

# Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

SEPTEMBER 7TH 2025 ~ 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? ... In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.” - Lk 14:28, 33

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### BAPTISM AT MT. CARMEL CHURCH

Parents must be contributing members, regularly attending weekly Mass, for at least 4 months. In preparation for the sacrament, a one hour class for parents must be completed prior to the baptism, please contact the rectory, 652-7660, at least 2 months in advance.

### MARRIAGE ARRANGEMENTS

Should be made with the pastor at least six months to one year before the proposed wedding date. One member of the couple must be a registered, practicing member and contributor of record at Mt. Carmel for at least six months. Couples sharing the same abode will be asked to live separately prior to their marriage .

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 pm until 3:45 pm, Tuesday 5:00 pm until 5:30 pm. When available Fathers Campbell and McDermott will hear confessions before Sunday Masses.

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 7:15 am with 7:00 am Morning Prayer, Rosary after Mass.  
Tuesday Eucharistic Adoration 3:00pm until 5:30 pm. Mass at 5:45 pm.  
Saturday 8:30 am (Latin)  
4:00 pm (anticipated Sunday Mass)  
Sunday 7:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm (Latin)

**PARISH WEBSITE** [www.olmckenosha.org](http://www.olmckenosha.org)

**MT. CARMEL CHURCH** 19th Avenue & 54th Street  
Entrance on 19th Avenue.

**MT. CARMEL RECTORY** 1919 54th Street  
Kenosha WI 53140

Rectory new office hours: Monday –Thursday 8:00 am until 12:00 pm. Closed on Fridays.  
(262) 652-7660

### PASTORAL STAFF

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**Our Parish supports both Catholic schools:**

<b>All Saints Catholic School</b>	262-925-4000
<b>St. Joseph Catholic Academy</b>	262-654-8651

**TRUSTEES** Kelly Hutchinson, *Trustee Treasurer*  
Peter Martin, *Trustee Secretary*

**PASTORAL COUNCIL** Justin Peachy, Chairman, Dean Bartello, Vice Chairman, Peter Martin, Karyn Gleeson, Jeff Szulczewski, Deirdre Purdy, and Len Hartnell.



*“Eucharistic Adoration is the greatest power in the universe capable of transforming us and changing the face of the world.”*

St. Maximilian Kolbe

Come and spend some time with Jesus, exposed in the Eucharist in the monstrance on the altar, **at Mt. Camel Church every Tuesday 3-5:30pm**; and **at St. Therese Church every Friday 8:30am-5pm** and on **First Friday till 6am Saturday morning**.



**Please PRAY for the sick in our parish**

Jean Wawiora, Aldo Bosco, Sharon Fair, Chet & Dorothy Ramcheck, Tom Komarec, Tom Woodbury, Patricia Cascio, Alan Vittori, Chris Neugebauer, Len Hartnell, Betty Campbell, Rosann Bartello, Gloria Presta, Richard (Dick) Lesko, Miriam Tetzlaff, and Lucy Solovey.

**Ladies Society Meeting**

We will have a Ladies Society meeting on Tuesday, September 9 at 6:30pm in the church hall. Our main topics of discussion will be the October Spaghetti Dinner, our Christmas party and the events we have planned for the next year. A meal will be served. We hope to see everyone there!

**RCIA/Instruction in the Catholic Faith**

If any non-Catholic is interested in learning the Catholic Faith and entering the Catholic Church, please contact Fr. Campbell at 262-652-7660. Classes for instruction in the Faith (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) will begin in September.

**Raising Saints Homeschool Co-op**  
is accepting new families for the 2025-2026.  
Must be a homeschooling, registered and contributing parishioner of Mt. Carmel or St. Therese.

