

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH



6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors,
Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all
that you vow." - Mt 5:33

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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First Reading:

Immense is the wisdom of the Lord; he
is mighty in power, and all-seeing.
(Sir 15:18)

Psalm:

Blessed are they who follow the law
of the Lord! (Ps 119)

Second Reading:

Rather, we speak God's wisdom, mysteri-
ous, hidden, which God predetermined
before the ages for our glory. (1 Cor 2:7)

Gospel:

Let your "Yes" mean "Yes," and your "No"
mean "No." Anything more is from the evil
one." (Mt :37)

February 16, 2020

Address:

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Website:

<https://ourladyofmtcarmelfairfieldca.org>

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES

Parish Office.....(707) 422-7767

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8 AM - 1 PM, Friday**

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Emergency Sick Calls.....(707) 422-7767

Confirmation and RCIA.....(707) 422-7767

TAG \ High school Youth Ministry.....(707) 422-7767

MASS SCHEDULE | SACRAMENTS

MASS:

Weekend: Saturday Evening, 5PM Vigil

Sunday: 8AM, 10AM & 12 Noon

Daily: Monday - Saturday, 9AM

Holy Days: 9AM, Noon and 7PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:30 to 4:30 PM or by appointment

Baptisms:

3rd Weekend of the Month. Pre-Baptism

Program Required. Visit our website or come by
the Parish Office to pick-up an application packet.

Marriages:

Six months notice required.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office.

Staff:

Fr. David Fontaine, O. Carm. (Pastor) |

Fr. Patrick Gavin, O. Carm. (Parochial Vicar)

Fr. Mario Lopez, O.Carm. (Retired Priest in Residence) |

Deacon Raymond Elias

MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE

Monday 02/17

9:00 am † All Souls in Purgatory / † Eleno R. Padilla

Tuesday 02/18

9:00 am Fr. David A. Fontaine, O.Carm / Dina Cruz

Wednesday 02/19

9:00 am † Miguel Daclan Jr.

Thursday 02/20

9:00 am Laura Labaria

Friday 02/21

9:00 am † Dulcie Amess / † Virginia Weber

Saturday 02/22

9:00 am OLMC Parishioners

5:00 pm Nicolas Pardo

Sunday 02/23

8:00 am † Joan Hutchinson

10:00 am † George Kulasingam / † James Vanesse

NOON † Rory David

2020 Lenten Soup Supper Schedule

Each ministry is asked to bring meatless soup and be ready to serve by 5:30 PM. Supper is at 6PM and Stations of the Cross begins at 7PM.

Fridays ONLY starting February 28th through

April 3rd. Deserts are welcome only April 3rd.

Bring your own "take home" containers.

FEBRUARY 28

EADM
Lay Carmelites
Legion of Mary
Respect Life

MARCH 6

Knights of Columbus
Lord's Leven Ministry
Music Ministry
YLI

MARCH 13

Amor Dei
MFC
Lectors

MARCH 20

Couples for Christ
OLMC Gift Cards
RCIA
St. Vincent de Paul

MARCH 27

Altar Servers
Religious Education
Sto. Nino de Cebu
Ushers

APRIL 3

Eucharistic Ministers
Parish Council
Perpetual Adoration

Prayer REQUESTS

If you would like the faith community of OLMC to join you in prayers for special needs, contact the Parish Office at 422-7767. We do occasionally take some names off of the list in the bulletin. If we have taken a name from the printed list of a person still in need of prayers, please give us a call and we will happily put him or her back on. Please take some time this week to remember the following in your prayers:

