

The Parish Family of
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church
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Our Mission

*We the people of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish
believe in Jesus Christ and embrace his teachings.
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the Light of the World through Word, Worship
Community Building and Service to all*

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Weekends

Saturday 5:30pm
Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am, 11am
12:30pm, 3:00pm (Spanish) & 6:30pm

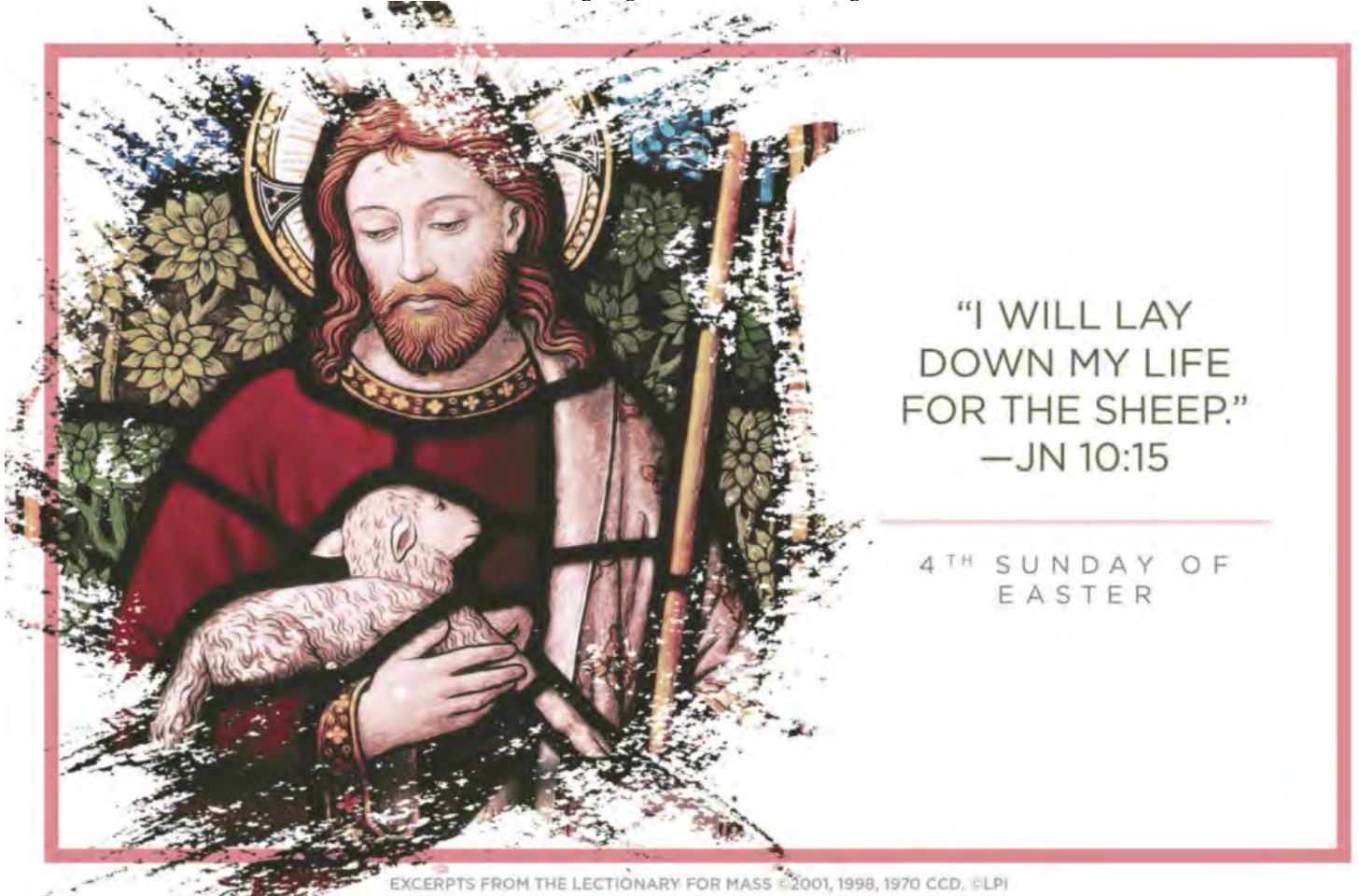
Weekdays

6:30am, 8:30am & 12:00 Noon
Saturdays 8:30am

Holy Days

Eve 7:30pm (anticipated)
6:30am, 8:30am & 12 Noon

Fourth Sunday of Easter ~ April 21, 2024





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Dear Friends,

Varia – any number of unrelated items.

