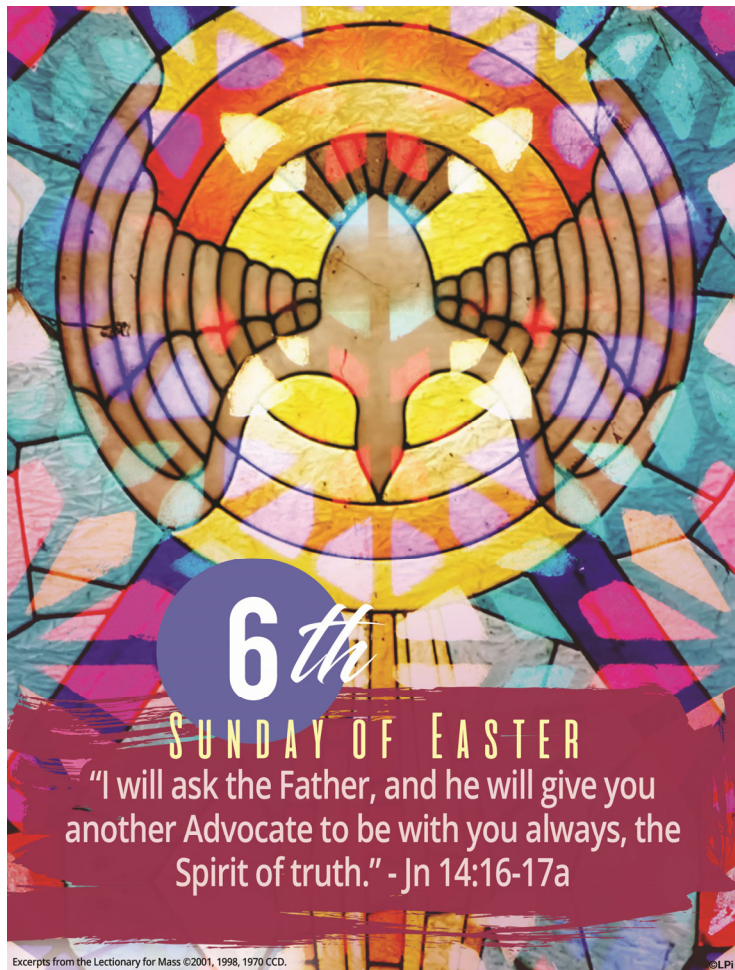


OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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First Reading:

Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8:17)

Psalm:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. (Ps 66) or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. (1 Pt 3:18a)

Gospel:

"I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live." (Jn 14:18-19)

May 17, 2020
6th Sunday of Easter

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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.

Contact the Parish Office for all Baptisms & Marriages.

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 05/18

9:00 am Edgar Daclan Jr.

Tuesday 05/19

9:00 am OLMC Parishioners

Wednesday 05/20

9:00 am Julio A. Suisala

Thursday 05/21

9:00 am Mary Del Carmen
† Virginia Weber

Friday 05/22

9:00 am † Mateo Evangelista

Saturday 05/23

9:00 am † Jackie McKenzie
† Ana T. Adona

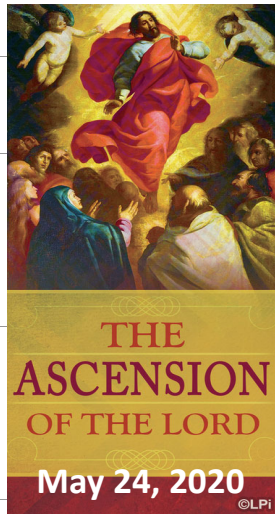
5:00 pm † George Kalusingam

Sunday 05/24

8:00 am OLMC Parishioners

10:00 am OLMC Parishioners

NOON OLMC Parishioners



CARMEL YOUTH CORNER



Jesus desires to reveal His love in places we don't always expect Him to. We can encounter Him in the sinner, in the pain and discomfort, in the uprising, and in the mirror.

Join other teens around the world in exploring how this reality can change our lives.

Go to LFTN.CO/LIFENIGHT on Sundays at 2 pm. Previous sessions are archived.

