



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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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
1/17/2015 & 1/18/2015**

4:00 PM Mass	\$1,160.00
8:00 AM Mass	\$970.00
10:00 AM Mass	\$965.00
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,045.00
Shared Envelopes	\$190.00
Total Mass Collections	<u>\$4,330.00</u>

Special Collections:

Weekend Envelopes –mailed in	\$530.00
Fuel	\$332.00
Initial Offering	\$98.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$5.00
Catholic School	\$5.00
Capital Campaign	\$552.00
On-Line Giving	\$240.50
Candle Offering	\$227.00
Total	<u>\$1,989.50</u>

Restricted Funds	\$557.00
Unrestricted Funds	<u>\$5,762.50</u>
Total	<u>\$6,319.50</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.

NEW HYMNALS

The new Worship IV and Gather III hymnals have arrived and are on display at the entrances of the church. Please consider donating a set as a gift from or in memory of a loved one. We will have a special nameplate printed for this purpose, which will be affixed to the hymnals. The cost is \$40.00 for both hymnals, which must be purchased together.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A DEACON?

Find out everything you wanted to know about the Diaconate program for the Diocese of Worcester. IF you are a male, college graduate (or have an equivalent to a degree) and are between the ages of 31 and 60 and have an interest, now is your opportunity to get some answers. Spouses are welcome and urged to attend with you.

Saturday, January 31, 2015

Our Lady of Mount Carmel/St. Ann Parish Center
9:00 a.m.

Contact information:

Diaconate office: 508-929-4335
Website: worcesterdiocese.org

2014 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like a copy of your 2014 contribution statement, please contact the main office at 508-797-4546 or e-mail Lisa at lisaolmc@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

A complete list of Christmas flower donations can be found at the entrances of the church. Thank you to all who contributed to make our church so beautiful for the holiday season.



THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PASTORAL COUNCIL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE WILL BE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH AT 6:00 PM IN THE PARISH CENTER.

CARNEVALE MEETING

A meeting of the Son's of Italy Carnevale Committee members will be held on Thursday, January 29 at the parish center at 6:30 pm. For a quick update and review.

A NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you to all who purchased pies, breads and brownies from the Dominican Sisters this past weekend.

Your donations of \$686 will go towards their effort to buy medical supplies for their mission to support the lepers.

Thank you again for your support.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 24, 2015—4:00 p.m.
**Frank & Mary Bafaro, Lorraine & William Blais,
 Tony & Richard Bafaro and Dr. John
 Howard** by Family

Sunday, January 25, 2015—8:00 a.m.
Marie Pecorelli by Husband and Children

Sunday, January 25, 2015—10:00 a.m.
Angelo DeAngelis (40th Anniversary) by Family
Giacomo Foggia by Family
Clara Merola (Month's Mind) by Gladys Bello

Sunday, January 25, 2015—11:30 a.m.
Elizabeth L. Conte by John Conte and Family

Monday, January 26, 2015—7:00 a.m.
Vera Sbrogna by husband, Gus

Tuesday, January 27, 2015—7:00 a.m.
The Sick of the Parish

Wednesday, January 28, 2015—7:00 a.m.
The People of the Parish

Thursday, January 29, 2015—7:00 a.m.
Parishioners Intentions

Friday, January 30, 2015—7:00 a.m.
Adolfo Ortiz, Sr. (15th Anniversary) by Family

Saturday, January 31, 2015—4:00 p.m.
Joan Castagna by Family

Sunday, February 1, 2015—8:00 a.m.
Anthony P. D'Elia by Family

Sunday, February 1, 2015—10:00 a.m.
**Santo & Maria Totaro and their daughter Nunzia
 Stramaccia**

Sunday, February 1, 2015—11:30 a.m.
David Muise (3rd Anniversary), **Dorothy Muise and
 Paul & Vera Zambarano** by Family

Looking for Catholic Programming ? **WCCA TV** ,
 formerly Ch. 13 but now found on **Ch. 194** in
 Worcester, airs Diocese Specials every Tuesday at
 8pm. Also streaming live online on Tuesdays at 8pm
 at wccatv.com .



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, Ellen Biancheria, Ava Grace Mackenzie, Mary Grimaldi and Sim Simone. May the Lord give them strength, courage and healing.

**THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY LAMPS ARE
 DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF:**

Vera Sbrogna
 By husband Gus

WINTER WEATHER POLICY

In the issue of safety, we want to restate 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.



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!



