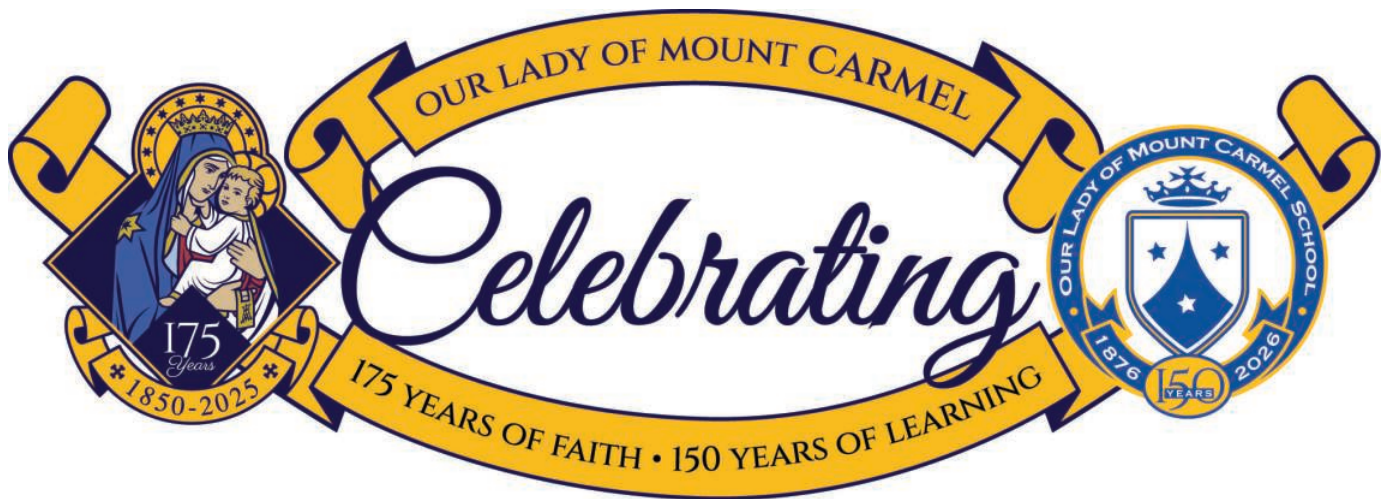




On The Topic of Prayer: Week Five

This weekend's Gospel is one of my favorites. It recounts a moment when a Canaanite woman begged for Jesus' pity. Her daughter was tormented by some demon and she pleaded with Him to help.

At first, Jesus ignored the woman by giving her the silent treatment. His disciples even wanted Him to tell her to get lost. The woman would not go away and Jesus seemed to "double down," even going so far as to tell her that He came to feed God's children ... not "dogs." This pagan woman persisted. "Please, Lord," she said, "even the dogs eat the scraps."

Jesus LOVED this. He bragged about her faith and healed the woman's daughter.

Jesus was drawing her into a relationship with Him. That was the whole point of giving her the silent treatment He gave to her and even His initial response to her. After all, being in relationship with God is the very reason we pray!

Whenever we pray, there are definite principles to guide us. The first is that *we pray with faith*. If a person prays for rain and then carries an umbrella to work it's a sign of real faith. Praying with faith means to trust that God hears us while believing in His goodness to give us what we truly need.

A second principle of prayer is *perseverance*. This Canaanite woman – a card-carrying pagan – continued praying faithfully. Her persistence served to enlarge her soul and prepared her to receive the gift God desire to give to her.

Another principle for prayer ... and this is vital ... is to *practice forgiveness*. Holding on to grudges blocks the flow of grace through our soul. Forgiveness opens our hearts to receive God's love.

Finally, we Christians pray *in Jesus' Name*. Throughout the Mass we often end our prayers by saying, *Through Christ our Lord*. This is intentional. First, it reminds us that we are in union with Christ as we pray. But it also helps us to remember to seek God's will rather than merely our own desires.

What if I prayed like this: *Lord, please help me to win the lottery so that I can buy that Lamborghini I've wanted since I was 16. Through Christ our Lord.*

The question answers itself.

