



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

## CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

300 Fulton Street, Redwood City, CA 94062

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PARISH CENTER HOURS - Monday-Friday **now from 8:30AM-4:00PM**, break from 12PM-1PM

**Nov. 9, 2025**

**THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA**  
His disciples recalled the words of Scripture,  
Zeal for your house will consume me. - Jn 2:17

**LA DEDICACIÓN A LA BASÍLICA DE LETRÁN**  
En ese momento, sus discípulos se acordaron de lo que  
estaba escrito: El celo de tu casa me devora. - Jn 2, 17

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### Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

Parish GOAL: **\$72,983**

Collected donations: **\$38,305**  
(As of 11/04/25)

Balance due (until December):  
**\$34,678**

Donation envelopes are in the vestibule.  
If you wish to make donations online,  
please use this website:

<https://sfarchdiocese.org/aaa/#aaa-donate-form>

# VETERANS DAY

REMEMBER.  
HONOR.  
RESPECT.

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### Mission Statement

*Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish is a Christ-centered community in the Roman Catholic tradition. We try to share the Good News of salvation with others. As a diverse community, we value and respect individual differences. As God's people, we gather in the Spirit to pray, to celebrate the sacraments, to teach, to learn, to minister, and to renew our faith with one another.*

**Fr. Andy is in Manila from Nov. 5-19**

## PARISH MASSES & LITURGIES

<b>DAILY MASS:</b>	Monday - Saturday, 8:15 AM
<b>SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:</b>	5:00 PM - English
<b>SUNDAY MASSES:</b>	8:00 AM, 10:00 AM - English; 12:00 PM - Español
<b>1<sup>st</sup> FRIDAY Devotion:</b>	Eucharistic Adoration follows the 8:15 AM Mass
<b>CONFESSIONS:</b>	Saturdays, 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
<b>ANOINTING OF THE SICK, FUNERAL SERVICES or HOUSE BLESSING:</b>	Please call the Parish Center to set appointment.
<b>BAPTISM - Monthly:</b>	Second Saturday: 10:00 AM - English El cuarto sábado: 10:00 AM - Español <b>Please call at least 2 months prior to the approved date of baptism.</b>
<b>QUINCEAÑERA MASS:</b>	Saturdays at 12 noon. Subject to availability. <b>Please call at least 5 months prior to the approved date of the Mass.</b> 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.
<b>MARRIAGE:</b>	Saturdays at 12 noon. Subject to availability. <b>Please call at least 6 months prior to the approved date of the wedding.</b> Suggested donation is \$700. 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

<b>Pastor:</b> <i>Rev. Msgr. Romulo Vergara</i>	rvergara@mountcarmel.org
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<b>Deacon:</b> <i>Rev. Mr. Ricardo Escobar</i>	rescobar@mountcarmel.org

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<b>School Principal:</b> <i>Jennifer Bruzzone</i>	jbuzzone@mountcarmel.org	(650) 366-6127



Pray for our departed parishioners  
**May they rest in peace**  
**AMEN.**



**Adoration Chapel**  
*Open Sundays through Saturdays*  
*from 9am to 9pm*

Community prayer for all the sick including our pastor, Msgr. Loi Vergara  
at the Church every **2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of the month** at 7pm.



## Clergy Message

“To dedicate or consecrate” a place to God is a ritual that is found in every religion. To “reserve” a place to God is an act of recognizing His glory and honor.

When the Emperor Constantine granted full liberty to Christians in 313, they did not spare in order to construct places for the Lord – numerous are the churches constructed at that time. Constantine himself also constructed churches, one of which he was a magnificent basilica on the Caelian Hill in Rome, over the ancient Lateran Palace, which Pope Sylvester I dedicated to Christ the Savior (318 or 324). A chapel dedicated to Saint John the Baptist was built inside it which served as the baptistry. This moved Pope Sergius III to dedicate it to Saint John the Baptist as well. Lastly, Pope Lucius II also dedicated it to Saint John the Evangelist in the 12th century. Thus, the name of this Papal Basilica is the Basilica of the Most Holy Savior and of Saints John the Baptist and John the Evangelist in the Lateran. Christians consider the Basilica to be the ***mother church of all churches in the world***.

The church was destroyed several times in the course of the centuries, and always rebuilt. The final reconstruction took place under the pontificate of Benedict XIII. The church was rededicated in 1724. It was at that time that the feast celebrated today was established and extended to the universal Church.

*(vaticannews.va)*

Jesus in the gospel today alluded to the destruction of the Jerusalem temple, an event that has a lingering effect to many until now. It is not likely that it will be rebuilt again.

The Lateran Basilica has been destroyed several times and yet it still stands today. It symbolizes the strength and resilience not simply of the physical building but also of the Church, the body of Christ, the people of God. We recall the words of the Lord to Peter:

*And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. (Mt. 16:18)*

**Fr. Andy**

"Dedicar o consagrar" un lugar a Dios es un ritual que se encuentra en todas las religiones. "Reservar" un lugar a Dios es un acto de reconocimiento de Su gloria y honor.

