

“Priests,” best-selling author Father Andrew Greeley once said, “are fascinating.”

While there’s nothing fascinating about me, we do have a parishioner who is about to become a priest – Charlie Cappelli. He’ll be ordained on Saturday May 16th and we hope you can join with us on Sunday May 17th as he celebrates his very first Mass at OLMC at 2:30 P.M.

Over these next four weeks, I’ll use this space to explain what has brought Charlie to this moment ... from believing that God called him to the priesthood, onto his ordination, and what he is actually being called to do and to be!

A 2015 graduate of Temple University, Charlie worked as a missionary for four years and entered Saint Charles Seminary in 2019. For many Catholics, this is where it gets mysterious. I mean, what happens in the seminary?

All seminarians begin by learning philosophy. Philosophy is meant to train you in critical thinking. Philosophy doesn’t teach you *what* to think but, instead, *how* to think.

Typical philosophy classes include logic (how to think rationally), epistemology (how we come to actually know things), anthropology (what a human person is and isn’t), and metaphysics (the study of what’s real). Such classes help future priests to think critically in order to engage with the culture and prepares them for their theological studies to come.

While studying theology, Charlie has taken classes in Sacred Scripture (meticulously covering every book of the Bible), Christology (to thoroughly examine Who Jesus is and Who He’s not),



Morality (ethics rooted in reason and the Bible), and Ecclesiology (to thoroughly examine what the Church is and what she isn’t).

Additionally, Charlie has studied Spanish (because the Gospel is meant for everyone), Latin (the Church’s universal language), and Greek (the original language of the Gospels).

But seminarians are preparing to become future shepherds, not just teachers. Consequently, there’s spiritual formation that needs to take place (and this is far more important and rigorous than their intellectual formation).

Next week, I’ll write about Charlie’s spiritual formation over these past seven years.

God bless you,  
**Father Matthew Guckin**

# Home, Prayer & Worship

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### Please Welcome Our New Parishioners

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kopf  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael McSorley

### Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Wednesdays 6:00 to 6:45 PM  
Saturdays 3:45 to 4:30 PM  
All other sacraments, please call the rectory.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation at the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa

Monday - Saturday  
11:00 AM - 11:45 AM  
Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 PM  
Sunday 8:00 - 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
2:30 PM - 5:00 PM

### Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of Guadalupe

Saturdays 4:30 PM  
Sundays  
8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

### Bulletin Submissions Deadlines

May 10 - Submit by Wednesday, April 29  
May 17 - Submit by Wednesday, May 6  
Questions? [bulletin@ourladymtcarmel.org](mailto:bulletin@ourladymtcarmel.org)






# Prayer & Worship

## Weekly Mass Schedule & Intentions

**Altar Candles Intention for this Week**  
Harry T. Serpico

**Sanctuary Lamp Intention for this Week**  
Jennifer Casey (Living)

**The Marian Candle Intention for this Week**  
Claire McCarthy

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|--|---|--|
| <b>Sat 4/25</b>                            | 5:00 PM Vigil   | Janice Pendziwater                         |
| <b>4th Sunday of Easter</b><br><b>4/26</b> | 7:00 AM   | Mate Faraguna                              |
|  | 9:00 AM    | Nicholas Camillo                           |
|  | 10:30 AM  | Jennifer Rose                              |
|  | 12 Noon   | Fay Richenbach                             |
| <b>Mon 4/27</b>                            | 8:00 AM   | Janice Pendziwater                         |
| <b>Tues 4/28</b>                           | 8:00 AM   | Herb Kuttler                               |
| <b>Wed 4/29</b>                            | 8:00 AM   | Parishioners of OLMC                       |
| <b>Thurs 4/30</b>                          | 8:00 AM   | Trudy & Jack Lynch                         |
| <b>Fri 5/1</b>                             | 8:00 AM   | Marlena Ventresca Parker                   |
| <b>Sat 5/2</b>                             | 5:00 PM Vigil   | Rebecca Leary & Janet Lindblad             |
| <b>5th Sunday of Easter</b><br><b>5/3</b>  | 7:00 AM   | Peter Burns                                |
|  | 9:00 AM    | Ladies of Mount Carmel (Living & Deceased) |
|  | 10:30 AM   | Matthew J. Zedolik                         |
|  | 12 Noon   | Francis Walter                             |

