



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.

MASS SCHEDULE

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

Saturdays from 3:00-3:45
Or by appointment—please call 508-304-9988 to schedule.

PARISH REGISTRATION

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

FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK

Dear Friends,

As I had written to you before, I plan to have a Triduum in honor of St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina seeking his intercession in eradicating the covid-19 pandemic. I’ve decided to schedule the Triduum on August 10th, 11th and 12th, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, beginning at 7:00 pm each of those evenings.

Saint Padre Pio was born Francesco Forgione on May 25, 1887, in Pietrelcina, Italy. He was very sickly as a child and suffered from numerous maladies. Many of these continued throughout his adult life. At the age of 15, he entered the Capuchin Friary at Morcone, Italy. He was ordained a priest in 1910. He experienced the stigmata – the wounds of Christ on his hands, feet and side – that were incredibly painful.

Internationally famous and known for his piety, charity and preaching, he famously advised “Pray, hope and don’t worry.”

Saint Pio died on September 23, 1968. He was canonized a saint on June 16, 2002, by Pope Saint John Paul II. His feast day is celebrated on September 23rd.

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for this Triduum as we unite our hearts and voices in prayer for a quick end to this terrible pandemic and for whatever other intentions you may have.

Summer blessings!

Monsignor Pedone

OUR SOCIAL MEDIA CONTACT INFORMATION IS:

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/MtCarmelandLoreto/>;

Website <https://mtcarmel.ws/>

Youtube:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1LUJnLered3PHxNyaFS43g?view_as=subscriber)

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We invite anyone who has historical pictures of events of either Mount Carmel or Loreto parishes to submit these pictures so we can share them on our new social media channels.

With this ongoing revolution in social media communications, we can use this medium to do so wonderful many things to aid in religious education, spirituality development, timely news articles and events of which we need to be educated so that we can respond as informed and knowledgeable Catholics. We will develop podcasts on a parish level that can help to deepen our understanding of our faith and what the Church is teaching about certain issues and events, and so much more. The possibilities are endless.

PRAYER FOR ST. PADRE PIO OF PIETRELCINA BY POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL II

“Teach us, we pray, humility of heart, so that we may be counted among the little ones of the Gospel to whom the Father promised to reveal the mysteries of His Kingdom. Help us to pray without ceasing, certain that God knows what we need even before we ask Him. Obtain for us the eyes of faith that will help us recognize in the poor and suffering, the very face of Jesus. Sustain us in the hour of trouble and trial and, if we fall, let us experience the joy of the sacrament of forgiveness. Grant us your tender devotion to Mary, mother of Jesus and our Mother. Accompany us on our earthly pilgrimage toward the blessed Homeland, where we too, hope to arrive to contemplate forever the Glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.”

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and Our Lady of Loreto

FAMILY BBQ



When: Saturday, August 15, 2020
after 4:00 PM Mass

Where: Outside on church grounds
(Weather permitting)

Cost: \$ 25 pp – tickets on sale
after Masses starting July 25th
(deadline to purchase tickets
is August 9th)

Menu: BBQ Chicken Quarters, Sliced Brisket,
Mac & Cheese, Cucumber Salad,
Cornbread, Dessert, and Beverages

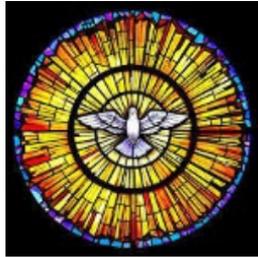
NOTE: Social distancing will apply. For those
who don’t feel comfortable at a
gathering, “to go” boxes will be
available for you to take home and
enjoy.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Confessions will be heard every Saturday from 3:00 to 3:45PM. It is no longer necessary to make an appointment for confession.

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

**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.

Are you interested?

If you are interested in the **Knights of Columbus** at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and Our lady of Loreto Parish, please visit the parish website and click on the link to the Knights of Columbus, where you can watch a 5 minute video presentation by one of its members.

Thank You,
Rick Annunziata

PARISH CENTER HOURS

Our summer parish center office hours have begun. The center will be open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and Fridays 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Please remember to wear a mark when coming into the building for the health and safety of all.

How about making a Cursillo weekend?

