



Our Lady of Mount Carmel *and* Our Lady of Loreto Parish



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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To schedule a baptism please call
 508-753-5001

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to be married should
 contact the pastor at least a year in advance.
 A program of preparation is required for all
 couples planning to marry in the church. To
 schedule a wedding please call 508-753-
 5001.

ILLNESS

Arrangements can be made to have Holy
 Communion brought to those who are
 homebound due to illness, age, or impairment
 of any kind or to celebrate the Sacrament of
 Anointing and Reconciliation with them.
 Please call 508-753-5001.

PARISH REGISTRATION

To become a registered member of the parish,
 please call 508-753-5001 or register on-line at
 www.mtcarmel.ws.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 8:00, 10:00, and 11:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS

Monday through Thursday 7:00 a.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES

Vigil: 6:00 p.m.
 Holyday: 7:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. or by appointment.

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**Our Lady of Mt.
Carmel and Our Lady of
Loreto Parish
PRAYER FOR PARISH
SPIRITUAL RENEWAL**



Lord God, You love us with an everlasting love, and You choose us to share Your love with others. We ask that You rekindle in our hearts a new spirit of faith, of prayer and of reconciliation. Inspire us to search out and find ways of bringing one another closer to You. We pray for all who form our parish community, that we remain faithful to Your teaching, that we remain steadfast in our prayer, both personal and communal, that together with You and the Holy Spirit, our parish may be renewed and transformed. All this we ask in the name of Jesus and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Please cut out and pray daily.

PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Come, Holy Spirit, quiet my heart and my head, as I gather with my family, friends and neighbors to celebrate Mass. Quiet the thoughts and distractions that will keep me from worship. Open my mouth in prayer and song. Open my ears to hear God's word. Open my eyes to the mystery of the Eucharist. Open my heart to receive Jesus with love. May I go forth strengthened to take the Mass into my life this week.

SAVE THE DATE

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Lenten Supper again this year. This year's meal will be Porchetta. The dinner is Saturday, March 23 downstairs in the church hall. More information and tickets will be available soon. But, please save the date on your calendars.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 11TH AT 6:00 PM
IN THE PARISH CENTER**

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH AT 6:00 PM
IN THE PARISH CENTER**

CANCELLATION OF MASS

As in the case a few weeks ago, it sometimes becomes necessary to cancel Lord's Day Masses because of dangerous weather situations. Cancellations will be announced on our website (mtcarmel.ws), on channel 7 (WHDH) and by calling the parish center at 508-753-5001 which will contain a special announcement. Our concern is for the safety of all.

AN ABOMINATION!!!

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends,

It has been a week that has been particularly appalling. I saw a picture of Governor Andrew Cuomo of New York signing a draconian abortion bill that he fully supported giving practically unrestricted abortion, permitting the butchering of an unborn child up until the moment of delivery. Picture it. A moment before birth, the unborn child is resting peacefully in its mother's womb and then seconds later it is born, wrapped in a blanket and placed in a nursery. The difference is that seconds before its birth, the baby can be legally and brutally murdered, permitted by this gruesome law, and according to Governor Cuomo, this should be a cause for celebration! So committed to the passing of this law that Cuomo would not permit the New York state budget to be voted upon by that state's legislature, which would have shut down the state, until this cruel bill was passed. In the picture I saw Cuomo, who claims to be a Catholic obviously following his own set of beliefs, smiling, happy and proud of himself as he signed the bill to the thunderous applause and cheering of the legislative crowd before him. He even ordered the lights of the twin towers and the Empire State Building to be illuminated in jubilation. What Cuomo clearly did was to mock God and His creating power.

Then there is Governor Ralph Northan, a pediatric neurosurgeon by training, openly supporting a bill that would allow the murder of an infant after its birth. He stated: "The infant would be delivered. The infant would be kept comfortable. The infant would be resuscitated if that is what the mother and the family desired." Essentially, the child has had its right to life taken from it and its fate would be decided by others. This is legalized infanticide! What are we as a country coming to?

