



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church

The Epiphany of the Lord January 7th , 2024

Erected in 1936, the entire structure reflects the architectural style developed by missionaries, combining the building patterns of the Pueblo Indians with Spanish-Colonial design. Even the landscaping, with carefully selected shrubs and trees, is typical.

Priests

Fr. Lawrence Seyer, *Pastor*

lseyer@mtcarmelsb.com

Monsignor Stephen Downes, *Pastor Emeritus*

Father Maurice O'Mahony, *Pastor Emeritus*

Parish Office

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Phone 805/969-6868

website: www.mtcarmelsb.com

email: info@mtcarmelsb.com

Masses

Daily 7:45 AM

Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Holy Day Mass

Please check website for updated Mass times.

Confessions

Saturdays, from 3:30 to 4:15 PM — Side Chapel

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School

805/969-5965

Principal - Tracie Simolon

Pre-K thru 8th Grade

www.mountcarmelschool.net

Sacraments

Baptism — baptisms@mtcarmelsb.com

First Holy Communion — rcallen@mtcarmelsb.com

Confirmation ('El Camino' High School)

sarahm@mtcarmelsb.com

Marriage — weddings@mtcarmelsb.com

RCIA (Adult Sacraments) — info@mtcarmelsb.com

Faith Formation

805/969-4868

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rcallen@mtcarmelsb.com

Youth Ministry

805/574-9941

Sarah Mack

sarahm@mtcarmelsb.com

5th Grade Youth Group — "The MC Club"

6th-8th Grade Youth Group - 'The 'M&M's'

High School Confirmation & Leadership — CORE

Young Adult — Spiritual Direction/Discipleship

Secular Order of Carmelites

Merri Berwick

805/448-3587

Community Outreach

805/969-4868

Sister Kathleen Patrice Sullivan

kpatrice@mtcarmelsb.com

"Behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." ~ Mt 2:1-2



WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

If you are visiting or new to our community, we are blessed that you are here to worship with us and we welcome you!

Our Pastor, Father Lawrence, our retired priests, Fr. Steve and Fr. O' Mahony and Parish Family extend the hospitality of Jesus Christ to you.

If you would like more information about our faith community, please email our us at info@mtcarmelsb.com. Our parish office hours are Monday thru Friday, 9am - 12 noon and 1:30 - 5pm. The office is closed for lunch from noon to 1:30pm.



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, pray for us!

Parish Registration Form

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Zip _____ Phone (____) _____

email _____

email _____

Check One

_____ New Parishioner _____ New Address

_____ New email or phone number

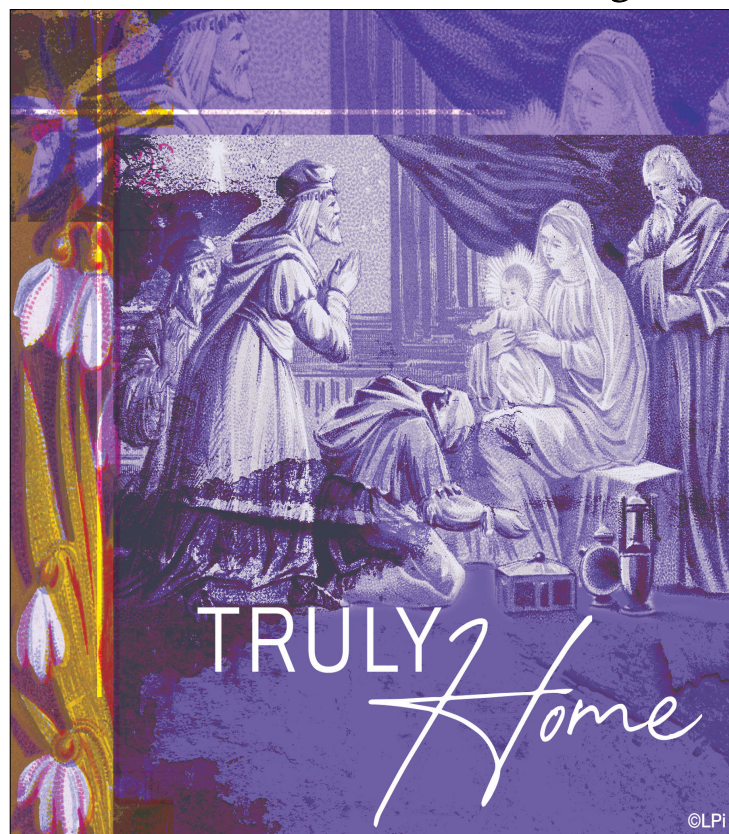
Sign up for Flocknotes

(Our Parish Communication Tool)

- Go to "olmcsb.flocknote.com"

Check our website mtcarmelsb.com for our Mass times, other services schedule and current parish events.