VOLUNTEER OPENINGS

UMass Memorial Medical Center has volunteer openings for Eucharistic Ministers. Duties include administering Communion to Catholic patients during their hospital stay. Volunteers commitment is one day a week for 2-3 hours. Days available are Monday thru Sunday with flexible hours between 9 and 4:00. Please contact UMass Memorial Volunteer Services 508-334-6308 during office hours 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

A LETTER FROM BISHOP McMANUS

January 23, 2015

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal supports dioceses in the United States and its territories that lack the resources to provide basic pastoral ministry to their populations. Through annual grants, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal funds catechesis, seminarian education, lay ministry training, Hispanic ministry, and other pastoral programs in needy dioceses. As a result of the generosity of parishioners like you, this appeal impacts the lives of nearly 9 million Catholics. The dioceses funded by the appeal comprise close to 45 percent of all U.S. dioceses.

For the Diocese of Crookston, Minnesota, the call to a New Evangelization rings home. While there are approximately 35,000 Catholics living within the borders of the diocese, several thousand of these Catholics have become estranged from the practice of their faith. In order to reach out to these people, the diocese must overcome the challenge of distance, as well as a shortage of priests. The small Catholic population spans 14 counties, with only 36 active and 12 retired priests. This shortage leaves one county in the diocese with only a single Catholic church and one priest. With a grant from Catholic Home Missions, the diocese is training seven seminarians for the priesthood. These young men will return to their diocese in order to administer the sacraments within the parishes and to evangelize those who have fallen away and are waiting to be called back into the fold.

With your support, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal can continue to provide catechesis, lay leadership training, funding for seminarian education, and other essential pastoral outreach in home mission dioceses. I encourage you to be generous in the Catholic Home Missions Appeal, which will be collected at Masses on the weekend of February 1 to help strengthen the Church at home. Your support will truly make a difference. For more information about the Catholic Home Missions Appeal, please visit www.usccb.org and search for "home missions."

With every prayerful best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

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 27, 2015
10:00 A.M. Socializing
12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social.

Reminder: Dues for 2015 are now payable.

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL GOLDEN
YEARS OFFICERS FOR YEARS 2015-2016**

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|----------------|------------------------------|
| President | June Carelli |
| Vice President | Leona Mazzamurro |
| Secretary | Christine Riggieri |
| Treasurer | Shirley Battelle |
| Board Members | |
| | Mary Riccardi (Ex-President) |
| | Connie Caffone |
| | Mary DiSilvestro |



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

**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.

OPEN HOUSES

Assumption School
Pre-K-Grade 8

Sunday, January 25th from 12:00-3:00 p.m.

St. Peter Central Catholic
Pre-K-7

Sunday, January 25th from 1:00—3:00 p.m.

Venerini Academy

Sunday, January 25th from 12:15-3:00 p.m.

For more information please call 508-753-3210

St. Peter Marian Junior-Senior High School
Thursday, January 29th from 6-8 p.m.

For more information please call 508-852-5555, x114

Notre Dame Academy

Inviting all seventh grade students and transfer students to spend an academic day at NDA.

For more information please call 508-757-6200, ext. 229

February 19 – Picnic without Ants – 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 a.m. Bring your picnic lunch, blanket, beach chairs and toys. This is a fun day for all ages

Fish Fry – Friday, March 6 – 4:00 – 7:00 p.m

**NEW YORK SPRING DAY TRIP TO SEE THE
RADIO CITY SPRING SPECTACULAR**

Saturday, March 14 – Cost - \$110.00 per person includes bus and show. A new show inspired by the magic of New York in the spring. It's a dazzling musical celebration about the energy, places, people, passion and promise that make this city spectacular. This extraordinary show features dynamic dance numbers performed by the Rockettes®, along with one of a kind puppetry and state of the art technology and takes audiences on a whirlwind adventure across New York City while telling an inspiring and hopeful narrative about three New Yorkers who change each other's lives in unexpectedly wonderful ways. We have a certain number of tickets in the Prime seating section; all other tickets will be in the Orchestra section. Tickets will be assigned with first pay, best seats. All seats are good, but some are spectacular.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish will hold a six-session bereavement support group beginning, Monday, February 16th, from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. in the parish hall, 111 Worcester Street, West Boylston.

The faith based program offers insights about grieving in a healthy way to work toward healing. For more information or to register (required prior to the start of the meetings) call Renate Isbell (508) 835-3286.

**15TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S
CONFERENCE**

All men are invited to this important annual Conference, scheduled for Worcester's DCU Center on Saturday, March 21, 2015. Hear dynamic talks from outstanding leaders: *Dynamic Catholic Institute's Allen Hunt*, *Arise Ministries' Dominick Albano*, *Blessed2Play's Ron Meyer*, and 'Catholic Answers' host **Patrick Coffin**. **Father Michael Gaitley** will offer a special presentation on divine mercy, the role of the Blessed Mother and the importance of receiving mercy through confession. Bishops and diocesan and religion priests will hear confessions. Bishop McManus will offer Mass. For a Conference brochure, further information, or registration, call 508-929-4345. Visit our website—www.firstmensconf.org—for information and ticket purchases.