-This weekend, we begin three weekends of celebrations of 1st Eucharist for our second graders. In six celebrations, 160 children will come to the table of the Lord for the first time. As I often write at this time of year, we are a sacramental church. We believe that Christ acts through designated celebrational moments, during which He has promised to be present in a powerful way to deepen the life of the believer's union with Himself. These seven sacramental moments form the backbone of the Church's spiritual life and none is more important for the life of the Church than the Eucharist. The Second Vatican Council called the Eucharist the "source and summit of the Church's life." In Holy Communion, the believer receives the very Body and Blood of the Risen Lord to accompany the recipient on life's journey, to strengthen and feed him/her for daily living in a world that can be so hard to navigate. What a great moment for these families and these children. What a great opportunity to be so close to the Lord. And what a great moment for the parish—to see 160 of our children come to the altar and to see all these families, parents, believing in God's love for their children and making a place for the Lord in their family life. For the parish family it should be a moment of great encouragement, a "shot in the arm" for our faith. And so I invite the whole parish to "tune in" to these celebrations, at 10:00 and 12:00 on 4/20, 4/27 and 5/4, on the homepage of our website, or on our Facebook page or on YouTube. The links are all available on the Homepage of the parish website. On a personal note, it's especially moving for me to give the Eucharist to children I've baptized, with parents I've married, especially as I move closer to retirement.

-Once again, I want to put in a plug for the **Annual Appeal**. As I detailed last week, the parish will benefit from every pledge made between now and June 30 and paid by December 31st. This time of year there is so much going on in the parish. As I mentioned above, 160 First Communion children, about an equal number of confirmations in a few weeks, the second segment of *ChristLife* starting up, the Great Mission on Sunday afternoons, the Mass for the closing of our various religious education programs for our 900 students, the MOM'S ending their program year, CYO basketball, the Youth Group and so many other activities. All are reminders of how big a parish community we are and how many resources are needed to continue this work. The parish rebate part of the **Annual Appeal** helps us continue offering the level of programming to meet the needs of all parts of this faith community. Actually we're 25 donors down from this same period last year. Please help by making a pledge today. The easiest way is to go to the link on the homepage of our website. In addition, there are envelopes in the racks at the Passaic St. and Hudson St. entrances.

-A former parishioner who had moved away years ago and

was here for a funeral today stopped by the rectory for a visit and asked if we bought new pews. I told her they were the old ones but we recently had them redone. She commented how beautiful the church looks. Seeing it every day I sometimes forget that. Within a month or so, the same company that did the pews (and did all the wood work in the Cathedral) will be back to do all the woodwork in the church to match the pews. And then sometime before Christmas (I hope), the church will be painted, as it has been about 30 years since that was last done. Just a heads up.

God Bless,
Fr. Ron

STEWARDSHIP

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me... and they will hear my voice." These comforting words of Jesus in today's Gospel also give us a challenge. When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for things that you want? Do you ever ask Jesus what he wants of you? Do you listen for His voice, to hear the road He wants you to travel? To attune yourself to His voice, you need to be more attentive to the way you follow. In giving of his/her **Time, Talent and Treasure**, the Christian Steward seeks to be more attentive to the Lord's voice in his/her life? Can you do that?

The parish Stewardship of Treasure last week was \$14,529. God bless all who are generous in supporting the work of the Gospel. Online giving, **WeShare**, provides consistent resources for the parish to continue that mission for the work of the Gospel.



A recurring online gift to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is the best way to sustain the mission of this parish all year long.