Cuando el emperador Constantino concedió plena libertad a los cristianos en 313, no escatimaron para construir lugares para el Señor – numerosas son las iglesias construidas en ese tiempo. El mismo Constantino también construyó iglesias, una de las cuales fue una magnífica basílica en la colina Celia de Roma, sobre el antiguo Palacio de Letrán, que el Papa Silvestre I dedicó a Cristo Salvador (318 o 324). En su interior se construyó una capilla dedicada a San Juan Bautista que sirvió de baptisterio. Esto movió al Papa Sergio III a dedicarlo también a San Juan Bautista. Por último, el Papa Lucio II también la dedicó a San Juan Evangelista en el siglo XII. Así, el nombre de esta Basílica Papal es la Basílica del Santísimo Salvador y de los Santos Juan Bautista y Juan Evangelista en Letrán. Los cristianos consideran que la Basílica es **la iglesia madre de todas las iglesias del mundo**.

La iglesia fue destruida varias veces en el transcurso de los siglos, y siempre reconstruida. La reconstrucción final tuvo lugar bajo el pontificado de Benedicto XIII. La iglesia fue dedicada de nuevo en 1724. Fue en ese momento que la fiesta celebrada hoy se estableció y se extendió a la Iglesia universal.

Jesús en el evangelio de hoy aludió a la destrucción del templo de Jerusalén, un evento que tiene un efecto persistente a muchos hasta ahora. No es probable que se reconstruya de nuevo.

La Basílica de Letrán ha sido destruida varias veces y, sin embargo, sigue en pie hoy en día. Simboliza la fuerza y la resistencia no solo del edificio físico, sino también de la Iglesia, el cuerpo de Cristo, el pueblo de Dios. Recordamos las palabras del Señor a San Pedro:

*Y yo te digo: «Tú eres Pedro, y sobre esta piedra edificaré mi iglesia, y el poder de la Muerte no prevalecerá contra ella. (Mt. 16:18)*



## LAY ORGANIZATIONS

- Mental Health Ministry
- Good Grief Ministry
- 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 Amor Mariano
- 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., Nov. 8*

8:15 AM † Patty Wolohan (Shea)

5:00 PM † Anita Bellatorre

*Sun., Nov. 9*

8:00 AM † Mario Rosillo

10:00 AM † Dave Cereghino

12:00 PM † Augustina Rosas

Weekday 8:15 AM

*Mon., Nov. 10* † Georgette Absi

*Tues., Nov. 11* † Mary Abeyta

*Wed., Nov. 12* † Sr. Barbara Ann, SNDN

*Thurs., Nov. 13* Pham family (living and deceased)

*Fri., Nov. 14* † Tanti Family

*Sat., Nov. 15*

8:15 AM † Marta Melghem Lopez & Fr. Abel Angel Lopez

5:00 PM † Robert Clement

*Sun., Nov. 16*

8:00 AM † Mary Waters

10:00 AM † Mario Kucich

12:00 PM † Cristina Torres Alvarez

**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.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:** Nov. 2 - Facility Repair & Improvements    Nov. 9 - Religious Education  
Nov. 16 - Liturgy Fund    Nov. 23 – St. Patrick’s Seminary    Nov. 30 - SVdPaul

**Registration:** If you are new in our community, welcome! Register at: [mountcarmelrc.org/registration](https://www.mountcarmelrc.org/registration)  
Registered parishioners may also update their information on the website.

**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](https://www.formed.org) then enter **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Redwood City** or our zip code: **94062**

**GO PAPERLESS!** Our weekly bulletin is also available online @  
<https://parishesonline.com/organization/our-lady-of-mount-carmel-church-94062>  
<https://www.mountcarmelrc.org/>

The 2nd collection this Sunday is for **Religious Education**

*Thank you very much for your generosity.*



## FEASTS of the Week

St. Leo the Great (Nov. 10)  
St. Martin of Tours (Nov. 11)  
St. Josaphat (Nov. 12)  
St. Frances Cabrini (Nov. 13)  
St. Albert the Great (Nov. 15)



## A saint for the children and youth



*Oh God, Our Father, thank you for giving us **St. Carlo Acutis**, a life example for the young and a message of love for everyone. You made him become enamored with*

*Your Son Jesus, Making of the Eucharist his "Highway to Heaven". You gave him Mary, as a most loving Mother, and, with the Rosary, you made him a poet of her tenderness. Receive his prayer for us. Above all, gaze upon the poor, whom he loved and helped.*

*Grant for me too, by his intercession, the grace that I need ...*

*I ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen*

*("Our Father", "Hail Mary", "Glory be...")*

*<https://www.carloacutis.com/en/association/preghiera-ufficiale>*

## Prayers to the Holy Couple

**Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,** that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

**Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,**

Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

**Blessed Joseph,**

to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil.

