

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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2700 DOVER AVENUE, FAIRFIELD, CA | 707.422.7767 | WWW.OLMCFAIRFIELD.ORG

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

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First Reading:

Whenever I speak, I must cry out, violence and outrage is my message; the word of the LORD has brought me derision and reproach all the day. (Jer 20:8)

Psalm:

My souls is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. (Ps 63)

Second Reading:

I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship. (Rom 12: 1)

Gospel:

Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." (Mt 16:24)

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Address:
Website:

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www.olmcfairfield.org

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES

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RCIA and Adult Formation.....(707) 422-7767
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Diana Banasan / Anna Albericci
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MASS SCHEDULE | SACRAMENTS

MASS: **Weekend:** Saturday Evening, 7PM Vigil
Sunday: 8AM, 10AM & 7PM

Please take note of NEW Mass schedule, above.

Daily: Monday - Saturday, 9AM
Holy Days: 9AM, Noon and 7PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:00 to 4:00 PM or by appointment

Baptisms: Please contact the Parish Office.

Marriages: Six months notice required.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the Parish Office.

Contact the Parish Office for all Baptisms & Marriages.

Staff:

Fr. Patrick Gavin, O. Carm. (Pastor) | Fr. Joseph Cilia, O. Carm. (Parochial Vicar)
Fr. Mario Lopez, O.Carm. (Retired Priest in Residence) | Deacon Raymond Elias

MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE

Monday 09/07

9:00 am † Florentino A. Santos / † Barbara DiMarco

Tuesday 09/08

9:00 am † All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday 09/09

9:00 am Silvia Alkowni

Thursday 09/10

9:00 am † Jose Gaglianone & Family / † Gorgonio Tigol

Friday 09/11

9:00 am † Eddie ("JJ") Gonzalo III / † Conchita Cuerdo

Saturday 09/12

9:00 am † Fr. John Hertel / † Fred Wulsin

7:00 pm † Don and † Helen Haug / † Phillip Brodeur

Sunday 09/13

8:00 am Parishioners of OLMC

10:00 am † Jonathan Brown

7:00 PM † Jose Perez / † Evelyn Adeva

Prayer for Difficult Times

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, you care for us and provide us with everything we need. You shower us with your love and mercy. You send people into our lives to help care for us, especially in time of sickness or pain.

Help us to experience your presence in the midst of the uncertainties of the coming days and weeks. Heal those infected with the coronavirus and restore them to health. Ease the suffering of those who are dying and welcome into your kingdom those who have died. Give strength to health care professionals and give them your wisdom in their search for a cure.

Strengthen our faith that we might be filled with hope in you. Give us patience that we might accept our own limitations. Help us know we are not alone, that you walk with us each moment of our lives.

Be with us, Lord, in our time of need. Heal us in body, soul and spirit that we may rejoice in your grace and blessings in this world and come to enjoy the fullness of your presence in the life to come. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus who is our Risen Lord. **Amen.**



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
Laura Labrado
Mary Highsmith
Howell Wood III
Yollie Wood
Mary Sheldon
Kai Crocker &
Family
Matt A. Villaber
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
Rosario Manalisay
Robert Rabaino
Renita Manalo

Ann Garant
Alejo Aranas
Remy Calica
Julie Darling
John & Celina Hess
Sharon Dotson
Kimo Boone
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
Jose Y. Gomez
Samantha Perego
Fr. David Fontaine,
O.Carm.
Asianne McClinton
Rebert Gebing
Meredith A. Beltran
Lana Graves
Larry Shaver
Maria Arreola
Jean Hamilton
Betty McFadden
Salas & Santos Families
Sammy & Luz Quilao
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
Ruth Davis
Andrew Davis
Philip Sutton
Joan Gaut
Nicole Wind
Danny McFadden
Melissa Ronder &
Family

Ed Junker
Joe Santos
Joel, Fe Tubig &
Family
Edward Bransfield
Rogelio Fortaleza
Pat Brausch
Diane Topacio
Irene Gilio
Annie Hutchinson
Martha Pickens
Alvin Barba
Mike Loedding
Aukusitino Iulio Jr.
Alapati Suisala
Silivelia Alkowni
Tom & Aida Quinn
Peka Tuimavave
Ana Tuinavave
Iulio Suisala
Andrew Davis
Roy Shaver
Raymond Elias Jr.
Anna Albericci

The bad news is time
flies. The good news
is you're the pilot.



