



# 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

Holyday: 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 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

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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 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.**

**PLEASE MAINTAIN A RESPECTFUL SILENCE  
BEFORE EACH MASS. PEOPLE AROUND YOU  
ARE TRYING TO PRAY. THANK YOU!**

**July 23, 2022:**

**World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly**

Instituted by Pope Francis, a Church-wide celebration of a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, will be held on the **fourth Sunday of July**, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. His reason for this is because “grandparents are often forgotten, and we forget this wealth of preserving roots and passing on” what the elderly have received.

He emphasized the importance of grandparents and grandchildren getting to know one another, because “as the prophet Joel says, grandparents seeing their grandchildren dream,” while “young people, drawing strength from their grandparents, will go forward and prophesy.”

**BACKPACK AND SCHOOL SUPPLY  
PROGRAM FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF  
WORCESTER**

Catholic Charities of Worcester is collecting donations of backpacks and school supplies in order to provide hundreds of children and families in need in the Diocese of Worcester the necessary items for a successful school year. Please drop off donations either at the church or the parish office between July 23rd and August 9th. Thank you for your support of this worthwhile program!

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

DEAR FRIENDS,

Every word we write and speak in English is made up of the same 26 letters. A great novel and a birthday card for your child are created from those same 26 letters. The first task in learning to read and write is mastering those 26 symbols and the sounds they represent.

The number of notes on the musical scale is 12: C, D, E, F, G, A and B, plus five flats and equivalent sharps between. For centuries, composers have worked these twelve tones into humanity's soundtrack. A Beethoven symphony, a Stephen Sondheim musical, a Beatle tune — all are created from the same 12 notes.

*The amount* of numbers is infinite, but ten is where we all start. Our adventures in math started with learning the numerals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 and the quantities they represent. From there it was on to fractions and measurements, algebra and geometry. We manage to use those ten numbers (often with the help of a calculator) to balance our checkbooks, track our finances and measure whatever quantities we're working with.

The great events and moments of life begin with such “mustard seeds”: simple, common symbols that we learn to create great works for the benefit of all. In today's Gospel, Jesus calls us to embrace a faith that is centered in the hope of life's mustard seeds: to realize the presence of God in the smallest, most hidden moments; to ignite a spark of God's light in the midst of unremitting darkness and pain; to reveal God's mercy in focused, visible ways, no matter how simple or small.

Summer blessings!  
Monsignor Pedone

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**The Parish Center Office Hours are  
Monday-Thursday 8:00 am—4:00 p.m.  
Fridays 9 a.m.—12 p.m.**

**July 26, 2022 :**

On this day, we celebrate the Memorial of :

**St. Anne and St. Joachim**—the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the grandparents of Jesus. The couple's faith and perseverance brought them through the sorrow of childlessness, to the joy of conceiving and raising the immaculate and sinless woman who would give birth to Christ. It was Saints Anne and Joachim who cultivated in the young Mary a love of God, preparing her for her role in the story of divine redemption.





## ITALIAN FESTIVAL 2023

August 10, 11, 12, 13, 2023

Thursday, 5 -10 pm, Friday, 5-11 pm, Saturday,  
noon to 11 pm, and Sunday, noon to 6 pm

Less than 3 weeks away!!!

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On the last day, Bishop McManus will celebrate  
the 10:30 am Mass and then process to our  
Shrine where we will honor  
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and Our Lady of Loreto

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### Our own booths:

Fried Dough \*\*\* Sausage \*\*\* Beer & Wine  
Hot Dogs/Hamburgers \*\*\* Ice Cream  
ITALIAN COOKIES!!!

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### Participating VENDORS:

BOULEVARD DINER \*\*\* PEPE'S  
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Bubba's Eats \*\*\* Italian Food \*\*\* Cannoli's  
and more!!

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### For the Kids: Bouncy Houses & Games

Wipe Out Obstacle Course \*\*\* Face Painting  
Table Talk Pie Eating Contest \*\*\* Art Lab

New this year—CYC NIGHT—Saturday, August 12

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And don't forget the Money Raffle!!

\$ 1000 \*\*\* \$ 500 \*\*\* \$ 250

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Entertainment every night!

The Verge, She's Busy, Boombox  
Johnny Vincent, Jo Ann Warren Studios  
Joe Cariglia & New England Karate Academy

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Make your plans to come and have fun!!!

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Thank You to anyone who answered  
our call to become a sponsor or advertise  
on a placemat and to all who have volunteered!!

For more information contact :  
Elaine Beaudry at 508-769-1473 or  
ebeaudry19@gmail.com

## BEACH TRIPS

We have a few Beach trips planned  
for this year. I did put them back on  
Monday's because that seems to  
work best for most people. I did have  
to raise the price a little bit, but hope-  
fully, it is still affordable for every-  
one.