- For all in our parish family who are suffering serious or terminal illness

Madison O'Shields
Timothy White
Ron Scharfen
Dolores Highsmith-Cass
Dion Newman
Shannon Valtierra
Jo & Evelyn Nunes
Andy Andalajao
Dolores Krystek
Darwin Rasmussen
John & Vivian Donohoe
Jeff Anub
Laura Labrado
Mary Highsmith
Aukusitino Iulio
Alapati Suisala
Silivelia Alkowni
Howell Wood III
Yollie Wood
Mary Sheldon
Kai Croker & Family
Matt A. Villaber
Donna Gaddard
Joe Lujan
Kelly Gawley
Regina Diaz
Sarah S. Yarberry
Emanuel P. Caranay
Diane Ball
Carol Nunes
Dolores Sheppard
Bessie Zanolini
Ian Padilla
John & June Kelley
David Quilao
Sal DiMarco
Bobby Holsworth
John Joe White
Virgil Jaramillo
Therese Keck
Pat Murtha
Lina Craddock

Leonida Bascara
Vivian Blas
Roberto, Inday & Robbie Visda
Cathy Arriola
Rosario Manalisay
Robert Rabaino
Renita Manalo
Ann Garant
Alejo Aranas
Anita Santos
Remy Calica
Julie Darling
John & Celina Hess
Sharon Dotson
Kimo Boone
Gloria Lee
Anita Brennan
Carolyn Hebert
Josephine Iannarelli
Su Kuropatkin
Romy & Cuca Lopez
Crystal Buelna
Bernice Jojola
MaryEllen McCormick
Fr. Hank Ormond, O.Carm.
Bob & Carol Howisey
Jewel Perez
Eddie & Lou Bartalome
Theresa McDermott
Elinita VeraCruz-Ulep
Masoumeh Kennedy
Manny & Laura Labaria
James & Terry Marsch
Jose Y. Gomez
Samantha Peregoy
Fr. David Fontaine, O.Carm.

Asianne McClinton
Lina Isabelle Que
Rebert Gebing
Meredith A. Beltran
Tom Serrano
Lana Graves
Larry Shaver
Maria Arreola
Jean Hamilton
Betty McFadden
Salas & Santos Families
Sammy & Luz Quilao
Rojas Family
Ryan Bautista
Linda Sharp
Danilda Castor
Luis Silveyra
Rachel Morgan
Bob Olmstead
Virginia Armas
Jim Dooley
Luis Mora
Marilou Torres
Laura Malasig
Nancy Lamp
Katie DeGroot
Gary Kendall
Joy Banasan
Sally Fields
Martha Eble
Steve Henson
Fallavena Family
Johnny McFadden
John Linehan
Robert Bautista-Ong
Cyndi Roldan
Ruby Dizon
Analyn Balontong
Ruth Davis
Andrew Davis
William Cody
Philip Sutton

Be a fountain,
not a drip.

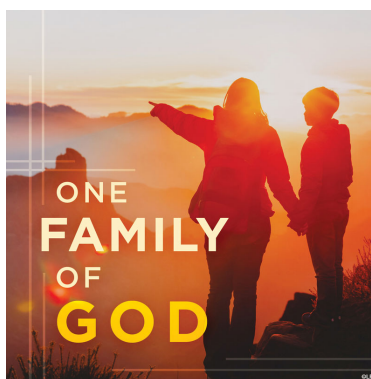


Question: Are near-death experiences real?

Answer:

There is a lot of curiosity and fascination with the idea of an afterlife and communicating with those who have died. In movies, television shows, and numerous books, people make claims about their ability to communicate with the dead, or having had a near-death experience. There is no objective way to verify any of this. While details about people and events can be surprisingly accurate, it is just circumstantial evidence that might be explained in other ways.

On the other hand, when people have unusual experiences, sometimes called near-death or out-of-body, it is real to them. They react with the emotions and thoughts that one would expect. At times, they report details they could not have known any other way, such as bits of conversation, or meeting people they had never known in this life. So certainly, to the person, they experience something. We believe in a life after death, we believe in the communion of saints. These things are not a contradiction to faith, but we should not base our faith on them, nor change our beliefs. They are unexplained and will likely remain so.