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP — THE GIFT OF FAMILY

What a year it has been! How will we speak of these times a decade from now? As time goes by, our impressions of this past year will certainly change. How we feel today about dealing with a killer virus and all the chaos surrounding that is still fresh for all. I would assume that most of us right now are also holding those we love a little closer and hugging them a little harder. Hopefully, even if the fears and concerns of 2020 dissipate in the future, the way we feel toward our family should never leave us.

Stewardship is certainly about everything. God has given us so much, great and small, profound and common. One of the greatest gifts that all have received is family. Families take all shapes and sizes and some look very different than others. For some, family is a caretaker or temporary guardian. For others it is a friend when everyone else seems to have vanished. The bottom line is that, to quote a song from many years ago, "people need people."

When God gave the world His only Son, the Incarnation did not come on a cloud or with a flash of light. He was born into a family. Jesus understood the gift of family all his life. Do you think that if having a family wasn't important God would have still included this in the plan of salvation? As this year draws to a close, remember your stewardship many days begins and ends with the people closest to you. Don't misuse or take for granted this precious gift. God gives us gifts on purpose, even to His only begotten Son.

GOSPEL MEDITATION 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

It's all about reconciliation and conversion, not punishment. Relationships are not static adventures but wonderful gifts that continue to develop, grow, change, and mature. We are meant to be social beings, so isolating ourselves from others is rarely helpful. But, because human beings are on the one hand tremendously gifted, talented, and blessed creations, they are on the other also flawed, broken, and sinful. We all need to humbly admit that we are works in progress and not only capable of enriching each other's lives but causing deep hurts and wounds as well. Hence, we always need to be reconciled. We are always growing, changing, and expanding our knowledge of who we are and how we are meant to share life together.

Because reconciliation and conversion are always part of the mix of life, honesty is crucial. Without honesty, we can easily find ourselves living a lie and causing more harm than good. Being able to freely share our feelings, especially those involving pain and hurt, is a charism necessary to pursue and an art to learn. When we are wronged or wrong someone else, we do not enjoy the confrontation that can and needs to come. We are taught to keep our feelings to ourselves, especially when they are negative, and we tend to avoid difficult conversations. Hence, we never really learn how to confront another, successfully resolve conflict, find reconciliation, and welcome conversion. When we hurt or wrong someone, it does not mean that we are a bad or sinful person who deserves only punishment and excommunication. Quite the opposite! We are simply a human person who can make poor choices and sin and can be forgiven. We can restore and deepen the relationship that has been affected and find our way home again.

Jesus clearly wants to avoid shame because it has no purpose in achieving reconciliation and conversion. All broken relationships deserve a chance at reconciliation. Every person has room for growth and a need for conversion. We have to learn to be okay with honesty and not be afraid to hear and process what someone needs to say, even if it is difficult for us to hear. Severing a relationship, both personally or with the church community as a whole, ought to definitely be a last resort and only pursued when all else has failed.

STEWARDSHIP

Parish Collections

Our Weekly Goal: \$12,500.00

2020 Envelope Collection

Date:	August 9, 2020	\$6,950.00
	August 16, 2020	\$3,759.00
	August 23, 2020	\$2,113.00
	August 30, 2020	\$4,718.00

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

2020 Online Donations

Aug 2 - 8, 2020	\$3,686.70
Aug 9 - 15, 2020	\$3,566.70
Aug 16 - 22, 2020	\$4,001.70
Aug 23 - 29, 2020	\$2,676.70

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.

The Bible is a love letter from God with your name on it." ~

Peter Kreeft

Join us on

Wednesdays at 3PM

for Lectio Live as we dive deeper into Sunday Mass readings.