Adults - \$25.00, kids \$20.00 with a cap of \$40.00 for fami-  
lies of 2-4 people. Each additional person will cost \$5.00.

The bus will leave from the parking lot of Our Lady of Mt.  
Carmel\Our Lady of Loreto - 37 Massasoit Rd. at 8:00 a.m.  
and we will leave the beach at 3:00 p.m. To sign up please  
send an email to Joan at joan\_dargenis@yahoo.com or call  
the office at 508-753-5001

July 24 - Hampton Beach

July 31 - Newport Beach

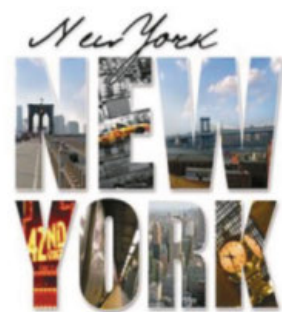
August 7—Gloucester (Good Harbor Beach)

## FUNNY GIRL IN PROVIDENCE

We are planning a trip to see Funny Girl at the Providence  
Performing Arts Center in Providence on **Sunday, Sep-  
tember 10**. Tickets are \$79 each and that includes the  
cost of the bus. If you are interested, please contact Joan  
at joan\_dargenis@yahoo.com or 508-753-5001.

## TRIP TO NEW YORK CITY

I am putting together a weekend  
trip to New York for the weekend  
of September 23 - 24. The cost  
will be \$310.00 per person for 2  
in a room \$235. per person for 3  
in a room and \$210. per person  
for four in the room. We would  
be staying at the Lexington Mar-  
riott at the corner of Lexington  
Ave and 48th street.



The price includes the bus and the room. It was really diffi-  
cult to get a bus and an affordable hotel. And they want  
deposits immediately. Before I start to give deposits that I  
could lose I want to be sure people really want to go.  
Please let me know asap if you are interested.

Joan D'Argenis  
Joan\_dargenis@yahoo.com  
508-753-5001

## ~~~~~SUMMER~~~~~

### DRESS APPROPRIATELY FOR MASS!

Beach clothes are for the beach!  
Church clothes are for church!



Financial Stewardship  
For the week ending July 16, 2023

Income

Offertory:		
Week-End	\$3,256.00	
Mail	1,074.00	
On-Line Giving	723.38	
Maintenance	228.00	
Assumption	10.00	
Total Offertory		\$5,291.38
Funeral Stipends		300.00
Mass Stipends		120.00
Candles		86.00
Sanctuary Lamp		10.00
Total		<u>\$5,807.38</u>

Disbursements

Altar Servers Outing		\$1,054.06
Rectory—Food and Household		804.47
Mass Stipends		430.00
Supplies		285.05
Salaries and Wages		120.00
Advertisement		97.80
Payroll Service Fee		78.00
Funeral Stipends		70.00
CYC—Summer Program		25.95
Total		<u>\$2,965.33</u>
Average Weekly Amount Needed for Parish Operations		\$8,400.00
Total Amount Deposited	\$5,807.38	
Less: Diocesan Collections & Restricted Funds	0.00	5,807.38
Cash Over/(Short)		<u>(\$2,592.62)</u>

Upcoming Events

- Golden Years (every Tuesday)
- Knights of Columbus Meeting—7 pm  
(every 3rd Wednesday) All men of the  
Parish are welcome to attend.
- “At the Foot of the Cross” - 6:30 pm -last Wednesday  
of the month
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- July 24, 31 & Aug. 7 — 3 Beach Trips left!! (See  
Article)
- August 10-13—ITALIAN FESTIVAL!
- Sept. 7-10—Women’s Cursillo
- Sept. 10—“Funny Girl” (See article)
- Sept. 23-24 –New York City Trip (See article)
- Oct. 7—Catholic Women’s Conference—Save the date
- Oct. 26—Celebrate Priesthood 10th Anniversary
- Dec. 7-10 –Men’s Cursillo

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

PARTNERS IN CHARITY  
APPEAL—2023

By our baptism, we are called to “be the Face of Christ”, offering hope to those in need through works of prayer, charity and education.

Our goal this year was \$50,000.

As of July 10, 2023, we have raised:

**We have surpassed our goal!**

**152 Gifts Total: \$ 52,590.**

**105 %!!**

The Diocese is closing in on its goal but as yet has not reached it.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to contribute to this important appeal, there are envelopes in the pews for your convenience.

Thank you all so much!!

Many people in our Diocese will benefit from your support and generosity!!!

**RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY**

The Massachusetts Family Institute (MFI) has just learned that Gov. Maura Healey’s administration has updated the Comprehensive Health and Physical Education Framework. This is not a curriculum but a guideline. They say that this is “medically accurate” and “age appropriate”. These topics will be covered under the new guidelines.

Students in grades pre-school -2 will discuss their genitalia. Students in grades 3-5 will learn they can change their gender. Students in grades 5-8 will analyze their readiness for sexual activity.

Students in grades 9-12 will consider the “benefits” of sexual behavior

This is absurd and dangerous! This draft will be sent out for a public comment period ending August 28, 2023. You can e-mail [maryellen@mafamfamily.org](mailto:maryellen@mafamfamily.org) or [kent@mafamfamily.org](mailto:kent@mafamfamily.org) at MFI to express your opposition to these guidelines. They will forward these e-mails to the proper channels. You may also send a letter of opposition to:

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education  
Attention: Kristen McKinnon  
75 Pleasant St.  
Malden MA 02131

They want our children! Let your voice be heard. We will be scheduling a meeting with a representative of MFI at our parish in the near future to hear more on sex education in our schools. Please make plans to attend. Protect our children from this evil.

**MOUNT CARMEL GOLDEN YEARS CLUB**

**July 2023**

**July 25, 2023**

- 10:00 AM Socializing
- PAPER SALE
- 12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social
- After Lunch Bingo

# MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, July 22, 2023—4:00 p.m.

**Philomena and Augustine Sbrogna and All Members of the Sbrogna Family** by Gus Sbrogna

**Rocco** (18th Anniversary) and **Mary** (15 1/2 Anniversary) **Fortunato** by Paul and Elaine (Fortunato) David

**Patricia Palumbo** (Month's Mind) by Family

Sunday, July 23, 2023—8:00 a.m.

**The People of the Parish**

Sunday, July 23, 2023—10:30 a.m.

**Elizabeth L. Conte** by John and Family

Monday, July 24, 2023—7:00 a.m.

**Robert J. Domiano Sr.** (Birthday Remembrance) by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cianci

Tuesday, July 25, 2023—7:00 a.m.

**Ann Hayden** (18th Anniversary) by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cianci

Wednesday, July 26, 2023—7:00 a.m.

**The Sick of the Parish**

Thursday, July 27, 2023—7:00 a.m.

**Parishioners Intentions**

Saturday, July 29, 2023—4:00 p.m.

**Joseph DiLeo** (8th Anniversary) by Family  
**John L. Evangelista** by Andrea and Matthew DiLeo

Sunday, July 30, 2023—8:00 a.m.

**The People of the Parish**

Sunday, July 30, 2023—10:30 a.m.

**Joseph Lapomardo** (5th Anniversary) by Wife and Family

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

**Vera Sbrogna**  
By husband Gus

**Joseph Riggieri, Sr.**  
(37th Anniversary)  
By daughter Dolores



**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, Paul Locantore, Ann Servidio, Joseph Vancelette, Madelyn Martin, Ann Marie Verdolino, Charlene Swalec, Lorrie Tufano, Maxwell Mitchell, Lynn Wagner, Carol Youngstrom, Rudy Aromando, Richard Sharameta, Cindy Worthington, Beverly DeMarco, George Burton, Charlotte O'Mara, Renate Perry, Angela Vizzo, Jacob Rivera, Stephanie Berthiaume Cowie, Fulvia D'Amico, Isabella Gamble, Melissa Totaro, Nancy Meringolo, Veronika Montiverdi, Nancy Molinari, Joyce Molinari, Lillian Pascarelli, Lisa Cianci, and Tina Donahue. May the Lord give them strength, courage and healing.

## Cursillo for 2023:

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

**2023: Women's: September 7-10**  
**Men's: December 7-10**

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 and would like to be a sponsor, please contact Elizabeth Santley**

## Ministry Assignments July 29-30

**July 29 @ 4:00 pm**

**Lector – Pat Solitro**

**Ministers – Joe & Barbara Godek**

**July 30 @ 8 am**

**Lector - Chris Cook**

**Ministers - Joe Sama**

**July 30 @ 10:30 am**

**Lector—Maria Sciannameo**

**Ministers - Laurie Matosky & Santina Macgregor**

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

**If a substitution is made, please contact Julie so the announcement sheets will be correct.**

**Start each day with a grateful heart.**



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

### Sunday, Jul 23, 2023

#### God's kind of justice

Our exercise of justice can be remarkably heartless. Too often we confuse justice with judgment, imagining justice is only served by lowering the boom on the offending party. The writer of the book of Wisdom describes God's justice as both mighty and clement: that is, powerful and merciful at the same time.

Among the loveliest recommendations in the Old Testament is this: "Those who are just must be kind."