Please place the form into the Offertory basket or you can mail it to the parish office.



Whole Community Faith Sharing

Gospel
Matthew 2:1-12



Reflection: If you are wondering what an infant might do with gifts of gold, Frankincense and Myrrh, you are not alone. The gift of gold surely represents that the Three Wise Men certainly considered Jesus a king. The gift and burning of Frankincense for the baby may have indicated that the Magi understood the small king's importance and claim on the world. Still today, we burn pure and holy incense at our altars as an offering to our King. And Myrrh, derived from the sap of a Middle Eastern tree, primarily used in spices to wrap with honor the kings and queens who have died. These gifts were intended to show great honor and public showing of respect to King Jesus.

Question: What are my gifts that I offer freely to honor our Lord Jesus Christ, King of Kings?

Faith Response: This week I will pour out my gifts to my community as honor and homage to our Lord.

In remembrance of January 9, 2018

**We honor all those who suffered, especially
those who lost their lives.**

**Jonathan Benitez - Kailly Benitez - Faviola Benitez Calderon
Joseph Francis Bleckel - Martin Cabrera-Munoz -
David Cantin - Jack Cantin - Morgan Corey - Sawyer Corey -
Peter Fleurat- Josephine Gower - John McManigal
Alice Mitchell - James Mitchell - Mark Montgomery
Caroline Montgomery - Marilyn Ramos - Rebecca Riskin
Roy Rohter - Lydia Suttithepn - Peerawat Suttithepn -
Pinit Suttithepn - Richard Taylor**

In remembrance of the Montecito debris
flows of January 9, 2018
We honor all who suffered and especially
those who lost their lives

"The light shines in the darkness, and the
darkness has not overcome it." John 1:5

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darkness has not overcome it." John 1:5***

IN COMMEMORATION OF THE 2018 MONTECITO DEBRIS FLOW

We invite all first responders, utility workers, service providers and volunteers to join us for a special Mass to honor and thank all those who helped save our city during that difficult time.

Please join us at the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, January 7th to say a special thanks to all those who serve us and our community every day.

SAVE THE DATES!

A SPIRITUAL & CULTURAL JOURNEY TO PORTUGAL & SPAIN

Fatima, Lisbon, Jerez, Cadiz, Gibraltar, Marbella, Granada,
Toledo, Avila, Segovia, Madrid & More!

Under the Spiritual Direction of Fr. Lawrence Seyer, Pastor
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Santa Barbara, California

14-Day Itinerary: October 21 to November 3, 2024



HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Fatima – Shrine of Fatima & Mass at the Chapel of Apparitions
- Lisbon – Visit Sé de Lisboa, the oldest church in the city & Belen Tower
- Badajoz – Visit of the city with archaeological finds dated to the Bronze Age. Celebrate Mass at the 13th century Cathedral
- Seville – Visit the Plaza del Triunfo—Cathedral Square, Plaza del Triunfo & the Bellas Artes Museum
- Jerez – Home of Sherry wine, the flamenco and the beautiful Andalusian horses
- Cadiz – One of the oldest continuously inhabited cities in Western Europe
- Tarifa & Gibraltar – Visit the world famous Rock of Gibraltar
- Marbella – Stop at the charming seaside Marbella Puerto Banus
- Granada – Visit of Alhambra, Tombs of Isabella La Católica & the Garden of the Granada Parador
- Toledo – Visit the Synagogue and St. Tomé Church with the famous El Greco paintings
- Madrid – Panoramic tour of the city, Mass in the Almudena Cathedral & Prado Museum
- Avila – Visit the site related to St. Teresa of Avila & St. John of the Cross & Monastery of the Incarnation
- Plus much, much more!