God bless you,
Father Matthew Guckin

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**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

August 30 - Submit by Wednesday, August 19
September 6 - Submit by Wednesday, August 26

Questions? bulletin@ourladymtcarmel.org

Prayer & Worship

Weekly Mass Schedule & Intentions

Altar Candles Intention for this Week
Florence O. Harp

Sanctuary Lamp Intention for this Week
Samuel Hanson

The Marian Candle Intention for this Week
Eleanor & Joseph Weber

Assumption Sat 8/15	9:00 AM	Tom Kerrigan
	▲ = Feast of the Assumption	
Sat 8/15	5 PM Vigil	Lydia Malaney
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8/16	7:00 AM	Johnny Wright
	9:00 AM ▶▶	Geraldine Arias
	10:30 AM 🖐	Joan Spaeth
	12 Noon	Corinne Murphy
Mon 8/17	8:00 AM	Francine Low
Tues 8/18	8:00 AM	Judith Weise
Wed 8/19	8:00 AM	Helen Scanlon
Thurs 8/20	8:00 AM	Henry Hitner, Jr.
Fri 8/21	8:00 AM	Parishioners of OLMC
Sat 8/22	5 PM Vigil	David Cooper
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 8/23	7:00 AM	Jeanette Belz
	9:00 AM ▶▶	Donna Pastorino
	10:30 AM	Patricia Savino
	12 Noon 🖐❤	Boutros Family

🎵 = 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>



August 16 (Red Hymnal #1166)

Reading I: Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7

Resp. Psalm Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

Reading II: Romans 11: 13-15, 29-32

The Gospel: Matthew 15: 21-28

August 23 (Red Hymnal #1169)

Reading I: Isaiah 22: 19-23

Resp. Psalm Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8

Reading II: Romans 11: 33-36

The Gospel: Matthew 16: 13-20



Sensory Friendly Mass

Sunday, August 23

12 Noon

Mass will also be Interpreted in
American Sign Language



Mass Schedule

**Solemnity of the
Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Saturday • August 15 at
9:00 AM**

▲ Special Collection will be taken
at this Mass to benefit
Venezuelan Earthquake Relief.

Prayer

Sick & Homebound In Our Prayers

Grace Gamble

<i>Christopher Abernathy</i>	Catherine Latessa
Della Armeno	Laurie Lerner
JoAnn Bennett	James Leung
Paul Benyovszky	Vicky Longhofer
Nina Biller	Elaine Lund
<i>Stephanie Boccuzzi</i>	Monica Maeyer
Robert Borrini	Michael Makara
Maripily Braffa	<i>Michael McConaghy</i>
Marie Brescia	Eugene McInerney
Alice Bromiley	<i>Martha McLaughlin</i>
Barbara Bucci	Mary McManemy
<i>Nancy Buckman 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 Penecela-Lazo</i>
Ronan DeStefano	Jack Pfeifer
Ron Dolan	Nicolas Pompo
Scarlett Fehr	<i>James Francis Rahill</i>
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<i>Deborah Kulp-Hocker</i>	Walter Zangerle
Steven Lampe	Alexa Zoto
Noah Langan	

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
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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

Anthony Casselli, Sr.
Kevin Cody
Barbara Anne Cuning



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

August 2026
For evangelization in the City

Let us pray that in large cities often
marked by anonymity and loneliness
we find new ways to proclaim the
Gospel, discovering creative paths to
build community.

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

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@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

**Note: There will be no Adoration on
Monday, August 24 & Monday, August 31
due to Church maintenance.**

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

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

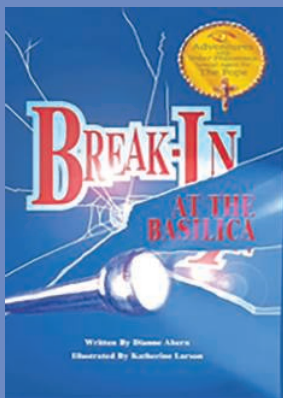
**Wednesday, August 26
6:00 - 6:45 PM • in Church**

All are invited to praise Him.

Monthly Adoration will be held during regularly
scheduled Wednesday Confessions.



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Music Ministry

Adult Choir

**Are you eager to uplift
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Our Lady of Mount Carmel welcomes you to join
the Adult Choir, which serves diligently as music
ministers. This group is devoted to enhancing the
congregation's spiritual experience through music
and in the process, we have a lot of FUN.