Look for the **WeShare** link on our homepage, scan this QR Code, or call 877.316.0260

LOST & FOUND ITEMS AT THE RECTORY

Gray Hoodie, Youth Small
Black Cotton V-Neck Sweater, Men's Large
Black Winter Jacket, Men's
Heavy Denim Lined Jacket, Men's Large

Contact the Rectory—201.444.2000 x200

(Unclaimed items will be donated May 1.)

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY LITURGIES

AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF THE SACRED HEART
CELEBRANT: CARDINAL JOSEPH TOBIN, C.Ss.R

May 5, 2024 12:00 Noon 5 & 25 Years

Deadline to Register for this Mass
This Thursday, April 25, 2024

To register contact **Patti Roche**
proche@olmcridgewood.com
201.444.2000 x200



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Fr. Jakov Vidov, jvidov@olmcridgewood.com
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placed in the collection basket, in the boxes at the doors of
the church, or mailed/dropped off at the rectory.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THIS WEEK'S AoOL CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

4/12/24	\$100	Nancy Nathanson, #97
4/13/24	\$50	Nancy Lopes, #1408
4/14/24	\$50	Peter Bernardo, #937
4/15/24	\$50	Marzena Sobilo, #1073
4/16/24	\$50	Natalie McKenna, #947
4/17/24	\$50	Tom Lewis, #908
4/18/24	\$50	Rita Natale, #201

A WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE WITH THE BLESSED MOTHER

Saturday Mornings—9:30AM-11:00AM

Beginning this coming Saturday—April 27th

and continuing through June 15th

Parish Center Meeting Room

All parishioners are invited to participate in an exciting study by Dr. Edward Sri, accompanying our Blessed Mother Mary in a biblical walk through the Holy Land. Through short presentations, a beautiful study book and engaging videos, we will better understand why The Blessed Mother is called Jesus' Mother and our Mother. We hope to develop a closer relationship with the Virgin Mary and, through her, with her Divine Son, Jesus.

This study will be conducted in Spanish.
Registration is required.

To register and/or for more information, contact:

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Ministry of Motherhood (MOMs)

YEAR END MASS & BRUNCH

MAY 1ST | 9:15AM | PARISH CENTER

All mothers are invited to attend the Ministry of Motherhood's year end celebration. Join us in the Daily Mass Chapel at 9:15am for an intimate Mass led by Fr. Ron. A delicious catered brunch will immediately follow downstairs in the parish center. Tickets may be purchased using the QR code below. Complimentary tickets are available if needed. Free babysitting is offered and children are invited to participate in the crowning of our Blessed Mother. **No matter if you've attended one, all, or even just meant to come to a meeting this year, we'd love you to join us for this uplifting morning!**

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- Clothing for men, women and children
- Shoes
- Clothing accessories: belts, hats, scarves, handbags, gloves etc.
- Stuffed animals, towels, sheets & pillowcases
- Small toys (2 ft. or less)
- Bikes and scooters
- Strollers

Spring Clothing Drive

Saturday May 4
4pm - 6pm
&
Sunday May 5
9am - 2pm

Holmes Building

- No longer accepting **CAR SEATS!!**
- No quilts, comforters, pillows, and blankets
- No sport equipment (bikes and scooters are OK)
- No board games, books, puzzles, pots
- No electrical devices, glass or holiday decoration
- No large toys, highchairs or baby cribs
- No VCR tapes, furniture and outdoor play sets

Academy of Our Lady HSA thank you!

Questions?
Please contact Monika Rocks at monika.rocks4@gmail.com

SPRING SEASON SCRIPTURE REFLECTION HAS BEGUN!

Thursday Mornings—10:30AM-11:45AM

Parish Center Small Meeting Room

All are welcome to join this spring session

Thursday mornings through June 20th.

We hope you will consider joining this committed group of participants to read and ponder the upcoming Sunday Scriptures before attending weekend Mass. The prayerful insights we receive, and faith sharing we offer one another, are well received gifts.

We use the Lectionary workbooks and other resources that are provided each week. All you need is to come with an open heart.

No worries if you missed the first session.

RSVP to Linda English now to join for the coming weeks.

