



Our Lady of Mount Carmel St. Ann Parish

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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00, 10:00, and 11:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS

Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m.

HOLYDAY MASSES

Vigil: 7:00 p.m.
Holyday: 7:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. or by private appointment.

PASTORAL STAFF

Msgr. F. Stephen Pedone, Pastor
Rev. Jesus Martinez, Associate Pastor
Most Rev. George E. Rueger, in residence
Deacon Gerry Montiverdi, Part-time Liturgical Assistant.

PARISH OFFICES AND STAFF

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Mr. Glenn MacGregor, Part-time Custodian
Mr. Walter Borek, Part-time Church Caretaker

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents and Godparents must attend the Baptismal instruction session before the Baptism is celebrated. These sessions take place on the First Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Community baptisms are celebrated on the third Sunday of every month after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Private baptisms may also be arranged by calling the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

To prepare for this lifelong commitment, couples must begin marriage preparation twelve months before the proposed wedding date, according to the diocesan policy.

FAITH FORMATION

The Religious Education Program offers instruction to children and young people from Grade One through the high school years. Children are prepared for the reception of First Reconciliation and then First Holy Communion and young people for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation in high school, including those who attend Catholic schools. Rel. Ed. Office: 508-791-6139.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

This process of sharing faith stories and studying the Bible and the teachings of the Church is open to anyone who is in need of receiving any one or all of the Sacraments of Initiation. -Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation or to anyone who wishes to enter into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church.

FAITH FORMATION TEAM

Mrs. Joan D'Argenis D.R.E./Youth Director
Maria Sciannameo RCIA Director

LITURGICAL MUSIC MINISTRY

Mr. Scott Olson, Organist
Mr. Michael Garceau, Organist/Wedding Ministry

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Council meets on the third Tuesday of every month. The Council is committed to assisting the pastor in various liturgical celebrations and parochial and diocesan fundraisers and to pursuing its own charitable endeavors.

ORGANIZATIONS

Guild of Our Lady of Sorrows
Beato Angelo D'Acri Society
The Gene J. DeFeudis Italian Cultural Center
Mt. Carmel Golden Years Club

PRO-LIFE CONTACTS

Pro-Life Office, Mrs. Allison LeDoux: 508-929-4311
Respect Life Parish Representative: Louise Faiola: 508-756-1150
Visitation House: 508-798-0762
Problem Pregnancy: 888-310-7217

ILLNESS

Arrangements can be made to have Holy Communion brought those who are homebound due to illness, age, or impairment of any kind or to celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing and Reconciliation with them. Please notify the parish office with the necessary information.

PARISH REGISTRATION

To become a registered member of the parish, please call the office. One of the secretaries will gladly assist anyone and complete the registration over the phone or through the website.

REPORTING THE ABUSE OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

To report the abuse of a child or a teenager, please contact Mrs. Frances Nugent, Director of the Diocesan Office of Healing and Prevention at 508-791-7171. You may also call Gloria Caprioli, our parish coordinator for prevention and education, at 508-344-7718. Lastly, you may call Msgr. F. Pedone at 774-243-1154.

**WEEKEND COLLECTION
12/13/2014 & 12/14/2014**

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| 4:00 PM Mass | \$1,307.00 |
| 8:00 AM Mass | \$923.00 |
| 10:00 AM Mass | \$1,076.00 |
| 11:30 AM Mass | \$1,009.00 |
| Shared Envelopes | \$260.00 |
| Total Mass Collections | <u>\$4,575.00</u> |

Special Collections:

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| Weekend Envelopes –mailed in | \$1,391.00 |
| Fuel | \$562.00 |
| Initial Offering | \$15.00 |
| Christmas | \$357.00 |
| Christmas Flowers | \$308.00 |
| Solemnity of Mary | \$5.00 |
| Immaculate Conception | \$30.00 |
| Religious Education | \$5.00 |
| Campaign for Human Development | \$5.00 |
| Religious Retirement | \$79.00 |
| Capital Campaign | \$219.00 |
| Candle Offering | \$203.00 |
| Children's Offering | \$20.35 |
| On-Line Giving | \$320.50 |
| Total | <u>\$3,519.85</u> |

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| Restricted Funds | \$303.00 |
| Unrestricted Funds | <u>\$7,791.85</u> |
| Total | <u>\$8,094.85</u> |

The Finance Committee has determined that we need to collect \$9,400 each week to meet our current expenses.

