



# 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](http://www.mtcarmel.ws).

## MINISTERIAL STAFF

**Rev. Msgr. F. Stephen Pedone**, Pastor  
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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

**Please cut out and pray daily.**

**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.

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

**Vacation Prayer**



Lord, in our work and play we know your goodness and love.

Bless us with joy as we set out for our days of vacation.  
Let them bring us rest and refreshment.

Protect us as we travel.

Give us gentle weather and peaceful times.

Be with us at the meals we enjoy and in the activities we share.

In all we do, let us grow in our love for you and for each other.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Fr. Michael Kwatera*

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

Dear Friends,

As you are most likely aware, this has been a momentous week regarding an important decision issued by the Supreme Court in the decision *Dobbs v. Jackson*, overturning *Roe v. Wade* that claimed there was a constitutional right to abortion. I thought the statement made by Cardinal O'Malley was great. He wrote: "For all of us who have spoken, written, worked, marched, and prayed to reverse *Roe v. Wade*, today's Supreme Court's decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson* is deeply significant and encouraging. This decision will create the possibility of protecting human life from conception; it calls us to recognize the unique burden faced by women in pregnancy; and it challenges us as a nation to work together to build up more communities of support — and available access to them — for all women experiencing unplanned pregnancies.

"During the past half-century, as the abortion debate continued, the Catholic Church has often been accused of imposing a religious belief on our pluralistic society. It is indeed the case that, when addressing the Catholic community, the Church has used both religious and moral arguments to oppose abortion. But when engaging the wider American civil society, elected officials, and our legal system, the Church has defended human life from its inception as a matter of human rights. Our continued efforts in advocating our position on the protection of unborn children is consistent with our advocacy for issues affecting the dignity of all persons at all stages and in all circumstances of life. The Church employs this principle of consistency in addressing issues of race, poverty, and human rights generally. It is a position that presents a moral argument as a foundation for law and policy to protect human life."

Unfortunately and sadly, this decision caused a violent reaction that led to clashes with protesters on opposing sides and defacing and firebombing of pregnancy crisis centers and even churches and houses of worship, some actions targeting Catholic churches. It's hard to believe that attempting to protect life, particularly that of an unborn child, the most fragile and innocent of all life, has become so violent and divisive. We need to pray that God will help heal the divisions that are becoming much more pronounced in our country, especially as we prepare to celebrate the 246<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our country's birth.

Holiday blessings!  
Monsignor Pedone

**FOURTH OF JULY**

Parish offices will be closed. No 7:00 AM Mass. We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday as we celebrate our country's birth.

**TEMPORARY PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday-Thursday from 9am—2 pm  
Fridays from 9 am—12 noon.**

## FOURTH OF JULY



*Life, Liberty,  
and the pursuit of  
Happiness*

Dear Lord,

On this Independence Day I am reminded of all those  
who have sacrificed for my freedom,  
following the example of your Son, Jesus Christ.  
Let me not take my freedom, both physical and  
spiritual, for granted.

May I always remember that my freedom  
was purchased with a very high price.

My freedom cost others their lives.

Help me to live my life in a way that glorifies you,  
Lord.

Grant me the opportunity to lead others into the  
freedom that can be found in knowing Christ.

Amen.

**GOD Bless AMERICA**

**July 6, 2022:**

**Feast Day of St. Maria Teresa  
Goretti**



**Maria Teresa Goretti** (October 16, 1890 – July 6, 1902) is an Italian [virgin-martyr](#) of the [Catholic Church](#), and one of the youngest [saints](#) to be [canonized](#).<sup>[1]</sup> She was born to a farming family. Her father died when she was nine, and they had to share a house with another family, the Serenellis. Maria took over household duties while her mother, brothers, and sister worked in the fields.

One afternoon, [Alessandro](#), the Serenellis' twenty-year-old son, made sexual advances to her. When she refused to submit to him, he stabbed her fourteen times. She was taken to the hospital but she died forgiving him. He was arrested, convicted, and jailed. During imprisonment, he repented. After 27 years he was released from prison and visited her mother to beg forgiveness, which she granted. He later became a [lay brother](#) in a monastery, dying in 1970. She was [beatified](#) in 1947, and canonized in 1950. She is especially venerated in the Congregation of the Passion ([Passionists](#)).

## PARISH RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

Did the Supreme Court outlaw abortion? No. It said that abortion is not a right guaranteed by our Constitution. So now the focus turns to the states that will decide, individually, if abortion is to be legal in their state based on the will of the electorate. But the right to life is guaranteed by our Constitution and by God. Why is this even debatable? Abortion is evil! It is the intentional killing of a baby. Scientists and biologists both agree that life begins at conception. Now we must convince the Supreme Court of this fact. Then we will end legal abortion once and for all. Call your senators and congressmen/women. Support pro-life organizations. Stand up for the truth and pray. We must end this culture of death. If you need contact information for your legislators, e-mail Joe, [jogopapa7@gmail.com](mailto:jogopapa7@gmail.com) or Barbara, [bgo42aub@gmail.com](mailto:bgo42aub@gmail.com) or call 508-407-8310.