Written 50 years before the time of Jesus, Wisdom demonstrates why Jesus came to heal, forgive, and rescue—not destroy, condemn, and disown. Make kindness your partner in justice.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: *Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43 (106).* "And you taught your people, by these deeds, that those who are just must be kind."

### Monday, Jul 24, 2023

#### Unburden yourself

With so many things to do, places to go, and people to see, how could the average busy person these days possibly relate to contemplative hermits? Maybe the holy example of hermits, like Sharbel Makhlūf, is exactly what our hectic times need to help us detach from all that consumes us. This 19th-century Lebanese saint was a shepherd-turned-priest who later became a monk and then a hermit. After his death, miracles were attributed to his intercession. At his beatification in 1965, Pope Paul VI said: "May he make us understand, in a world largely fascinated by wealth and comfort, the paramount value of poverty, penance and asceticism, to liberate the soul in its ascent to God."

MEMORIAL OF SHARBEL MAKHLŪF, PRIEST

TODAY'S READINGS: *Exodus 14:5-18; Matthew 12:38-42 (395).* "She came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon."

### Tuesday, Jul 25, 2023

#### Walk this way

Annually an estimated 350,000 pilgrims walk the Camino de Santiago—the Way of Saint James. The Camino has a series of medieval routes, but the French Way is most popular. On foot it takes 30 days, crossing foothills of the Pyrenees and many fields, towns, and villages before traversing Galicia. Each route leads to the city of Santiago de Compostela with its magnificent cathedral, believed to be the final resting place of Saint James the Greater, who brought Christianity to Spain. Pope Callixtus II declared in 1122: "The city of Compostela, through the support of Blessed James, has been made sacred for the faithful and a help for those coming to it." Visit the American Pilgrims website to be inspired.

FEAST OF JAMES, APOSTLE

TODAY'S READINGS: *2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28 (605).* "The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve."

### Wednesday, Jul 26, 2023

#### Honor your ancestors

Though we only know of Joachim and Anne from early Christian writings, not biblical texts, it is logical to give a place of prominence to those who, after all, were Jesus' grandparents. It is said they struggled greatly to give birth until God, seeing their holiness, granted them the supreme privilege of parenting Mary, the mother of God. In the Orthodox Church of America, they carry a title of great respect: Holy Ancestors of God. Think of the sacrifices your own grandparents likely made in raising your parents. Let your life honor them.

MEMORIAL OF JOACHIM AND ANNE, PARENTS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

TODAY'S READINGS: *Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15; Matthew 13:1-9 (397).* "And he spoke to them at length in parables."

### Thursday, Jul 27, 2023

#### Help build a church with a conscience

Many Catholics take for granted the existence of a robust Catholic social service network. But back in the early 20th century, that was not the case. Poverty was common and social work was emerging as a profession. The social-concerns encyclical *Rerum Novarum* (1891) and Father William J. Kerby, co-founder of what became Catholic Charities USA, were two important influences that helped develop social consciousness among U.S. Catholics. Thanks to Kerby, who died on this date in 1936, and other activists and thinkers, the American church now includes many anti-poverty efforts. What can you do to further this critical social legacy?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Exodus 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Matthew 13:10-17 (398).* "Prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it."

### Friday, Jul 28, 2023

#### Blessed are those who hear the word

Blessed Charlie Stanley Rother is on the path to sainthood, a surprise for many who knew him as a rather shy and grumpy lad. Stanley grew up in Oklahoma. He was skilled at farming and could fix practically anything. He also felt called to the priesthood. After ordination, another calling came, this time, to go to Guatemala. There, Stanley used his gifts as he lived and worked among the people. With them, he too faced the terror of the raging Guatemalan civil war. He was martyred on July 28, 1981. Befriend Blessed Stanley and ask him to accompany you as you listen for God's calling.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Exodus 20:1-17; Matthew 13:18-23 (399).* "The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

### Saturday, Jul 29, 2023

#### Even the savior of the world needs friends

Martha, Mary, and Lazarus held a privileged place in Jesus' heart. As a wandering preacher who had "no place to lay his head," Jesus knew he always had a place to call home in visiting his three dear friends. Each gifted him in a special way, as the 2021 decree combining their veneration from the Congregation for Divine Worship and Sacraments points out: "Martha generously offered him hospitality, Mary listened attentively to his words, and Lazarus promptly emerged from the tomb at the command of the one who humiliated death." Cherish and nurture your dearest friendships; they are a treasure through thick and thin.

MEMORIAL OF MARTHA, MARY, AND LAZARUS, FRIENDS OF JESUS

TODAY'S READINGS: *Exodus 24:3-8 (400); John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42 (607).* "Many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them about their brother [Lazarus, who had died]."

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