

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

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HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

La Solemnidad de La Asunción de la Virgen es un **día de obligación**.

Agosto 14 (jueves) a las 6:30 de la tarde La Misa Vigilia en español.

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a **Holy Day of Obligation**.

August 15th (Friday)
English Masses at 8:15am and 6pm.

The 6pm Mass will be a healing Mass.

The relics of **St. Padre Pio** is coming to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on August 15th & 16th

The veneration will be from 1pm-8pm

We invite volunteers to serve as
Greeters/ushers and Volunteers at the store
to sell Padre Pio items

Contact the OLMC Padre Pio Committee at: olmcpadrepiorc@gmail.com

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH – Register online @ mountcarmelrc.org/registration

PARISH MASSES & LITURGIES

DAILY MASS: Monday - Saturday, 8:15 AM

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 5:00 PM - English

SUNDAY MASSES: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM - English; 12:00 PM - Español

1st FRIDAY Devotion: Eucharistic Adoration follows the 8:15 AM Mass

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays, 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

BAPTISM - Monthly: Second Saturday: 10:00 AM - English

El cuarto sábado: 10:00 AM - Español

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Center to speak with a priest.

FUNERAL SERVICES: Please call the Parish Center to speak with a priest.

QUINCEAÑERA MASS: Saturdays at 12 noon. Subject to availability. Please call at least 5 months prior

to the approved date of the Mass. Suggested donation is \$500. Stipend for a musician is a separate fee and it depends on availability. Initial deposit required

to reserve the date. Our Hall is not available for receptions.

MARRIAGE: Saturdays at 12 noon. Subject to availability. Please call at least 6 months prior

to the approved date of the wedding. Suggested donation is \$800. Stipend for a musician is a separate fee and it depends on availability. Initial deposit required

to reserve the date. Our Hall is not available for receptions.

CLERGY

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PARISH CENTER HOURS: MONDAY-FRIDAY from 9AM-3PM, CLOSED FROM 12PM-1PM



Christ's prophetic words in the gospel, store up "an inexhaustible treasure in heaven," Jesus says. "Where your treasure is, there also will be your heart." Be prepared, he says, for the final judgment.

This follows, of course, last week's passage, about splitting an inheritance. "One's life does not consist of possessions," Jesus told the crowd. Rather, he said, be rich in what matters to God.

His words are a challenge to people who are billionaires — but also to those of us who aren't.

Ask ourselves: where does my treasure lie? Is it in that 62 inch TV I have in the living room? The clothes stuffed in my closet? The expensive car parked in my garage? Or is it the children sleeping upstairs? Is it the friend I haven't called back, or the wife I forgot to kiss goodbye this morning?

Is it something even more intangible? Is it my faith? Is it compassion? Mercy? Prayer? Love?

The scripture passages we've been hearing every Sunday for the last several weeks follow Christ's journey to Jerusalem, where he will suffer and die. These are lessons given as Christ walks his final road to Jerusalem. They teach us about prayer. About caring for our neighbors. About how we need to care less about what matters to this world...and more about what will endure in the next.

These lessons are his treasures – but they are also ours. Be prepared, Jesus tells us today. At the conclusion of today's gospel, he explains: "Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more."

He is speaking about all of us, of course. But I think he is also speaking of himself – the Son who has been entrusted with a great treasure by the Father. He knows his time is limited, his days are numbered. And he needs to share what he knows with the world.

That is Christ's "giving pledge" to us. Our inheritance. He pledged his life, and gave it. And we are nurtured and nourished again and again by THAT inheritance. It is the most important inheritance in history. Having received this inheritance, what will we do with it? How can we live Christ's gospel? How can we make it last, and pass it on? Remember Christ's words: "Where your treasure is, there also will be your heart."

On this Sunday's Mass, each of us is challenged to ask: where is my treasure? Where is my heart? Now is the time for us to find the answers – and, perhaps, make our own "giving pledge" to God.

I wish you and your loved ones' blessings for good health and great hope.

Las palabras proféticas de Cristo en el Evangelio dicen: «Acumulen un tesoro inagotable en el cielo», dice Jesús. «Donde esté tu tesoro, allí estará también tu corazón». Prepárense, dice, para el juicio final.

Esto sigue, por supuesto, al pasaje de la semana pasada, sobre la división de una herencia. «La vida de uno no consiste en las posesiones», dijo Jesús a la multitud. Más bien, dijo, sed ricos en lo que importa a Dios. Sus palabras son un desafío para los multimillonarios, pero también para aquellos de nosotros que no lo somos.

Preguntémonos: ¿dónde está mi tesoro? ¿Está en ese televisor de 62 pulgadas que tengo en el salón? ¿En la ropa que abarrota mi armario? ¿En el coche caro aparcado en mi garaje? ¿O están los niños que duermen arriba? ¿Es el amigo al que no he devuelto la llamada, o la esposa a la que olvidé dar un beso de despedida esta mañana?

¿Es algo aún más intangible? ¿Es mi fe? ¿Es la compasión? ¿La misericordia? ¿La oración? ¿El amor?

