



*Welcome to:  
The Parishes of Our Lady of  
Mount Carmel-St. Ann  
and Our Lady of Loreto*



**MASS SCHEDULE**

All Masses are celebrated at Our Lady of Loreto Parish, 33 Massasoit Road, Worcester

**LORD'S DAY MASSES**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00, and 11:30 a.m.

**DAILY MASS**

Monday through Thursday 7:00 a.m.

**HOLY DAY 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.

To schedule Mass Intentions please call 508-797-4546.

**24 Mulberry St., Worcester, MA 01605**

Mailing address: 28 Mulberry St., Worcester, MA 01605

Parish telephone: 508-797-4546

Parish fax: 508-755-3506

Religious Education: 508-791-6139

Parish e-mail: [lisaolmc@gmail.com](mailto:lisaolmc@gmail.com)

Parish Website: [www.mtcarmel.ws](http://www.mtcarmel.ws)

**33 Massasoit Road, Worcester, MA 01604**

Parish telephone: 508-753-5001

Parish fax: 508-754-1537

Religious Education - 508-753-5773

Parish e-mail - [clergy@ourladyofloreto.net](mailto:clergy@ourladyofloreto.net)

Parish Hall - 508-799-2445

Deacon Paul (home) - 508-886-2856

Liturgical Music - 508-865-5748

**MINISTERIAL STAFF**

Rev. Msgr. F. Stephen Pedone, Pastor

Most Rev. George E. Rueger, in residence

Gerald Montiverdi, Deacon

Joan D'Argenis, Director of Religious Education

Maria Sciannameo, RCIA Director

Mary DiSilvestro, Sacristan

Gloria Caprioi, Safe Environment Coordinator

Lisa Fenuccio, Administrative Assistant

Phyllis Lynch, Secretary

Paul T. Audette, Deacon

Mr. Michael Sacco, Mr. Joseph Sama - Finance

Ms. Joan Venincasa, Mr. John DaSilva,

Ms. Sanghee Kim- Music

Ms. Virginia Lelakis, Safe Environment

Ms. Julia Tufano - Office

Mr. John Oliver, Hospitality Ministry

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

To schedule a baptism please call 508-797-4546 or 508-753-5001.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

To schedule a wedding please call 508-797-4546 or 508-753-5001.

**ILLNESS**

Arrangements can be made to have Holy Communion brought to 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 call 508-797-4546 or 508-753-5001.

**PARISH REGISTRATION**

To become a registered member of either parish, please call 508-797-4546 or 508-753-5001.



**Become an Altar Server**

We are very proud of our corps of altar servers, guided by Ginny Lelakis. Many of you have complimented them and commented to us about their dignity and reverence on the altar and how their actions enhance your experience of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Bishop McManus himself has noticed how well our altar servers carry out their ministry. Their ministry brings them into the sanctuary of the church – as close as possible to the sacred words and gestures that define our faith. And they become part of a group of young people who have made a strong commitment at their young age to dedicate themselves to the service of God. Ginny Lelakis is now recruiting young people to become part of this special group. Anyone who has received the sacraments of Eucharist and Penance is eligible. See Msgr. Pedone, Deacon Paul or Deacon Gerry if you have questions or if you want Ginny to add your name to her next training class. You can reach Ginny @ 508-792-2750.

**Rest in Peace**

*We, the parish communities of Our Lady of Loreto and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Lawrence D'Agostino. May God grant him peace forever and bring comfort to his family and friends.*



**Flu Season**



Parishioners who are ill or suspect that they are ill with a contagious illness are not bound by the Sunday Mass obligation. The exchange of the Sign of Peace may be offered without any physical contact—i.e. a simple bow.

**Thank You!**

Special thanks to the members of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel *Knights of Columbus* for the gift of the two small Christmas trees that were part of our Christmas decorations this year.

*Pray...Pray...Pray...*



**UMass Memorial Ronald McDonald Care Mobile**

**Are You Uninsured?**

**Do You Need Medical or Dental Services?**

**If Yes, Come See Us in the parking lot of Our Lady of Loreto Parish on Monday, January 23 from 9 am—3 pm**

We offer preventive dental and health care services including: dental health care and Worcester Public Schools Dental Screening, physical exams, sports physicals, immunizations, outreach and more.