Thank you for your continued support of Our Lady of Mount Carmel-St. Ann parish.

Please join is for a visit from La Befana and the Three Kings on **Sunday, January 4 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass** in the church.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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NEW HYMNALS

In order to enhance our music at Mass and provide for a greater variety of song selections, we will be purchasing Worship IV and Gather III hymnals and begin using them in February. The missalettes will be discontinued. You will have the opportunity to donate a set of these hymnals as a gift in the name of someone or in memory of a loved one who is deceased. We will have a special nameplate printed for this purpose, which will be affixed to the hymnal. The cost is \$40.00 for both hymnals, which must be purchased together. Forms are available at the church's side doors for this purpose. Many thanks!

WINTER WEATHER POLICY

In the issue of safety, we want to re-state the policy for weekday Mass when the weather is threatening. On those weekdays when Worcester schools cancel or delay opening due to inclement weather, the 7:00 am Mass is also canceled.



CARNEVALE!



**Sponsored By:
SONS OF ITALY WORCESTER
LODGE #168**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2015

DINNER @ 7:00 pm by the Famous Jeans Catering

Entertainment by Ambrosiani

**O. L. of MT. CARMEL CENTER
28 MULBERRY ST.
WORCESTER, MA**

\$35 pp BYOB

**Mardi Gras Parade with costumes and prizes
All types of Raffles and Lots of Fun!**

**For information, tickets, and/or interested
in helping... contact:**

**Tickets: Chairperson, Mark Gerardi @ 508-754-0486
Rosemarie Mikitarian @ 508-852-7152
or Enzo Angilella @ 508-756-0260**

**Raffles: Caryl Masiello @ 508-842-4540
and Roz Consiglio @ 508-845-6433**

Decorations: Mary DiSilvestro @ 508-757-8437



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 3, 2015—4:00 p.m.

Marianna Dellomo (2nd Anniversary) and **Carmen Dellomo** by Children

Sunday, January 4, 2015—8:00 a.m.

William and Alice Soucy by Bob & Camille Soucy

Sunday, January 4, 2015—10:00 a.m.

Martha Lonardo, Dominic Pascucci and Carmine Piccirello by Carmine and Esther Londardo

Sunday, January 4, 2015—11:30 a.m.

Mauro, Lucretia and Grace Mastrapasqua by Family
Susan G. Porcaro (2nd Anniversary) by Family

Monday, January 5, 2014—7:00 a.m.

Paul Heffron by Lillian Pascarelli, Lisa, Mike and Gianna

Tuesday, January 6, 2014—7:00 a.m.

Family by Marie

Wednesday, January 7, 2014—7:00 a.m.

Cafaro Vincenzo by Margherite Ambrosino

Thursday, January 8, 2014—7:00 a.m.

The Sick of the Parish

Friday, January 9, 2014—7:00 a.m.

The People of the Parish

Saturday, January 10, 2014—4:00 p.m.

Felix and Carolyn DiSilvestri and Their Children by Family

Emilio Minardi by wife Lena and children

Sunday, January 11, 2014—8:00 a.m.

Cichetta Francesco and All Souls by friend Donato

Sunday, January 11, 2014—10:00 a.m.

Maria (Gazzillo) Farino and Francesco Gazzillo (2nd Anniversary) by brother Peter Gazzillo and Family

Sunday, January 11, 2014—11:30 a.m.

Libro DeSantis by Wife and Family
John J. Martello (First Anniversary) by Family



Please pray for the sick of our parish: Anna Perro, Francis Caffone, Susan Stomski, James Dionne, Donna Grasseschi, Lena Sbrogna, Michael Crossen, Lori Blackwell, Carmella Szklarz, Matteo Fiore, Matthew Hicks, Henry Penny, Patrick Loconto, Eleanor Lupisella, Butch Rano, Mary O'Connor, Christina Rovezzi, Christopher Collazo, Eleanor Gaudenzi, Eileen Biziewski, Patricia Naples, Paula & Arthur Mari, Beverly Sacco, Cornelius O'Connor, Clara Merola, Ellen Biancheria, Ava Grace Mackenzie and Mary Grimaldi. May the Lord give them strength, courage and healing.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

The three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the infant Jesus brought Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh as part of their worship. What gifts have I brought to this celebration to offer to the newborn Savior?

