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What's News

Upcoming Events

◆ Our Annual Parish Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel begins on Wednesday, July 8 with 7 PM Evening Prayer.

◆ Throughout the Novena, the speakers will lead us in prayer, psalms, meditations, devotions, and preaching.

New priest jumping right In

I've been blessed beyond measure to have traveled much (especially to Ireland, where I hold citizenship). I can state this with complete confidence: There is nowhere else on earth at any time in history that I would rather have lived than the United States of America in the 20th and 21st centuries.

Among the most precious freedoms we enjoy is the very first one named in the *Bill of Rights*: Freedom of Religion. In many places throughout the world, people still face persecution, fear, and even violence for practicing their faith openly.

Yet here in America, we are blessed with the liberty to gather for Holy Mass, to pray publicly, to teach our children the Catholic faith, and to worship God according to the convictions of our conscience. This freedom is not something to take for granted. It is a gift that calls forth both gratitude and responsibility.

At Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Doylestown, we are

Faith and Freedom Celebrated at Mount Carmel

By FATHER MATTHEW GUCKIN



Father Dominic Mirenda

DOYLESTOWN – As our nation celebrates the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, we give thanks to God for the blessings and freedoms that have shaped the American story.

grateful for the opportunity to live our faith openly and joyfully. One of the beautiful ways we do this each year is through our beloved Summer Novena in honor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. This year's novena will begin on Wednesday and continue through our parish feast day on July 16th. During these sacred days, parishioners, families, and visitors will gather together in prayer, asking the intercession of the Blessed Mother and renewing our trust in God's providence.

As America marks 250 years of independence, our novena reminds us that true freedom is not simply the ability to do whatever we want. Authentic freedom is found in knowing God, worshiping Him freely, and living according to His truth.

FATHER LEVA AND FATHER O'BRIEN ARE COMING BACK

If you've never attended our Novena I invite you to come and see. Each night we have beautiful music and great homilies. Father Steve Leva is coming back to begin our devotion on Wednesday night at 7 P.M.

And Father Dave O'Brien will be here as we conclude our Novena with Mass on our parish feast day – *The Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel* – on Thursday, July 16th at 7 P.M.

The only night that we don't begin at 7 is next Saturday as we celebrate the Novena within the 5 P.M. Mass (which will be celebrated by our new priest who was just ordained in May – Father Dominic Mirenda).

May this Fourth of July inspire a renewed gratitude for our country, a deeper appreciation for the gift of religious liberty, and a stronger commitment to the faith that has guided generations of Catholics in America!

God has blessed America. Now it's time for America to bless God!

INSIDE

Novena

Schedule and Speaker List.
Please turn to Page 7



Home, Prayer & Worship

Find Us. Meet Us. Join Us.

Rev. Matthew W. Guckin, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. Charles H. Hagan, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Dominic W. Mirenda, Parochial Vicar
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Deacon Charles D. Dern, Permanent Deacon
Deacon Lyle Benner, General Manager
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Julianne Donahue, Director of Religious Education
Dawn Solly, Youth Minister
Christine Weyer, Director of Parish Discipleship
Mary Eileen Baltes, Director of Parish Engagement

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 Youth Ministry..... (215) 345-7089
 OLMC School (215) 348-5907
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*Please Welcome
 Our New
 Parishioners*

