in our daily struggles. Let us continue to turn to the Spirit for help and know that some day we will also join Jesus in heaven and receive our great reward.

To bring some fun into our repetitive days at home, we will have a Bingo Night on Friday, June 5th at 6:30pm via Zoom, and to bring Jesus into our homes, we will livestream Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday, May 25th at 5:00 pm. See the website for more information.

On another note, we are seeing more people use the Online Giving portal of our website. We truly appreciate your donations.

God bless,

Fr. Lawrence Seyer

Livestreaming Sunday Mass at 10:00 am

We are streaming directly from our website at www.mtcarmelsb.com or you can go to our Facebook page at @mountcarmelsb.

Regular Masses: Still suspended until further notice.

Parish Office: Closed, but we are still taking phone calls, answering emails, and accepting regular mail.

Flocknotes: To get up-to-date information from the Parish, please register for our communication program managed by Flocknotes.

1. Go to “flocknote.com”
2. Click on “Find Your Church”
3. Type Zip Code — 93108
4. Select “Our Lady of Mount Carmel”
5. Fill in your information
6. Click on “Sign me up”

Weekly Giving: In this special time of crisis for our country, it is important that the parish continue to bring God’s word of love and hope to our community. Please help us by continuing your weekly sacrificial giving. Please mail you weekly check to the office, drop it off by sliding it under the front door, or sign up for our electronic giving by going to the DONATE tab on our website.