Los pasajes de las Escrituras que hemos estado escuchando todos los domingos durante las últimas semanas siguen el viaje de Cristo a Jerusalén, donde sufrirá y morirá. Son lecciones impartidas mientras Cristo recorre su último camino hacia Jerusalén. Nos enseñan sobre la oración. Sobre cómo cuidar de nuestros vecinos. Sobre cómo debemos preocuparnos menos por lo que importa en este mundo... y más por lo que perdurará en el siguiente.

Estas lecciones son sus tesoros, pero también son los nuestros. Estad preparados, nos dice Jesús hoy. Al final del evangelio de hoy, explica: «A quien se le ha confiado mucho, se le exigirá mucho; y a quien se le ha confiado más, se le exigirá aún más».

Se refiere a todos nosotros, por supuesto. Pero creo que también se refiere a sí mismo, el Hijo al que el Padre ha confiado un gran tesoro. Sabe que su tiempo es limitado, que sus días están contados. Y necesita compartir lo que sabe con el mundo.

Esa es la «promesa de entrega» de Cristo hacia nosotros. Nuestra herencia. Él prometió su vida y la entregó. Y nosotros somos alimentados y nutridos una y otra vez por ESA herencia. Es la herencia más importante de la historia. Habiendo recibido esta herencia, ¿qué haremos con ella? ¿Cómo podemos vivir el evangelio de Cristo?¿Cómo podemos hacer que perdure y transmitirlo? Recordemos las palabras de Cristo: «Donde esté tu tesoro, allí estará también tu corazón».

En la misa de este domingo, cada uno de nosotros tiene el reto de preguntarse: ¿dónde está mi tesoro? ¿Dónde está mi corazón? Ahora es el momento de encontrar las respuestas y, tal vez, hacer nuestra propia «promesa de entrega» a Dios.

Les deseo a ustedes y a sus seres queridos bendiciones de buena salud y gran esperanza.



LAY ORGANIZATIONS

- Mental Health Ministry
- Grief Support Group
- Legion of Mary (Eng & Sp)
- Rosary Group
- The Prayer Warriors
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul
- Pro Life 40 days for Life Group
- Sto. Niño Group
- El Grupo Guadalupano
- Lazos de Maria
- El Grupo de Oracion: Aliento de Oracion
- OCIA Catechists
- Bible Study Group
- Men's Club
- Women's Club

Liturgical ministries:

- Altar servers
- Lectors and Holy Communion ministers
- Hospitality: Ushers and Greeters
- Music Ministry
- Liturgical Environment

Descriptions of each group are found in our website: https://www.mountcarmelrc.org/

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sat., Aug. 9

8:15 AM † Arcadia Tinio 5:00 PM † Caridad Saquin

Sun., Aug. 10

8:00 AM † Adalberto Cuevas 10:00 AM † Marco Benavides 12:00 PM † Ramiro Godinez Villa

Daily Masses - 8:15 AM

Mon., Aug. 11 † Mary Louise Liberati Tues., Aug. 12 † Antonio Gomez Wed., Aug. 13 † Fred Schneider

Thurs., Aug. 14 The Phan family (living & deceased)

Fri., Aug. 15 † Alene Karthas

Sat., Aug. 16

8:15 AM † Deceased parishioners

5:00 PM † Fred Schneider

Sun., Aug. 17

8:00 AM † Rosalio de la Rosa 10:00 AM † Maria Ordoñez 12:00 PM † Galdino Agustin & Maria Dorotea Piña

Prayer List: Our prayer list clears at the end of each month. Please submit your entries for the prayer list by

calling 650-366-3802.

2nd Collection: Aug. 3 - Parish Facilities Aug. 17 - Religious Education

Aug. 10 - Liturgy Fund Aug. 23 - Annual Appeal

Aug. 31 – Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Register: We welcome you to join our parish. Or maybe you need to update your information! It's easy!

Just Register / Update at: mountcarmelrc.org/registration

FORMED: Sign up to our free **FORMED** subscription for thousands of books, audio talks, movies, documentaries and studies to help you and your family nurture your faith in the Catholic tradition. Go to **formed.org** then enter **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Redwood City** or our zip code: **94062**

GO PAPERLESS! Our weekly bulletins are also available online and can be downloaded.

Go to: https://parishesonline.com/organization/our-lady-of-mount-carmel-church-94062

Or to our parish website: https://www.mountcarmelrc.org/

If there is any announcement you would like be included in the weekly bulletin, please contact Fr. Andy. Bulletin for the coming weekend is usually submitted to the printer on Tuesday evenings.



SAINTS of the Week



St. Claire (Aug.11)* (16 July 1194 – 11 August 1253)

The daughter of a noble family living in Assisi, Clare was known for her deep spirituality and love for the poor. Her heart was attracted to the radical way of life preached by St. Francis. One night, to the dismay of her family, Clare secretly met Francis and his small band of brothers to commit her life to God and to begin a community of women devoted to living the gospel. Clare and the holy women who followed her—and who continue to follow her in our day—have always been a revered part of the Franciscan movement. With the support of St. Francis, St. Clare found the order of Franciscan women who became known as the Poor Clares, or simply Clares.