201.207.5920, lenglish122@gmail.com



**PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
CHAPEL IS OPEN 24/7
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration (PEA) is quiet adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel where Jesus is exposed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This is made possible by Scheduled Adorers every hour—even midnight hours. With notice, Substitutes cover an hour if Scheduled Adorers can't make it due to emergency or vacation. It is very important. We cannot leave Jesus alone in the chapel. This continual prayer provides abundant blessings to the faithful, their loved ones and to the community.

SCHEDULED ADORERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Sundays: 2-3PM, 7-8PM; Mondays: 2-3PM;
Thursdays: 4-5PM; Saturdays: 9-10AM, 3-4PM

Contact Cynthia—551.574.1063, cynthiabtorres@yahoo.com



**CATHOLIC COLLEGE NIGHT
Thursday, May 16—6PM-8PM
OLMC Parish Center
Use Passaic Street Entrance**

This is an open invitation to all high school students and their parents to attend our 6th Annual Catholic College Night.

Currently, 32 Catholic colleges and universities from across the country have confirmed their attendance. For a full listing of the schools attending please visit the parish website.

If your alma mater is missing from the list, please call or email them and find out why they have not confirmed to be here!



**Men's Weekend Retreat
May 3-5, 2024
Loyola Jesuit Center
Morristown, NJ**

Please join Men from our parish family for a quiet listening Retreat. The weekend Retreat theme is: *"Being on Mission with the Jesuits"*. The weekend includes a detailed review of the Retreat Theme, Daily Mass, Reconciliation, a Healing Mass, optional private consultations with retreat leaders, outdoor stations of the cross and generous amounts of free time for personal prayer and reflection. It is truly a wonderful experience, and the cost is a free will offering. All are welcome at Loyola regardless of financial status. For more information contact:

Dcn. Bob Liwanag, 201.663.3644,
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Bob Reilly, 201.447.2430,
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To register, visit www.loyola.org or
use this QR code.



THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun. April 21	1:00PM Bell Choir Rehearsal (PCB) 1:30PM RCIA (MR) 4:00PM Spanish Coffee (PC) 4:30PM Spanish>English Class (Library)
Mon. April 22	7:00PM Catholic Education Discussion (PC)
Tue. April 23	4:00PM First Communion Practice (Church) 5:00PM Choir Rehearsal (Church) 7:00PM ChristLife: Following Christ (PC) 7:30PM Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)
Wed. April 24	3:45PM Jr. High Grade 8 Makeup (PC) 4:00PM First Communion Practice (Church) 7:00PM Spanish Choir Rehearsal 7:30PM Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)
Thurs. April 25	10:30AM Sunday Scripture Reflection (SMR) 6:00PM NCW 3 rd Community (NCW-A) 7:15PM ISP Watch Party (PC)
Fri. April 26	9:00AM MOMs SALT Journal Group (SMR)
Sat. April 27	8:30AM Men's Basketball (Gym) 9:00AM Candidate/Sponsor Day 1 (PC) 9:30AM Spanish Bible Study (NCW) 10:00AM First Communion (MR, Church) 6:00PM Neocatechumenal Way (NCW)



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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

Joan Donegan Als, Gilbert Badillo, Frederick Bruno, Mike Bucci, Art Carpenter, Geraldine Cruzen, Kimberly Parsons Daub, Nick DiDonato, Maura Gillen Eidschun, Marie Evans, Kay & Bill Forster, Joan D'Gerolamo, Kenneth Gershbert, Frank Gillen, Susan Hart-White, Patricia Haug, Joseph Hyon, Marc Johnson, Tom Keleher, Claudia LaFrance, Joseph Letiza, Anna Lobascio, Cambell McArthur, Margaret Peak, Mary Kathleen Ramge, Cathy Ricciuto, Francis Tedaro Ristor, Michael Runz, Vincent Salvati, Don Strittmatter, Larry Switaj, Nickolas John Tedaro, Christina Volpe Walter John Zelop, Jr.