ST. MARY SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSE/ SHADOW DAY

St. Mary Schools, 50 Richland St., Worcester are proudly hosting an Open House/ Shadow Day on **Wednesday, January 7 at 8 AM** for all those students who came to the open house as well as any new students and families who are interested in St. Mary Schools. Students can be dropped off at 8 AM and parents have the option of joining their child at 1:15 for the parent portion of the program to be concluded at 2 PM. St. Mary takes pride in its great teachers, modern technology, numerous activities and most importantly for being a faith filled community. We have honors courses for those students who excel academically and also help those students who need extra help. Parents of Pre-K, K and grade 1 students have the option of staying for the day or a portion of the day with their child. Please RSVP by calling 508-753-1170. In the event of a school cancellation or delay due to inclement weather, the Open House/ Shadow Day will take place on Thursday, January 8.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL-ST. ANN PARISH IN YOUR WILLS, BEQUESTS, YOUR ESTATE PLANNING AND UPON THE DEATH OF A LOVED ONE.
MANY THANKS!

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL – ST. ANN
GOLDEN YEARS CLUB**

Program for the Month January 2015

January 6, 2015

10:00 A.M. Socializing
 10:30 A.M. New Year’s Party
 Music by the Symphonettes
 12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social.

January 13, 2015

10:00 A.M. Socializing
 10:30 A.M. Board Meeting Golden
 Years Club
 11:00 A.M. Business Meeting Golden
 Years Club
 12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social.

January 20, 2015

9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. VNA “Keep Well
 Clinic” – Blood Etc.
 10:00 A.M. Socializing
 12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social.

January 27, 2015

10:00 A.M. Socializing
 12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social.

**Please Note: You Must Sign up for the Jan-
 uary 6th lunch on Tuesday, December 30th.**

Reminder: Dues for 2015 are now payable.

FAMILY REGISTRATION FORMS

Please help us in updating our parish data-
 base. If you have not already done so, please
 take a registration form from the entrance of
 the church and complete it as best you can
 and then return it either to the parish office or
 drop it in the collection basket at Mass. If you
 have any questions please feel free to call the
 parish office at 508-797-4546 or e-mail Lisa at
lisaolmc@gmail.com.

ITALIAN CLASSES

This semester we are offering three levels of classes for adults. Italian for Beginners 1, this class is intended for people who have had no exposure to Italian. A Beginner 11 is intended for those who have completed Beginners 1 and are not ready of Intermediate. Intermediate Italian for those that have completed Beginners Italian I and II. Beginners 1 will be offered on Tuesday, Intermediate will be held on Thursday, Beginners 11 will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Cost: \$120.00 non-members and \$90.00 members of The Gene J. DeFeudis Italian American Cultural Center. Classes run for ten weeks and will begin the week of January 13. For more information email Joan at joan_dargenis@yahoo.com

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SENIOR
EMPLOYMENT**

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Worcester administers a Senior Employment Program that provides training opportunities for unemployed, low-income residents of Worcester and Franklin Counties who are 55 years of age and older. We are currently enrolling new participants at this time. Catholic Charities assigns qualified individuals, known as “senior aides” to various training sites that are located at non-profit organizations or government organizations. Senior aides are asked to perform a variety of responsibilities including clerical and administrative functions, maintenance work, library support, etc., depending on their interests. Participants are paid \$9 an hour for 20 hours a week. For more information call Catholic Charities at the Worcester office at (508) 798-0191.

**WOMEN OF FAITH DAY OF PRAYER IN THE
NEW YEAR**

A Contemplative Practice of Visio Divina will be held on **Saturday, January 17, 9:30 am – 1:00 pm**, St. Anne’s Convent, 720 Boston Post Road East, Marlborough, MA. What is Visio Divina you ask? Come find out! During this New Year’s day of prayer we will be invited into a contemplative experience of prayer with art. Join with Women of Faith from throughout the diocese and for reflections, faith sharing, fellowship, and time for personal and group prayer. The presenters will be Sr. Pauline Laurence, SSA, and Sr. Yvette Dargy, SSA, who bring invaluable experience as educators, leaders, pastoral counselors and ministers. “Coffee and” will be provided. Registration fee is \$5. Pre-registration is required by Monday Jan. 13. Please email or call Lori Pandiscio, 508-498-3778, lamp.lighter9@verizon.net or Sr. Yvette Bellerose, 774-239-3372, srybellerose@yahoo.com to pre-register.