TAKE FIVE FOR FAITH

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2015

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME; CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK BEGINS

Catholics schools, our legacy of love

It's easy to undervalue what you've always had. Take Catholic schools: We hardly remember the 19th-century U.S. bishops who fought to open schools, one diocese at a time. "First, the school; then the church," advised a bishop to his priests breaking ground in a new parish. The school manifesto arrived in the U.S. Bishops' 1884 Pastoral Letter: "Popular education has always been a chief object of the Church's care; in fact, it is not too much to say that the history of civilization and education is the history of the Church's work." Celebrate Catholic Schools Week!

TODAY'S READINGS: Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1 Corinthians 7:29-32; Mark 1:14-20 (68). "Jesus said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.'"

MONDAY, JANUARY 26

FEAST OF TIMOTHY AND TITUS, BISHOPS

Good leaders share the wealth

When learning is the property of the elite, the center doesn't hold. Wise leaders take care to distribute the educational advantage. Nineteenth-century leaders of the American church realized it wasn't enough to build seminaries to educate clergy. "In days like ours . . . everyone needs to be as completely armed as possible with sound knowledge, not only the clergy, but the people also," an 1884 Pastoral Letter counseled. "In the great coming battle between . . . faith and agnosticism, an important part of the fray must be borne by the laity." Our children are the church's future.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Timothy 1:1-8 OR Titus 1:1-5; Mark 3:22-30 (317; Gospel 520). "If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand."

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

FEAST OF ANGELA MERICI, VIRGIN, RELIGIOUS FOUNDER

Thrive and shine!

Angela Merici was a woman of faith and action. In 1535, she established a company of women devoted to serving Christ. Although it was customary at the time for consecrated women to be in the cloister, separated from the world, these women remained in the world. This new way of life lived by the Company of Saint Ursula thrived. Angela didn't set out to be a pioneer but to follow God's calling, wherever it led. In the spirit of Saint Angela, how will you respond to God's call?

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 10:1-10; Mark 3:31-35 (318). "Behold, I come to do your will, O God."

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28

FEAST OF THOMAS AQUINAS, PRIEST, RELIGIOUS, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Theology is a humbling experience

Though Thomas Aquinas is considered the greatest of theologians, he himself had a more modest appraisal of his work. Shortly before his death he stopped working on his *Summa Theologiae*. When asked why he did not complete it, he replied, "I cannot go on.... All that I have written seems to me like so much straw compared to what I have seen and what has been revealed to me." Aquinas' modesty offers a good example to the rest of us. Our greatest accomplishments pale in comparison to the majesty of God.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 10:11-18; Mark 4:1-20 (319). "How will you understand any of the parables?"

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

Today's lesson is character

Some skills can be developed later in life. You can take a course or read a book and open doors to new ideas. But building character starts on the ground floor in childhood. Early American bishops noted that the three great educational arenas are the home, the church, and the school—all of which shape souls and societies. If "the principles of religion animate and direct" the young, they will be prepared to launch out "on the dangerous sea of life," an 1884 U.S. Bishops' Pastoral Letter declared. Give financial and volunteer support to Catholic education.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 10:19-25; Mark 4:21-25 (320). "Is a lamp brought in to be placed under a bushel basket . . . and not to be placed on a lamp stand?"

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

Free up some space for God

It's easy to get caught up in the rush of life. There are so many places to be and things to do. Sometimes you just need to pause and reevaluate what's most important. In some cases, this means giving up the worries and anxieties that add to the frenetic pace of life, making space so you can cherish all that you've been given. Faith flourishes when you make room for it. How are you being invited to make space for God in your life today? There's no end to the goodness God offers, you simply need to be free to receive it.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 10:32-39; Mark 4:26-34 (321). "To what shall we compare the Kingdom of God?"

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31

FEAST OF JOHN BOSCO, PRIEST, RELIGIOUS FOUNDER

More honey, less vinegar

Saint John Bosco believed in the potential of young people, especially ones at risk, and he was ahead of his time when it came to educating them. He believed love, not punishment, was the way to help. Ordained in Italy in 1841, he worked with juvenile delinquents and other disadvantaged kids and developed a revolutionary teaching method. "Everything and everyone is won by the sweetness of our words and works," he said. It's easy to forget this advice when young people test your patience, but wise to remember if you want to effectively get through to them.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Mark 4:35-41 (322). "Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen."

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