Mr. & Mrs. Colin Touhill
Mr. & Mrs. Krishna Patel & Family

**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

July 19- Submit by Wednesday, July 8

July 26- Submit by Wednesday, July 15

Questions? bulletin@ourladymtcarmel.org

Prayer & Worship

Weekly Mass Schedule & Intentions

Altar Candles Intention for this Week
The Paoletti Family

Sanctuary Lamp Intention for this Week
Neamat and Hakim Abadeer & Beverly Hall

The Marian Candle Intention for this Week
Rebecca Sisca

Sat 7/4	9:00 AM	William Buehler
	5 PM Vigil	Harry Serpico
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7/5	7:00 AM	Parishioners of OLMC
	9:00 AM ▶▶	Ernie Heizmann
	10:30 AM 🖐	Lena Ventresca
	12 Noon	Herbert Kuttler
Mon 7/6	8:00 AM	Barbara Bromley
Tues 7/7	8:00 AM	Liana Hanson & Grandparents
Wed 7/8	8:00 AM	Debra Reilly
	7:00 PM	Novena Evening Prayer
Thurs 7/9	8:00 AM	Paula Ward
	7:00 PM	Novena Evening Prayer
Fri 7/10	8:00 AM	Dardzinski Family
	7:00 PM	Novena Evening Prayer
Sat 7/11	5 PM Vigil	Novena Mass - Matthew Cucinotta
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7/12	7:00 AM	OLMC Memorial Society
	9:00 AM ▶▶	William A. Evans, Jr.
	10:30 AM 🖐	Eunice Wilson
	12 Noon	Harry Serpico
	7:00 PM	Novena Evening Prayer
	▲ = Capital Improvement	

🎵 = 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 ▶▶

Current and future readings
can be found at:

<https://bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar>



July 5 (Red Hymnal #1148)

Reading I: Zachariah 9: 9-10

Resp. Psalm Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14

Reading II: Romans 8:9, 11-13

The Gospel: Matthew 11: 25-30

July 12 (Red Hymnal #1151)

Reading I: Isaiah 55: 10-11

Resp. Psalm Psalm 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14

Reading II: Romans 8: 18-23

The Gospel: Matthew 13: 1-23

Pray with us on
Saturday, July 4th

Mass will be celebrated at 9 AM.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Adult Choir is singing for
two special Novena celebrations this summer —

Saturday, July 11

at the 5 PM Vigil

Thursday, July 16

at the 7 PM Closing Mass



Prayer

Sick & Homebound In Our Prayers

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

Please Pray for Our Troops Thomas C. Watson, IV

Andrew Bailey
Maggie Borek
Joshua Bozarth
Veronica Camiola
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
Kathleen Boucher at
kathleenboucher15@gmail.com

Please Remember All the Faithful Departed

Dennis Casey
Joseph Stanley
Thomas J. Yaegel



Ann Driscoll
LuAnn Duffy
Elizabeth Kohlhepp
Frank Occhi

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



Pray for the Pope's Monthly Intention

July 2026

For respect for human life

Let us pray for the respect and
protection of human life in all its
stages, recognizing it as a gift from
God.

Prayer Chain

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

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

adoration@ourladymtcarmel.org

A.C.T.S. 4 Adoration (Adults, Children, Teens, Sanctified 4th Wednesday Adoration)

*"[The Church] was of one
heart and mind" ~Acts 4:32*

**Wednesday, July 22
6:00 - 6:45 PM In Church**

All are invited to praise Him.

Monthly Adoration will be held
during regularly scheduled
Wednesday Confessions.



Bring Your Favorite Picture

New this year at the Novena, we invite you to bring a copy of your favorite picture of the Blessed Mother. The picture should be no larger than a 5x7 and should not be in a frame. There will be a basket in the Narthex for you to place your photo in.

Please note: These photos will not be returned to you as they will become a part of a Parish Marian collage we are creating titled: *Under Mary's Mantle: A Parish Portrait of Our Blessed Mother*.

For more information, please contact
Christine Weyer
parishdiscipleship@ourladymtcarmel.org

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As we launch this year celebrating the 250th anniversary of our country, listen to this insightful interview with the author of *American Pilgrimage* – a history of the Catholic Church in America.

[https://app.formed.org/app/
videos/2404409](https://app.formed.org/app/videos/2404409)



Summer Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel



Our annual Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel has another fantastic lineup of priests and musicians for this year.

The Novena begins on Wednesday, July 8th and concludes on Thursday, July 16th – The Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

**Thursday, July 16
7 PM (Closing Mass)**

Father David O'Brien

*Parochial Vicar
Mary, Mother of the Redeemer
Parish, Montgomeryville*



Father O'Brien is an outstanding young priest who served our parish heroically for three years. Currently, Father O'Brien is Parochial Vicar at Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish in Montgomeryville.

Father will be our Principal Celebrant and Homilist as we conclude our Novena.

Check Page 7 in today's Bulletin for a complete list of our 9 speakers, dates, and times.

Novena Liturgical Notes



Wednesday, July 8 • Novena Opening Day

There will be no Wednesday evening confessions.

Saturday, July 11

- The 5 PM Vigil Mass will be interpreted in American Sign Language (ASL).
- The choir will be singing.

Wednesday, July 15

There will be no Wednesday evening confessions.

Thursday, July 16 • Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

- There is no 8 AM weekday Mass. The closing Novena Mass will be at 7 PM.
- The 7 PM Mass will be interpreted in American Sign Language (ASL).
- The choir will be singing.

Christian Formation



Thinking of becoming Catholic?

Are you considering receiving
sacraments in the Catholic Church?

We'd love to hear from you *and*  take this journey with you...

Christine Weyer
Director of Parish Discipleship
215-348-4190

parishdiscipleship@ourladymtcarmel.org
Classes start Sunday, October 4, 2026

Are **YOU** being called to help Spread the Good News?

The **PREP** Ministry invites you to say "YES" to God's call by volunteering to share your faith with the Children of OLMC Parish in the grades and times listed below for the 2026-2027 PREP year:



Catechists Needed:
Sunday 8:30 AM: Grades 4 & 7
Monday 5:30 PM: Grades 3, 6 & 7

To Answer the "Call" or for further information contact the **PREP** office at **(215) 345-7089**
Volunteers receive a registration fee discount.



July & August Events

July 21 - Hope of the Harvest at Del Val

July 22 - ACTS 4 Adoration

July 26 - Community Meal

August 3 - Assisting at OLG Rummage Sale

August 11 - Hope of the Harvest at Del Val

August 23 - Community Meal

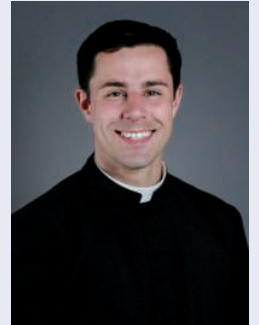
August 26 - ACTS 4 Adoration

youthministry@ourladymtcarmel.org

Welcome, Congratulations & Thank You

Welcome to Father Mirenda

Father is fresh out of the Seminary and newly ordained. A gifted speaker, Father Mirenda will dive right into his ministry here at Mount Carmel - he will accompany our young people on their annual mission trip and preach at the Fourth Night of the Parish Novena!



~ Father Matthew Guckin

Congratulations to Father Matthew Brody



Father Brody served us extremely well here at Mount Carmel. His greatest contribution was to significantly enhance our Sunday liturgies. Since leaving us in 2022, he has been pastor of two parishes and was outstanding in both missions.

This week Archbishop Perez announced that Father Brody has been asked to begin preparing to become an ambassador of the Vatican. He will study international law, diplomacy, church-state relations, political science and a variety of languages. The goal of such training is to eventually become an Apostolic Nuncio in representing the Pope in foreign countries throughout the world.

Please join me in praying for Father in this exciting and challenging new chapter of his life.

~ Father Matthew Guckin

Thank You

THANK YOU FR. GUCKIN, THE PARISH STAFF, AND PARISHIONERS FOR THE OUTPOURING OF LOVE, SUPPORT, AND WELL WISHES. I AM TRULY HUMBLLED. PLEASE PRAY FOR ME AND KNOW THAT I AM PRAYING FOR OLMC. MAY YOU REMAIN A TRANSFORMATIONAL AND GENEROUS PARISH!

Fr. Shane Hanagan



Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Our Annual Parish Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel begins on Wednesday, July 8 with 7 PM Evening Prayer. For nine consecutive evenings, we will honor Our Lady with devotion and prayer. Throughout the Novena, which will take place at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, the speakers below will lead us in prayer, psalms, meditations, devotions, and preaching.

July 8 - 16, 2026

Wednesday, July 8
7 PM (Evening Prayer)

**Father
Stephen
Leva**

Pastor
St. Martin of Tours Parish
New Hope

Thursday, July 9
7 PM (Evening Prayer)

**Father
James
Olson**

Pastor,
Saint John Paul II Parish
Philadelphia
Faculty, Saint Charles Seminary

Friday, July 10
7 PM (Evening Prayer)

**Father
Joseph
Bongard**

Pastor
Saint Helena and
Saint Titus Parishes
Blue Bell/East Norriton

Saturday, July 11
5 PM (Vigil Mass)

**Father
Dominic
Mirenda**

Parochial Vicar
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish
Doylestown

Sunday, July 12
7 PM (Evening Prayer)

**Father
Declan
Cole**

Parochial Vicar
Saint Agnes Parish
West Chester



Monday, July 13
7 PM (Evening Prayer)