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY -
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 08, 2015**

World Marriage Day is an annual event, sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter (the largest Catholic pro-marriage and family movement in the world) and the Family Life/Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York. It honors and affirms the vocation of husbands and wives and the positive impact of their dedicated example on our society, families, communities, Church, and nation. We will be celebrating this special event at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel on Sunday, February 8th at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. As part of the celebration we will list the names and years of the married couples in the bulletin that weekend. If you would like to have your name included please call the center at 508-791-6139 or email Joan at joan_dargenis@yahoo.com.

Please include names, the anniversary date and number of years. We are looking for the couples who have been married fifty years or more to give them a special recognition at the Mass. We would like you to share your story or maybe your parents love story with us. Maybe you might share your unique marriage customs. Example I know of one couple, who was married in Italy and they explain how they walked from their house to the church, receiving gifts and blessings along the way. Another couple were very much in love, but could not get married until the older sister was married. They spent time fixing her up until the right one proposed and now sixty years later, they have a great story to tell. We are also going to having a Gallery of Love in the cultural center. We would like to display your marriage photo in our gallery. We will have a reception following the Mass and people will be invited to view the pictures. Please tape your name, wedding date and phone number on the back of the photo. We are also interested in pictures of the wedding party and reception; examples, the cutting of the cake or the throwing of the bouquet. Please help us make this a special occasion and also send a message to our children about the Sacrament of Marriage.

**MASS FOR THE MEMORIAL OF SAINT
BROTHER ANDRE BESSETTE**

On Tuesday, January 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Bilingual (French and English) Mass will be celebrated in observance of the Memorial of Saint Brother Andre Bessette (1845-1937). "Le frere Andre" or "Brother Andre" is known as the founder of Saint Joseph's Oratory in Montreal. He was above all else, a friend of the sick and the poor. Inspired by Saint Joseph, his chosen patron, he worked tirelessly to bring healing and comfort to the afflicted. He was canonized in 2010.

The Mass will be celebrated at Saint Joseph's Church, 35 Hamilton Street, Worcester, MA. Veneration of the relic of Brother Andre will conclude the Mass. A reception will follow the liturgy. All are welcome.

**MARCH FOR LIFE REGISTRATION
INFORMATION NOW AVAILABLE!**

Plan now to attend the 42nd annual March for Life in Washington, DC on **Thursday, Jan. 22, 2015!** Buses will leave from St. Paul's Cathedral on Wed., Jan. 21 following the Respect Life Mass at 7:30 p.m., and will travel to the Basilica of National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC in time for Thursday a.m. Mass followed by the March for Life at noon. Buses will return by 1 am on Jan 23 to Cathedral immediately following the March, Cost is \$70 per seat for registrations postmarked by Dec. 31, and \$85 thereafter. Registrations will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis until all seats are full. For more details and to download registration forms, visit www.worcesterdiocese.org/respectlife or contact the Respect Life Office at 508-929-4311/508-929-4311 or ale-doux@worcesterdiocese.org. Can't attend this year but want to help? Consider making a donation that will help defray expenses for students in need.

**MAHATMA GANDHI'S SEVEN DANGERS TO
HUMAN VIRTUE**

- (1) Wealth without work
- (2) Pleasure without conscience
- (3) Knowledge without character
- (4) Business without ethics
- (5) Science without humanity
- (6) Religion without sacrifice
- (7) Politics without principle

ON-LINE GIVING

We appreciate your contributions to the church community and would especially like to recognize those who are now using our Online Giving service.



To get started or to learn more about Online Giving, please click the Online Giving link on our church website at mtcarmel.ws. If you would like help, please call Lisa at 508-797-4546 or e-mail us at lisaolmc@gmail.com

PARISH FOOD PANTRY

Through your generosity, we are able to help families in our local area with food. Please drop off food items in the white cart near the shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Your donations make a big difference to some one who is hungry. Many thanks!