We provide medical and dental care for children and families even if they have no insurance or are unable to pay.

To make an appointment, call 508-334-6073

Free flu shots without an appointment are available.

For more information, contact: Nardy Vega at 508-341-9416

**Sponsored by UMASS Memorial**

**Loreto Financial Stewardship**

For the week ending January 8, 2017

**Income**

Offertory	\$2,016.00
Donations	120.00
Christmas	110.00
Catholic University	107.00
Mass Stipends	40.00
New Year's (Solemnity of Mary)	35.00
Candles	33.00
Religious Retirement	25.00
Religious Education	10.00
Fuel	10.00
Maintenance	10.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,516.00</b>

Excluding monies restricted to specific needs, we paid the following bills with this week's deposit and from our reserve in the checking account:

**Expenses**

Organ Monthly Payment	\$1,000.00
Religious Retirement	615.00
Clergy Benefit Plan (January)	335.52
Salaries & Wages	294.00
Organists	250.00
Rubbish Removal	138.60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,633.12</b>

The Finance Committee has determined that we need to collect \$5,380 weekly to meet our financial obligations.

**Mark Your Calendar**

**Tues., Jan. 17 - 7:00 pm - Knights of Columbus @ Loreto Center**  
**Sat., Jan. 21 and Sun., Jan. 22 - Dominican Sisters @ Loreto Masses to sell baked goods**  
**Sun., Jan. 22 - Religious Education classes @Loreto Center**  
**8:30 - 9:45 am - Pre-K - Grade 4 followed by Mass for all grades**  
**11 am-12:15 pm - Grades 5-10**  
**Mon., Jan. 23 - UMass Care Mobile @ Loreto**

**January is Respect Life Month**  
 Give - that a Child might Live

Consider making a donation to Visitation House, Inc., a non-profit organization that houses pregnant women in crisis in Worcester, MA. Visitation House is privately funded and solely dependant on the generosity of donors like you. Since opening in 2005, they have welcomed 340 women to their home. Your financial support will insure the future of Visitation House and the future of babies, who might not have been born. Donations may be sent to:

Visitation House, Inc.  
 119 Endicott St., Worcester, MA 01610

Thank You and God Bless You,  
 Eve Lindquist, Executive Director

**Our Lady of Loreto Church**  
**Calendar Raffle Winners—2017**

01/01/17	Jason Delisle	\$100.00
01/02/17	Matthew & Alyssa Hemingway	50.00
01/03/17	Pamela Crawford	50.00
01/04/17	Adam Pultorak	50.00
01/05/17	Clair Mosher	50.00
01/06/17	Jenna Eckstrom	50.00
01/07/17	Anna Buron	75.00

Congratulations to all!

**Upcoming Events**

**Friday, Jan. 20, 7 pm - Stump the Priests,** St. Joseph's in Charlton. Fr. Brian Dunkle SJ of BC College of Theology, Fr. Albert Duggan, Catholic Chaplain at Brown Univ., Fr. Donato Infante, St. Joseph's in Charlton, Fr. Nick Desimone, moderator.

**Thurs., Jan. 26, 7:30 pm—Respect Life Mass** at St. Paul's Cathedral

**Sat., Jan. 28, 5 pm—Parade of Soups at St. Roch's,** 332 Main St., Oxford. \$8 per person to sample soups, stews, chowders, bread, beverage and dessert.

**January 23—Day of Prayer and Penance**  
**For the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**

**What can I do?**

- ◇ Participate in the USCCB's "Nine Days of Prayer, Penance, and Pilgrimage from Jan. 21-29. Visit [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com) to sign up for daily email messages during the novena.
- ◇ Spend some special time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, or in your home.
- ◇ Attend daily Mass and offer it for an end to abortion and an increased respect for human life.
- ◇ Pray for those who have been wounded by abortion, that they may experience God's mercy and healing.
- ◇ If you or someone you know is hurting from a past abortion, contact Project Rachel at 508-791-HOPE (4673) or visit [www.hopeafterabortion.com](http://www.hopeafterabortion.com).
- ◇ Pray the rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet.
- ◇ Pray for crisis pregnancy counselors, hospice workers, clergy, pastoral care workers, medical professionals and others in service of the dignity of the human person.
- ◇ Pray for our country's elected officials that they might enact laws that protect human life from the moment of conception to natural death, respect the constitutional and god-given right to religious freedom, and rights of conscience.
- ◇ Consider making a commitment to continuing your prayers for the dignity of human life throughout the year, such as saying one Hail Mary every day for an end to abortion.
- ◇ Take some time during the month of January to read and reflect on Pope John Paul's encyclical *Evangelium vitae* (The Gospel of Life)
- ◇ Plan to attend the Respect Life Mass with Bishop McManus at St. Paul's Cathedral on Thursday, Jan. 26 at 7:30 pm. To pray for those who will be travelling to Washington, DC to attend the March for Life pilgrims on Fri. Jan.27 (to be televised on EWTN)

