



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time August 17, 2025

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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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 –

Confirmation ('El Camino' High School)

sarahm@mtcarmelsb.com

Marriage – weddings@mtcarmelsb.com

OCIA (Adult Sacraments) – info@mtcarmelsb.com

Faith Formation

805/969-4868

Sister Rosalie Callen, C.S.J.

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

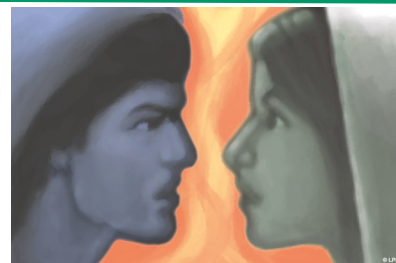
Community Outreach

805/969-4868

Sister Kathleen Patrice Sullivan

kpatrice@mtcarmelsb.com

"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! ... Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." ~ Lk 12:49, 51



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 1pm - 5pm.

The office is closed for lunch from noon to 1pm. The office is also closed on Saturdays, Sundays and all federal holidays.

**Our Lady of Mount 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
Luke 12:49-53



Reflection: Reflection: In today's Gospel, it makes us uncomfortable to hear Jesus say that he has come not for peace but for division- "to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" Is this some other Jesus, or do his words make us realize that here is a man of passion who so desires the coming of God's kingdom that he can't wait for that to happen? Fans of country music might recall a song by Garth Brooks called "Standing Outside the Fire." In the refrain, he sings, "Standing outside the fire / Standing outside the fire / Life is not tried - it is merely survived / If you're standing outside the fire." Jesus' incarnation shows us that He surely does not stand outside. His desire is the complete opposite of coolness and control. Love requires self-sacrifice. This is why the Sacred Heart of Jesus is often depicted as a heart on fire, burning with love for us.

Question: How can I share my burning love for Jesus and help ignite the world?

Faith Response: This week I will meditate on the heart of Christ. Contemplate his goodness, his justice, his mercy, his courage and his sufferings. And most of all, his self-emptying and self-sacrificing love for me.



Are you interested in becoming Catholic, or learning more about the Catholic Faith?
Are you a Catholic adult that has not received your First Communion or Confirmation?
Our Parish's OCIA Program (formerly called RCIA) is now open for enrollment.
Please contact Fr. Lawrence Seyer if you are interested by emailing
lseyer@mtcarmelsb.com.

Church Under Construction!!!



You may have noticed the pews and floors in the church have a new shine to them. Thanks to your generous support of our parish Called To Renew campaign, we have moved into our next phase of renovation, giving the woodwork in the church and rectory office some much needed T.L.C.! Come and see your charity at work in the church - and please pardon our sawdust as we make final touches!

MASS ON THE GRASS & BBQ DINNER

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 23RD
4:30PM MASS, 5:45PM DINNER**

Your BBQ ticket includes a Santa Maria style barbecue meal. There will be alcoholic beverages available for purchase & free games for the kids.

Tickets will be available to purchase after all Masses every weekend in August leading up to the event. They will also be available to purchase online by clicking the poster on the front page of the website. Tickets will not be available at the door, so please make sure to buy ahead!

Please bring your own chairs for the lawn and wear sunscreen - shade will be limited.

**Tickets: \$35/person
Children 12 & Under: Free!**

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CHURCH

M&M'S YOUTH GROUP

FREE 6-8 GRADE

BACK TO SCHOOL TROLLEY PARTY

AUG 27

Meet by the Volleyball Court
6:30-8pm
bring your waiver


FOOD, GAMES, PRIZES!
OPEN TO ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS
FROM ANY SCHOOL
TEXT SARAH MACK
AT 805-574-9941 FOR
MORE INFORMATION




OLMC El Camino

High School Confirmation

Orientation 9/14 11:00am



TWO SUNDAY'S A MONTH
11:00-12:30
FOOD, DRINKS, GAMES & MUSIC.
SERVICE RETREATS IN LA, SANTA YNEZ, COACHELLA VALLEY AND WITH OUR "GRACE TO GO" VAN IN SANTA BARBARA
REGISTRATION FORMS CAN BE PICKED UP IN THE OFFICE OR FOUND ONLINE AT MTCARMSB.COM
CALL SARAH AT (805) 574-9941 FOR MORE INFORMATION

Community Faith Academics

In our small, student-centered preschool environment children are nurtured through play, balanced with learning the social & academic skills needed for success in Kindergarten.



OUR LADY of MOUNT CARMEL Preschool

CONTACT US TO SCHEDULE A VISIT
TODAY AND LEARN ABOUT THE
GREAT THINGS HAPPENING AT OLMCS!

info@mountcarmelschool.net (805) 969-5965
www.olmcs.net   @MountCarmelSchoolSB

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

BACK to FAITH FORMATION

Meet & Greet Next Weekend
August 24
8:40 Parish Hall
Teachers, Parents & Children

Formation classes 2025/26! Grades k - 8
All children are welcome!

