



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

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## 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 2:45-3:30  
Or by appointment—please call 508-304-9988 to schedule.

## 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.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office at 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.

## MINISTERIAL STAFF

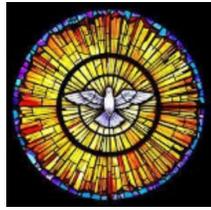
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As a reminder Our Lady of Mount Carmel and Our Lady of Loreto Parish follows the guidelines of the national Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People approved by the US Bishops and the policies of the Diocese of Worcester in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing.

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a Church employee or volunteer in the past, please contact The Office for Healing and Prevention at 508-929-4363 (direct line & confidential voicemail). You may also contact Monsignor Pedone, or Deacon Montiverdi at 508-753-5001. If you are concerned about a current case of abuse, please contact the local civil authorities immediately.

All church staff and volunteers must complete a CORI form and complete a Safe Environment Training session. For more information please contact our Safe Environment Coordinator Pat Solitro at 508-753-5001.

**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

**A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE**



Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.  
We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.  
We pray for the world  
that in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity  
to our brothers and sisters in need.  
May we walk in your ways  
so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of Ukraine  
and for all the world.  
Amen.

**The Easter Season continues.....**

We have just celebrated Easter, the greatest feast in the Christian calendar, for “if Christ is not risen, our faith is in vain.” The Resurrection of Christ culminates in His Ascension into Heaven and the descent of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, which inaugurates the mission of the Church to spread the Good News of salvation to all the world!

The Easter Season ends on Pentecost Sunday.

**TRIDUUM IN HONOR OF SAINT PADRE PIO –  
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, JUNE 14,  
15, AND 16<sup>TH</sup>, BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM**

Please join us for this time of prayer, reflection, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and recitation of the Rosary.

**FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK**

Dear Friends,

As I was preparing this message to you, I learned about the horrible murders of 19 children and 2 adults in Uvalde, Texas, and the murders of 23 people in Buffalo two weekends ago, who were simply doing their grocery shopping. Evil continues to rear its ugly head and enters the minds and hearts of people motivating them to commit grotesque acts of unspeakable viciousness. Evil is able to do this because so many have moved away from God, and in doing so, have greatly weakened their faith and are allowing evil to flourish. The devil is having a field day!

I’m reminded of the time during the Presidency of Bill Clinton when he and Hillary invited Saint Mother Teresa to the White House to speak. She told the then President and First Lady and assembled guests that as long as America permits legalized abortion of innocent babies, the United States will never know peace. We are now “reaping the whirlwind.”

Saint Mother Teresa was indeed a prophet and she tried to warn us, but we didn’t listen. We are now and will continue to pay the price for this legalized murder of our children.

Saint Mother Teresa soon after that went on to speak at Harvard University during one of their graduations and said that any nation that murders its young is spiritually and morally bankrupt. She received a standing ovation. Sadly, I doubt if she would receive one today.

The blood of the 63 MILLION babies who were legally aborted since Roe v. Wade became the law of our nation cries out to God for vengeance! How much more time will God give us to change our ways? When are we going to wake up? I have great fear for our country and for what it is quickly becoming. Our actions and that of so many have unleashed and are now aiding and abetting an evil that continues to grip our country, and I fear will only get worse.

There has been too much killing, especially of the innocent. Our Catholic faith calls us to pray for those who have died and to bind the wounds of others, and we join our prayers with the people of Uvalde, Texas, and Buffalo, New York. As we do so, each of us also needs to search our souls for ways where we can do more to turn back this epidemic of evil and violence and implore our elected officials to help us take action.

Monsignor Pedone

**MEMORIAL DAY - MONDAY, MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>**

**Parish offices will be closed. No  
7:00 AM Mass. Have a happy  
and safe holiday!**

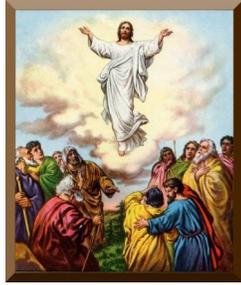


**NEW CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Confessions will be heard on Saturdays from 2:45 to 3:30 PM or by appointment.

**The Ascension of the Lord...**

This past Thursday, we celebrated Jesus' departure in his physical presence, the solemnity of the Ascension. This marks the end of Jesus' priceless, first stage of God's saving plan in Jesus, the final chapter in Jesus' physical presence in the history of salvation and the beginning of the second stage, which involves you and me.



“Jesus said to his disciples: Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature.” (Mark 16:15)

How do we do that? Besides formally teaching about Jesus, we can “preach” by the example of our lives. That is what people notice first about us. We preach the gospel when we tend to those who are suffering. We preach the gospel when we support the social outreach efforts of our parish. We preach the gospel when we comfort one another. Lets use the many gifts that God has given us to “preach the gospel”.