More information can be found at [www.worcesterdiocese.org/respect-life](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/respect-life).

**How about making a Cursillo weekend?**

**2017 dates** are : **Men's—Feb. 9-12 & June 22-25; Women's—May 18-21 & October 12-15.** All weekends will be held at the Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center in Putnam, CT. For additional information, please contact Carolyn Galgano @ 508-847-7005 or [angels-3cma@gmail.com](mailto:angels-3cma@gmail.com) or Joan Laracy @ 774-239-2474 or [joanlaracy@yahoo.com](mailto:joanlaracy@yahoo.com). Applications are available in the vestibule if the church.

**WEEKEND COLLECTION  
OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL  
1/7/2017 & 1/8/2017**



8:00 AM Mass	\$290.00
10:00 AM Mass	\$468.00
11:30 AM Mass	\$313.00
Total Mass Collections	<u>\$1,071.00</u>
Special Collections:	
Weekend Envelopes –mailed in	\$651.00
Catholic University	\$35.00
Christmas	\$35.00
Fuel	\$125.00
Initial Offering	\$30.00
Maintenance	\$40.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$2.00
On-Line Giving	\$295.00
Total	<u>\$1,213.00</u>
Restricted Funds	\$35.00
Unrestricted Funds	<u>\$2,249.00</u>
Total	<u>\$2,284.00</u>

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

**WINTER WEATHER POLICY**

For the sake of safety, when Worcester schools cancel or delay class, morning Mass is canceled.



Please listen to WTAG or WSRS for no school announcements. Cancellations are also posted on Channel 7 TV.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 16<sup>TH</sup> IS MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY, A LEGAL HOLIDAY. PARISH OFFICES AT BOTH OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL AND OUR LADY OF LORETO WILL BE CLOSED.**

**BAKE SALE**

The Dominican Sisters will be at Our Lady of Loreto selling their baked goods next Saturday, **January 21 and Sunday, January 22** after all Masses.

They will be selling their breads, brownies, and apple and blueberry pies. These are baked according to the Dominican Sisters. The proceeds from the sale will be used to buy medical supplies for their mission to support the lepers.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

January 2017

My dear brothers and sisters in the Lord,

January 22, 2017 marks the 44<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the tragic *Roe v. Wade* Supreme Court decision which, with its companion case *Doe v. Bolton*, legalized abortion throughout all nine months of pregnancy in every state in the nation. The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal (n. 373)*, designates **Monday, January 23** (since Jan. 22 falls on a Sunday this year) as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children”. All the faithful in dioceses throughout the United States of America are called to observe this day in a spirit of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for the violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.

Forty-four years of legalized abortion in this country has left an incomprehensible aftermath. With over 58 million lives lost, and countless women and men, mothers and fathers, grandparents, siblings, and friends who have been deeply wounded physically, emotionally, and spiritually by this tragedy, we need now more than ever to re-commit ourselves to defending life. I encourage our diocesan parishes and institutions, and all the faithful, to observe reverently the **Day of Prayer and Penance on January 23<sup>rd</sup>** both personally and within your communities. Let us unite our hearts and minds through special acts of prayer, fasting, and sacrifice on this day, to uphold the inherent dignity of all human life from conception to natural death.

As we reflect on this unspeakable tragedy, we also recall how the Church for many years has continued to reach out to those who have been so sadly affected by the culture of death, particularly through ministries providing aid to women and families in crisis pregnancies, offering the healing love and mercy of Christ to those wounded by abortion through the ministry of Project Rachel, and by continuing to teach and preach the truth and beauty about love that brings authentic freedom and happiness. It is through these charitable works, along with our fervent prayers and sacrifices, that the culture can be transformed, and the great goods of life, marriage, and religious liberty can be protected and upheld.