Registration Forms Available on the Parish Website
info@mtcarmelsb.com

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




M&M'S YOUTH GROUP
FOAM-A-PALOOZA
2025

SEPT 3RD 6:30-8PM
 Meet on the OLMC Field



JOIN US FOR A FUN NIGHT OF MUSIC, GAMES FOAM MACHINES AND PRIZES

***PLEASE WEAR SHORTS AND A DARK COLORED T-SHIRT AND BRING A TOWEL AND CHANGE OF CLOTHES**

THE M&M'S YOUTH GROUP IS OPEN TO ANY MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT FROM ANY SCHOOL CALL OR TEXT SARAH MACK AT 805-574-9941 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT.

OLMC M&M'S YOUTH GROUP

13 FT ICE CREAM SUNDAE NIGHT



STUDY BREAK!
 TAKE A BREAK AND ENJOY OUR
13 FT ICE CREAM SUNDAE, GAMES AND RAFFLES
10/8 6:30-8PM
 OLMC PARISH HALL
 TEXT SARAH @ 805-574-9941 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT! FREE AND OPEN TO ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM ANY SCHOOL

Summer
"Wine" Down
BINGO NIGHT



Whether you're a wine connoisseur or a lover of Martinelli's Sparkling Cider, this event promises to a memorable night of Bingo, Food and Prizes!

MONDAY SEPT. 8TH
6:30PM-8PM
OLMC PARISH HALL

Entry fee is \$3.00 for two cards.
 Please bring a snack to share. Invite Friends- Open to all!

TEXT SARAH FOR MORE INFO
 805-574-9941

OLMC "Roaming Catholics"

GRANADA THEATRE



A Night at The Theatre
October 4th 4pm
\$70.00 per person

JOIN THE OLMC ROAMING CATHOLICS GROUP FOR A FAST-PACED, TOUR-DE-FORCE PERFORMANCE OF THIS ACCLAIMED ADAPTATION OF C.S. LEWIS' MASTERPIECE. THIS HIT OFFERS A FAITHFUL STAGE ADAPTATION OF LEWIS' THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS IN VIVID, HUMOROUS, AND POWERFUL WAYS.

Group Orchestra Seating can be purchased in the church office or online on the church website
 Text Sarah at 805-574-9941 for more information



Eucharistic Ministers

Lectors

4:30pm

Harriet Callier

8:00am

John Pate

10:00am

Martin Bell

12:00pm

John Osley

4:30pm

Sheila Neary

8:00am

Eustachio & Merle
Guadagnini

10:00am

Bob Nunez
Jane Osumi
Carol Wathen

12:00pm

Michael Massa

SAFEGUARD OUR CHILDREN

Back to school safety tips.

As your children head back to school, parents should begin laying the groundwork (if they haven't already) for open communication about the school's safety guidelines and policies. Talk to children about safe adults and keep lines of communication open about who they see and interact with, how they feel about their school days, and what they are learning. Remind children regularly that they should find a safe adult if they ever feel unsafe or uncomfortable in any situation. For more tips, read "Talking to Kids About Safety and Boundaries for Back to School" by visiting <https://parequirements.com/blog/talking-to-kids-about-safety-and-boundaries-for-back-to-school>.



Mass Intentions

SAT.	AUGUST 16TH
7:45AM	Tina Lorge †
4:30PM	David Holloway Sr. †
SUN.	AUGUST 17TH
8AM	Carolyn Bell †
10AM	Christopher Guadagnini †
12PM	For All Parishioners
MON	AUGUST 18TH
DAILY	Mary Owens †
TUES	AUGUST 19TH
DAILY	Lori Seyer †
WEDS	AUGUST 20TH
DAILY	Joseph & Mimi Reed † Esther Sustayta †
THURS	AUGUST 21ST
DAILY	Mary Louise Hagan †
FRI	AUGUST 22ND
DAILY	Frannie & Jack Morehart †
SAT	AUGUST 23RD
DAILY	John Rosecrance †
VIGIL	Mary Kathleen Erwin †
SUN	AUGUST 24TH
8AM	Intentions of Teresa McWilliams
10AM	For All Parishioners
12PM	Rina Bentajado †

Please Pray For The Sick Of Our Parish

Amy Warren - Mary Ann Nielsen
Domini Tarman — Mary Press
Cheryl & Tom Elder—Jim Clement
Madryn Neuman-Francoise Cogburn
Carolyn Groth-Marnat—Mary Cannon
Alicia Williford—Meagan K.
Dolores Smith—Spencer Vaughn
John Ryan – Guadalupe Diaz De Leon
Zofia Uznanska — Bill Whittenberg
Ben Dougherty

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