St. Maximilian Kolbe (Aug. 14)*

(8 January 1894 – 14 August 1941)

Fr. Kolbe had entered the Franciscans at sixteen. Though a sickly youth, he was animated by pious zeal that was matched by a genius for organization. After his ordination, he formed a movement called the Knights of Mary Immaculate and launched a series of journals, which achieved a circulation of eight hundred thousand in Poland. In 1939 Poland was invaded by the Nazis. He was arrested in February 1941, and by May he was on his way to Auschwitz.

On July 30, 1941, a prisoner escaped from Auschwitz, the notorious Nazi camp in Poland. In retaliation, the commandant lined up inmates of cell block fourteen and ordered that ten of them be selected for death. When one of the ten cried out that he would never see his family again, another prisoner stepped forward and volunteered to take his place. When the commandant asked who he was, he replied, "I am a Catholic priest." His offer was accepted, and so Fr. Maximilian Kolbe assumed his place among the condemned.





SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (August 15)

966 "Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death." The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians. (from Catechism of the Catholic Church).

*Source: https://www.franciscanmedia.org



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First Communion Program

Registration for 1st communion will continue on Sundays of August from 9am to 1:30pm, at the porch of the Church. We will accept registrations in the Parish Center from Tuesday through Friday from 9:30a to 12nn and from 1pm to 4pm.

Classes will begin in September.

Classes in English will be held on Sundays from 8:45am to 9:45am, followed by 10am Mass.

Calendar of activities and more information will be in the Registration package.

For more information, you can contact Magdalena Hernandez via email:

mhernandez@mountcarmel.org.

Programa de Primera Comunión 2025-2026

La inscripción continuara los domingos de Agosto, de 9am a 1:30pm, en el porche de la Iglesia. Además, aceptaremos inscripciones en el Centro Parroquial de martes a viernes de 9:30am a 12md y de 1pm a 4pm. Las clases comenzarán en Septiembre.

Las clases en español se llevarán a cabo los miércoles y jueves de 6:30 pm a 7:30 pm.

El calendario de actividades y más información estarán en el paquete de registro.

Para más información, puede comunicarse con Magdalena Hernández por email: mhernandez@mountcarmel.org.

Catechism of the Catholic Church

THE SACRAMENTS OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

1212 The sacraments of Christian initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist - lay the foundations of every Christian life.

"The sharing in the divine nature given to men through the grace of Christ bears a certain likeness to the origin, development, and nourishing of natural life. the faithful are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the sacrament of Confirmation, and receive in the Eucharist the food of eternal life. By means of these sacraments of Christian initiation, they thus receive in increasing measure the treasures of the divine life and advance toward the perfection of charity."

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults 2025-2026

Seekers and inquirers are non-baptized adults who desire to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church and/or baptized adult Christians who desire full communion in the Catholic Church.

If you would like to be part of our Catholic community here at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, we invite you to join our weekly sessions on Sundays, following the 8:00 am Mass in the Parish Center.

We discuss the Sunday scripture readings and topics on doctrines and morals.

Members of our community who wish to deepen their faith and who also consider assisting in the program are welcome to join.

For further information, contact the parish office or John Spotorno at (650) 303-6292.



JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE

Pope Francis has designated the 2025 Holy Year as a time to renew ourselves as "Pilgrims of Hope." The Jubilee Year of Hope, also known as Jubilee 2025, concludes on January 6, 2026, which is the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. The year began with the opening of the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica on December 24, 2024.

The Vatican issued a decree* in May 2024 outlining the different ways that Catholics may obtain the Plenary Indulgence during the 2025 Jubilee Holy Year.

*https://www.usccb.org/resources/Indulgence_Vatican_Bollettino.pdf

Here it the link on Ways to obtain the indulgence in the Archdiocese of San Francisco:

https://www.sfarchdiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Indulgence-instructions-1.pdf

Here is the link to the pilgrim sites in the Archdiocese of San Francisco: https://www.sfarchdiocese.org/jubilee-year-of-hope/#LocalPilgrimageSites



Pray for our departed parishioners

May they rest in peace

AMEN.

The number to call for mental health crisis support in San Mateo County

(650) 579-0350

For help from local mental health counselors 24/7 during mental health crisis, substance use issue, or thoughts of suicide.



CRS: GAZA Fund

Save Lives, Your Support, Their Survival

Catholic Relief Services is providing food, water, shelter, medicine and medical supplies to Gaza. To help, please designate donations to the Special Gaza Fund on the official website:

https://www.crs.org/



Adoration Chapel

Open Sundays through Saturdays from 9am to 9pm



El Grupo Guadalupano and The Prayer Warriors

invite you to join
a communal prayer for healing
for Msgr. Loi Vergara and all the sick
in our parish community
5 Tuesdays (July 29th – Aug. 26th)
At 7pm in the Church

los invitan a unirse a una oración comunitaria por la curación de Mons. Loi Vergara Y de todos los enfermos de nuestra comunidad parroquial 5 los martes (29 de Julio – 26 de Agosto) a las 7 de la tarde en la iglesia

