



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.

**Lenten Schedule for the Week of
March 10**

Monday, March 11

7:00 am - Mass

Tuesday, March 12

7:00 am - Mass

4:00-5:00 pm - Confessions

Wednesday, March 13

7:00 am - Mass

Thursday, March 14

7:00 am - Mass

Friday, March 15

7:00 am - Communion Service

6:30 pm - Stations of the Cross and Benediction

Saturday, March 16

3:00-3:45 pm - Confessions

Lenten Prayer

"Once I saw a mime straining as if to open one of the three doors in a room where he found himself. He pushed and pulled at the doorknobs, but none of the doors would open. Then he kicked with his feet against the panels of the door, but they didn't break. Finally, he threw his full weight against the doors, but none of them yielded. The man was so concentrated on the three locked doors that he didn't even notice that the room had no back wall and that he could simply walk out if he would only turn around and look! That is what conversion is all about. It is a complete turnaround that allows us to discover that we are not the prisoners we think we are. From God's place, we often look like the man who tries to open the locked doors of his room. We worry about many things and even wound ourselves while worrying. God says: 'Turn around, set your heart on my kingdom. I give you all the freedom you desire.'" - Henri J. M. Nouwen



LENTEN LETTER FROM BISHOP McMANUS

March 2019

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Lent comes late this year. Late though it may be, most of us are not immediately eager for the austerities of Lent. Though perhaps not ready for it, we all nonetheless need Lent. We need Lent because we are sinners called to repentance. We need it because we are Christ's disciples called to holiness and we need Lent because the demands, distractions and allures of modern life can imperceptibly skew our priorities and dampen the spiritual joys that rightly belong to those whose faith is fervent.

For forty days Lent calls us to re-prioritize our lives that they may be centered on Jesus Christ and His Gospel. We do this through deepened prayer, more frequent penances and more generous almsgiving. We undertake these practices not to revert to old ways six weeks later. We undertake them that, through conversion of life, we may know Christ better and share more deeply in the joy of His Easter triumph throughout the whole of our lives.

The Lenten season is austere in its observances, reserved in its liturgies and sacrificial in its call for generosity. But because its practices draw us closer to Christ, Lent is also renewing, inspiring and exciting. So often we let things come between us and the radical call to take up the Cross and follow Christ with a selfless love of God and neighbor. Lent gives us the incentive, framework and communal support to acknowledge the primacy of God in our lives and to seek our consolations by putting God first. When we do that, we realize that the security, happiness and peace for which we daily strive come not from the acquisition of things, the esteem of others or the experience of pleasures. Rather, they are found in drawing close to God, experiencing His love and being confident in His promises. That continuing discovery can make our lives simpler, happier and more meaningful. What we "give up" is more than compensated by what we gain.

We all have so much to gain this Lent. I urge you to reflect on Christ's love and mercy. Examine your life, confess your sins and draw close to God through your prayer and acts of penance, regular celebration of the sacraments and sacrifice for those in need.

Lent may start late this year but it is also just in time. May we embrace its opportunities that we may reap its rewards -- Christian joy, not only at Easter, but throughout our lives on earth and forever in Heaven.

With every prayerful best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

CONFESSIONS

During the Tuesdays of Lent, confessions are heard from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm and on Saturdays from 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, March 10, 2019
After the 8:00 am and 10:00 am
Masses in the Parish Center
Cost is \$4 and that included pancakes,
sausage and juice
Please join us.



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING –
TUESDAY, MARCH 12TH
BEGINNING AT 6:00 PM

Andy's Attic at South High

Andy's Attic at South High—**Saturday, March 16 from 9am-12 p.m.** Great opportunity for Confirmation students to receive hours. We will meet at South High, 170 Apricot Street, Worcester. Devote some time to come fold, sort and organize clothing, and see first-hand the families we help daily. If you would like to make a donation they are always in great need of gently used clothing and shoes in all sizes from babies to grandparents. New socks, underwear and sneakers are in high demand.

FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH

We have celebrated the Feast of Saint Joseph for many years and then we stopped. Brought back by popular demand, we will once again celebrate for Feast of Saint Joseph. This year our celebration will be held on Wednesday, **March 20**. We will begin with a Mass at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner of pasta and baccala, salad, bread and of course ZEPPOLE. Tickets are \$15 and must be bought in advance.

SAVE THE DATE
LENTEN SUPPER

Members of our parish Knights of Columbus will be selling tickets to their 2nd Annual Lenten Supper on March 23 at 5:30 p.m. after all masses this weekend in the parish foyer. Tickets are \$25 each for a 4 course porchetta dinner. There will be entertainment by John "Johnny Vincent" Morello. Donations will be accepted from those who can not attend. All proceeds will benefit the many works of the council. Please stop by and purchase your tickets on your way out.

PARISH SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year the parish awards scholarships to deserving high school seniors who are parishioners and have been active and participated in parish activities, are graduating this spring and are heading to college in the fall. Applications are now available at the parish office. These must be completed and returned no later than April 30th to be eligible.

This Week in Our Parish

Mon., Mar. 11—7 pm—Adult Faith Formation
Tues., Mar. 12— 10 am-2 pm—Golden Years Gathering
- 7 pm—Knights of Columbus
Fri., Mar. 15—6:30 pm—Stations of the Cross and Benediction
Sun., Mar. 17—Religious Education classes:
8:30 - 11 am: Pre-K - Grade 4
11 am - 12:15 pm - Grades 5-10
Mon., Mar. 18—10 am-4 pm—UMass Care Mobile

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_daregenis@yahoo.com

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

Next Festival Meeting—Tuesday,
April 2, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

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!



PHANTOM OF THE OPERA

March 31, 2019
Cost is \$80 (includes ticket and bus)
Leaving Parish at 3 pm
Show starts at 6:30 p.m.
Bus stops at Federal Hill

Financial Stewardship

For the week ending March 3, 2019

Income

Offertory:	
Week-End	\$4,402.09
Mail	611.00
Maintenance	427.00
EFT	226.82
Fuel	136.00
Home Missions	5.00
First Offering	5.00
Total Offertory	\$5,812.91
Funeral Stipends	600.00
Parking	395.00
Rental Income	225.00
Trust Income	165.55
Catholic Free Press	78.00
Mass Stipends	50.00
Candles	49.00
Total	<u>\$7,375.46</u>

Expenses

Utilities: (February)	
Electricity	\$2,965.21
Natural Gas	1,398.00
Internet, Cable & Phone	515.98
Total Utilities	\$4,879.63
Music: (February)	
Organists	900.00
Choir Director	600.00
Cantors	395.00
Outside Choir Singers	290.00
Total Cost of Music	2,185.00
Legal Fees (Mount Carmel Property)	16,861.48
New Appliances	3,950.00
Salaries and Wages	1,358.00
Lenten Service	450.00
Repairs and Maintenance	402.56
Funeral Stipends	200.00
Supplies	177.69
Rubbish Removal	138.60
Religious Education	111.36
Deacon	100.00
Total	<u>\$30,814.32</u>

Upcoming Events

- 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
Apr. 14—2-4 pm—Afternoon of Recollection and Confession

PARTNERS IN CHARITY APPEAL

The Annual Diocesan Partners in Charity Appeal—“*Faith in Action—Generate Joy*”, has begun in our parish. Our goal this year remains the same at \$50,000.

To date we have collected \$ 33,810
(There was a slight error in last week's amount.)

We are well on our way toward our parish goal. Pledge envelopes are in the pews for you to take and fill out if you have not already done so. Please consider pledging over a period of time to this worthy cause. You are invited to watch the Appeal Video at home at www.partners-charity.net. **Please keep in mind that we would like to complete our campaign by the end of March.**

Thank You for your generosity!!

Ministry Assignments for March 16-17Mar. 16 @ 4:00 pm

Lectors – Sue Cozzolino

Ministers – Fran Sena & Irene Astrella

Mar. 17 @ 8:00 am

Lector—Chris Cook

Ministers—Joe Sama & Louise Faiola

Mar. 17 @ 10:00 am

Lector—Santina MacGregoir

Ministers—Heather Morello & Chizoma Nosike

Mar. 17 @ 11:30 am

Lector—Claudia Minaya

Ministers—Maria Sciannameo & Al Cecchini

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

Become an Altar Server

The decision to become an altar server is an important step in increasing one's faith. It brings you into the sanctuary of the church—as close as possible to the sacred words and gestures that define our faith. An altar server becomes 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 Penance and Eucharist is eligible to become an altar server. If you are interested in this important ministry, please see Msgr. Pedone, Deacon Gerry, Deacon John or Santina MacGregor.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

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

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Nicholas Astrella by the Dionne Family

Concetta “Connie” DeCaro by the Dionne Family

Sunday, March 10, 2019—8:00 a.m.