**July 3, 2022: St. Thomas, Apostle**

Thomas the Apostle, also called Didymus, was one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus according to the New Testament. Thomas is commonly known as "Doubting Thomas" because he doubted Jesus' resurrection when first told of it; later, he confessed his faith, "My Lord and my God," on seeing Jesus' crucifixion wounds.

**Holy Hour to Pray for Priests**

Friday, July 8 from 7-8 pm at Immaculate Conception Church, 353 Grove St., Worcester. The holy hour consists of time for silent adoration, a short reflection, the rosary, and benediction. All are invited. This repeats every second Friday of the month.

**EIGHT THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN GOING THROUGH TOUGH TIMES**

1. Everything can – and will – change.
2. You've overcome challenges before.
3. It is a learning experience.
4. Not getting what you want can be a blessing.
5. Allow yourself to have some fun.
6. Being kind to yourself is the best medicine.
7. Other people's negativity isn't worth worrying about.
8. And there's always, always, always something to be thankful about.

"The poorest person on the world is not the one without money. It's the one without God."



**Financial Stewardship**  
For the week ending June 26, 2022

Income

Offertory:		
Week-End	\$2,587.00	
Mail	1,125.00	
EFT	472.05	
Peter's Pence	286.00	
Maintenance	50.00	
Catholic Communications	21.00	
Total Offertory		\$4,451.05
Rental Income		60.00
Donations		50.00
Candles		47.00
Mass Stipends		40.00
Total		<u>\$4,738.05</u>
Expenses:		
Salaries and Wages	\$5,797.00	
Diocesan Invoices (June)	3,597.00	
Parish Center Flooring Deposit	2,200.00	
Copier Lease	472.90	
Diaconate Semi-Annual Assessment	375.00	
Offertory Envelopes	244.07	
Employee Benefits	234.84	
Postage	234.00	
Supplies	101.64	
Total		<u>\$13,256.45</u>
Average Weekly Amount Needed for Parish Operations		\$8,400.00
Total Amount Deposited	\$4,738.05	
Less: Diocesan Collections & Restricted Funds	(307.00)	4,431.05
Cash Shortfall		<u>\$3,968.95</u>

**VACATION BIBLE & SUMMER PROGRAM**

Please sign-up in Advance

Ages 4 – 10

**July 12 – July 14** (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



**SAVE THE DATE**

The Italian Festival will be held  
August 11-14, 2022.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Volunteers are needed. If interested please contact Elaine Beaudry at ebeaudry19@gmail.com or 508-769-1473.

**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 form which can be found in the vestibule of the church or in the Parish Office. 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.

Completed forms, with your checks, can be placed in the collection basket or returned to the Parish Office. Thank you for your support.

**DONATIONS NEEDED**

We are looking for donations of the following for our summer program:



Balls – kicks balls, volleyballs, playground balls, Water Balloons, Jumbo Craft Sticks, Extra Jumbo Craft Sticks, Crayola Model Magic, Yarn, Acrylic Paint Set, Black Plastic Eyes, Material (fabric scraps), Orange Feather Boa, Jumbo Pipe Cleaners, Construction Paper, Glue sticks, Elmer's glue, Markers, and Colored pencils.

All donations are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the Parish Center. Thank you.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL AMPLIFY NIGHT**

**\*Open to 6th-8th graders (as of August 2022)**  
**Sunday, July 24th, 5-7:30pm**  
**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel & Our Lady of Loreto**

Join us for dinner, lawn games, praise & worship music, Eucharistic Adoration, and confessions! Deadline to sign up is July 19th. Call the office or email Joan at joan\_dargenis@yahoo.com

# MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 2, 2022—4:00 p.m.

**Tom Buffone** by Mom, Dad and Family  
**Elizabeth, James & Seamus Shannon and  
 Brendan Shanley** by the Shanley Family

Sunday, July 3, 2022—8:00 a.m.

**Lena Meringolo** by Children  
**Francis J. Flynn and Arthur Lizotte Jr.** by David  
 and Karen Gouin

Sunday, July 3, 2022—10:30 a.m.

**Daniel Groccia** (7th Anniversary) by Family  
**Giovanni Picirillo and Pasqualina Picirillo** by  
 Carmine and Esther  
**John Gabriel** (22nd Anniversary) by niece Barbara

Monday, July 4, 2022—7:00 a.m.

**NO MASS**

Tuesday, July 5, 2022—7:00 a.m.

**Souls in Purgatory**

Wednesday, July 6, 2022—7:00 a.m.