Let us take this opportunity of the January 23 Day of Prayer and Penance to renew our resolve to live and proclaim the Gospel of Life. May we respond generously to the challenge Saint Pope John Paul II put forth in *Evangelium vitae*: “A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. May an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from the heart of every believer.” Our active participation in the shared commitment to the sacredness of human life and the dignity of the human person will with God’s grace, truly work toward the building up of a Culture of Life and a Civilization of Love.

With every prayerful best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Most Reverend Robert J. McManus  
Bishop of Worcester



**MASS  
INTENTIONS**

Saturday, January 14, 2017—3:00 p.m.—Confessions

Saturday, January 14, 2017—4:00 p.m.

**Caroline and Felix DiSilvestri and their children** by Grace and Eleanor

**Chester & Victoria DiLeo and Harold & Estelle Richmond** by Family

Sunday, January 15, 2017—8:00 a.m.

**Anthony P. D’Elia** by Family

Sunday, January 15, 2017—10:00 a.m.

**William & Kathleen Duke** By Steven Duke  
**Martha Lonardo, Dominic Pascucci, & Carmine Picirillo** by Carmine and Esther Lonardo  
**Giacomo Foggia** by Family

Sunday, January 15, 2017—11:30 a.m.

**R. Lorraine Mercadante** by an old friend

Monday, January 16, 2017—7:00 a.m.

**Parishioners Intentions**

Tuesday, January 17, 2017—7:00 a.m.

**The Sick of Our Lady of Loreto and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes**

Wednesday, January 18, 2017—7:00 a.m.

**Parishioners Intentions**

Thursday, January 19, 2017—7:00 a.m.

**The Deceased of Our Lady of Loreto and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes**

Saturday, January 21, 2017—3:00 p.m.—Confessions

Saturday, January 21, 2017—4:00 p.m.

**Roland Pardini** by Andrea and Matthew DiLeo  
**Vincent Pardini** (Birthday Remembrance)

Sunday, January 22, 2017—8:00 a.m.

**Parishioners Intentions**

Sunday, January 22, 2017—10:00 a.m.

**Frederick & Bridgette Obilor** By Nosike family

Sunday, January 22, 2017—11:30 a.m.

**The People of Our Lady of Loreto and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes**

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

*Edward Frissora & Teresa Saulnier*

By Annette, Wife & Daughter  
and

*Congetta DiVirgilio* (Birthday Remembrance)  
By Family



**Please pray for the sick of our parish:** Francis Caffone, Susan Stomski, Donna Grasseschi, Lori Blackwell, Carmella Szklarz, Matteo Fiore, Matthew Hicks, Henry Penny, Patrick Loconto, Eleanor Lupisella, Butch Rano, Mary O’Connor, Christopher Collazo, Eleanor Gaudenzi, Patricia Naples, Paula Mari, Sim Simone, Cathy Coffey, Mary Ciuffredo, Mildred Bassan, Vincent Pusateri, Debbie Caffone, Carol Youngstrom, Juana E. Pignataro, Joseph Lapomardo, Joseph Ginskus, Philip Powers, Marcia DiLeo, Virginia Czubrynski, Karen Remian, Chester DiLeo, Mike Scaglione, Sandra Powers, Robert Mazzola, Jennifer Bodinizzo, Martin Laine, Antoinette Raddi, Diane Grasseschi, Loretta Sciafani, Robert Bacon, Susan Cardinal, Michael Corron, Maria Lilette-Ann Vasquez, Belinda Sahagun and Thelma Ortiz. May the Lord give them strength, courage and healing.

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

**Program for January 2017**

**January 17, 2017**

9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. VNA “Keep Well Clinic” – Blood Pressure Etc.

10:00 a.m. Socializing  
12:00 NOON Lunch – Followed by Social.

**January 24, 2017**

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

**January 31, 2017**

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

**PARISH FOOD PANTRY**

Through your generosity, we are able to help families in our local area with food. Please drop off food items at the parish center. Your donations make a big difference to someone who is hungry. Many thanks!

**FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY**

**Friday – March 3—4:00– 6:30 p.m.**  
**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel 28 Mulberry St -**

Fish (Haddock) and Chips  
Baked Haddock with Baked Potato or Rice Pilaf  
Fish Chowder  
Macaroni and Cheese

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets will be available in the Mt. Carmel parish office or by emailing Joan at [joan\\_dargenis@yahoo.com](mailto:joan_dargenis@yahoo.com)

Ponder & follow the following advice given to us by the great St. Bonaventure, as we begin the new year....

"If you would suffer with patience the adversities and miseries of this life, be a man of prayer. If you would obtain courage and strength to conquer the temptations of the enemy, be a man of prayer. If you would mortify your own will with all its inclinations and appetites, be a man of prayer. If you would know the wiles of Satan and unmask his deceits, be a man of prayer. If you would live in joy and walk pleasantly in the ways of penance, be a man of prayer. If you would banish from you soul the troublesome flies of vain thoughts and cares, be a man of prayer. If you would nourish your soul with the very sap of devotion, and keep it always full of good thoughts and good desires, be a man of prayer. If you would strengthen and keep up your courage in the ways of God, be a man of prayer. In fine, if you would uproot all vices from your soul and plant all virtues in their place, be a man of prayer. It is in prayer that we receive the unction and grace of the Holy Ghost, who teaches all things."

— St. Bonaventure

### **WORLD MARRIAGE DAY**

We will be celebrating this special event at Our Lady of Loreto on **Sunday, February 12 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](mailto: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. Please help us make this a special occasion and also send a message to our children about the Sacrament of Marriage. Following the Mass a small reception will be held downstairs in the church.

### **PICNIC WITHOUT ANTS**

**Thursday, February 23 -- 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 a.m.**

Bring your picnic lunch, blanket, beach chairs and toys to the Our Lady of Mount Carmel parish center. This is a fun day for all ages. We will have games such as sack races, and leap frog, crafts and fun, fun, fun! Ribbons will be given to the children as prizes.

**Feast of Saint Joseph  
March 20**

**at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Center  
Please contact Joan D'Argenis at 508-797-4546 or  
[j\\_dargenis@yahoo.com](mailto:j_dargenis@yahoo.com) for more information.**

### **ITALIAN CLASSES**

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. Level 1 will be offered on Tuesday, , Level 2 will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Level 3 will be held on Thursday. Cost: \$130.00 non-members and \$100.00 members of The Gene J. DeFeudis Italian American Cultural Center. Classes run for ten weeks and will begin the week of January 17. For more information email Joan at [joan\\_dargenis@yahoo.com](mailto:joan_dargenis@yahoo.com)

### **THEATRE TRIPS**

The Lion King is scheduled for Sunday, March 5. The cost is \$85.00 which includes the ticket and bus. Matilda is scheduled for Sunday, May 21. The cost is \$54.50 which includes the show and bus.

### **PRO-LIFE MASS**

**All are invited to attend the Pro-Life Mass with Bishop McManus on Thursday, Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m.** at Cathedral of St. Paul, 19 Chatham St., Worcester. Please join us as we remember the 44th tragic anniversary of Roe v. Wade and pray for an end to abortion and the conversion of our nation. We will also pray in a special way for all those who will be travelling to Washington, DC for the March for Life. All are welcome!

### **INTENSIVE TRAINING FOR CATHOLIC EVANGELIZATION**

Sent to Share God's Mercy & Message is Open to all who are interested. Develop practical skills for sharing our Catholic faith and the message of Jesus with the power of the Holy Spirit--in everyday life, organizations, groups, ministries, and our parish. Six Saturday training sessions over five months. Begins **January 21, 2017 from 9 am to 2 pm** at St. Ann Parish Hall, 130 Boston Turnpike, Shrewsbury. \$60.00 per person. Sessions include: prayer, presentations, readings, small group sharing, skills-training, practice, and "people" homework. Presenters: John and Therese Boucher, evangelization consultants, trainers & writers, [www.catholic-evangelizer.com](http://www.catholic-evangelizer.com). Visit [www.worcesterdiocese.org/intensive-training-for-catholic-evangelization](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/intensive-training-for-catholic-evangelization). Registration and payment due Jan. 6, 2017. For more information contact Kathy Barrett at 508-929-4335 or [kbarrett@worcesterdiocese.org](mailto:kbarrett@worcesterdiocese.org).

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