 = Choir Singing    = LiveStreamed  
 = Special Collection    = ASL Interpreted  
 = Sensory Friendly

## Weekly Mass Schedule

**Sunday** 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM , 10:30 AM & 12:00 Noon

**Monday - Friday** 8:00 AM

**Saturday** 5:00 PM Vigil

*LiveStreamed* 

### April 26 (Red Hymnal #1085)

Reading I: Acts 2: 14a, 36-41

*Resp. Psalm* Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6

Reading II: 1 Peter 2: 20b-25

The Gospel: John 10:1-10



### May 3 - (Red Hymnal #1088)

Reading I: Acts 6: 1-7

*Resp. Psalm* Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

Reading II: 1 Peter 2: 4-9

The Gospel: John 14: 1-12

## Children's Liturgy

**Sundays** • 9 AM Mass  
 Preschool (Age 4) - 5th Grade  
 Teen & adult volunteers needed.  
 Call **(215) 348-4190** to volunteer.



## Join us for the annual Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating  
 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 50+ years?

**Sunday, May 31**  
**10:30 AM Mass**

Reception immediately following  
 St. Mary's Hall

**RSVP: Call the rectory**  
**by Tuesday, May 19**  
**215-348-4190**



## Sensory Friendly Mass

*Come to me.*

Matthew 19:14



**Sunday, April 26 • 12 Noon Mass**

4th Sunday of the Month at 12 Noon  
 Mass is interpreted in American Sign Language  
 May's Sensory Friendly Mass will be held on  
 Sunday, May 17 (Third Sunday of the month)

# Prayer

## Sick & Homebound In Our Prayers

**Carl DeLorenzo**  
**Robert Matt**  
**Connie Wrzesniewski**

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| Christopher<br>Abernathy                     | Joan Krasnisky                         |
| Della Armeno                                 | <i>Deborah</i><br><i>Kulp-Hocker</i>   |
| JoAnn Bennett                                | Steven Lampe                           |
| Paul Benyovszky                              | Noah Langan                            |
| Nina Biller                                  | Catherine Latessa                      |
| <i>Stephanie</i><br><i>Bocuzzi</i>           | Laurie Lerner                          |
| Robert Borrini                               | James Leung                            |
| Maripily Braffa                              | Judy Lombardo                          |
| Marie Brescia                                | Vicky Longhofer                        |
| Alice Bromiley                               | Elaine Lund                            |
| Barbara Bucci                                | Monica Maeyer                          |
| <i>Nancy Buckman</i><br><i>Paravecchia</i>   | <i>Michael</i><br><i>McConaghy</i>     |
| Keith Cole                                   | Eugene McInerney                       |
| Tara Conway                                  | Martha<br>McLaughlin                   |
| Joy Davis                                    | Mary McManemy                          |
| Ronan DeStefano                              | Benny Morrissey                        |
| Ron Dolan                                    | Eleanor Noll                           |
| Scarlett Fehl                                | Bonnie Olliver                         |
| Barbara Finn                                 | Kathleen Parker                        |
| Karen Fruman                                 | Jack Pfeifer                           |
| <i>The Fruman</i><br><i>Family</i>           | Nicolas Pompo                          |
| <i>Christopher</i><br><i>Gannon</i>          | Marilyn Richards                       |
| Alice Gatto                                  | Zack Riti                              |
| Edwina Gill                                  | John Roche                             |
| Kari Giorgi                                  | Brian Sacco                            |
| Pat Hackett                                  | Andrew Schmidt                         |
| <i>Rev. Msgr.</i><br><i>Charles H. Hagan</i> | <i>The Schramek</i><br><i>Family</i>   |
| R. J. Hammel                                 | Charlie Sharp                          |
| Lisa Hall                                    | Bob Solly                              |
| Charles Heiber                               | Joseph Stanley                         |
| Charo Hessen                                 | Pat Stoerrle                           |
| Joe Horan                                    | <i>Bernadette</i><br><i>Strzelecki</i> |
| Tommy Humeston                               | James Sullivan                         |
| Benjamin Keller                              | Margaret Talamo                        |
| Kaitlyn Kelly                                | Joe Tyrone                             |
| Patrick Kenney                               | Lucas Victor                           |
| Butch Kilda                                  | LuAnn Yon Duffy                        |
| <i>George Kozen</i>                          | Jeanne Wallace                         |
| <i>Maureen</i><br><i>Krystkiewicz</i>        | Bill Walsh                             |
| Bernard Krasnisky                            | Walter Zangerle                        |
|  | Alexa Zoto                             |