Speakers include Mari Pablo, Ennie Hickman, and Joel Stepanek with worship led Francis Cabildo, Ricky Vasquez, and Josh Rosa.

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
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
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.
Jewel Perez
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
Bob Olmstead
Virginia Armas
Jim Dooley
Luis Mora
Marilou Torres
Nancy Lamp
Sally Fields
Martha Eble
Steve Henson
John Linehan
Robert Bautista-Ong
Cyndi Roldan
Ruby Dizon
Analyn Balontong
Ruth Davis
Andrew Davis
William Cody
Philip Sutton
Cyrstal Medeiros McGrew
Joan Gaut
Nicole Wind
Danny McFadden
Melissa Rondez & Family
Ed Junker
Jeremy Banks
Joe Santos
Joel, Fe Tubig & Family
Rick Tracy
Pat Brausch
Edward Bransfield

Before you stand firm,
make sure your feet are
in the right place.



Question: Why do Catholics pray to Mary and the saints?

Answer: *One* of the statements of faith we make when we pray the Nicene Creed and the Apostles Creed is that we believe in "the communion of saints." The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that this communion (another word for community) includes all the faithful on earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the blessed women, men, and children who are in heaven. This teaching is grounded in our belief that, through Baptism, we are united with Christ and to one another with bonds that are stronger even than death.

And so from the time of the early Church, Christians have turned to other believers for prayers and assistance, including those who have gone before us, confident that God hears the prayers of all of His children. While we ask the saints (and one another) for prayers and support, we remember that the saints join us in prayer. But it is God who blesses and sanctifies us.

When we think of Mary and the saints in heaven, we have to remember that we can turn to them for intercession and assistance because they were faulted, limited human beings, just like us. This means that they are able to understand our struggles, doubts, fears, joys, and hopes. But as we learn their stories, we can also begin to recognize that they stand out in the history of the Church because they persevered in their commitment to follow Christ. Whether they were ordained, vowed religious, martyrs, husbands, wives, or even children, they show us that holiness is possible. We can not only follow their example but also benefit from their prayerful support.

Our devotion to the saints and gratitude for their witness, prayers, and protection should also be an inspiration for us, especially when we become aware of the needs of others or when others ask us to pray for them. We are called to share the blessings we receive. This is also part of our own journey of growing in holiness.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Sixth Sunday of Easter

We hope for many things: passing an exam, finding our true love, securing sustainable work, or surviving an illness. We often seek to have God be a part of what we hope for and desire, almost trying to convince Him that our agenda is what is ultimately important. While our particular hopes may appear to be what needs to be achieved in order for us to be happy, they really are not. Our lesser, more personal hopes can distract us from true hope.

When God became a human being, a powerful message was sent: all that is authentically human is found in the divine. As the human Jesus lived and died in order to show us that he truly is the universal Christ, we have to keep our sight focused on our eternal truth and destiny and who we truly are. We have to be careful when we allow our earthly concerns to distract us. True hope is found when we place our trust in Christ's promises and don't rely on our own strength. True hope focuses on striving toward the fulfillment of God's promises and not simply on achieving what we think we need in this life. Hope always travels with two friends — faith and love. In this trio of virtues, we find the very presence of God born in every human being. These are God's greatest gifts, and they lead us to the fullness of His presence.

As with faith and love, we cannot see hope with just our human eyes. We don't carry this virtue within us to use solely for our own personal agenda. Hope is not something that simply comes with the human package. As with faith and love, hope is a gift that is given to us to draw us closer to our eternal truth. Faith, hope, and love are signs that there is something far greater going on in us and something greater to persevere in obtaining. The true divine gift of hope is what will endure any hardship we encounter, especially those that will come from authentically living the Gospel. With all that is happening in our lives, in our church, and in our world, what is the reason for our hope? Ask God for the fortitude to see His eternal gift as the reason we get up in the morning and do the things we do.



STEWARDSHIP

Parish Collections

Our Weekly Goal: \$12,500.00

2020 Envelope Collection

Date:	April 19, 2020	\$1,950.00
	April 26, 2020	\$245.00
	May 3, 2020	\$6,110.00
	May 10, 2020	Not available at print

Please MAIL—in Offertory Envelopes or utilize OLMC's Online-Giving!

