



There are certain “loves” Catholics must have in order to be truly Catholic. We must love Christ and His Church; we must love the Eucharist, His sacred body and blood; and we must love Mary, His blessed Mother.

These are all non-negotiable if we dare call ourselves Catholic.

Throughout my ministry I’ve had some people express the sentiment that they just don’t understand our love for our Lady. With a minimal amount of conversation, it often becomes clear as to why this is the case: They’ve been taught that Mary is the one we should seek ... even above her Son.

As we find ourselves in the middle of our parish Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, our Gospel this weekend is perfect for helping us understand why Catholics love Mary!

Jesus gives us the Parable of the Sower. He speaks about a sower who sows seed in an area where there is rocky ground and thorny ground and ground where there is rich soil. He goes on to say some seed sown on rocky ground does sprout ... but quickly withers for lack of roots. Seed sown on thorny ground sprouts ... but is ultimately choked by the thorns.

But the seed sown in the rich soil bears much

fruit.

The Sower is Christ.

The seed is grace. The different areas of the field symbolize the different temperaments and dispositions people have upon receiving

grace. “Rocky soil” represents those who are initially enthusiastic about receiving God’s grace ... but whose zeal quickly fades. “Thorny ground” exemplifies those whose faith is choked off by the anxieties of life. “Rich soil” symbolizes those who patiently trust in God and keep their eyes focused on Him.

The “rich soil” perfectly describes Mary. She is neither the “sower” nor the “seed.” Rather, our Lady is the one who models for us how to keep our eyes focused on God and patiently trust in Him.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, pray for us!

Father Matthew Guckin



Home, Prayer & Worship

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*Please Welcome
 Our New
 Parishioners*

Mrs. Margaret Bailey

**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 26 - Submit by Wednesday, July 15

August 2 - Submit by Wednesday, July 22

Questions? bulletin@ourladymtcarmel.org

Prayer & Worship

Weekly Mass Schedule & Intentions

Altar Candles Intention for this Week
Josephine Cevalco

Sanctuary Lamp Intention for this Week
Josephine T. Cevalco

The Marian Candle Intention for this Week
Raymond Ferrett

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		
Mon 7/13	8:00 AM	Parishioners of OLMC
	7:00 PM	Novena Evening Prayer
Tues 7/14	8:00 AM	Robert Pagel
	7:00 PM	Novena Evening Prayer
Wed 7/15	8:00 AM	Joseph Thomas
	7:00 PM	Novena Evening Prayer
Thurs 7/16	8:00 AM	No Mass
	7:00 PM 🖐️🎵	Novena Mass Arthur Moore Bylin
Fri 7/17	8:00 AM	Helene M. Kushnir
Sat 7/18	5 PM Vigil	Mary Palka
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7/19	7:00 AM	J. Francis Walsh
	9:00 AM ▶▶	Mary Dusza (Living)
	10:30 AM 🖐️	Jason Van Hoof
	12 Noon	Harry Serpico

🎵 = Choir Singing ▶▶ = LiveStreamed
▲ = Special Collection 🖐️ = ASL Interpreted
♥ = Sensory Friendly

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Adult Choir is singing for two special Novena Masses this summer.

Saturday, July 11 at the 5 PM Vigil Mass
Thursday, July 16 at the 7 PM Closing Mass



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 12 (Red Hymnal #1151)

Reading I: Isaiah 55: 10-11

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

Reading II: Romans 8: 18-23

The Gospel: Matthew 13: 1-23

July 19 (Red Hymnal #1154)

Reading I: Wisdom 12: 13; 16-19

Resp. Psalm Psalm 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16

Reading II: Romans 8: 26-27

The Gospel: Matthew 13: 24-43, or 13: 24-30



Sensory Friendly Mass

Sunday, July 26

12 Noon

Mass will also be interpreted in American Sign Language

Prayer

Sick & Homebound In Our Prayers

Tom Kerrigan

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

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.



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As we begin our Novena to

Our Lady of Mount Carmel this week, take time to
listen to Dr. Edward Sri explain our Catholic beliefs
about Mary.



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You are Invited to Pray with Us!



Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel

**Wednesday, July 8
through Thursday, July 16**

See Page 7 for Details

Baptisms

God Bless Our Newly Baptized



Maeve Felicity Crelin

Daughter of Andrew and Molly

Kira Ann Dewberry

Daughter of Kristofer and Emily

Abigail Marie Scholer

Daughter of Andrew and Alyshia

Amelia Teres Scholer

Daughter of Andrew and Alyshia

Claire Marie DiLullo

Daughter of Joseph and Ann

Sophie Beata DiLullo

Daughter of Christopher and Aleksandra

Isabelle Anita Nicolo

Daughter of Michael and Mary

Michael Howard Nicolo

Son of Michael and Mary

Adelina Rie Townes

Daughter of Christopher and Jocelyn

Matilda Alice White

Daughter of Chad and Jamie

Arthur Fox Bednarski

Son of Cory and Caitlyn

Olivia Corrigan

Daughter of Matthew and Jillian

George Dirossi Mitchell

Son of Edward and Genevieve

Olivia Marie Strouse

Daughter of Ian and Victoria

Isabella Charlotte Menichella-Ward

Daughter of Tyler and Dominique

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: Grade 3

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

Summer Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel



Novena Liturgical Notes

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.

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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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!



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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
Mary, Mother of the Redeemer
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July 12

Capital Improvement

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive is This Weekend, 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



Ministry Spotlight - Music



OLMC Ministry Spotlight

Highlighting the many ways that we serve as the eyes, hands and feet of Christ.

The mission of dedicated choir and cantors is to serve as music ministers, enriching the spiritual experience of the congregation through sacred song.



1. What is your Ministry's Mission?

What do you do?



2. Who Can Get Involved?

Who is this ministry for?

Membership in the adult choir is open to high school students and adults who have a love for music and a desire to serve.



3. How Has My Ministry Experience Impacted My Relationship With Jesus Christ?

What impact has it had on my faith?

"I have always felt that each hymn and anthem is a prayer set to beautiful music. We perfect these 'prayers' as we learn them, and as we sing at Mass or other liturgies, this 'prayer' is imprinted on me in a profound way and often stays with me throughout the day" (Connie Neves, adult choir member).



4. How Can Parishioners Get Involved Or Learn More?

How can someone take the next step?

If you enjoy singing, if you enjoy learning about music, or if you enjoy music as an expression of worship, consider joining our OLMC choir family. Please contact Shelly O'Hara-Tapp, Chair & Director of Liturgical Music at
musicministry@ourladymtcarmel.org



— Save the Date! — BACKPACK BLESSING & MINISTRY FAIR



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
9:00 AM & 10:30 AM MASSES



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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

Drop in for One • Drop in for All

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



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Thursdays: July 23 & August 20

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In the event of inclement weather, check the website for a cancellation announcement.

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2026 Annual Rummage Sale

Donation Days
Monday, August 3 & Tuesday, August 4

Sale Days
Wednesday, August 3 through
Saturday, August 8

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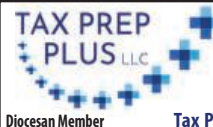
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