

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish

May 15, 2022 † Fifth Sunday of Easter



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday - 5:30 PM **Sunday** - 8:15 AM - 10 AM - 12 Noon

Weekdays & Saturdays - 9 AM

Holy Day Eve - 7:00 PM **Holy Day** - 9 AM - 7:00 PM
(Call Office to verify Mass times)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: R.E. Classes, (Sept—May) Saturday 5PM; Sunday 7:45, 9:30, 11:30AM; Monday 7PM. To register call The Religious Education Office

Church Office Hours: Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4-4:30PM or by appointment

Parish Mission Statement

We are the Church, alive with Christ, a diverse community rooted in faith, celebrating a liturgy of life. We are prayerfully responsive to the Spirit of the living Gospel, freely and fully ministering to all.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Paul and Barnabas continue their travels, spreading the faith and unifying the churches (Acts 14:21-27).

Psalm — I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — John's vision of God dwelling with the human race (Revelation 21:1-5a).

Gospel — As Jesus has loved us, so we must love one another (John 13:31-33a, 34-35).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29



ROSARY & DIVINE MERCY

*Please join us for
the Rosary & Divine*

*Mercy every Wednesday from 2:30 to 3:30
PM in the Chapel of
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church.*

(Divine Mercy at the 3:00 o'clock hour.)



Worldwide Marriage Encounter is excited to announce that **IN-PERSON** experiences will be held locally in Chicagoland on the following 2022 weekends: February 11-13, April 9-10, August 12-14! Early registration is suggested due to limited space. For more information or to apply, go to <https://wwme-chicagoland.org>, or call 630-577-0778.

Creation Care Corner

*Celebrating the Anniversary of Pope Francis'
transformational encyclical, Laudato Si'*

"Care for Creation" and Laudato Si' (Part I)

■ The Pope's encyclical, *Laudato Si'*, is a text of landmark significance in Catholic Social Teaching.

■ Francis, like his thirteenth-century namesake, calls the earth our "common home," which is like our sister.

■ But we are damaging this familial relationship as we seriously degrade the environment. In so doing, we are damaging our relationship with other humans, particularly those least equipped to adjust to the changing environment: the poor and future generations.

■ The Pope encourages people to examine and change their lifestyles through sound ecological virtues, greater simplicity and less focus on material things.

■ Francis extends an "urgent challenge to protect our common home ... to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change."

■ By taking personal action and reducing excessive consumption and waste in our lives, we can meet our obligation to reduce our impact on the environment while creating a sustainable future for generations to follow.



Donut Sunday is BACK!

Join us May 15th after all the masses to share fellowship with our parish family and enjoy a donut!

We welcome you all and hope you can stay after mass and mingle for however long your Sunday permits.

Location: Outside of the Religious Education classroom on the Upper Deck.

We cheerfully welcome any volunteers to help that morning. Come have fun with us!

Questions: Contact Karen and Mike Flavin

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OLMC Youth Ministry

Adult Volunteers Needed!

In order to serve our youth the best we can, we need dedicated adult volunteers to help encourage our students in faith and to keep them safe in the process. Please see the following opportunities to serve. If you feel called to help or have any questions, please contact Stephanie Rawls any time at 630-852-3303 ext.6 or stephanie.rawls@ourladyofmtcarmel.org. Thank you, and God Bless!

High School Youth Group Leader/Helper – We are looking for two adult volunteers (over the age of 18) to help lead and prepare our high school youth group events alongside the High School Leadership Team. This role is flexible and we can discuss how you would like to be involved based on your interests.

7th Grade, 8th Grade, and High School Catechists – We are looking for 5 more adult volunteers to teach our 7th Grade, 8th Grade, and High School catechism classes to help our students prepare for Confirmation. **You do not need to be an expert in theology to be a catechist, all you need is a willingness to learn and a desire to help the students learn and grow in faith.** All lesson plans will be provided for you! In this role you would teach in the grade level of your choice for an hour about once a week on either Sunday mornings or Monday evenings. You will be trained in this role and we will support you every step of the way!

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High School Youth Group



Join us today!

Sunday, May 15th at 1:00pm

All high schoolers are invited to join us after the noon mass for bowling! Meet at Suburbanite Bowl in Westmont. Bowling, shoes, and pizza included!

Can't make it this week? Join us at our next gathering on Sunday, May 29th at 1pm to help clean up our parish food pantry garden!

Questions? Contact Stephanie Rawls at stephanie.rawls@ourladyofmtcarmel.org or call 630-852-3303 ext. 6.



RE News

We are taking RE registration for 2022-2023

July 18-22, 2022
From Noon-3:00 PM
Cost \$30
Sign-up Now!



Questions of the Week

Question for Children: How do you make obvious that you love your family and friends?

Question for Youth: The world is full of examples of people who don't love others. What are the results of hate that you see in the world? How would the world be different if we followed Jesus' commandment?

Question for Adults: Jesus' commandment to love another is a challenge. What will you do this week to deepen the love you have for those around you in life?

Congratulations to these students for Perfect Attendance!

K-Brayden Berner
1st-Ryan Marsiglio
2nd-Jacob Maryniarczyk
2nd-Obinna Onyenwenyi
4th-Liliana Maldonado
4th-Lauren Marsiglio
5th-Reagan Wirth
7th-Aleksandra Chowaniac
7th-Robert Kovacic

While we know COVID put us in positions for staying home for the safety of all, we thank everyone for the time they shared in person with us.

Thank you to all the parents who bring their children regularly to RE! God Bless All!