**The first rehearsal of the
season is on September 10,
2026.** Membership is open
to high school students
and adults. **Rehearsals
are held on Thursday
evenings from 7:00-8:30 PM
in the Church choir loft.**

To become a member of
the choir, please contact the
Parish office or email the Chair
and Director of Liturgical music, Shelly O'Hara
Tapp, at

musicministry@ourladymtcarmel.org

Save The Date Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Mission



October 12, 13 & 14

7 PM

**Healing Families
Through
The Heart of
Saint Francis of Assisi**

**Presenter
Father Chris Walsh**



**The main Church parking lot
will be closed to all vehicles
Monday, August 17 - Friday, August 21**

**The parking lot is undergoing
complete replacement.**

**Parking will be available on the street & in the
Prayer Garden lot.**



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



**Help teach the Good
News to the Children
of our Parish**

CATECHISTS NEEDED:

Sunday, 8:30am - 4th Grade

Monday, 5:30pm - 6th Grade

ASSISTANTS NEEDED:

Sunday, 8:30am - 1st Grade

Sunday, 10:20am - 4th, 6th and 7th Grades

Monday, 5:30pm - 3rd, 6th and 7th Grades



**Call the PREP Office to
learn more:
215-345-7089**

Go, Make Disciples:

**An Introductory Training in Missionary Discipleship
Saturdays, October 3, 10, 17, 2026: 9 AM - 12 Noon**

Join us for a powerful and practical training in the habits and skills of missionary discipleship. This course will help you deepen your personal friendship with Jesus and acquire relational skills to encounter and accompany others into Christ's love.

Facilitators: Meghan Cokeley and Chris Massaro, Office for the New Evangelization, Archdiocese of Philadelphia
Location: **Our Lady of Mount Carmel, St. Mary's Hall**

Fee \$25. Discounted registration of \$15 for OLMC parishioners using discount code OLMC2026. Includes all 3 sessions, coffee, snacks and guidebook.

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▲ August 15 Feast of the Assumption

Ways to Support Your Parish

In Person. Use your pre-printed weekly contribution envelopes by dropping off your envelope at the parish office, or in the collection basket during Mass.

Online/Electronically. www.paritygiving.org or from the parish website www.ourladymtcarmel.org and click on the Parish Giving icon at the bottom of the homepage.

Text-to-Give (ParishGiving.org)

Instructions for New Users

- Text the \$ amount you would like to give to **(215) 774-6677**.
- You will be prompted to click a secure link taking you to the secure Parish Giving mobile site.
- Create an account. Enter the information requested. Click save.
- You may be prompted to again text the donation amount, including the dollar sign, to the above number.
- After texting your donation amount, you will receive a text confirming that your donation has successfully processed.
- You are now set up to use text-to-give for future donations.

Please email Nicole Breeze at:
nbreeze@ourladymtcarmel.org
if you need assistance setting up text-to-give.



The Next St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive is September 12 & 13.

The following items are needed:

- **Canned Fruits & Vegetables**
- **Canned Protein**
(Tuna, Chicken, Beans, Soups)
- **Peanut Butter**
- **Pasta & Rice**
- **Shelf Stable Milk**
- **Oatmeal & Cereal**



**Any
nonperishable
items are
welcome.**

Remember to Save Your Altomonte's & McCaffrey's Simply Fresh Receipts. Now collecting receipts for June, July & August. Receipts expire after 3 months. Please place receipts in the baskets by the Church doors.

Ministry Spotlight - Lector Ministry



OLMC Ministry Spotlight

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



1. What is your Ministry's Mission?

What do you do?

The lector's role at Mass is to proclaim the readings from Sacred Scripture, with the exception of the Gospel. The lector may also be called upon to read the pulpit announcements or announce the intentions for the Universal Prayer.



2. Who Can Get Involved?

Who is this ministry for?

The Parish invites adults and teens who have been confirmed to consider joining the lector ministry. Parents and teens are especially encouraged to consider serving our parish family as a lector team.



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

What impact has it had on my faith?

"Reading the Gospels and reflecting on their truth strengthens my relationship with God. Serving as a Lector at OLMC deepens my faith, while also allowing my children to see me serve God in a way that hopefully exemplifies the importance of getting involved in church ministry and being confident about talking about their faith with others."
~John Venus, OLMC Parishioner



4. How Can Parishioners Get Involved Or Learn More?

How can someone take the next step?

Please email lectors@ourladymtcarmel.org to learn more about the ministry and training opportunities.



Save the Date! BACKPACK BLESSING & MINISTRY FAIR



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



parishengagement@ourladymtcarmel.org

Walking with Purpose

Ladies...

Give Your Summer Some Purpose



Summer Drop-In

Wednesdays in St. Mary's Hall

Registration will start *Last Session!*
15 min before the session starts!