## Please Pray for Our Troops

Andrew Bailey  
Maggie Borek  
Joshua Bozarth  
Veronica Camiolo  
Bradley Cannon  
Matthew R. Conway  
Cecilia A. Davies  
Christopher Davies  
Ian Donaher  
Jason Douple  
Daniel T. Ely  
Connor Ferzetti  
Lauren Griffith  
Joseph Guckavan, III  
Brandon Horak  
Spencer Howell  
Sydney Ives  
Sean Lahetta  
Ethan Malsom  
Adam Mandzy  
Christian Mandzy  
Colin Michael  
McCormack  
Conor McFadden  
Jeff McGeary  
Zachary Melsheimer  
Giovanni Morales  
Nash Nickerson  
Madison Niebish  
Lucas Paternoster  
Damian Patrowich  
Nicholas Pinnelli  
Brendan Ring  
Michael Warren Sabia  
Samuel Snyder  
Ethan Swieringa  
Christopher Szekely  
Isaiah Thomas  
John F. Thompson  
Michael A. Tuosto  
Mary Kate Ulasewicz  
Jake VanAken  
Logan Van Nostrand  
Zachary Venezia  
Luke Volko  
Charles J. Weyer  
Ryan J. Whitney  
Jeffrey Woosnam  
Cole Young



**Contact**  
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## Please Remember All the Faithful Departed

Steven Randa



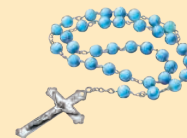
May they Rest in Peace.

## Tuesday Night Scriptural Rosary 7:00 PM

Before coming for the first time, email  
Marianne for location information.

[tuesdaynightrosary@  
ourladymtcarmel.org](mailto:tuesdaynightrosary@ourladymtcarmel.org)

## Join Us in Reciting a Decade of the Rosary



10 Minutes before weekend Masses

## For The Pope's Monthly Intention

**April 2026** • For priests in crisis. Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

**LegionofMary**  
**@ourladymtcarmel.org**

## Prayer Chain

Anyone in need of spiritual support may place their requests on the prayer chain by emailing Carol at:

[prayerchain@ourladymtcarmel.org](mailto:prayerchain@ourladymtcarmel.org)

## Men's Scripture Study

Wednesdays • 7 AM - 8 AM  
St. Mary's Hall

**mensscripture**  
**@ourladymtcarmel.org**

## Prayer



### Eucharistic Adoration

**Mondays after the  
8:00 AM Mass**

Reposition at 3:00 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet  
Immediately Following

*Eucharistic Adoration will not be held on Monday, April 27 due to a church maintenance project*

[adoration@ourladymtcarmel.org](mailto:adoration@ourladymtcarmel.org)



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Our Lady of Fatima  
to Your Home  
for a week*

To learn more, call the Rectory:

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# formed™

This week, as we celebrate the feast day of St. Louis de Montfort, watch 33 Days to Morning Glory (based on the teachings of St. Louis, St Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and Pope St. John Paul II) for an updated and simple way to put Marian devotion into practice.



[bit.ly/3QT53Fu](https://bit.ly/3QT53Fu)

## Christian Formation

### Pray for Father Charlie Cappelli

Join us for a Eucharistic Holy Hour  
Friday, May 15  
5 pm – 6 pm in Church



Charlie Cappelli, our parishioner, will be ordained on Saturday, May 16, at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul.



The Parish Family of  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
invites you to the First Mass of

### Father Charlie Cappelli

Sunday, May 17, 2026

2:30 PM

Refreshments to follow Mass

Appetizers • Desserts • Live Music

OLMC School Gym

## Christian Formation

### OLMC PREP Registration Is Now Open Kindergarten - 8th Grade

All Parish children from Kindergarten through 8th grade (not registered in OLMC School) deserve an education in the Faith. The Religious Education/Prep Program of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish is offered on Sunday and Monday with a number of class time options. **You can find the link for NEW FAMILIES to register on the parish website, under LEARN, then PREP.**

For new children the following is required:

1. All families need to be registered members of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.
2. A Baptismal Certificate is required.