For more information, contact Heather at [heatherschweitzer04@gmail.com](mailto:heatherschweitzer04@gmail.com)

**The Horror of Chemical Abortions:**

Thomas More Society: [www.thomasmoresociety.org](http://www.thomasmoresociety.org)

In the month of June a groundbreaking new report was released sounding the alarm on the devastating truths— so often hidden!— about the many dangers of the abortion pill. This new report reflected insurance data from more than **850,000 mifepristone chemical abortions ...**

The results revealed in this new treasure trove of data are *truly startling*. According to the report, in addition to killing innocent children in the womb, **10.93% of women who took the mifepristone pill experienced serious complications linked to this lethal drug** including sepsis, pervasive infection, hemorrhaging, trips to the ER, and more! That’s nearly 1 in 9 women ...

This is a bombshell discovery. That number translates a complication rate at least **22 times higher** than the government’s official claim that “less the 0.5 percent” who ingest the pill suffer serious adverse effects—a claim that’s on the FDA’s approved mifepristone drug label!

In the post-*Roe v. Wade* era (declared no longer the law in the *Dobbs* Supreme Court decision) the dangerous and deadly abortion drug, mifepristone, has been on the rise. It’s flooding our states and communities with little-to-no regard for pro-life laws. It has become the go-to method for abortion in the United States, and elsewhere. After the FDA de-regulated the pill, abortion-minded women can receive it without even seeing a real doctor! Please support the Thomas More Society!

**Congratulations to our young people who received the Sacrament of Confirmation by Bishop Joseph Perry at Mt. Carmel Church Wed. Aug. 27.**



# Early Church Fathers Regarding Human Life in the Womb

By Steve Wood

In the days of the early Church there were various methods of mechanical and surgical abortions. There were also widespread chemical abortions from abortifacient drugs taken orally, and poisons inserted into the womb via the birth canal. The Greek word for drug (*pharmakeia*) appears in several early Christian writings. This word can be used of any type of drug without any negative connotation. It can also be used for a specific type of evil drug, the abortifacient.

There may be allusions to abortifacient drugs in New Testament texts using *pharmakeia* and its cognates (**Galatians 5:20, Revelation 9:21, 18:23, 21:8 and 22:15**).<sup>1</sup> The early fathers of the Church were very clear that all abortions, whether surgical or chemical, were evil, and equivalent to murder.<sup>2</sup>

**Didache** (Teaching of the Twelve Apostles) [A.D. 65-100], 2:1

You shall not use potions (verb form of *pharmakeia*). You shall not procure abortion, nor destroy a new-born child.

**Epistle of Barnabas** [A.D. 75], 19:5

Thou shalt not murder a child by abortion, nor again shalt thou kill it when it is born.

**Tertullian** [A.D. 160-240], *Apology* 9

With us, murder is forbidden once and for all. We are not permitted to destroy even the fetus in the womb.

**Hippolytus** [A.D. 170-236], *The Refutation of All Heresies* 9:7

Women ... began to take drugs to render themselves sterile, and to bind themselves tightly so as to expel what was being conceived, since they would not, on account of relatives and excessive wealth, want to have a child by a slave or by any insignificant person. See, then, into what great impiety that lawless one has proceeded, by teaching adultery and murder at the same time!

**Council of Ancyra** [A.D. 314], Canon XXI

Concerning women who commit fornication, and destroy that which they have conceived, or who are employed in making drugs for abortion, a former decree excluded them until the hour of death, and to this some have assented. Nevertheless, being desirous to use somewhat greater lenity, we have ordained that they fulfil ten years [of penance], according to the prescribed degrees.

**St. Basil of Caesarea** [A.D. 330-379], *Letter* 188:2

Those also who give drugs causing abortions are murderers themselves, as well as those who receive the poison which kills the fetus.

**St. Jerome** [342-420], *Letter* 22:3

[Women] drink potions to ensure sterility, and are guilty of murdering a human being not yet conceived. Some, when they learn they are with child through sin, practice abortion by the use of drugs. Frequently they die themselves... [They] are guilty of three crimes: suicide, adultery against Christ, and murder of an unborn child.

## (Endnotes)

1 *Abortion and the Early Church*, p.48.