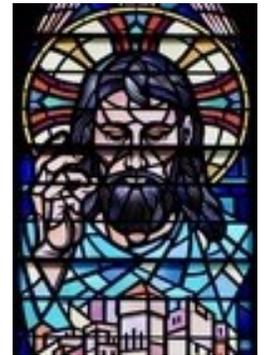
Cursillo or “short course in Christianity”, involves organized talks, discussions, and witness presentations of the participants own lives, struggles and triumphs in Christ. Weekends are held at the Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center in Putnam, CT.

2020: **Men’s:** September 10-13 (tentative)

2020: **Women’s:** October 22-25

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

A PRAYER IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



O God, whose Only Begotten Son bore the weight of human suffering for our salvation, hear the prayers of your Church for our sick brothers and sisters and deliver us from this time of trial. Open our ears and our hearts to the voice of your Son: Be not afraid, for I am with you always. Bless all doctors and nurses, researchers and public servants; give us the wisdom to do what is right and the faith to endure this hour, that we might gather once again to praise your name in the heart of your Church, delivered from all distress and confident in your mercy. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

July 22, 2020: Feast Day of St. Mary Magdalene

The Gospels agree that Mary was originally a great sinner. Jesus cast seven demons out of her when he met her. After this, Mary Magdalene followed Jesus faithfully in life and stood by him at his death, sought him in the desolation of the tomb, and bore joyful witness to his Resurrection. She remains a lively icon of deep personal devotion to Christ the Savior.

St. Mary Magdalene is one of the greatest saints of the Bible and a legendary example of God's mercy and grace. Among other things, she is the patron saint of converts and repentant sinners.

July 25, 2020: Feast Day of St. James, Apostle

St. James, also called **James**, son of Zebedee, or **James the Greater**, one of the Twelve Apostles, is distinguished as being in Jesus’ innermost circle and the only apostle whose martyrdom is recorded in the New Testament (Acts 12:2).

Very little is really known about **St. James’** life. The Bible tells us that James was a fisherman from Galilee, and that he and his brother John were among the first disciples to join Jesus Christ...**James** was martyred in the Holy Land and his disciples carried his body to Galicia in a ship made of stone.

Did you know....

The **scallop shell** is a symbol of **St. James**. It is said that this symbol is a metaphor, in that its lines represent the different routes traveled by pilgrims from around the world, which all lead to one point, the tomb of St. James in Santiago de Compostela. The **Scallop Shell** can be found on the milestone markers, guiding the pilgrims in the right direction.

Financial Stewardship
For the week ending July 12, 2020



Income

Offertory:	
Week-End	\$2,302.51
Mail	1,367.28
On-Line Giving	530.30
Maintenance	250.00
Fuel	26.67
Assumption	20.00
Peters Pence	<u>6.00</u>
Total Offertory	\$4,502.76
Parking Revenue	700.00
Expense Reimbursement	575.85
Mass Stipends	55.00
Candles	51.00
Total	<u>\$5,884.61</u>
Expenses:	
Utilities:	
Electricity	\$1,872.12
Internet, Cable & Telephone	379.35
Natural Gas	<u>90.16</u>
Total Utilities	\$2,341.63
Salaries and Wages	5,276.48
Clergy Benefit Plan	503.50
Supplies	216.22
Rubbish Removal	196.35
Office Supplies & Expense	152.19
Employee Benefits	136.02
Organist	125.00
Funeral Stipends	<u>100.00</u>
Total	<u>\$9,047.39</u>

PARTNERS IN CHARITY
APPEAL



“Envision Faith in Action”

Our goal this year remains the same at \$50,000.

July 9 update:
of Gifts **Total**
138 \$ 43,245.20

We have reached 86% of our goal!

Thank You for your continued support and generosity!!

ON-LINE GIVING

We would like to remind you that we currently offer Online Giving. We want to provide you the convenience of being able to give the way you want, whenever you want. Online Giving offers you the opportunity to make secure, automatic contributions from your bank account to our church. Online Giving costs you nothing and provides many advantages to you and the church:

Benefits for You:

- No check writing or ATM stops
- Safe, secure, and confidential transactions
- Use a checking/savings account or credit/debit card
- Schedule recurring or one-time donations
- Change a gift or account anytime you like
- View your giving history anytime

Benefits for the Church:

- Reduces check processing fees
- Creates peace in knowing your data and auto-deposited gifts are secure
- Provides giving history for tax statements
- Reaches a wider demographic of givers

We ask that you consider using this service—especially if you currently manage your bills or banking online. To register for Online Giving, please visit the church website at mtcarmel.ws and click on the link for on-line giving or call Lisa at 508-753-5001.