GOSPEL MEDITATION

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

People are not property. We cannot exchange them at will or simply use them for our own designs and purposes. What does the word "commitment" mean to you? We can begin to understand its meaning by looking at some synonyms: dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, fidelity, and bond. Commitment is primarily about relationship, and Jesus is all about relationships. How our lives affect others, how we treat our brothers and sisters, how we resolve conflict, and how we view the vows of marriage. Jesus' teachings on obeying the commandments, murder, reconciliation, marriage, divorce, and adultery all stem from the sacredness of commitment. All of this has a God connection.

We can easily see one another as interchangeable and dispensable. We treat so much of our lives this way. What works today may not be what I want tomorrow. We search and search for the right thing only to find our hearts still restless in the end. Is real happiness achievable this side of the grave? Sometimes we expect too much out of others and want our relationships to fill a hole that we must figure out how to fill ourselves. Any seasoned married couple will tell you that their love for one another changes as time passes. Even though the understanding of romance changes as life changes, the dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, and fidelity all remain and even deepen.

Some relationships can be hurtful, and God does not want us to live with abuse or pain. Also, how a relationship develops is sometimes out of our control, and we become the victim of someone else's decision. But we can't be self-focused in our relationships and see them exclusively as self-fulfilling ends. We are companions on life's journey with varying depths of relationships being enjoyed by all who are with us along the way. We have the freedom to choose. God asks us to do so wisely, with right judgment and thinking.

STEWARDSHIP

Parish Collections

Our Weekly Goal: \$12,500.00

2020 Envelope Collection

Date: Feb. 9, 2020 \$10,799.00

2020 Online Donations

Date: Feb. 2 - Feb. 8, 2020 \$2,874.70

Our Parish has been using an Online giving system that



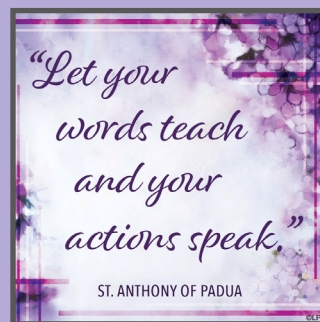
is strengthening stewardship as well as making it easier for members to support our Church. There are many benefits for parishioners that choose to

Give Online! Some of the benefits include: no need to write checks; you can give even if you are unable to attend Mass; and your contribution amount can easily be adjusted at any time! Please prayerfully consider making your offerings Online - your contribution will support the Operations and Capital Improvements of our Church. Sign-up today by:

- 1) visiting our website: www.ourladyofmtcarmelfairfieldca.org
- 2) Click-on: GIVE Online!
- 3) Create and account.
- 4) Navigate to choose the Fund. Give!

Its that easy!

You can give a one-time contribution or you can specify a reoccurring giving to any of the Funds available throughout the year.



"WILL YOU SPEND ONE HOUR WITH ME?"

ADORERS ARE NEEDED

Thursdays:

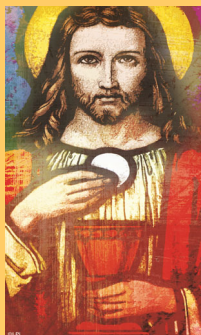
- 1AM - 2AM
- 2AM - 3AM

Saturday:

- 12PM - 1PM

Monday:

- 11PM—Midn



Team Leaders / Coordinators are also needed! OLMC's St. Therese Chapel is open 24-hours, 7-days a week! Our goal is to have two (2) or more committed Adorers every hour. For information please call Lynda Sutton 707-330-4858 or the Parish Office 707-422-7767.



UPCOMING EVENTS

WHY STAY CATHOLIC WITH SO MUCH SCANDAL?

Letter to a Suffering Church: A Bishop Speaks on the Sexual Abuse Crisis, by Bishop Robert Barron. "The sexual abuse scandal has gripped the Catholic Church for the past thirty years, and continues to wreak havoc even today. It's been a diabolical masterpiece, one that has compromised the work of the Church in every way and has left countless lives in ruin. Many Catholics are understandably asking, "Why should I stay? Why not abandon this sinking ship before it drags me or my children under?" In this stirring manifesto, Bishop Robert Barron, founder of Word on Fire Catholic Ministries and Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, explains why this is not the time to leave, but the time to stay and fight and pray! Reading the current crisis through the lenses of Scripture and Church history, Bishop Barron show that we have faced such egregious scandals before; that the spiritual treasure of the Church were preserved by holy men and women who recommitted themselves to fighting evil; and that there is a clear path forward for us today. His book offers hope and encouragement for reasons to stay and fight for the Body of Christ."

Through the kindness of a generous donor—who feels strongly about this issue, has provided numerous copies to be available for your perusal and examination. Please stop by the Narthex for your free copy. (Note: Any and all profits from the sale of this book will go to trusted charities that support the victims of sexual abuse).

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

PURIFIED, A Life-Changing Event for Families (ages 13+).

The innocence of the family is under attack like never before. Come and discover how to protect and heal yours!

St. Patrick

St. Vincent High School
Sunday, March 1, 2020

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tickets \$20

Register: Chastity.com/purified

The evening includes:

Chastity presentation for teens & parents / Sacrament of Reconciliation / Eucharistic Adoration / Free materials for every family!

Jason Evert is a bestselling author of more than ten books, and has brought the message of chastity to more than one million people on six continents. He and his wife run the website, chastityproject.com

OLMC CHOIR

Our Holy Week Choir needs you! If you sing or play an instrument please consider joining us for Holy Week! The choir will be providing music at various liturgies during Holy Week. If you cannot make all the liturgies, you just play/sing for the ones you can attend.



2020 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

BE THERE FOR OTHERS THROUGH THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

On the weekend of February 22nd/23rd, we will once again have the opportunity to walk with others as Jesus asks us to do. Together as Catholics, the Appeal is a way we can all help in a powerful way. Many of our sisters and brothers in the North State have endured catastrophic natural disasters. Others still struggle on the margins of communities. Let us remember them and that each of our gifts, no matter the amount, really do make a difference in someone's life. Please prayerfully consider what you can give this year.

OLMC CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
February -16-	-17-	-18-	-19-	-20-	-21-	-22-
		- Faith Formation - Legion of Mary	- Faith Formation 7 pm RCIA	10 am Bible Study 6pm Confirmation Team Mtg.	9:45 am EADM 5pm Confirmation Team Mt. 6:30 pm Amor Dei Charismatic	- Confirmation Retreat 10AM Choir Practice Annual Catholic Appeal
-23-	-24-	-25-	-26-	-27-	-28-	-29-
11am CFC 1:30pm N2Y - Donut Sunday Annual Catholic Appeal		- Faith Formation - Legion of Mary	ASH WEDNESDAY Masses: 9am, Noon, 7pm 	10 am Bible Study 7 pm K of C (Offc. Mtg.)	9:45 am EADM 5pm Lenten Soup Supper 6:30 pm Amor Dei Charismatic 7pm Stations of the Cross	9am Deaconate Deanery Mtg. 10AM Choir Practice
March -1-	-2-	-3-	-4-	-5-	-6-	-7-
11am CFC		- Faith Formation - Legion of Mary	- Faith Formation - RCIA 6pm Confirmation Practice	10 am Bible Study 7 pm K of C (Offc. Mtg.)	9:45 am EADM 5pm Lenten Soup Supper 6:30 pm Amor Dei Charismatic 7pm Stations of the Cross	9:45am LLC 10AM Choir Practice
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PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

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 Vince Tydingco, Sec. | 631-5269
 Woody Carnahan, VP | 208-9465
 Julie Darling, Pres. | 425-3934

HIGHLIGHTED EVENTS

- Jan. 23rd - June 11th - **Bible Study - EPIC**
- Feb. 22nd - **Confirmation Retreat**
- Feb. 22nd/23rd - **Annual Catholic Appeal**
- Feb. 26th - **Ash Wednesday**
(Masses: 9AM, Noon and 7PM)
- Feb. 28th - April 10th - **Lenten Soup Suppers & Stations of the Cross (Fridays only)**
- Mar. 11th - **Confirmation**
- Mar. 16th - **Communal Penance**



NEW PARISHIONER? UPDATING INFO?