2 These quotations are taken from: *The Companion to the Catechism of the Catholic Church* (San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 1994), pp.793-794; William A. Jurgens, *The Faith of the Early Fathers* (Collegeville, Minnesota: Liturgical Press, 1970), Vol. I, p.2 & 173, Vol. II, pp. 6-7; Philip Schaff, editor, *Nicene and Post-Nicene Fathers of the Christian Church*, Vol. XI & XIV, (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1980), p.520; Michael J. Gorman, *Abortion and the Early Church* (Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 1982), pp. 50-72. Unfortunately, Gorman's excellent little book is out of print.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Mount Carmel:** Tuesdays 3-5:30 pm. Please come and adore Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament! Benediction at 5:30 pm, Mass 5:45 pm.

**St. Therese:** Fridays at 8:30am-5pm; 1st Fridays adoration continues until 6am Sat.



## Readings & Observances

### Readings for the week of September 7, 2025

Sunday: 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day  
Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 (1)/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

Monday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Tuesday: St. Peter Claver, Priest  
Col 2:6-15/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Patriot Day  
Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 6:27-38

Friday: The Most Holy Name of Mary  
1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

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Please join us **Sunday nights 6pm at St. Therese** to pray the **Rosary & litany** for our world & personal intentions before Jesus in the Tabernacle.



Listen to **THE MARIAN HOUR** w/Fr. Campbell at **WSFI 88.5 FM**  
**Next program: Sep 10 at 2pm**



**Fr. Campbell's Wed 6am**  
**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** via **Zoom:** To get the link, email Fr. Campbell at :  
[FrCampbell@olmckenosha.org](mailto:FrCampbell@olmckenosha.org)



**Paladins of Carmel Youth Group**  
**for Grades 6-12**

Parent/youth meeting is Sept. 12, 2025 from 6-8pm at St. Therese.

There will be a short required parent meeting followed by ice breaker games and kickball. Please contact Kris Granahan with any questions at [youthgroup@olmckenosha.org](mailto:youthgroup@olmckenosha.org)



## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday September 6

**4:00 pm** Joan Lesko (Robert & Maria Lesko)

### Sunday September 7

**7:00 am** Priest Intention

**10:00 am** Ada DeBartolo (Children)

Francis Palermo (Ralph Farago)

**12:00 pm** *Pro-Populo ~ OLMC Parishioners*

### Monday September 8

**7:15 am** Priest Intention

### Tuesday September 9

**5:45 pm** Brian Bender (Son James)

### Wednesday September 10

**7:15 am** Joe Marotti (Family)

### Thursday September 11

**7:15 am** Rosetta Morrone and Jack & Teresa Morrone (Alfonso)

### Friday September 12

#### The Most Holy Name of Mary

**7:15 am** Priest Intention

### Saturday September 13

**8:30 am** Rosemary Werwie (Family)

**4:00 pm** Frances Palermo (Jo Schneider)

### Sunday September 14

#### The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

**7:00 am** *Pro-Populo ~ OLMC Parishioners*

**10:00 am** Carol Szulczewski (Family & Friends)

**12:00 pm** The Living & Deceased members of the Leo & Joan Peltier Family (Wanta Family)

### LECTORS

**Saturday September 13** 4:00 pm Tom Aiello

**Sunday September 14** 7:00 am Wes Ricchio

10:00 am Karyn Gleeson

### ALTARBOYS

Jaxson Anderson, Dominic & Pascal Blome, Domenico Chiappetta, Christopher Doan, Lino Fioravanti, Vinnie & Dominic Gentile, Robert, Peter, Nicholas & Timmy George, Aiden & Eian Granahan, Tony, Richard, Stephen, Paul Hazinski, Samir Khoury, Alex & Blake Martin, Vincent Meyerhofer, Elijah Meyerhofer, Isaac & Jude Purdy, Landen & Sam Traczyk.

**Sign Up for FLOCKNOTE!** To sign up: Text the word LOOP (in all CAPS) as a text message & send to **84576**. Then you'll be in our parish "loop" and will receive texts, news & emails from Fr. Campbell.

*Parish Support for August 24, 2025*  
Budgeted Need \$6,800.00  
Parish Support \$5,250.00 **Under \$1,550.00**



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