**Prayer to Mary, Our Mother**

Mary, our Mother, I come to you with my needs and beg you to help me.  
I honor you as my Mother and helper and trust in your love for me.  
Lead me on the path of virtue, and preserve me from every evil.  
Let me enjoy your protection and walk in your love and peace.  
Guide me closer to Jesus, who gave you to me to be my Mother.



**May is the Month of Our Blessed Mother and The Rosary**



**SAVE THE DATE**

The Italian Festival will be held August 11-14, 2022. Volunteers are needed. If interested please contact Elaine Beaudry at ebeaudry19@gmail.com or 508-769-1473.

**Memorial Day Prayer**

God of power and mercy,  
You destroy war and put down earthly pride.

Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears,  
that we may deserve to be called your sons and daughters.

Keep in your mercy those men and women who have died in the cause of freedom and bring them safely into your kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers*



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We are looking for 12 volunteers to help put together a few tents. We will be meeting at **8:30 AM on June 11th** by the trailers in the church parking lot. If you can assist, please contact Matt Colletta at 508.612.4654. Thanks in advance.

**ITALIAN FESTIVAL MEETING**

There will be an Italian Festival Meeting on Monday, June 6 at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center. All are welcome to join.

**PLACEMATS**

Again this year we will have placemats at the Italian Festival. If you would like to sponsor the event by purchasing an ad, please complete the enclosed form. We will be selling 3 line ads for \$100. This includes the company name, address and phone number, or you can purchase a personal ad indicating Good Luck, or In Memory of someone. The one line ads will be \$35.



**Prayer When Visiting a Cemetery**

Eternal God,  
Have mercy on all who are buried here, and

In particular, for those who have died during the pandemic, without the comfort

of their loved ones beside them.

Bring them into your kingdom of light and peace  
And let them share joy with you

And with all your saints.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

*Blessings and Prayers for Home and Family*

**WRIGHTS CHICKEN FARM**

On **June 10** we will be taking a trip to Wrights Chicken Farm. All Confirmation students are invited as our guests. But you must rsvp so that we have a count. Sponsors, parents, siblings, etc., are also invited at the cost of \$30.00 each. That includes the cost of Wrights Chicken Farm and the bus. Altar Servers are also invited as our guests.

Financial Stewardship  
For the week ending May 22, 2022

Income

Offertory:		
Week-End	\$3,418.00	
On-Line Giving	1,115.75	
Mail	1,050.00	
Maintenance	190.00	
Catholic Communications	100.00	
Ascension	35.00	
Easter	25.00	
Fuel	25.00	
Palm Sunday	5.00	
Good Friday	5.00	
Total Offertory		\$5,968.75
CYC Car Wash		577.00
Funeral Stipends		300.00
Candles		199.00
Mass Stipends		95.00
Rental Income		40.00
Total		<u>\$7,179.75</u>
Expenses:		
Diocesan Invoices (May)	\$3,548.00	
Salaries and Wages	120.00	
Employee Benefits	78.00	
Total		<u>\$3,746.00</u>
Average Weekly Amount Needed for Parish Operations		\$8,400.00
Total Amount Deposited	\$7,179.75	
Less: Diocesan Collections & Restricted Funds	(677.00)	<u>6,025.75</u>
Cash Shortfall		<u>\$1,897.25</u>

**Don't let your worries get the best of you.  
Remember, Moses started out as a basket case.**

**BEACH TRIPS**

**July 5 - Hampton Beach  
July 19 - Newport beach  
July 26 - Gloucester Beach**



We were able to add one more beach trip to our schedule this year, but beach trips have to remain on Tuesdays, because the parish now has a Volleyball team and we will be playing on Monday evenings.

Adults - \$25.00, kids \$15.00 with a cap of \$45.00 for families up to four people.

To sign up please send an email to Joan at joan\_dargenis@yahoo.com or call the office at 508-753-5001

**PARTNERS IN CHARITY  
APPEAL—2022**



**Our goal this year was \$50,000.**

**To date we have collected  
\$53,606 with 138 gifts.**

**WE HAVE MET OUR GOAL!!!!**

**Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity.**

**If you would still like to make a donation, envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church and in the parish main office.**

**PASTA SUPPER**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2022—After the  
4:00 PM Mass**



The Parish Knights of Columbus invite you to a Pasta Supper on Saturday, **June 4, 2022** in the Parish Hall.

\$10 per person

We look forward to welcoming you to the first parish get together in more than 2 years!!

Please come eat, drink and laugh with the parish family.

All proceeds will benefit the works of the Council.