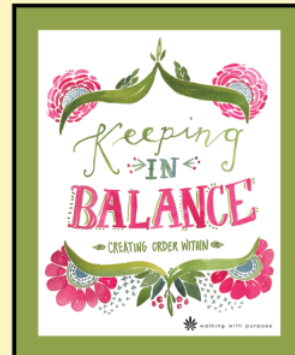
9:30-11am 8/19 True Discipleship

No books. No homework. No Fees.

Fall Registration...Coming Soon!!

Parishdiscipleship@ourladymtcarmel.org

Ladies... 2 Bible Studies Coming This Fall!!!



Keeping In Balance



Opening Your Heart

Wednesday Mornings

9:30-11:30am

Wednesday Evenings

6:30-8pm



Starting September 30th!

Registration Coming Soon!

parishdiscipleship@ourladymtcarmel.org

Discipleship/Get Involved

 Save the Date: August 19th

Youth Ministry Kick-off Event

7th to 12th graders
7 PM to 9 PM in St. Mary's Hall
Ice Cream Social, School Supply Drive & Service Project*

*To benefit St. Francis de Sales School, Philadelphia

Drop-in! No preregistration required!



August Events

August 19 - Kick-off Event
August 23 - Community Meal
August 26 - ACTS 4 Adoration

youthministry@ourladymtcarmel.org

 **PRETZELS**
under the OLMC Tent

Saturday, August 22
After the 5 PM Vigil Mass



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Thursday: August 20

 **Deacon Chuck Dern will be providing live music on August 20.**

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

www.ourladymtcarmel.org

 **2026 OLMC CYO Cross Country**

Come Learn about the "Power of the Team" and the "Secret" to Improvement and Having Fun!

Grades 1 - 8
Season starts Monday, August 31

Scan to learn more & register
Registration closes 8/27/2026



Discipleship/Get Involved

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Fall Mum Sale

Sponsored by Mid-East Family Ties Ministry

- **9" Potted Mums \$10**
Colors: Yellow, White, Orange, Red, and Purple
- **12" Hanging Basket Mums with Lysimachia \$20**
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- **9" Potted Ornamental Cabbages \$10**
Colors: White or Purple
- **9" Potted Celosia \$10**
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Ways to Order:

1. Order forms at church entrances August 15-16
2. Orders taken August 22-23 after Masses
3. Email jordanministry@ourladymtcarmel.org
4. Scan the QR Code.



Make check payable
to OLMC (Put Jordan
Ministry in the Memo)



Pick up Mums after Masses:
Saturday, Sept. 19 • 6-7:00 PM
Sunday, Sept. 20 • 8 AM -1:30 PM

*Saint Mary's Hall (Across the
Street from Church)*

Sale Ends September 3

Thank you for helping us keep the face of
Christ alive in the Middle East

Questions?: jordanministry@ourladymtcarmel.org

Help Wanted Our Lady of Mount Carmel School

Substitute Teachers

Qualified candidates should hold a Bachelor's Degree, have clearances (or be willing to get them) and a love of children.

Lunch/Recess Aides

Qualified candidates should have clearances (or be willing to get them) and a love of children. Hours are 10:45 AM – 1:45 PM when school is in session. Job sharing is a possibility.

Interested candidates should contact the school office at
(215) 348-5907 or send an inquiry to Dawn Parker at
dparker@olmcs.org



Save the Date

11th Annual Padre Pio Festival
St. Bede the Venerable Parish
1071 Holland Road, Holland, PA

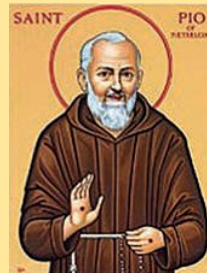
**Saturday & Sunday
September 26 & 27, 2026**

Display and Veneration of the Holy
Relics of Padre Pio All Weekend

Sunday, September 27

Festival Mass at 11:30 AM
Celebrant/Homilist Most Rev. Keith Chylinski
12:30 PM Street Procession followed by
1:30 PM Healing Service & Blessing with Relics

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Pro-Life March • Harrisburg, PA Monday, September 21, 2026

Cost \$20 person. Bus Departure from St. Maria
Goretti Parking Lot at 8:30 AM

7:30 AM	Mass at St. Maria Goretti Chapel
8:30 AM	Bus departs
10:30 AM	Arrive in Harrisburg
11:00 AM	Rally for Life
12 Noon	March around Capitol
2:00 PM	Bus leaves Harrisburg

Bring lunch and snacks. Mail check (made out to St. Maria Goretti with March for Life in memo) to:
St. Maria Goretti Parish, Pro-Life March
1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield, PA 19440

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