First Communion Information

First Communion is right around the corner! We are looking to see if your child would like to be a Procession Leader, Reader, Altar Setter, or Gift Bearer for his or her celebration time. If your child wants to participate, please let us know.

If you would like to a photo session with Soriano Photography, please contact the RE office ASAP. We still have spaces left. The pictures are amazing, and there is no cost for the session. Photos are very reasonable priced as well.

We need a few Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers to help us with First Communion. Call the RE office if interested. We provide a light lunch in-between the Masses. Thank You!

Practices for First Communion:

Readers, Gift Bearers, and Altar Setters:
Monday, May 16 at 6:00 PM

For 11:00 Mass time-Thursday, May 19
Banner carriers, Readers, Gift Bearers at 6:30
All others: Full practice at 7:00 PM

For 2:00 Mass time-Friday, May 20
Banner carriers, Readers, Gift Bearers at 6:30
All others: Full practice at 7:00 PM

First Communion Mass date:
Saturday, May 21, 11:00 AM or 2:00 PM



An Invitation from the Office Of Adult Formation

Retreat

For Parish Ministers

Blessed are They Who Hope in the Lord
Led by Katie Choudhary



Wednesday, May 25th
6-9pm @ Blanchette Catholic Center,
Crest Hill

OR

Saturday, May 21st
9-noon @ St. Mary of Gostyn,
Downers Grove

Registration required
Space is limited

Scan this code with your phone for
easy registration!



Or go to
<https://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/layformation/>

Planting for the Pantry –
A Gardening Ministry
Feed the hungry by working in
the OLMC garden
which grows fresh produce for
our Food Pantry
Informational meeting for
volunteers
May 18 -10:00 am OR 7:00 pm
All are welcome!
Contact Cathy Lentz for more
information



Cathy's Corner—A Handy Summary of Jesus' Message (based on the readings for Thursday of the Fourth Week of Easter)

Jesus knew he would be betrayed. He knew by whom he would be betrayed. And he knew it would be soon. He certainly had his disciples' attention since he had just undertaken the jarring activity of washing their feet, a task that could not be required of even the lowliest Jewish slave. So he took this opportunity to give them a succinct summary in three bullet points of the message he had been giving them throughout their time together so it would be emblazoned in their memories.

Firstly, he told them that they must believe he is I AM, the expression used in Jewish tradition meaning God's own self-designation. They must believe that he had come from God and was returning to God because they were in fact one. Secondly, they must understand that although they had been chosen to bear Jesus' message to the world, no messenger is greater than the one who sent him. It is the blessed person who always remembers that none is like to God. Thirdly, they must always receive the one Jesus sends because in doing so they are receiving Jesus himself.

And the disciples would come to find out that they might have a difficult time recognizing the one sent by Jesus. Paul, who almost single-handedly spread the message of the Lord Jesus Christ throughout the known world, not only was not originally a disciple of Jesus, but was in fact a zealous archenemy of those who were. Yet he was an instrument chosen by the Lord to carry his name before Gentiles, kings and Israelites. Indeed, the speech we hear from Paul today was the first presentation he gave in a synagogue to the Jews and God-fearers proclaiming that Christianity naturally flowed from all that God had done throughout history for the children of Israel.

The admonitions given by Jesus the last night he spent with his disciples provide a handy summary for ourselves as well outlining how to be faithful witnesses of our faith. Firstly, we must believe in a Triune God, One God in three persons, one of whom became as we are to show us how to become as God is. Secondly, we must always, always remember that no matter what we accomplish, even as related to faith and good works, it is only possible through God because no messenger could ever be greater than the one who sent her or him. Thirdly, we must receive all people as if they were Jesus – even the one we consider our archenemy - because we can never really know who has been sent by God. The most unlikely person may have been called to do God's work, unbeknownst to us and perhaps even to them. A short list, it is true, but a powerful one. Blessed are we when we are able to complete it. *Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27; Jn 13:16-20*



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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 14, 2022

5:30PM Gene & Jeanette Lang (Daughter)

Sunday, May 15, 2022

8:15AM Margaret & Marco Rocco (Nick Rocco)

Kathleen Wadas (Evelyn Antikauskas)

10:00AM John Crowley (Arnold Family)

Josephine Ryczyn (Family)

Victoria Knafl (Family)

Richard Styczynski (Schuetz Family)

Kay Murphy-5th anniv (Family)

NOON Helen Ganiec (Friends)

Bob Spitkovsky, Jr. (Mom)

Geraldine Dellamorte-9th anniv (Family)

Monday, May 16, 2022

9:00AM Parishioners of OLMC

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

9:00AM Don Brescia-1st anniv (Bala Family)

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

9:00AM Fortunata Quilang (Family)

Thursday, May 19, 2022

9:00AM Parishioners of OLMC

Friday, May 20, 2022

9:00AM Charles Heery Sr. (Family)

Peggy Chandler & Ozzie Kremer (Pat Monahan)

Saturday, May 21, 2022

9:00AM Parishioners of OLMC

Fifth Sunday of Easter – 15 May 2022

Acts 14:21-27. Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13.

Revelation 21:1-5a. John 13:31-33a, 34-35.

Loving One Another. The gospel today is short and sweet. Glorify God – Jesus does it first and implies we should, too. Love one another – a direct comma to each one of us. These are disciple activities. These are essentials for our way of life.

⇒ How will my words and actions glorify God today?

⇒ Whom will I love – even someone who makes it hard for me to do so?

⇒ How will this glorifying God and loving others change me for the better?

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