TAKE-OUT AVAILABLE

**VACATION BIBLE & SUMMER PROGRAM**

Please sign-up in Advance

Ages 4 – 10

**July 12** – Trip to Gillette Park in Ct.  
**July 13 – July 15** (8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)  
**July 20 – 22** (8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

Sign-up sheet below

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please select week or weeks your child will be attending:  
Cost - \$25.00 per child



# MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 28, 2022—4:00 p.m.

**Lucy DiLeo** (Birthday Remembrance) by Family  
**Michael Conca Jr.** by Andrea and Matthew DiLeo  
**Fritz Patrick Vasquez** (Thanksgiving) by the Ortiz Family  
**John “Jack” Ruggieri and Deborah Lazzaro** by Family  
**Bernadette Quinn** by Howard and Anne Shattuck

Sunday, May 29, 2022—8:00 a.m.

**Michael DelloStritto** by wife Josie and Children

Sunday, May 29, 2022—10:30 a.m.

**Dean Cariglia** (First Anniversary) by Family  
**John Turo** (24th Anniversary) by sister Janice  
**Mildred Stapor** (7th Anniversary) by Children

Monday, May 30, 2022—7:00 a.m.

**NO MASS**

Tuesday, May 31, 2022—7:00 a.m.

**William Visniauskas** (For the health of) by Aldona Kibelkstis

Wednesday, June 1, 2022—7:00 a.m.

**Sherri Galligan** (Month’s Mind) by grandmother Stella Mastro  
**In Gratitude** by Catherine

Thursday, June 2, 2022—7:00 a.m.

**The Sick of the Parish**

Saturday, June 4, 2022—4:00 p.m.

**Deceased of the Valarioti Family**

Sunday, June 5, 2022—8:00 a.m.

**Joseph Desto Jr.** (Birthday Remembrance) by Family  
**Lucille Shepard** (Birthday Remembrance) by Family

Sunday, June 5, 2022—10:30 a.m.

**Robert “Bob” Sabatalo** (Month’s Mind) by Family

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 Mary S. Morello and Joan Donoghue. God grant them peace forever and bring comfort to their family and friends.*



**Please pray for the sick of our parish:** Francis Caffone, Donna Grasseschi, Lori Blackwell, Matteo Fiore, Patrick Loconto, Frank “Butch” Rano, Sylvia Pusateri, Thelma Ortiz, Cynthia Pedone, Roland Dionne, Sue Cozzolino, Anthony DeAngelis, Anthony & Paul Locantore, Ann Servidio, Eleanor Gallo, Joseph Vancelette, Vinny Tiscione, Madelyn Martin, Anthony Paldino, Ann Marie Verdolino, Emma Taubert, Charlene Swalec, Irene Bastardo, Lorrie Tufano, Riccardo & Silvia Cazzaniga, Maxwell Mitchell, Lynn Wagner, Carol Youngstrom, Rudy Aromando, Richard and Rita Sharameta, Mary Antonucci, Cindy Worthington, Beverly DeMarco, Lucille Carrier, Richard Rolla, George Burton, Charlotte O’Mara, Renate Perry, Angela Vizzo, Chet DiLeo, Jacob Rivera, Stephanie Berthiaume Cowie, Fulvia D’Amico, Dolores Ventresca, Dermot Kelly, Theresa Wagner and Margaret Setaro. May the Lord give them strength, courage and healing.

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

**Vera Sbrogna**  
By husband Gus

**Mildred Stapor**  
(7th Anniversary)  
By Children

**Robert Piltzecker**  
By Wife



*Pray...Pray...Pray...*

Upcoming Events

- | Faith Formation (every Monday)
- | Golden Years (every Tuesday)
- | Knights of Columbus Meeting—7 pm (every 3rd Wednesday)
- | “At the Foot of the Cross” - 6:30 pm (last Thursday of the month)
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- | June 4—Pasta Supper after 4:00 Mass
- | June 10—Wright’s Chicken Farm—Confirmation class
- | June 13—15—Triduum to St. Padre Pio
- | June 19—Father’s Day
- | July 16—Feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
- | August 11-14—Italian Festival
- | Sept. 6-Nov. 1—Miraculous Medal Novena
- | Oct. 6-9—Women’s Cursillo
- | Nov. 10-13—Men’s Cursillo



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

**Sunday, May 29, 2022**

**Hear me out**

Pope Francis chose one word for the theme of this year's World Communications Day: "Listen!" Since the pandemic has spared no one, we each carry wounds that need to be acknowledged and healed. Dialogue isn't all about talking, the pope notes. At least half the time we should be listening, a task requiring humility in order to receive the truth of another person's experience. At the same time, the quest for truth involves the discernment of reliable information. We begin with the courage to listen, free of prejudice or agenda. Only then can we find our way together to the light.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 7:55-60; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; John 17:20-26 (61). "That they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you."*