**MIRACULOUS
MEDAL NOVENA**



Our annual Miraculous Medal Novena will begin on Tuesday, September 1st and continue every Tuesday through October 27th. Please mark your calendars!

Have an awesome day, and know that someone has thought about you.

Sixth in a series of 10:

Simple prayers you can say anytime, anywhere.

6. “When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.”

This verse (Psalm 56:3 NIV) will help you remain calm and trustful when tempted by worry and fear.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 18, 2020—4:00 p.m.
Carusone Giuseppina by sister Nicolina Salerno

Sunday, July 19, 2020—8:00 a.m.
Adolfo Ortiz, Jr. by Ortiz Family

Sunday, July 19, 2020—10:30 a.m.
Guiliana Taffuri, Giovanna Stellato and Emilio Taffuri by Daughter and Sister
Isabella Chionchio (Month's Mind) by Family

Monday, July 20, 2020—7:00 a.m.
Parishioners Intentions

Tuesday, July 21, 2020—7:00 a.m.
Rosemarie Stapinski-Beinor by Paul Stapinski

Wednesday, July 22, 2020—7:00 a.m.
William Stapinski by Paul Stapinski

Thursday, July 23, 2020—7:00 a.m.
The Sick of the Parish

Saturday, July 25, 2020—4:00 p.m.
Rocco (15th Anniversary) and **Mary** (12 1/2 Anniversary) **Fortunato** by Paul and Elaine (Fortunato) David

Philomena and Augustine Sbrogna and all Sbrogna Family Members by Gus Sbrogna
Ann Hayden (15th Anniversary) by Judy Hayden

Sunday July 26, 2020—8:00 a.m.
In Thanksgiving for Favors Received by a grateful parishioner

Sunday, July 26, 2020—10:30 a.m.
Pepino, Pauline & Thomas Pellegrino and Nicholas Verdolino by Fran and Santino
Marco Salerno, Vincenza Cafaro and Doriano Cafaro by son and wife
Joseph Riggieri Sr. (34th Anniversary) and **Kathryn Riggieri** (30th Anniversary) by daughter Dolores
Maria A. Dimolfetta by Family

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



Please pray for the sick of our parish: Francis Cafone, Susan Stomski, Donna Grasseschi, Lori Blackwell, Carmella Szklarz, Matteo Fiore, Patrick Loconto, Frank "Butch" Rano, Vincent Pusateri, Sylvia Pusateri, Thelma Ortiz, Cynthia Pedone, Roland Dionne, Louis Naple, Sue Cozzolino, Anthony DeAngelis, Anthony & Paul Locantore, , Ann Servidio, Eleanor Gallo, Maria Dziczek, Joseph Vancelette, Vinny Tiscione, Madelyn Martin, Anthony Paldino, Ann Marie Verdolino, Emma Taubert, Charlene Swalec, Irene Bastardo, Lorrie Tufano, Riccardo & Silvia Cazzaniga, Marty DeMango and Maxwell Mitchell. May the Lord give them strength, courage and healing.

QUESTIONS ABOUT HOMESCHOOLING?

Given the closure of some of our Catholic schools, and the uncertainty of what public schools may look like come September, you may be considering homeschooling for the first time. When I first considered homeschooling, I was blessed with others explaining to me all the different options available. Perhaps you don't know anyone who homeschools. Feel free to call me, Alessandra, at 508-754-4588, to ask questions; I'd be happy to speak with you. It's certainly doable, and no, you don't have to come from a teaching background. Just a willing heart and love of your unique child!

During a children's sermon, the pastor asked the children what "Amen" means. A little boy raised his hand and said "It means, "Tha-tha-that's all, folks!""

Children write to God



Dear God,
 Did you mean for the giraffe to look like that...or was it an accident?

Dear God,
 If you watch me in church next Sunday, I'll show you my new shoes.

Dear God,
 I didn't think orange went with purple until I saw the sunset.

Have an awesome day, and know that someone has thought about you.

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.



Sunday, Jul 19, 2020

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

With friends like this . . . we're blessed!

We tend to find what we're looking for. First Bishop of Boston John Cheverus, who died this day in 1836, always sought—and brought—friendship. Forced to flee France after his ordination because of the French Revolution, he arrived in the United States to become the trusted pastor of native peoples in Maine. Named Bishop of Boston, he drew resistance from Protestant leaders there, who later wept and protested when Cheverus was called back to France. His priests followed him, laypeople trusted him, poor families relied on him. However you lead, do it with love and friendship.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43 (106).* "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed . . . until the whole batch was leavened."