Children of all abilities are welcome and have a right to a Religious Education. For more information, please call the Prep office at **(215) 345-7089**



## Stewardship



[parishgiving.org](http://parishgiving.org)  
Special Collections ▲

|        |                       |
|--------|-----------------------|
| May 10 | Capital Improvement   |
| May 14 | Ascension of the Lord |

### The Next St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive is May 9 & 10.



The following items  
are needed:

Paper Towels  
Tissues  
Toilet Paper  
Applesauce  
Water  
Shampoo

Any nonperishable  
items are welcome.

### Remember to Save Your Altomonte's & McCaffrey's Simply Fresh Receipts



Now collecting receipts  
for February, March &  
April. (Receipts expire  
after 3 months).

Please place receipts  
in the baskets by the  
Church doors.



Explore the Nature of God!  
June 15 - 19, 2026

For more information call the PREP  
office: 215-345-7089 or email:  
[jmonturano@olmcs.org](mailto:jmonturano@olmcs.org)

COME JOIN US AT  
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Register with this QR  
code or at the link on  
the parish website

Adult Volunteers  
are Needed!!

# Stewardship

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today, we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus' care and love of us and hear his words, "I came so that they may have life and have it more abundantly."

By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you will reveal the love of the "Good Shepherd" to your suffering brothers and sisters.

If you would like to transfer funds directly to OLMC's SVDP, you can visit [parishgiving.org](http://parishgiving.org) and use the dropdown menu to choose **SVDP**.

During March 2026 through your Poor Box gifts and other donations, the OLMC Conference brought the love of Jesus to the poor. Our Conference volunteered for **27** hours and provided **55** neighbors with the following assistance:



|                       |                |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| Rent                  | \$3,623        |
| Temporary Housing     | 1,954          |
| Food                  | 1,138          |
| Electricity/Oil/Water | 500            |
| Auto/Gas/Repairs      | 90             |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>\$7,305</b> |

Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a job loss, an illness or other difficulties? Please leave a message for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. We want to help! **Call (215) 348-8833.**



## Peace & Justice Ministry



**Monday, May 18  
& Monday, June 1**

**6:30 - 8:00 PM • St. Mary's Hall**

In line with Catholic Social Teaching's Option for the Poor and Vulnerable, Peace & Justice collected buckets of cleaning supplies for the Bucks County Housing Group's spring cleaning drive. BCHG works to reduce food and housing insecurity in our community. Pictured: BCHG's Malcom Friend and OLMC's Mary Small.



Questions? [peacejustice@ourladymtcarmel.org](mailto:peacejustice@ourladymtcarmel.org)

# OLMC School

Dear Friends:

This past Wednesday, April 15th, the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church community was blessed to celebrate a truly joyful milestone as more than 80 students from our school and PREP programs received the Sacrament of Confirmation.



On a beautiful, sunny spring day, Bishop Christopher Cooke, a Bucks County native, joined us to confer the sacrament. Our students spent the entire year preparing for this sacred moment, and their excitement was evident not only in the reception of the sacrament, but also in the special opportunity to spend time with Bishop Cooke before Mass.

Prior to the liturgy, Bishop Cooke gathered with the students in Saint Mary's Hall, where he engaged them in a lively discussion about the meaning of Confirmation. He quizzed them on key teachings, including the seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit, and our students rose to the occasion with confidence and enthusiasm. Their impressive responses prompted the Bishop to jokingly suggest that perhaps he should quiz their sponsors during Mass instead—an idea the students eagerly supported! The Confirmation Mass was concelebrated by Father Guckin, Father Flanagan, Deacon William and Deacon Chuck, making it a truly communal celebration of faith.



In his homily, Bishop Cooke reflected especially on the gift of piety, encouraging our newly confirmed students to hold fast to the grace they received and to nurture a loving relationship with God the Father. His message reminded all of us that the Holy Spirit remains a constant guide in our lives, calling us to grow in faith and love. Bishop Cooke did indeed ask the sponsors a few questions during his homily, and he was equally impressed by their eager showing of hands and correct answers...something that the Bishop said does not happen often!

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the families, sponsors, and dedicated catechists who supported these students throughout their journey. Please continue to keep our newly confirmed in your prayers as they move forward, strengthened by the Holy Spirit.