Pricing, itinerary and registration available after January 5, 2024

To be placed on the priority mailing list to receive your brochure and registration information please contact:

Fr. Lawrence Seyer
Email: lseyer@mtcarmelsb.com
Tel: (805) 969-6868

Travel arrangements by:



Virtual Diaconate Information Day Sunday, January 14, 2024 | 2 pm–4 pm

*The LORD called: Samuel answered,
"Speak, for your servant is listening."*

*El Señor llamó: Samuel respondió,
"Habla, Señor; tu siervo te escucha".*

*Is the Lord calling you?
¿Te está llamando el Señor?*

"Come, and you will see."



Pastoral Regions:

- ♦ Santa Barbara
- ♦ San Fernando
- ♦ San Gabriel
- ♦ Our Lady of the Angels
- ♦ San Pedro

Next Sessions:

April 14, 2024,
July 7, 2024,
October 13, 2024

Presentaciones en Español

To register email Deacon Melecio Zamora at dmz2011@la-archdiocese.org

FAITH OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL FORMATION



The three kings followed the star
to Bethlehem bearing gifts for the
Christ Child.

What gift will you bring to Jesus today?

No class next week, January 14 because of
Martin Luther King Holiday
Family Mass January 21, 10:00 AM

Faith Formation (805) 969-4868
Director: Sister Rosalie Callen, CSJ
rcallen@mtcarmelsb.com



READY, SET, GLOW!

M&M'S YOUTH GROUP 2024!
GLOW IN THE DARK GAMES ALL NIGHT
TREATS AND PRIZES
FREE! OPEN TO ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENTS
OLMC PARISH HALL
WEDNESDAY JAN 10, 2024
6:30-8:00PM

TEXT SARAH AT 805-574-9941
FOR MORE INFO.

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING
SMALL WATERS, CHIP BAGS AND
OTHER SNACKS-THANK YOU

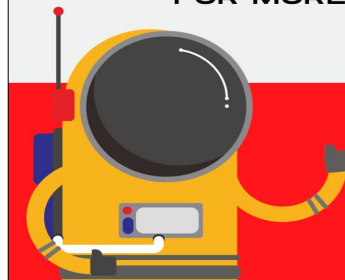


STEM GANG NIGHT

MC-CLUB
5TH GRADE
YOUTH
GROUP

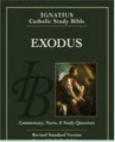


WEDNESDAY 1/24
6:30-8:00 IN THE OLMC PARISH HALL
OPEN TO ALL 5TH GRADERS FROM ANY
SCHOOL.
CONTACT SARAH @ 805-574-9941
FOR MORE INFORMATION



GAMES, FOOD AND
FUN ACTIVITIES
IN ART, SCIENCE,
AND TECHNOLOGY
LED BY STEM
MASTER -JUSTIN
MACK

OLMC SCRIPTURE STUDY



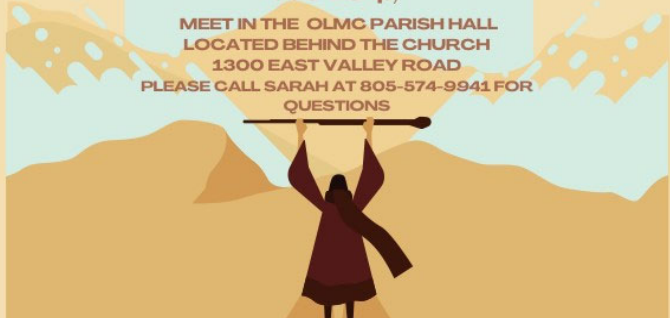
EXODUS
PART ONE

**JOIN US EACH THURSDAY EVENING
AS WE STUDY THE BOOK OF EXODUS.
THIS INTERACTIVE AND ENGAGING STUDY
WILL BE LED BY OUR VERY OWN, JUSTIN
MACK**

Study starts Thursday
Jan. 18th 6:45-8pm and
runs through March 21.
Light refreshments will
be served

Please purchase your
study guide prior to first
study. It can be found at
<https://ignatius.com/exodus-2exp/>

MEET IN THE OLMC PARISH HALL
LOCATED BEHIND THE CHURCH
1300 EAST VALLEY ROAD
PLEASE CALL SARAH AT 805-574-9941 FOR
QUESTIONS



EL CAMINO CONFIRMATION

**NEW YEAR'S
SESSION**

GRACE FISHER—SPEAKER
GRACE FISHER CLUBHOUSE



SUNDAY
JANUARY 14 12:30-1:45
LOCATED AT
LA CUMBRE PLAZA
SUITE F118
PLEASE BRING A PARENT OR A SPONSOR
FOR THIS INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKER.