Other states are considering similar bills and it won't be long before Massachusetts does the same. We as Catholics must be more vocal and let our legislators know that we abhor the murder of our children and they must pass laws that defend them not laws that extend the possibility of their killing. Our legislators appear to have embraced a culture of death.

During this week's State of the Union Address when President Trump called for national legislation that would protect the unborn from late term abortion, the Congress broke into wild applause, except for many who sat in stony silence, their silence deafening. How telling!!! They should be ashamed of themselves.

These abortion laws bring us to the precipice of a very dangerous slippery slope. If we don't protect our unborn children, who is next – the seriously ill, handicapped, special needs children and adults, the elderly, anyone those in power deem expendable and a drain on our resources? Is this a prelude to denying some of our people medical care and assistance that could extend or save lives, WE NEED TO WAKE UP!!!

There is a scene in Robert Bolt's excellent play "St. Thomas More - A Man for All Seasons," where there is conversation between Thomas and Cardinal Thomas Wolsey, Archbishop of York, England, a political operative, woefully lacking a moral compass. Wolsey says to Saint Thomas: You're a constant regret to me Thomas. If you could just see the facts flat on, without that horrible moral squint, with just a little common sense, you could have been a statesman." Saint Thomas responds: "I believe that when statesmen forsake their own private conscience for the sake of their public duties, they lead their country by a short route to chaos." Sadly, we cannot deny that we have fallen into chaos, especially a moral one, led by our so-called enlightened leaders. God help us all!

Monsignor Pedone

SAVE THE DATES!!!!
August 8-9-10-11, 2019
ITALIAN FESTIVAL 2019

The next festival meeting is
 Thursday, February 28
 at 6:30 pm.

If you can't make the meeting but would still like to participate, please contact Elaine Beaudry at 508-835-4592 or ebeaudry19@gmail.com
 Looking forward to seeing you there!



CONFIRMATION RETREAT

All Confirmation candidates must attend a Confirmation Retreat. We will be having our retreat with other parishes in the city on **Saturday, March 2, 2019** in the parish center here at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and Our Lady of Loreto. Any student that is not able to attend can attend another retreat on Sunday, March 24 at St. Edward the Confessor in Westminster.



CYC SNOW TUBING

CYC snow tubing at Ward Hill
Monday, February 11

We will meet at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Center on Mulberry street at 5:30 or at Ward Hill at 6:00 p.m. We will snow tube from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

CYC ICE SKATING TRIP

Worcester Common
Sunday, February 24

We will meet at 12:15 p.m. at Our Lady of Loreto Parish Center for pizza. After lunch we will head to Worcester Common for an afternoon of ice skating.

\$5.00—Entrance fee

\$5.00—Skate rental

PARTNERS IN CHARITY APPEAL

As you know, the Annual Diocesan Partners in Charity Appeal has begun in our parish. Our goal this year remains the same at \$50,000. In past years we have significantly surpassed this goal. So far, we have received 25 gifts totaling \$4505 toward our goal. The theme this year is **"Faith in Action—Generate Joy"**. Our patron of the campaign is **Saint Pope Paul VI**. Because we have an accelerated campaign this year, our "In-Pew" weekend will be February 23 & 24. Please consider pledging over a period of time to this worthy cause. We would like to conclude our parish's participation by the end of March. Once a year, we commit ourselves to helping the needy throughout central Massachusetts. This is that time.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY 2019

World Marriage Day was designated as a day to honor the sacrament of marriage. Today we would like to recognize the following couples for their many years of commitment to each other.

Carmine and Cornelia Martone	70
Paul and Christine Brunelle	68
Augustine and Juliana Nosike	64
Albert and Eleanor Gallo	63
Joseph and Carol Parella	62
Anthony and Nancy Coffone	62
Joseph and Ann DiVerdi	61
Antonio and Elizabeth Chionchio	58
James and Lois Buffone	57
Richard and Jeanmarie Lamarche	57
Deacon Gerry and Veronika Montiverdi	57
Patricia and Victor Montiverdi	55
Antonio and Patricia Arena	50
Michael and Rosanna Travaglio	49
Francis and Connie Caffone	48
John and Janice Morello	40
Joseph and Gina Mitchell	33
Bob and Annette Novia	32
Ron and Carla Moroski	30
Glenn and Anna MacGregor	27
Michael and Gina Pinkham	27
John and Michelina Fraioli	25
Isidore and Chizoma Nosike	24
Benny and Karen Sasso	21
Dominic and Sandra Mercurio	21
Julie and John Sasso	20
Richard and Patti Trubiano	18
Alberto and Michelle Huaman	17
Anthony and Barbara Chionchio	6
Bart and Kathy Lasky	4
Lenny and Denise Cariglia	4
Tung and Kim Le	3

FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH

Wednesday, March 20. Plans are being made. The Zeppole has been ordered. More information will follow.

FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY

Friday – March 29

4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and Our Lady of Loreto Parish

37 Massasoit Rd. - Worcester

Fish (Haddock) and Chips - \$15.00

Baked Haddock with Rice Pilaf - \$15.00

Fish Chowder - \$5.00

Macaroni & Cheese—\$4.00



Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets will be available in the parish office or by emailing Joan at joan_daregenesis@yahoo.com

Financial Stewardship

For the week ending February 3, 2019

Income

Offertory:

Week-End	\$4,803.05
Mail	1,342.00
Maintenance	846.00
EFT	319.52
Home Missions	288.00
Fuel	148.00
Christmas	10.00
Solemnity of Mary (New Years)	10.00
First Offering	5.00
Total Offertory	\$7,771.57
Donations	500.00
CYC Youth and Family Trips	320.00
Funeral Stipends	300.00
Candles	74.00
Rent	50.00
Mass Stipends	30.00
Parking	30.00
Miscellaneous	5.00
Total	\$9,080.57

Expenses

Snow Plowing and Clearing	\$2,145.00
Salaries and Wages	1,358.00
Calendar Raffle Winners	750.00
Altar Servers Outing	325.32
School Assessment	300.00
Funeral Stipends	150.00
Rubbish Removal	138.60
Mass Coverage	100.00
Total	\$5,266.92

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL AND
LORETO PARISH
CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS—2019**

1/27/2019	#1905	Jo Ann Morin	\$100
1/28/2019	#2013	Domenic Dipersia	\$50
1/29/2019	#0607	Peter Novick	\$50
1/30/2019	#1868	William Roland	\$50
1/31/2019	#0234	Kim Ohman	\$500

CALENDAR RAFFLE FINANCIAL REPORT

January 2019

Ticket Sales (708) \$7,080.00

Expenses:

Prizes	\$2,300.00
Printing & Mailing Costs	838.18
State Raffle Tax (55)	354.00
	3,492.18

Net Income to the Parish \$3,587.82This Week in Our Parish

Mon., Feb. 11—6:00 pm—Finance Committee Meeting
7:00 pm—Adult Faith Formation
Tues., Feb. 12— 10 am-2 pm—Golden Years Gathering-
“Valentine Party”
6:00 pm—Parish Council Meeting
7 pm—Knights of Columbus
Sun., Feb. 17—No Religious Education - School Vaca-
tion

The Massachusetts House of Representatives and the Massachusetts Senate both have before them a bill to legalize Physician Assisted Suicide (PAS). Both bills are named "An Act relative to End of Life Options". They are to be acted upon sometime during the current legislative session which runs from Jan.2, 2019 and ends Dec.31, 2020.

Co-sponsors representing the Worcester area for the Senate bill are State Senator Harriet Chandler (D-First Worcester) and State Senator Joanne Comerford (D-Hampshire, Franklin, and Worcester). Co-sponsors for the House Bill are State Representative Louis Kafka (D-8th Norfolk) and State Representative Daniel Donahue (D-16th Worcester). One can find their contact information by calling the Massachusetts Secretary of State Office at 617-727-2828.

Fatal Flaws is a movie filmed in different countries in which Kevin Dunn interviews proponents and opponents of Physician Assisted Suicide. The film is a production of Dunn Media and the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition.

Fatal Flaws with a question and discussion period after is available at three different dates and locations. They are:
 ---Wednesday, February 13, from 6:30 to 8:30pm at St. Brigid's Church, 59 Main Street in Millbury, phone 508-865-6624
 ---Sunday, March 3 after the 11:30am Mass at St. Andrew the Apostle Mission in Worcester, and
 ---Sunday, March 10 after the 10am Mass at St. Peter's Parish in Worcester.

If you have questions or comments, please contact Roger Dubuque, co-chair of Witness for Life and a member of Christ the King Parish at witnessforlife.com. This is a very significant, important issue for us to stop from becoming law.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 11—5:30 pm—CYC Snow Tubing
Feb. 24—12:15 pm—CYC Ice Skating
Feb. 28—6:30 pm—Italian Festival Meeting in the Parish Center
Mar. 2 - “Carnevale” - Fr. Smith Center at St. Anne’s Church, Shrewsbury, MA. Sponsored by the Sons of Italy
Mar. 20—Feast of St. Joseph in the Parish Center
Mar. 21-24 - Men’s Cursillo at the Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center, Putnam, CT.
Mar. 23—Lenten Supper sponsored by Knights of Columbus
Mar. 29 - 4-6:30 pm - Friday Night FISH FRY at Our Lady of Loreto Church hall

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 9, 2019—3:00 p.m.—Confessions

Saturday, February 9, 2019—4:00 p.m.

Rita Cenik (First Anniversary) by Anna Fenuccio

Lucy Aquino (First Anniversary February 7) by daughter, Janice

Nicholas Astrella (Month's Mind) by Wife and Family

Sunday, February 10, 2019—8:00 a.m.

The People of the Parish

Sunday, February 10, 2019—10:00 a.m.

Marco Salerno by Son

Vincenza Cafaro by Family

Ricardo Mustica (First Anniversary) and **Joseph Arcuri** (First Anniversary) by Family

Sunday, February 10, 2019—11:30 a.m.

The Sick of the Parish

Monday, February 11, 2019—7:00 a.m.

Mona Penny by Family

Tuesday, February 12, 2019—7:00 a.m.

The Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, February 13, 2019—7:00 a.m.

Thelma Ortiz (in honor of her 87th birthday) by Ortiz Family

Thursday, February 14, 2019—7:00 a.m.

Parishioners Intentions

Saturday, February 16, 2019—3:00 p.m.—Confessions

Saturday, February 16, 2019—4:00 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Giorgio, Frances and Steven Giorgio by Family

Mary and Rocco Vizzo by Grandsons

Sunday, February 17, 2019—8:00 a.m.

The Sick of the Parish

Sunday, February 17, 2019—10:00 a.m.

Francis Turo (Birthday and Anniversary) by Rose and Family

Michael DelloStritto by wife Josie and Family

Sunday, February 17, 2019—11:30 a.m.

The People of the Parish



Please pray for the sick of our parish: Francis Caffone, Susan Stomski, Donna Grasseschi, Lori Blackwell, Carmella Szklarz, Matteo Fiore, Patrick Loconto, Frank "Butch" Rano, Mary O'Connor, Christopher Collazo, Paula Mari, Sim Simone, Cathy Coffey, Mildred Bassan, Vincent Pusateri, Sylvia Pusateri, Debbie Caffone, Joseph Ginskus, Philip Powers, Virginia Czubrynski, Karen Remian, Sandra Powers, Jennifer Bodinizzo, Martin Laine, Accurzio & Loretta Sciafani, Robert Bacon, Belinda Sahagun, Thelma Ortiz, Caryl Masiello, Cynthia Pedone, Roland Dionne, Maxwell Mitchell, Louis Naple, Carol Youngstrom, Richard Patrone, Sue Cozzolino, Carol Iaconi, Anthony DeAngelis, Reverend Charles Armeay, Anthony & Paul Locantore, Antoinetta Froio, Ernest Martone, Kelly Piscillo, Ann Servidio, Millieann Deloria and Albert & Eleanor Gallo. May the Lord give them strength, courage and healing.

**THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY LAMPS
ARE DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF:**

Joe and Virginia Montiverdi & Sons
by Family



**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISH IN YOUR
WILLS, BEQUESTS AND UPON THE DEATH
OF LOVED ONES FOR DONATIONS. MANY
THANKS!**

Ministry Assignments for February 16-17

Feb. 16 @ 4:00 pm

Lectors – Sue Cozzolino

Ministers – Chet DiLeo & Tom Lavin

Feb. 17 @ 8:00 am

Lector—Fran Penny

Ministers—Louise Faiola & Joe Sama

Feb. 17 @ 10:00 am

Lector—Flo Dionne

Ministers—Heather Morello & Elizabeth Santley

Feb. 17 @ 11:30 am

Lector—Claudia Minaya

Ministers—Laurie Matosky & Al Cecchini

Please arrange for a substitute if you cannot fulfill your assignment. Thank you for the good work that you do!

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like a copy of your 2018 contribution statement please call the main office at 508-753-5001 or email isaolmc@gmail.com

How about making a Cursillo weekend?

Cursillo or “short course in Christianity”, involving laypeople and clergy who deliver organized talks and discussions plus the witness of their own lives, struggles and triumphs in Christ. Weekends are held at the Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center in Putnam, CT.

2019: Men’s: March 21-24 & October 10-13
Women’s: May 2-5 & November 14-17

For more information, Elizabeth Santley @ 508-304-8871 or esantley@yahoo.com. Applications are available in the vestibule if the church.

CARNEVALE!!!

Sponsored by the Sons of Italy Worcester
 Lodge #168
 Saturday, March 2, 2019
 St. Anne’s Father Smith Center
 130 Boston Turnpike, Shrewsbury, MA

Cocktails @ 6:00 pm
 Dinner @ 7:00 pm
 \$40 per person

For tickets:
 call Kevin Mercadante at 508-754-0486

BYOB



Become an Altar Server

We are very proud of our corps of altar servers, guided by Santina MacGregor. Many of you have complimented them and commented to us about their dignity and reverence on the altar and how their actions enhance your experience of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Their ministry brings them into the sanctuary of the church – as close as possible to the sacred words and gestures that define our faith. And they become part of a group who have made a strong commitment to dedicate themselves to the service of God. Anyone who has received the sacraments of Eucharist and Penance is eligible to become an altar server. See Msgr. Pedone, Deacon John or Deacon Gerry if you have questions or would like more information.

Are you interested?

We have a need for ushers/greeters to greet people as they enter the church, collect the offerings, and pass out bulletins after Mass. Please call the office or see John Oliver at the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturday if you would like to be part of this ministry. We have a special need at the 11:30 am Mass.

Thank You!

Mount Carmel Golden Years Club

February 2019

February 12, 2019

10:00 A.M. Socializing
 VALENTINE PARTY
 12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social.
 After Lunch Bingo

February 19, 2019

10:00 A.M. Socializing
 9:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. VNA “Keep Well Clinic”
 12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social.
 After Lunch Bingo

February 26, 2019

10:00 A.M. Socializing
 PAPER SALE
 12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social.
 After Lunch Bingo

If schools are delayed or cancelled there is no Golden Years Club.

***Bingo for members only**

ALL DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK WOULD BE GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED AND APPRECIATED

ARE YOU INTERESTED???

Our Parish has a wonderful group of people who are Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers but we are always looking for more people to help out with these important ministries. Aside from serving during Masses, the Eucharistic Ministers assist in visiting our homebound parishioners. Are you interested in joining us?

If so, please call:

Sue Cozzolino (Lectors) at 508-615-7914 or scozzo1227@gmail.com
Julie Tufano (Eucharistic Ministers) at 508-757-3170 or tufanojulie@yahoo.com
Chet DiLeo (homebound) at 508-852-3048 or cdileo2t@gmail.com
Deacon John at deaconjb09@gmail.com.

Pray...Pray...Pray...

WINTER WEATHER POLICY

If Worcester schools cancel or delay the opening of school, the 7:00 AM weekday Mass is also canceled. This is done as a matter of safety and to allow us to clean the parking lots and walkways.