TAKE FIVE FOR FAITH

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2015

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

The mystery in the middle

Time can seem an endless ocean behind and ahead of us, with horizons revealing nothing but more of the same. Yet history has a center, theologically speaking: the resurrection of Jesus, which redeems and restores all that went before or lies ahead. The traditional Proclamation of the Date of Easter chanted on the feast of Epiphany honors this understanding. Every great church feast finds its place in relationship to the date of Easter. Your life, too, no matter your present circumstances, has Easter joy and hope at the heart of it.

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12 (20). "Arise! Shine, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you."

MONDAY, JANUARY 5

FEAST OF JOHN NEUMANN, BISHOP

Saddle up!

John Neumann wanted to be ordained so badly that he came to America from his native Bohemia in 1836 with nothing more than the clothes on his back and one dollar. Thanks to his diligent studies before arriving, he was ordained three weeks later. Assigned to a rural locale, he got around by horseback though he was so short his feet did not reach the stirrups. Though folks initially made fun of their small priest, in no time they saw how large was his heart, his mind, his vision, and his energy. Don't let your limitations hold you back—let God transform them into your greatest strengths.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 3:22-4:6; Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25 (212). "He went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues."

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

Heartfelt love

There's nothing more precious than a gift given from the heart. These gifts are so special because they capture the essence of true relationship by pointing to a love more valuable than any material good. Out of love, God gave his Son, the ultimate gift. Jesus lived and loved with his whole heart. He was God and he was real. He rejoiced, had pity, laughed, and cried. Receiving the gift of Christ requires loving from the heart in that same way. It means being in relationship and loving freely, without judgment or boundaries. What greater gift is there than that?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 4:7-10; Mark 6:34-44 (213). "Give them some food yourselves."

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7

FEAST OF RAYMOND OF PEÑAFORT, PRIEST

Advance by serving

Competition in the workplace trains us to push for the most prestigious position, title, salary, office. But there are other paths. Raymond was a gifted canon lawyer in medieval Spain who, after a career of service to the church, shunned the high offices given to him. Appointed archbishop but disliking the pomp of the position, he resigned in two years. Elected as Saint Dominic's successor to head the worldwide order of Dominicans, he held the post long enough to amend the order's constitution to allow him to resign, which he promptly did. Servant of the Lord was the only title he needed. How about you?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 4:11-18; Mark 6:45-52 (214). "He went off to the mountain to pray."

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

Reaching resolutions

The practice of making resolutions at the beginning of a new year predates Christianity. It's natural to try to make a fresh start when the calendar rolls over. The most common New Year's resolutions usually involve physical improvement: lose weight, exercise more, quit unhealthy habits. Those are certainly important goals, but what about also resolving to improve the physical world around you as Jesus did, bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, and sight to the blind? Why not balance the deprivation of a diet with the gratification of helping others?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 4:19-5:4; Luke 4:14-22a (215). "Proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

Sign on to God's presence

The experience of illness can often be one of isolation. Being ill can lead to a sense of separation from family, friends, and co-workers. It is a time of great vulnerability. In the midst of these feelings, it can be challenging to remain open to relationships, even with God. Yet in such circumstances, God is present, perhaps more profoundly than ever. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (1503) reminds us that Christ's compassion toward the sick and his many healings are a resplendent sign that "God has visited his people." In what ways can you be a resplendent sign of God's presence today?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 5:5-13; Luke 5:12-16 (216). "Lord, if you wish, you can make me clean." Jesus stretched out his hand, touched him."

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

A divine mix

As the Christmas season ends, our attention shifts from the Incarnation (the en-fleshing of God) toward the grace of Baptism by which our flesh, our humanity, is divinized. A prayer at every Mass makes it clear as a few drops of water are added to the chalice of wine: "By the mystery of this water and wine, may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity"—a share in Christ's godliness. Amazing! And yet it is so. As a drop of water mingled with wine can never be separated again, because of your Baptism, here and now and for eternity you participate in God's life.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 5:14-21; John 3:22-30 (217). "No one can receive anything except what has been given from heaven."

End of Bulletin

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