Follow us at [instagram.com/carmel.youth](https://www.instagram.com/carmel.youth) for more

information. Contact Diana

Banasan, Director of Youth Faith

Formation, 707) 422-2814.



Guidelines for Returning to Ministry

Out of an abundance of caution and care for the health of our people, all ministry gatherings (including group meetings, prayer services, classes, workshops, bible studies, etc.) should take place virtually using video conferencing / video streaming, or be held outdoors. Indoor ministry gathers are NOT allowed at this time.

Factors to consider:

[Safety PROTOCOLS]

- The age and health of the group. If most of the group *members are over 65, the gathering should be held virtually.*
- The weather and outdoor conditions - meetings should be held in the morning or late evening. Meetings should NOT take place if the temperature is over 90 degrees.
- In-person meetings, especially large gatherings should be minimized and shall be governed by the same rules as public Mass.
- People who participate in any live outdoor ministry gathering **MUST pre-register**, provide name, email and phone number for contact tracing purposes. Sign-in sheets that include this information must be filed in the Parish Office along with date, time, and ministry. Please contact the Parish Office for meeting request.
- Prior to the start of each meeting, everyone's temperature must be taken. Sanitation guidelines for public Mass must be strictly followed—spaces, surfaces used should be sanitized *before and after* every gathering.
- Social distancing must be observed; participants must be 6-feet apart at all times and **masks MUST be worn at all times.**
- Meeting should last NOT MORE than 90 minutes.
- Once meeting has concluded, people should exit the premises and refrain from staying behind to socialize.
- No one will share spaces, supplies or work in groups.
- Participants in ministry meeting must provide their own materials. Sharing of these materials is not allowed.
- PRIOR to the meeting: ALL participants must wash their hands with soap and water at home. It is also advisable to use a restroom at home before coming to church.
- Food may NOT be served at the ministry gatherings.
- At no time can an outdoor ministry gathering be more than 100 people.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

Our Little Future Citizens

Soon we can exercise our right to vote in the Presidential election. We may have different political opinions but as mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers and grandparents we should all be united as one in the effort to protect life. This is the most important issue there is. Without life, nothing else matter!!

Don't let big business such as Planned Parenthood pull the wool over your eyes any longer. As for their "rabbit ads," I find them highly offensive to women.

Babies are being killed by the millions while still in their mother's womb through the crime of abortion. The earliest form of child abuse is abortion and the most deadly. We should all be outraged by this heinous crime - and it is a crime of the worst magnitude. The blood of these innocent ones cry out for our help.

Please search your hearts, your consciences and your faith and vote for our little future citizens.

Ruth Weber, Davenport Iowa

Diocesan Special Second Collection for Priest Retirement:

There will be a second collection—the Diocesan Collection for Priests Retirement—at all Masses this weekend.

This is our opportunity for parishioners to take care of the faithful and dedicated priests who have spent their lives caring for our spiritual and sacramental needs within our Diocese. Thank you for your support of our parish priests.

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COLLECTION

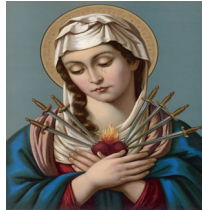


AROUND THE PARISH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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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!

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 / deaconraymondlianas@sbcglobal.net

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

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Medardo & Mimi Tuazon 707-344-7355

Rey & Milva Lapitan - 707-428-1561

Ray & Lyn Fortaleza 707-208-6679

CURSILLO | Gem Geluz - 386-9142

CARMEL YOUTH Diana Banasan 707-422-2814

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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LAY CARMELITES | Jess Pacheco 707-688-8613

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

LORD'S LEAVEN MISSION SOCIETY

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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 Cuerdo - 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, 707-803-1106

MUSIC MINISTRY DIRECTOR

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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 Cuerdo, 707-386-3403

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Elaine Bruno, Anna Albericci, Diana Banasan | 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 | CARMEL YOUTH Diana Banasan 707-422-2814