Parishioners may call the Rectory with the name of a family member who is sick to have them included in our prayers.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

Timothy Bombace, Aedan Cannon, Edgar Delgado,
Nick Haddad, Durkin McCarthy, John Morano,
James Nardelli, Robert Smith

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



TODAY'S READINGS

Monday, April 22

**6:30AM Special Intention of Bryan,
Yoomi, Brandon & Jennifer Uber**

req Steven & Yvonne Uber

+ 8:30AM Conchita Angat

req Bobbie & Cherrie Martinez

+12:00NN John Archer

req The Bolduc Family

Tuesday, April 23 *Saint George, Martyr*

Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr

+ 6:30AM Norm & Jo Delaney

req The Delaney Family

**+ 8:30AM Deceased Members of the
Daniel & Jean Mulholland Family**

req Jean & John Boyle

+12:00NN T. J. DiPiano

req The DiPiano Family

Wednesday, April 24 *Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen,
Priest and Martyr*

+ 6:30AM Ken Berlinghieri

req Kevin & Maureen Ward

+ 8:30AM Desmond Moan

req Andrew & Susan Varady & Family

12:00NN Pat & Pauline Azzolini

70th Wedding Anniversary

req Pat, Pauline & Family

Thursday, April 25 *Saint Mark, Evangelist*

+ 6:30AM Artie Turek

req Kay McCarthy

+ 8:30AM Rita & Raymond Lewis

req The Lewis Family

+ 12:00NN Gabriel Calveti

req The Calveti Family

Friday, April 26

+ 6:30AM Lillian Picinich

req Domenick & Crissy Morin

+ 8:30AM Benjamin DeJohn

req Sue & Jim Curtis

+ 12:00NN Diane Marie Duncan

req Lisa Carle & Family

Saturday, April 27

+ 8:30AM Evan Blauvelt

req The Woodward Family

+ 5:30PM For the People of the Parish

Sunday, April 28 *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

+ 8:00AM Dec'd OLMC Finance Council Members

req OLMC Finance Council

+ 9:30AM Oscar Steen

req Nancy Steen

+11:00AM Carmine Famulare

req His niece, Annamaria Bock

+12:30PM William Coyne

req John & Angele Morgan & Family

+ 3:00PM Patricia Greene

req Her Ridgecrest Friends

+ 6:30PM Manny Moreno

req Christina & Rose Boniello

1. Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12

After having cured the crippled man and preached to the amazed crowds gathered at Solomon's Portico, Peter and John are arrested and brought before the leaders of the Sanhedrin. Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter boldly announces the origin of the cure of the crippled man, Jesus, whom they crucified, but whom God raised from the dead, whose power now fills the whole world. Though rejected by the leaders and the elders, this Jesus is now the cornerstone of God's new kingdom, which sign can be seen in the cure of the crippled man.

2. 1 John 3:1-2

Again and again in his letters, John returns to his major point, God loves us; we are His children; we are to love one another so that others may see that love and believe; eventually we will see God face to face and reach new heights. By they're unbelieving, the world is prevented from knowing God, or His love, or His children.

3. 1 John 10:11-18

Today's excerpted passage contains an "I am" formula, characteristic of the Gospel of John. It is a self-revelation of Jesus, sometimes standing alone, to reveal the intimate connection between Jesus and the Father, sometimes followed by a noun, indicating a basic human need or desire that Jesus fulfills. As in today's excerpt. Jesus is the good shepherd who looks after His followers, giving His all for them, even to His life. In this, Jesus shares His own intimate knowledge of the Father with believers, a flock which is inclusive and not exclusive, as was the flock of Israel. And this knowledge of the Father is ultimately the revelation of the Father's love.

REFLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK

1. Have I found consolation and encouragement in the image of Jesus as my Good Shepherd, leading me through the valley of darkness, whatever that may be in my life?
2. We are children of God now, St. John tells us. How well do I witness the legacy of God's love in my life?
3. As a follower of the One Who lays down His life, am I willing to sacrifice myself for others and for the Gospel? How?

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS

(always subject to change)

Sat. 4/27	5:30PM	Fr. Jakov
Sun. 4/28	8:00AM	Fr. Frank
	9:30AM	Fr. Jakov
	11:00AM	Fr. Ron
	12:30PM	Fr. Ron
	3:00PM	Fr. Betancourt
	6:30PM	Fr. Frank

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on the Saturday of that weekend.



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