**Parishioners Intentions**

Thursday, July 7, 2022—7:00 a.m.

**Sick of the Parish**

Saturday, July 9, 2022—4:00 p.m.

**Rita Favulli** by sister Anna Fenuccio  
**Antonia Decristoforo** by Daughters

Sunday, July 10, 2022—8:00 a.m.

**Peter Griffin** by Family  
**Sylvia Ogbonna** by Family  
**Linda E. Sacco** by husband, Pat Sacco & Family

Sunday, July 10, 2022—10:30 a.m.

**Leonard and Elizabeth Cariglia** by Family  
**Paul Brunelle** ( First Anniversary) by Family



**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, 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.

## Ministry Assignments for July 9-10

**July 9 @ 4:00 pm**

**Lectors – Sue Cozzolino**

**Ministers – Nancy Gurgone, Fran Sena & Joe Godek**

**July 10 @ 8 am**

**Lector - Fran Penny**

**Ministers - Joe Sama**

**July 10 @ 10:30 am**

**Lector - Maria Sciannameo**

**Ministers - Debbie & Gerry Woods, & Chizoma Nosike**

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

## FOOD DONATIONS

Through your generosity, we are able to help families in our local area. Please drop off food items in the church vestibule or at the parish center. Your donations to the Friendly House Food Pantry makes a big difference to someone who is hungry.



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

**John Gabriel**  
 By niece Barbara

**Antonia Decristoforo**  
 By Daughters



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

**"Every morning, on rising, we reaffirm before  
 God, our decision to be faithful, come what may in  
 the course of the day."**

**Pope Francis  
 Amoris Laetitia**

**Cursillo is back!!!**

Cursillo weekends are a wonderful, fun way to give you a start on this journey.

**2022:** Women's: October 6-9  
Men's: November 10-13

For more information contact **Elizabeth Santley @ 508-304-8871**, or at **[esantley@yahoo.com](mailto:esantley@yahoo.com)**. Applications are available in the vestibule of the church.

**If anyone who has made a Cursillo would like to be a sponsor, please contact Elizabeth Santley.**

**UPCOMING TRIPS**

*Aladdin the Musical* on **November 6** at the Hanover Theatre. Tickets: \$55. Transportation not included.

**Something for the "kids" (of all ages)****12 Disciples Word Scramble**

1. PETRE \_\_\_\_\_
2. WARND \_\_\_\_\_
3. AEJMS \_\_\_\_\_
4. HONJ \_\_\_\_\_
5. IPHPIL \_\_\_\_\_
6. ABMWOTELHOR \_\_\_\_\_
7. ATEMWTH \_\_\_\_\_
8. TOSHAM \_\_\_\_\_
9. DJS AU \_\_\_\_\_
10. JASME \_\_\_\_\_
11. MSOIN \_\_\_\_\_
12. AJSUD SCOIIRTA \_\_\_\_\_

How did you do?

**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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- July 5—Hampton Beach
- July 12-14—Parish Summer Program
- July 16—Feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
- July 19—Newport Beach
- July 20-22—Parish Summer Program
- July 24—Middle School Amplify Night (see article)
- July 26—Gloucester Beach
- August 11-14—Italian Festival
- Sept. 6-Nov. 1—Miraculous Medal Novena
- Sept. 18—"Tina the Musical"
- Oct. 6-9—Women's Cursillo
- Nov. 6—"Aladdin the Musical"
- Nov. 10-13—Men's Cursillo

**~~~~SUMMER~~~~**

Summer is finally on our doorstep. Along with summer, there is HOT weather. Along with hot weather is BEACH attire. We ask that you keep this in mind:

**DRESS APPROPRIATELY FOR MASS!**

**Beach clothes are for the beach!**

**Church clothes are for church!**

Skimpy "beach attire" creates a distraction in church and, furthermore, doesn't display reverence for the presence of Jesus. If Jesus were visiting our home we would get "dressed up". We should do the same when we visit Jesus in church. Thank you.

**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](mailto:joan_dargenis@yahoo.com) or call the office at 508-753-5001

**THE POWER OF A CANDLE BURNING BRIGHTLY**

Fire is a powerful symbol. That's why flame plays such a prominent role in our liturgies. It helps us to understand Jesus as the Light of the world. We have the opportunity to light a candle as a symbol of our love for departed family and friends and to have it burn brightly for seven days. Witnessing it connects us with our loved one. And knowing that it burns throughout the day and night comforts us. A SANCTUARY LAMP signifies the presence of Jesus in the tabernacle. We have two—one in the church and the other in the chapel. Call the Office to arrange for either of them to burn for your loved one for seven days. The donation is \$10. You may also choose to light a vigil candle in front of Our Blessed Mother's statue in the rear of the church for a goodwill offering. Experience the power and energy of a candle burning brightly.