**Monday, May 30, 2022**

**Give thanks for reverse mission**

Membership in the Catholic Church in the Western world is declining. It's painful for those who remain to see fewer and fewer people in the pews—or worse, to experience the closing of their parishes. It can seem like the church is on the ropes. But stop to think: There are an estimated 1.2 billion Roman Catholics in the world—more than 40 percent of them in Latin America, and the largest growth is in Africa and Asia. Many U.S. Catholic parishes now have priests from those regions. Consider how the Holy Spirit might be at work, with those the West once missioned to now missioning to us.

EASTER WEEKDAY

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33 (297). "In the world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world."*

**Tuesday, May 31, 2022**

**Moved by the Spirit**

The scene of Elizabeth greeting Mary, both carrying miraculous pregnancies, is blessedly familiar to Catholic ears. Our "Hail Mary" prayer comes from this encounter. And we hear that even in utero John the Baptist recognizes Jesus and leaps for joy. But Saint Ambrose makes an observation about this visit that's easy to miss: "Mary sets out for the hill country . . . She goes eager in purpose, dutiful in conscience, hastening for joy. Filled with God, where would she hasten but to the heights? The Holy Spirit does not proceed by slow, laborious efforts."

When has the Holy Spirit prompted you to act in joyful haste?

FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

TODAY'S READINGS: *Zephaniah 3:14-18a or Romans 12:9-16; Luke 1:39-56 (572). "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."*

**Wednesday, Jun 01, 2022**

**Give thanks to those who gave it all**

Today we celebrate the feast of Saint Justin, a figure known for his philosophical prowess, as well as his astute defense of the Christian faith during the second century. His writings are some of the earliest among the church fathers, making his comments on subjects like the sacraments a vital source of information about what the early church believed. He stood out as one arguing for the proto-Christian nature of Greek philosophers such as Socrates and Plato and sought to use their ideas to explain and spread the faith among his non-Christian contemporaries. These included hostile Roman emperors, and Justin was eventually martyred alongside several of his students. Give thanks for the early witnesses who contributed so dearly to the deposit of faith we have inherited.

MEMORIAL OF JUSTIN, MARTYR

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11b-19 (299). "I gave them your word, and the world hated them, because they do not belong to the world."*

**Thursday, Jun 02, 2022**

**May we all get to rest in peace**

Little is known historically about early Christians Marcellinus and Peter, martyred in 304. It is said they were killed at an out-of-the-way location by hostile Roman authorities so that other Christians would not have a chance to bury and venerate their bodies. Even so, it is said they peacefully and without protest cleared the spot chosen for their death, an overgrown thicket three miles from Rome. The fact they could die with peaceful hearts indicates the strength of their faith and trust. Pray that we too can find that peace when we come to our own time and place of final repose.

MEMORIAL OF MARCELLINUS AND PETER, MARTYRS

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; John 17:20-26 (300). "[May] the love with which you loved me . . . be in them and I in them."*

**Friday, Jun 03, 2022**

**The Spirit is on the move**

The astounding growth of the Catholic Church in Africa has not come easily. Many a martyr died along the way, including Charles Lwanga and his companions of Uganda, martyred in 1895. From modest beginnings, there are now well over 13 million Catholics in Uganda—40 percent of the population—and continent-wide, Catholic Church membership rose from 2 million in 1900 to 140 million in 2000. In 2009, when Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI visited Africa, the total had grown to an estimated 158 million. By 2025, one-sixth (230 million) of the world's Catholics are expected to be Africans. Give thanks for the flourishing of the Spirit worldwide.

MEMORIAL OF CHARLES LWANGA AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 25:13b-21; John 21:15-19 (301). "He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God."*

**Saturday, Jun 04, 2022**

**May the harvest be plentiful**

Today is the Jewish festival of Shavuot, the Feast of Weeks. It is the Biblical celebration of the wheat harvest (Exodus 34:22) and, in the Orthodox Jewish tradition, the giving of the Torah to Moses on Mount Sinai. It's called "weeks" because it commemorates the counting of seven weeks from the barley harvest to the wheat harvest, or from the Passover to today. It has a parallel in our Christian tradition of counting from Easter to Pentecost, a word that means "fiftieth," celebrated tomorrow. One of the modern customs celebrated on Shavuot is presenting to the community babies born during the year. Let's pray for all the babies we know who have made it to birth this year.

EASTER WEEKDAY; SHAVUOT

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; John 21:20-25 (302). "There are also many other things that Jesus did."*