Vanda Ramonas by Aldona Kibelkstis

Rosina Paldino by Debra Collette

Sunday, March 10, 2019—10:00 a.m.

Philomena & Gesualdo Barresi (Birthday

Remembrance) by Daughter Julie Tufano

Titus Anyanwu by the Nosike Family

Sunday, March 10, 2019—11:30 a.m.

Joseph Aromando (6th Anniversary) and **Anthony**

and **James Toscano** by Julia

Emelia Garofoli by Family

Monday, March 11, 2019—7:00 a.m.

Parishioners Intentions

Tuesday, March 12, 2019—7:00 a.m.

Alfredo Sabatini by daughter Ersilia Viapiano

Wednesday, March 13, 2019—7:00 a.m.

The People of the Parish

Thursday, March 14, 2019—7:00 a.m.

The Sick of the Parish

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

Saturday, March 16, 2019—4:00 p.m.

Raymond and Joan Julian by Family

Yolanda Loconto (Month's Mind) by Family

Sunday, March 17, 2019—8:00 a.m.

Sylvia Orange by Family

Sister Loretta Ciccarelli by Louis Tripodi

Sunday, March 17, 2019—10:00 a.m.

Antonio Clemente (Birthday Remembrance) by

Family

Merlene Arcangel by Maribeth and William Langill

Sunday, March 17, 2019—11:30 a.m.

Vincent Palermo by Family

Wendy Kiritsy by Marguerita Ambrosino



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:**

Philomena and Gesualdo Barresi
by daughter Julie Tufano



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

Rest in Peace

We, the parish community of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and Our Lady of Loreto, extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Sandra Buffone. May God grant her peace forever and bring comfort to her family and friends.



ARE YOU INTERESTED???

Have you thought about becoming a lector? Or a Eucharistic Minister? Would you like to bring the Eucharist to our homebound parishioners?

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.

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.

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.

HAVE YOU THOUGHT OF A VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD?

Have you thought of a vocation to the priesthood? Come and learn more. The Diocese of Worcester's annual discernment retreat, directed by Bishop McManus, will be held on April 12 & 13. This retreat begins at 6pm on Friday and ends at 6 pm Saturday. It is for men high school age, college age, and older. The retreat center is only 30 minutes from Worcester at the Immaculate Conception Retreat Center in Putnam, Connecticut. There is no cost, and transportation is provided if needed.

Visit worcestervocations.com for more information. Contact Father Jim Mazzone at jmazzone@charter.net or by phone at 508-340-5788 to sign up.

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.

MOUNT CARMEL GOLDEN YEARS CLUB

March 2019

March 12, 2019

10:00 A.M. Socializing
 10:30 A.M. Board Meeting
 12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social.
 After Lunch Bingo

March 19, 2019

10:00 A.M. Socializing
 9:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. VNA "Keep Well Clinic"
ST. JOSEPH/ST. PATRICK CELEBRATION
 12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social.
 After Lunch Bingo

March 26, 2019

10:00 A.M. Socializing
SPEAKER.....T.B.A.
 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



UMass Memorial Ronald McDonald Care Mobile

Are You Uninsured?

Do You Need Medical or Dental Services?

If Yes, Come See Us in the parking lot of

Our Lady of Loreto Church on

Monday, March 18

from 10 am—4 pm

We offer preventive dental and health care services including: dental health care and Worcester Public Schools Dental Screening, physical exams, sports physicals, immunizations, flu shots, outreach and more.

We provide medical and dental care for children and families even if they have no insurance or are unable to pay.

To make an appointment, call 508-334-6073

For more information, contact: Nardy Vega at 508-341-9416

Flu shots will be given without an appointment.

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