From the Principal's Desk.....

During the second half of my junior year of college, I was blessed with the opportunity to study in Spain for a semester. I arrived just days after the celebration of Día de Los Reyes Magos and was amazed to learn that many countries celebrate the Epiphany with equal, if not more, fervor than Christmas itself. Children put out their shoes the night before and wake to see what gifts the Wise Men have left for them. Families gather for feasts, special treats, and in many towns there are parades and processions.

While I do not think children in our country would complain about a second opportunity to receive gifts, I wonder if we should instead take on the role of the Magi. They paid homage by bringing gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh to the newborn Christ. We spend a lot of time talking to our students about the gifts and talents they each have from God. As we begin a New Year and celebrate how the wise men honored Jesus, perhaps we can give back by giving to a charity organization, helping a neighbor with yard work, or calling a friend to lift spirits. In this way we can give our gifts in service of others.

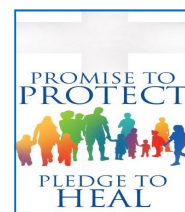
May God bless you,
Mrs. Tracie Simolon
Principal

SAFEGUARD OUR CHILDREN

Did you know?

**Engage with your adolescents and provide
healthy guidance**

During adolescence, young people require more parental engagement—rather than less. This is a time when they begin to experience the many facets of their personality and to test their parents as well as themselves. During this time, adolescents will try to do what is forbidden because it can be exciting to break the rules. Though our adolescents may push us away or disregard our rules and suggestions, they need our guidance—during this time more than ever. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “Be aware of your adolescent’s peers and activities” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.



**Lectors****4:30pm**

Joan Rocco

8:00am

Debbie Bruce

10:00am

Dylan Charney

12:00pm

John Osley

Eucharistic Ministers**4:30pm**

Jack Stratford

8:00am

Sheila Neary

10:00amMark Lorge
Carol Webb**12:00pm**

Hank Peterson



Having a Mass said for a loved one, living or dead, is a powerful way to give them grace.

To request a Mass intention, please contact the parish office by emailing us at info@mtcarmelsb.com.

Please Pray For The Sick Of Our Parish

Jane Burkemper—Gus Munoz
Domini Tarman—Mary Press
Cheryl & Tom Elder
Carolyn Groth-Marnat
Alicia Williford

Please contact us if you would like to add or remove a name from the prayer list.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Prayer and meditation before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament are great ways to spend some special time with Him. You can ask Him for graces for yourself or for loved ones, reflect on His Word, or just keep Him company! And it's no bother for Jesus. In fact, He very much *wants* to see you!

Adoration is held every Wednesday from 3:30pm to 6pm in the Main Church. All are welcome!

**Mass Intentions**

SAT.	JANUARY 6TH
DAILY	Reverend William Krekelberg †
VIGIL	Fritz Noble †
SUN.	JANUARY 7TH
8:00AM	Ellen McDermott †
10:00AM	For All Parishioners
12:00PM	Intentions of Adam & Behati Levine
MON.	JANUARY 8TH
DAILY	Tyler & Scottie Hester †
TUES.	JANUARY 9TH
DAILY	Roy Rohter † Intentions of Guide & Josephine Fenu
WEDS.	JANUARY 10TH
DAILY	Intentions of Roger † & Miny Willmon
THURS.	JANUARY 11TH
DAILY	Intentions of Kevin Marc Villarama
FRI.	JANUARY 12TH
DAILY	Intentions of Kalya Villarama
SAT.	JANUARY 13TH
DAILY	Ida Cuccia †
VIGIL	Gino & Rosetta Guadagnini †
SUN.	JANUARY 14TH
8AM	For All Parishioners
10AM	Roberto Lauigan †
12PM	Rosaura Barvié †

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The Santa Barbara Catholic Charities Food Pantry continues to be in need of filling their shelves.

We must always remember those who may be homeless, those in between jobs and those whose family just have a basic need. Your continued support is appreciated. Food can be dropped off in the baskets in the back of the Church, or at the parish office.

Clothing and other donations **MUST** be taken directly to CC at 609 E. Haley St. Santa Barbara. Thank you for your generosity!

