



OUR LADY of MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH DOYLESTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

Faith without reason leads to fanaticism and superstition. People who are exposed to such a dangerous ideology (by priests, parents, or others) are turned off to Catholicism and almost always reject it outright.

But reason without faith has proven to be equally destructive. The atheistic governments of Nazi Germany, the Soviet Union, and China all claimed reasonable justification for the deaths of hundreds of millions of people. Whenever reason is detached from a transcendent moral law, it becomes a tool for calculating efficiency without regard for human dignity.

The truly Catholic position is this: Faith and reason are not enemies ... but partners.

Reason enables us to discover truth through observation, logic, and experience. Faith opens our minds to truths that reason alone cannot reach – God’s love, the mystery of salvation, and humanity’s eternal destiny. Like two eyes working together to give depth to our vision, faith and reason together allow us to see reality as it truly is.

This weekend at Mass we listen to Saint Paul urging the Romans, “Be transformed by the renewal of your mind.” And Jesus echoes the same sentiment as He rebukes Peter: “Get behind Me, Satan! You are not thinking as God does but as human beings do.” Taken together, these passages reveal that authentic faith is not the abandonment of reason but the transformation of it.



Put another way, God never asks us to stop thinking but invites us to think more deeply, more clearly, and more like Him. When our minds are renewed by faith, our reasoning is elevated rather than diminished. Authentic Catholic faith purifies the intellect, allowing us to perceive reality as God does.

The Catholic vision rejects both extremes (of faith alone & reason alone). God created the human intellect and calls us to use it. He also reveals truths that surpass our understanding and invites us to trust Him. Renewing our minds means allowing reason to be enlightened by faith and for faith to be strengthened by reason. Only then can we think as God thinks and live as Christ calls us to live.

God bless you,

Father Matthew Guckin

Home, Prayer & Worship

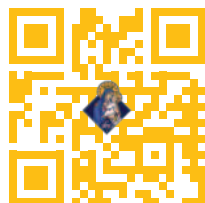
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Sacrament of Reconciliation
at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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

September 13 - Submit by Wednesday, September 2
 September 20 - Submit by Wednesday, September 9

Questions? bulletin@ourladymtcarmel.org

Prayer & Worship

Weekly Mass Schedule & Intentions

Altar Candles Intention for this Week
Ronald A. Cameron

Sanctuary Lamp Intention for this Week
Betsy Kohlhepp

The Marian Candle Intention for this Week
Joseph Arnold

Sat 8/29	5 PM Vigil	Ed & Anna Gordon and John & Mary Buckley
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8/30	7:00 AM	Rose Martinelli
	9:00 AM ►►	Peter & Elizabeth Ralph
	10:30 AM ✋	William Buehler
	12 Noon	Kathy Kirk
Mon 8/31	8:00 AM	Parishioners of OLMC
Tues 9/1	8:00 AM	The Dardzinski Family
Wed 9/2	8:00 AM	Herbert Kuttler
Thurs 9/3	8:00 AM	Lynne Marie Pantuso
Fri 9/4	8:00 AM	Donna Wilson
Sat 9/5	5 PM Vigil	Joyce Hanson
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9/6	7:00 AM	Josephine Postiglione
	9:00 AM ►►	Richard & Angela Progen
	10:30 AM ✋	Jennifer Rose
	12 Noon	Patrick Francis Breen
▲ = Youth Ministry		

🎵 = 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 30 (Red Hymnal #1172)

Reading I: Jeremiah 20:7-9

Resp. Psalm Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

Reading II: Romans 12: 1-2

The Gospel: Matthew 16: 21-27

September 6 (Red Hymnal #1175)

Reading I: Ezekiel 33:7-9

Resp. Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

Reading II: Romans 13:8-10

The Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20



Labor Day Mass Schedule

• **Monday** •
September 7
9:00 AM Mass

Note: The Rectory will be closed on Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day.



Prayer

Sick & Homebound In Our Prayers

**Sheila Kyle
Frederick Pepper**

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

Please Pray for Our Troops

Andrew Bailey
Maggie Borek
Joshua Bozarth
Veronica Camiola
Bradley Cannon
Matthew R. Conway
Cecilia A. Davies
Christopher Davies
Ian Donaher
Jason Douple
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Connor Ferzetti
Lauren Griffith
Joseph Guckavan, III
Brandon Horak
Spencer Howell
Sean Huggett
Sydney Ives
Sean Lahetta
Ethan Malsom
Adam Mandzy
Christian Mandzy
Colin Michael
McCormack
Conor McFadden
Jeff McGearry
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 Venziale
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

**Alice Dougherty
Richard Fuhrmeister
Kelly Winters**



Nannette Kardaszkeski
Joseph MacAniff

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

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

**Adoration
WILL be held
on August 31.**

**Adoration
WILL NOT be held on
Monday, September 7 &
Monday, September 14.**

Children's Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



**Tuesday
September 8 • 10 AM
St. Francis Center
(Convent)**

Mother of Sorrows and Hope

A Bereavement Ministry for Mothers Who Have
Experienced the Recent Loss of a Child



**Wednesday, September 16
7:00 PM**

Please Call the Rectory (215) 348-4190
for Meeting Details.

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As we celebrate the feast day of St. Teresa of Calcutta this week, watch as Father Michael Gaitley shows us how St. Teresa helps us see more fully how Marian consecration is part of a more intimate relationship with Christ.