Amen.

## Catechism of the Catholic Church

### *I Believe in God*

**198** Our profession of faith begins with God, for God is the First and the Last,<sup>1</sup> The beginning and the end of everything. the Credo begins with God the Father, for the Father is the first divine person of the Most Holy Trinity; our Creed begins with the creation of heaven and earth, for creation is the beginning and the foundation of all God's works.

**228** "Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God is one LORD..." (Dt 6:4; Mk 12:29). "The supreme being must be unique, without equal. . . If God is not one, he is not God."

**229** Faith in God leads us to turn to him alone as our first origin and our ultimate goal, and neither to prefer anything to him nor to substitute anything for him.

**230** Even when he reveals himself, God remains a mystery beyond words: "If you understood him, it would not be God."

**231** The God of our faith has revealed himself as **HE WHO IS**; and he has made himself known as "abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness" (Ex 34:6). God's very being is Truth and Love.



## DEPARTED PARISHIONERS

Nov. 2024-Oct. 2025

Alfonso Gill  
Ricardo Diaz  
Richard Jones  
Larry Carini  
Fernando Cerda  
Emile Bourdet  
Juan White  
William Coats  
Victor Jimenez  
Maria Noriega  
Marilyn Campbell  
Luke Kieninger  
Mireya Nunez  
Shirley Thompson  
Elaine Teixeira  
John Chapman  
Maria de Garcia  
Hedy Ann Schneider  
Lola Yvonne Cornell  
Carmelita Domingo  
Alene Karthas  
Irma Andrade  
Steve Britschgi  
Patricia Wolohan  
Anita Bellatorre  
Alfredo Aldana  
Sr. Barbara Ann Kavanaugh

## ALL SOULS ENVELOPES

We invite you to write the names of your departed family and friends on **All Souls envelopes** that are available in the vestibules for the whole month. These names will be remembered in all Masses throughout the month of November.

It is also our tradition to hang **banners** that contain the names of the departed parishioners.

It is timely that this year, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls) fall on a Sunday when all the faithful participate in all Sunday Masses.

You are also invited to bring pictures of your departed loved ones for the **memorial table** that is set up in the church. You may place a small photo of your departed loved ones on it as the community remembers and prays for them. Please put your name and phone number on the back.



## Mental Health Ministry

You may call:  
Maria Koenigsberg @ (650) 366-3802  
Or email us at:  
olmmentalhealthministry@gmail.com



## Good Grief Ministry

You may call:  
Maryann Gonzales @ (650) 366-3802  
The ministry meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>  
Thurs of the month 6pm at the Parish  
Center.





## Diaconate Formation Informational Evenings

The Office of Formation for the Permanent Diaconate will hold Informational Evenings for men considering the possibility of serving the Church as Permanent Deacons. The evening will include discussion of the ministry of the Deacon in the Church, the Formation program and the application process. Please join us.

Deacon Fred Totah, Director of Diaconate Formation  
Deacon Arthur Sanchez, Director of Permanent Diaconate

### Who should attend?

Single and married men between the ages of 30 and 60 may apply for the program and are invited to the evening. However, married applicants must be married at least five years. All married applicants need the complete support of their wives in order to pursue the program; therefore, wives are encouraged to attend.

### Dates:

Wednesday, January 07, 2026  
St. Raphael Church  
1104 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
San Rafael, CA 94901

Wednesday, January 14, 2026  
Archdiocese of San Francisco  
One Peter Yorke Way  
San Francisco, CA 94109

Wednesday, January 21, 2026  
St. Mark Catholic Church  
325 Marine View Avenue  
Belmont, CA 94002

### Time:

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

### Diaconate Formation Office

Deacon Fred Totah, Director of Diaconate Formation  
Phone: 415-614-5615  
Email: [totah.fred@sfarch.org](mailto:totah.fred@sfarch.org)

Our Lady of  
Mount Carmel School

A Perfect Blend:  
Faith, Academic  
Excellence, and  
Community

A SPECIAL  
WINE  
TASTING  
EVENT



Join us for an evening of wine, community, and discovery! Meet our Preschool, TK, and Kindergarten teachers and see why Our Lady of Mount Carmel School is a place of learning, love, and belonging for your child in 2026–2027.

**Date** Tuesday, November 18, 2025

**Time** 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

**Location** 301 Grand St., Redwood City

REGISTER NOW



The first 10 families to register for the event, attend the event, and submit a completed application will receive a special gift.



## MENS' CLUB

All the **men/dads** of our OLMC community are invited to join the 3rd dinner of the school year.

Locally renowned musician and Mexican food extraordinaire **Miggy** will be making his famous **tacos**.

It's a great chance to eat good food with others and meet others in our community.

Please join us in the small hall on **Thursday November 13th at 6pm.**

Hope to see you there!



### *Our Lady of Guadalupe Project*

We are accepting donations for our new image of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Donation envelopes are available at the church's entrance.

Thank you for your generosity.