**Father
Andrew
Auletta**

Parochial Administrator
Saint John the Baptist Parish
Philadelphia

Tuesday, July 14
7 PM (Evening Prayer)

**Deacon
R. Lyle
Benner**

Permanent Deacon
St. Agnes Parish
Sellersville

Wednesday, July 15
7 PM (Evening Prayer)

**Father
Chris
Walsh**

Pastor
Saint Cecilia Parish
Philadelphia

Thursday, July 16
7 PM (Closing Mass)

**Father
David
O'Brien**

Parochial Vicar
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July 12

Capital Improvement

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive is Next Week July 11 & 12.



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 May, June & July.
Receipts expire after 3 months.

Please place receipts in the baskets by the Church doors.

Parish Service Project Catholic Social Teaching Care for Creation • in Action

Fresh produce makes a big impact and brings hope to communities. **Hope of the Harvest**, a partnership between **Bucks County Opportunity Council** and **Delaware Valley University**, grows and distributes 50,000 pounds of fresh, local produce each year to families in need across Bucks County — all with the help of dedicated volunteers.

OLMC is looking for 15 parishioners of all ages (kids welcome with parents) to pick produce grown at Del Val on one, two or all of these dates. Please use the Flocknote link to sign up.

Thursday, July 30; Tuesday, August 4
Thursday, August 13

<https://olmcdoylestown.flocknote.com/signup/264389>



If you can't join our parish picking dates but want to help your neighbors, visit:
Bucks County Opportunity Council:
Hope of the Harvest 2026

This parish service project is sponsored by OLMC
Peace & Justice Ministry.
peacejustice@ourladymtcarmel.org



Discipleship/Get Involved



Ladies...

Give Your Summer Some *Purpose*



Join us for 5 Summer Scripture-based sessions with videos, reflection, and small-group discussion.

Wednesdays in St. Mary's Hall
Starting July 22

No books • No homework • No Fees
No pre-registration.

Bring a friend and an open heart to hear God's word!

Morning Sessions
9:30 - 11:00 AM

July 22 • Evangelizing Lukewarm Catholics

August 5 • Consumer vs. Disciple

August 19 • True Discipleship

 **New This Summer**
Two Evening Sessions
6:30 - 8:00 PM 

July 29 • Bringing Loved Ones Back to the Church

August 12 • Battling Shame

No pre-registration required. Please arrive 15 minutes before the session.

For more information:

Christine Weyer Parishdiscipleship@ourladymtcarmel.org

Check out Walkingwithpurpose.com for more information about this Women's Catholic Bible Study program

Discipleship/Get Involved



Please pray for Father Mirenda, Dawn Solly (Youth Minister), our Youth Ministry adult leaders and our OLMC teens who will be serving from July 5 - July 10 on a mission trip to Catholic Heart Workcamp in Cumberland, MD.

Sponsored by OCIA

(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Second Sundays

On the Church Porch

Sunday, July 12
After 9 AM Mass

Serving donuts & water

Join ROCKs
after donuts for a
playdate at
Burpee Park!



Parishengagement@ourladymtcarmel.org

This Month Sponsored by:
Walking with Purpose

Donuts Under the OLMC Tent on Maple Avenue

Sunday, July 26, 2026
After the 9 AM and
10:30 AM Masses



Weather-permitting

parishengagement@ourladymtcarmel.org

Archbishop Wood is pleased to announce the following students have achieved Academic Honors for the **Fourth Quarter of the 2025-2026** school year.



First Honors

Ryan Annulis	2027
Nicholas Caruso	2027
Matthew Frey	2028
Abbie Kelly	2028
Jacqueline Annulis	2029
Matthew DeAngelis	2029
Jacob Parvin	2029

Second Honors

Joseph Frey	2026
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Thursdays: July 23 & August 20

Please bring food for your family only.
In the event of inclement weather, check the website
for a cancellation announcement.

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Save the Date

Archbishop Wood High School
Class of 1976 50th Reunion

Saturday, October 17, 2026
6:00 - 10:00 PM

Maggio's Restaurant

400 Second Street Pike, Southampton, PA 18966



Contact: Sharon Farley Copper
sharoncopper@hotmail.com



To let us know if you'll be attending or if
you have questions

Formal invitation will be emailed in early
August

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