Adult Choir

**Are you eager to uplift
God's praises through song?**

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**



**Bring the Statue of
Our Lady of Fatima
to your Home**

To learn more, please call the Rectory
at (215) 348-4190

or email the Legion of Mary
legionofmary@ourladymtcarmel.org

Walking with Purpose/Discipleship

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

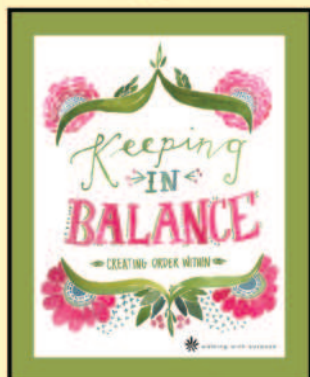
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Classes start Sunday, October 4, 2026

Ladies... **2 Bible Studies** **Coming This Fall!!!** **Registration is Now Open!**



Keeping In Balance

Wednesday Mornings

9:30-11:30am



Morning Registration



Opening Your Heart

Wednesday Evenings

6:30-8pm



Evening Registration

Register by the QR Code or stop in the rectory!



parishdiscipleship@ourladymtcarmel.org

Stewardship



parishgiving.org

Special Collections

▲ September 6 Youth Ministry

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today, we hear Jesus say to us, "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." The challenge is to let go so God can lead us.

If you would like to transfer funds directly to OLMC's SVDP, you can visit parishgiving.org and use the dropdown menu to choose SVDP.

During July 2026 through your Poor Box gifts and other donations, the OLMC Conference brought the love of Jesus to the poor. Our Conference volunteered for 32 hours and provided 60 neighbors with the following assistance:

Rent	\$9,456
Temporary Housing	670
Food	1,032
Electricity/Oil/Water	2,159
Auto/Gas	333
Total	\$13,650

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.**



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 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion



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?

An Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC) is a layperson who is designated to assist in distributing the Eucharist at their parish when ordinary ministers (bishops, priests, or deacons) are absent or at the celebrant's discretion.



2. Who Can Get Involved?

Who is this ministry for?

Adult parishioners who have received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Eucharist, and Confirmation) are invited to learn more about this liturgical ministry.



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

What impact has it had on my faith?

Serving as an EMHC is a most humbling experience guiding me in ways to improve my relationship with Jesus. Even after several years of serving, a feeling of warmth overwhelms me as if it were the first time. Words simply cannot adequately convey the joy!

~ Bob Maio, OLMC parishioner



4. How Can Parishioners Get Involved Or Learn More?

How can someone take the next step?

Parishioners are invited to email emhc@ourladymtcarmel.org to learn more about the ministry and upcoming training opportunities.

Discipleship/Get Involved

Calling all Students!

Join OLMC ROCKs for the

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS!



Sunday, September 13

9:00 AM and 10:30 AM Masses

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church



Bring your backpack and receive a blessing as we pray for a wonderful school year!



Ministry Fair SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 After the 9 AM & 10:30 AM Masses Join Us in the St. Mary's Hall Parking Lot!

Donuts & Water will be served



parishengagement@ourladymtcarmel.org



Join Our 4 PM Friday Flocknote Email

Join today using the QR Code:

1. Hold your smart phone so that the QR Code appears in the viewfinder of the camera.
2. Tap the notification to register on Flocknote to stay in touch with OLMC Parish news and events.





Save the Date!

BACKPACK BLESSING & MINISTRY FAIR

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

parishengagement@ourladymtcarmel.org

Discipleship/Get Involved

The Ladies of Mount Carmel Women's Day of Reflection

Being the Beloved: Heart to Heart

Tuesday, September 22, 2026

Presenter: Sr. Michelle Cimaroli, aci

Director of St. Raphaela Center

The day begins with Mass at 8:00 am
in the Church, followed by
Continental Breakfast in
St. Mary's Hall, and concludes at
2:00 pm. Box Lunch is included.

Cost: **\$25.00**
Register by Sept. 15th

All women are invited to attend. Seating is limited.

Please indicate your Box Lunch selection.

(All selections available GLUTEN FREE by checking the box below):

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Mail payment with this form to:
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Rectory
Attn: Day of Reflection
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For more information, scan the code below or
email: ladies@ourladymtcarmel.org

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Our PREP Ministry
This School Year!**

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Sundays, 8:30 AM: Grade 4

Sundays, 10:20 AM: Grade 1

Volunteer Security Team:

Sundays, 8:30 AM



Julianne Donahue
Director of Religious Education

215-345-7089

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Blood Drive **Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

St. Mary's Hall
235 E. State Street
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Monday, September 14, 2026
7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.



Peace & Justice Ministry

Monday, September 28
6:30 St. Mary's Hall

Please Join us for the
First Meeting of the New Season

Questions?

peacejustice@ourladymtcarmel.org



Discipleship/Get Involved

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Fall Mum Sale

Sponsored by Mid-East Family Ties Ministry

- **9" Potted Mums \$10**
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- **12" Hanging Basket Mums with Lysimachia \$20**
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- **9" Potted Ornamental Cabbages \$10**
Colors: White or Purple
- **9" Potted Celosia \$10**
Colors: Intenz purple or Twisted Orange

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



**WEDNESDAY 22
SEPT. 16TH 06**

**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS
ANNUAL GOLF OUTING**

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Remember: An Evening of Support and Healing for Those Who Have Lost Loved Ones to Suicide

Friday, November 6, 2026 • 6:00-8:30 PM
St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, Warrington, PA

Speakers:

Sr. Kathryn Maney, MS
Author of *Remember, a Catholic program for
grief and suicide loss*

Elizabeth Leon
Director of Family Support, Red Bird Ministries

View the flyer. No cost, but please register at
archphila.org/support or use this link

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Abbey Fest

September 19, 2026
The National Shrine of
Our Lady of Czestochowa

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Noon

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