2020 Online Donations

Apr. 12-18, 2020	\$2,524.70
Apr. 19-25, 2020	\$2,016.70
Apr 26—May 2, 2020	\$4,239.70
May 3—9, 2020	Not available at print

Please continue to be good stewards in your donations. Keep in mind that collections will be



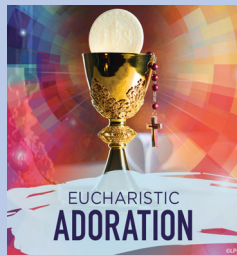
low during these times. This would be a good opportunity to take advantage of doing your tithing through our website—Online Giving. Our Parish has been using an Online giving system that is strengthening stewardship as well as making it easier for members to support our Church. There are many benefits 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.olmcfairfield.org
- 2) Click-on: GIVE Online!
- 3) "Create an 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.

PRAY WITH JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



He is always
waiting for you!

Due to the growing concern of
the spread of COVID-19, St.
Therese Chapel will remain
closed until further notice.

For online adoration chapels,
adoration prayer ideas
Please visit:
virtualadoration.home.blog

RESPECT LIFE CORNER



An Adoption Love Story

Having children and raising a family had always been our expectation. We soon learned, however, that our chances of becoming pregnant were small. It wasn't long before we started talking about the possibility of adoption. I wondered if my heart was big enough to love an adopted child as I would have loved a biological child. But with prayerful discernment, we decided to start the process. On Christmas Eve, Bill and I left the hospital with Andrew. It didn't take long before there was no doubt in our minds that he was our son, the greatest gift from God! We can't imagine loving a child whom we conceived more than we love Andrew.

Read the full article at
respectlife.org/adoption-love-story.

Reopening Faith Communities During The COVID—19 Pandemic

Taken from CDC. For more information, please visit CORONAVIRUS.GOV

Should you consider having in-person gatherings?

- Is the facility in a community no longer requiring significant mitigation?
- Will reopening be in compliance with state and local orders?
- Will you be ready to protect staff and congregants at higher risk for severe illness?

All YES
→

Any
NO

DO NOT
OFFER
IN-PERSON
GATHERINGS

Are recommended safety actions in place?

- Promote healthy hygiene practices such as hand washing, wearing a cloth face covering.
- Intensify cleaning, disinfection, and ventilation.
- Ensure social distancing such as no large gatherings, increased spacing, avoid holding hands, offer additional, smaller services.
- Limit sharing of items such as worship aids and collection trays.
- Offer virtual services if possible.
- Train all staff and congregants on safety actions.

All YES
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Any NO
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MEET SAFE-
GUARDS BEFORE
OFFERING IN-
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Is ongoing monitoring in place?

- Encourage staff and congregants who are sick to stay home.
- Plan for if staff or congregants get sick at facility
- Regularly communicate with local authorities, staff, and congregants.
- Monitor staff absences and have flexible leave policies and practices.
- Be ready to cancel in-person gatherings if there are increased cases.

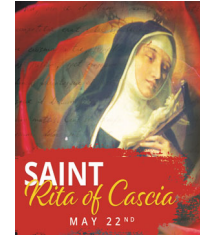
All YES
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Any NO
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Christ,
has no body now
on earth but yours,
no hands but
yours, no feet but
yours. Yours are the
eyes through which
Christ's Compassion
is to look out to the
world. Yours are the feet with which
Christ is to go about doing good.
Yours are the hands with which Christ
is to bless all people now.
— Teresa of Avila



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Remember, Lord who have died and have gone before us . . .

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Agustín Alegado
Antonio Posadas
Vern VanBuskirk
Timothy Tagudin Sr.
Hang Bui
Dennis Blas Tydingco
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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, "Give Online?"

Circle one

Give ONLINE: www.olmcfairfield.org

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

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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

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ALTAR SERVERS | Deacon Raymond Elias / 416-4618

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Delia Tabasa / 631-9577

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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

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VISITS TO THE SICK and SACRAMENT MINISTRY

Parish Office

YLG (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

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