New to the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish?

New Parishioner: _____ or Existing with updates: _____

Circle: Mr. & Mrs. / Mr. / Mrs. / Miss / Ms.

Last Name: _____

First Name(s): _____

Spouse Name: _____

Other Family Member(s): _____

Other Family Members: _____

Other Family Member(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Home #: _____ Cell#: _____

Email: _____

Would you like to receive Offertory Envelopes OR do you prefer to give Offerings OnLine through our Website, "GiveOnline?"

Circle one

GiveONLINE: www.ourladyofmtcarmelfairfieldca.org

Please place completed form in the Offertory Basket (at Mass), mail it or bring it to the Parish Office!

OLMC MINISTRIES | ORGANIZATIONS

ADULT EDUCATION -

RCIA | Steve & Carlene Pearson, 707-426-2344

Catholics Come Home | Woody Carnahan & Kelly Newman, 208-9465

ALPHA PREGNANCY CLINICS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA | 428-3300.

Address: 1044 Empire St., Fairfield, Ca

ALTAR & SANCTUARY Lay Carmelites

ALTAR SERVERS | Deacon Raymond Elias / 416-4618

AMOR DEI CHARISMATIC COMMUNITY

Delia Tabasa / 631-9577

BAPTISM (Baptismal Prep Class held every other month) | Deacon Raymond Elias / 416-4618 / deaconraymondliedias@sbcglobal.net

CANCER SUPPORT | Call the Parish Office, 707-422-7767

COUPLES FOR CHRIST

Medardo & Mimi Tuazon 707-344-7355

Rey & Milva Lapitan - 707-428-1561

Ray & Lyn Fortaleza 707-208-6679

CURSILLO | Gem Geluz - 386-9142

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Marlon Taasan 688-4880

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Rainer Urbach - 246-4686

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LEGION OF MARY | Orle Mangune, 707-880-5602

LORD'S LEAVEN MISSION SOCIETY

Marlon & Yvette Taasan - 707-688-4880

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Tom and Elaine Bruno - 707-426-9564

MEMBERS IN MOTION | Betty McFadden - 707-422-4129

MINISTRY OF THE EUCHARIST

Julie Darling - 707-425-3934

Pearla Cuervo - 707-386-3403

MINISTRY OF THE EUCHARIST for THE HOMEBOUND

Call the Parish Office - 707-422-7767

MINISTRY OF THE WORD | Don McKenna - 707-718-5239

MISSIONARY FAMILIES OF CHRIST (MFC) | John & Malou Bayquen 707-208-4005 / Eddie & Maria San Pedro, 707-803-1103

MUSIC MINISTRY DIRECTOR

Mark Middleton 707-688-4157 / olmcmusic@guitarandpiano.com

OLMC GIFT CARDS | Peggy Sherrod, 707-429-3183

Parish Pastoral COUNCIL

Consists of 10 members (See Bulletin)

PERPETUAL Eucharistic Adoration

Lynda Sutton - 707-330-4858

PRAYER LINE

Catharine Scharfen: 707-427-2320 / Pearla Cuervo, 707-386-3403

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Elaine Bruno or Anna Albericci | 707- 422-2814

RESPECT LIFE & CATHOLIC Media KIOSK |

Cathy Omoso 707-688-6551 / Phyllis Kaminska, 707-419-4237

(Alpha Pregnancy Clinic of Northern California, 707-428-3300)

RETROUVAILLE (Lifeline for troubled marriages)

Call the Parish Office.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL | 707-422-5209

USHERS / HOSPITALITY | Robert Olmstead / 707-422-4472

VISITS TO THE SICK and SACRAMENT MINISTRY

Parish Office

YLGI (A Catholic Women's Organization)

Margaret Sanders - 707-344-2838 (leave message) or

Kathy Marley - 707-422-3588 / Meets 2nd Tuesday in Fr. Lanigan Center at Holy Spirit. www.ylionline.org

YOUTH MINISTRY | 707-422-7767