God bless,  
**Dawn Parker**





**Our Lady of Mount Carmel will honor its graduating high school seniors at a Baccalaureate Mass Sunday, June 7 12 Noon**

**Graduating seniors, families and friends are invited to join our parish family at Mass**

**RSVP with this QR Code**



Get involved with **OLMC ROCKS!**

ROCKs stands for **Raising Our Catholic Kids**



We welcome families with children ages newborn - 8<sup>th</sup> grade



Join ROCKs for fun playdates!  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 20 • 10:30-11:30AM**

[rocks@ourladymtcarmel.org](mailto:rocks@ourladymtcarmel.org)

# Second Sundays

**New!**

On the Church Portico

**Sunday, May 10 After 9 AM Mass**

Serving donuts & water

Join ROCKs after donuts for a playdate at Burpee Park!



[Parishengagement@ourladymtcarmel.org](mailto:Parishengagement@ourladymtcarmel.org)

## Job Opportunity Facilities Assistant



Our Lady of Mount Carmel, located in Doylestown, Pa (Central Bucks County), is recruiting for a Parish Facilities Assistant. Responsibilities include assisting with the maintenance, repair and general upkeep for all buildings on the Parish Campus. This position ensures that all parish buildings and grounds are safe, well-maintained and welcoming to parishioners, visitors and staff. This is a full-time position, which includes a generous medical benefit, a 403(b) Retirement plan as well as paid vacation.

Qualifications include a high school diploma or equivalent, strong organization skills and attention to detail, ability to work independently and as part of a team, good communication skills and basic knowledge of facilities maintenance practices. Additional requirements include physical stamina and the ability to lift and move heavy objects.

The Facilities Assistant reports directly to the Facilities Manager. Interested qualified candidates should forward resume and/or letter of interest to our General Manager, Lyle Benner [busmgr@ourladymtcarmel.org](mailto:busmgr@ourladymtcarmel.org)



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Stronger Together.*

## Discipleship/Get Involved



In honor of the 250th Anniversary of the founding of the United States of America, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops will consecrate our nation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in June 2026. To enter into the graces of this consecration, consider the following:

**Enthroned** an image of the Sacred Heart in your home, parish, school or workplace.

**Consecrate** yourself or your family to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Find resources and more information at  
[Archphila.org/undergod](http://Archphila.org/undergod)

## QUO VADIS DAYS 2026 Where Are You Going?

**June 22 - 25, 2026**

**Registration Due: May 22, 2026**

**Registration: \$25 - 300**  
*Sliding scale. Pay what you are able.*

**Who:** High School Men; incoming Freshmen to graduated Seniors.

**What:** A 4-day, 3-night camp for high school men in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

**Where:** Black Rock Retreat Center (Quarryville - optional bus transportation available.)

**Join** the Vocation Office, Philadelphia seminarians, priests, and friends from around the Archdiocese for a week of fun, games, prayer, and faith!

Scan for registration details or visit:  
[HeedTheCall.org/QuoVadis](http://HeedTheCall.org/QuoVadis)



**Questions?**

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**4th Annual Charity Golf Outing**  
**Supporting Our Lady of Confidence**  
**Student Tuition Assistance for Special Education**

**Monday, May 18, 2026**  
**Commonwealth National Golf Club**  
**Babylon Road, Horsham, PA**  
**\$300 per Golfer**



**Door prizes, 50/50, Silent Auction & More**  
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### Our Lady of Guadalupe - Upcoming Events

**High-Tea and Show**  
**Saturday, June 20 (only 15 seats available)**  
 \$180 per person  
 Depart: 10:45; Return 6:00 PM


Enjoy a five-course high tea followed by the show, My Fair Lady, at the Music Mountain Theatre, Lambertville, NJ. Includes round-trip bus transportation. All are welcome. Contact Pat Price at **(215) 300-2153**.



**Four-Day Trip, Woodloch Resort**  
**September 21-24, 2026**  
 \$990 per person, double occupancy, Hawley, PA

Enjoy three chef-prepared meals each day at this all-inclusive resort. Plenty of activities every day including: lake, boating, golf, fishing, hiking, indoor and outdoor pools, nightly Broadway quality entertainment and so much more! Alcohol sold but not included. Shuttle runs throughout property. Reservations required by April 30. Contact Pat Price at **(215) 300-2153**.

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