Monday, Jul 20, 2020

MEMORIAL OF APOLLINARIS, BISHOP, MARTYR

Stay the course

According to tradition, the Syrian Saint Apollinaris was made a bishop of Ravenna, Italy by Saint Peter himself. The miracles and preaching of Apollinaris won over many converts, and the Romans in charge tortured and drove him from his city multiple times, but nothing could stop him from returning to his flock, until he eventually died from his beatings. If you need help persevering in the face of great challenges, look to this early Christian leader and pray for a dose of the strength he found in staying unwaveringly true to his faith and his church.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Micah 6:1-4, 6-8; Matthew 12:38-42 (395).* "There is something greater than Solomon here."

Tuesday, Jul 21, 2020

MEMORIAL OF LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI, PRIEST, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Operate out of love

Lawrence of Brindisi, an Italian priest, surrendered everything he had to God's will. His offering consisted not only of the poverty, chastity, and obedience required of his Capuchin religious order, but also his compassion and considerable intellect. Lawrence's fluency in Latin, Hebrew, Greek, German, Bohemian, Spanish, and French meant he was tasked to translate the Bible as well as negotiate peace with other countries. None of these lofty pursuits kept him from showing love to everyone he met. May we all practice what he preached: "God is love and all his operations proceed from love."

TODAY'S READINGS: *Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Matthew 12:46-50 (396).* "Whoever does the will of my heavenly Father is my brother, and sister, and mother."

Wednesday, Jul 22, 2020

FEAST OF MARY MAGDALENE, APOSTLE OF THE APOSTLES

Be the bearer of Good News

Contrary to the mistaken legend that arose later, Mary Magdalene was not a prostitute. She was a friend and follower of Jesus who accompanied him during his ministry and remained with him through the agony of his death. Compelled by unbearable grief, she is the first person in all four gospels to witness the empty tomb. In 2016, Pope Francis issued a decree that elevated this day from a memorial to a feast day as he called Mary Magdalene the Apostle to the Apostles. What good news of Jesus can you bring to others today?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Song of Songs 3:1-4b or 2 Corinthians 5:14-17; John 20:1-2, 11-18 (603).* "Jesus then said . . . 'Go to my brothers and tell them . . .'"

Thursday, Jul 23, 2020

Your turn to keep the faith going

In today's gospel Jesus notes that the crowd hears him but doesn't understand. Misunderstanding the message of Jesus was a problem from the beginning, which is why we all can use help in understanding matters of faith, help that is available from the Christian community. Catholics do not isolate scripture alone as the sole basis of faith but also emphasize tradition as essential to our understanding; tradition handed on through the church. You are part of the living Body of Christ that carries on the tradition. Today recall that you help express and form the tradition through your actions—make them good ones!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Matthew 13:10-17 (398).* "The disciples approached Jesus and said, 'Why do you speak to the crowd in parables?'"

Friday, Jul 24, 2020

MEMORIAL OF SHARBEL MAKHLÛF, PRIEST

Healing measures

Legend says healing might be gained by traveling to Lebanon and praying at the tomb of Sharbel Makhlûf (1828-98), a Maronite monk known for his virtue and holiness. Closer to home, there's a mosaic shrine to Saint Sharbel located in New York City's St. Patrick Cathedral. Throughout the world, there are more than 3 million Maronite Christians, an Eastern Catholic Church established in the fifth century and in full communion with Rome. In a world with so much illness, today is a good day to ask Saint Sharbel to lend a healing hand. And we should all do the same.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Jeremiah 3:14-17; Matthew 13:18-23 (399).* "The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it."

Saturday, Jul 25, 2020

FEAST OF JAMES, APOSTLE

Let the storm subside

The apostle James, along with his brother John, members of Jesus' inner circle, were nicknamed the "sons of thunder" perhaps because of their fiery personalities. At one point in the gospels they asked Jesus if they should call "fire down from heaven" on a village that does not welcome them. Fortunately for the villagers (and for us) Jesus had a different idea of how power should be used—not for vengeance but for healing. Pray that those who wield great power in our own nation and world might take their cue on this point from Jesus rather than James.

TODAY'S READINGS: *2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28 (605).* "Whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant."