



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
1/10/2015 & 1/11/2015**

4:00 PM Mass	\$957.00
8:00 AM Mass	\$746.00
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,863.00
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,276.00
Shared Envelopes	\$225.00
Total Mass Collections	<u>\$5,067.00</u>

Special Collections:

Weekend Envelopes –mailed in	\$948.00
Fuel	\$531.00
Initial Offering	\$185.00
Catholic University	\$20.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$5.00
Church in Latin America	\$5.00
Christmas	\$85.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$106.00
Immaculate Conception	\$10.00
Capital Campaign	\$257.00
Children's Offering	\$3.00
On-Line Giving	\$247.50
Candle Offering	\$219.00
Total	<u>\$2,621.50</u>

Restricted Funds	\$287.00
Unrestricted Funds	<u>\$7,401.50</u>
Total	<u>\$7,688.50</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.

JANUARY 22ND (THURSDAY) DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

The 7:00 am Mass that day will be a special *Mass of Prayer and Penance on the 42nd anniversary of Roe v. Wade*, which declared abortion legal in the United States throughout the 9 months of pregnancy. Following the Mass, we will have a Holy Hour for Reparation and Healing with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

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.

BAKE SALE



The Dominican Sisters will be here at the church on January 17 and January 18 after all Masses selling their bread, brownies, and apple blueberry pies. These are all baked according to the Dominican Sisters recipes. The proceeds from the sale will be used to buy medical supplies for their mission to support the lepers.

They are greatly appreciative of your support for their ministry. May God always be with you.

MONDAY, JANUARY 18TH, IS MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY, A HOLIDAY. PARISHES OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 17, 2015—4:00 p.m.

Bonnie Racie and Pasquale Mazzamurro by
Carlton Racie
Lydia Bastidas DeChum (Month's Mind) by Grandson

Sunday, January 18, 2015—8:00 a.m.

Carmella Casillo and Gennaro DiFranco (30th
Anniversary) by Camille and Eugene Casillo

Sunday, January 18, 2015—10:00 a.m.

Vincenzo Virzi (First Anniversary) by Wife and
Children
**Angela Piombino, Francesca Grimaldi, and
Francesco Piombino** by Peter and Maria
Gazzillo Piombino and Family

Sunday, January 18, 2015—11:30 a.m.

Michael, Grace and Frank Perrone by Marie and
Frances

Monday, January 19, 2015—7:00 a.m.

The Sick of the Parish

Tuesday, January 20, 2015—7:00 a.m.

**Deceased of the Feola Family, Antoinetta Rossetti
and Rosalba Puca** by D'Andrea Family

Wednesday, January 21, 2015—7:00 a.m.

Parishioners Intentions

Thursday, January 22, 2015—7:00 a.m.

**Prayer and Penance on the 42nd Anniversary of
Roe v. Wade**

Friday, January 23, 2015—7:00 a.m.

The People of the Parish

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

Sunday, January 25, 2015—11:30 a.m.

Elizabeth L. Conte by John Conte and 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, 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:

Congetta DiVirgilio
(Birthday Remembrance)
By Family

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.

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

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 .

January 2015

My dear brothers and sisters in the Lord,

January 22, 2015 marks the 42nd 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 January 22 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-two years of legalized abortion in this country has left an incomprehensible aftermath. With over 56 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 22nd 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 continues 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 22 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

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

Program for the Month January 2015

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.

Reminder: Dues for 2015 are now payable.



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

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!



**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.

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

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.

PRO-LIFE MASS AND MARCH FOR LIFE:

All are invited to attend the Pro-Life Mass with Bishop McManus on **Wednesday, Jan. 21 at 7:30 p.m.** at St. Paul Cathedral, 19 Chatham St., Worcester. Please join us as we remember the 42nd 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.

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

TAKE FIVE FOR FAITH

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2015

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME; WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Common ground

“Be together. Not the same” is the slogan for Google’s latest Android ad campaign, but it could also possibly be the slogan for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, which starts today. The documents of Vatican II have prophetic things to say about Christian unity. Regarding our “separated brethren,” the *Decree on Ecumenism* states: “Today, in many parts of the world, under the inspiring grace of the Holy Spirit, many efforts are being made in prayer, word, and action to attain that fullness of unity which Jesus Christ desires.”

TODAY’S READINGS: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19; 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20; John 1:35-42 (65). “But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him.”

MONDAY, JANUARY 19

FEAST OF FABIAN, POPE, MARTYR

Be open to surprises

The Holy Spirit was definitely at work in the selection of Fabian to be pope back in the second century. A farmer from outside of Rome, Fabian happened to come into town in the middle of a papal conclave. A dove settling on his head was all it took to persuade the conclave to elect him. He served with distinction and died a martyr. You too have a calling, and this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is a good time to express it by reaching out to someone outside your usual circle. God works in surprising ways—and God may surprise you when you reach out to others.

TODAY’S READINGS: Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 2:18-22 (311). “No one pours new wine into old wineskins.”

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

FEAST OF SEBASTIAN, MARTYR

Art imitates life

There are many works of art based on the second-century martyrdom of Sebastian. Most depict him tied to a tree and shot through with arrows, though apparently this was not the way his life ended. Tradition says he was nursed back to health by a widow named Irene. Faithful to the end, he continued to criticize the emperor Diocletian for persecuting Christians until it cost him his life. Perhaps the lesson here is that though death may finish with our bodies, if we are faithful to the end, we continue to live in Christ. Stay the course!

TODAY’S READINGS: Hebrews 6:10-20; Mark 2:23-28 (312). “The sabbath was made for man, not man for the sabbath.”

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21

FEAST OF AGNES, VIRGIN, MARTYR

Not alone in your trials

Ever have those days when you feel like the world is against you? Some days are like that, but the good news is we have companions who walk with us. Saint Agnes, a martyr from the third century, is a great example of how to persevere in the midst of trials. She held fast to the knowledge that God would never leave her. So the next time you have a day of challenges, remember God is just a prayer away.

TODAY’S READINGS: Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17; Mark 3:1-6 (313). “Not by a law expressed ... but by the power of a life that cannot be destroyed.”

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

Bless this child

In 2012, the Vatican approved a blessing prepared by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops “to support parents awaiting the birth of their child, to encourage parish prayers for and recognition of the precious gift of the child in the womb, and to foster respect for human life within society.” This prayer of blessing begins: “God, author of all life, bless, we pray, this unborn child; give constant protection and grant a healthy birth that is the sign of our rebirth one day into the eternal rejoicing of heaven” Pray for an unborn child today.

TODAY’S READINGS: Hebrews 7:25-8:6; Mark 3:7-12 (314). “Jesus is always able to save those who approach God through him, since he lives forever to make intercession for them.”

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

A life given to others

Many of us have heard of Father Damien, famous for his work with those with leprosy, but Sister Marianne Cope, at the age of 45 likewise volunteered for the Hawaiian mission at Molokai. She served girls and women with leprosy, emphasizing “pride and fun” and dignity in the colony. Soon after her death, a local woman wrote in the *Honolulu Advertiser* that she was “a woman [who devoted] every hour of 30 years to the mothering of people isolated by law from the rest of the world. She risked her own life in all that time, faced everything with unflinching courage, and smiled sweetly through it all.” Who can you help today, right at home, to see beyond the harshness of life?

TODAY’S READINGS: Hebrews 8:6-13; Mark 3:13-19 (315). “Jesus went up the mountain and summoned those whom he wanted.”

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

FEAST OF FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP, RELIGIOUS FOUNDER, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Charity begins at home

Some of us grow in the spiritual life through adversity, others by way of the inspiring example of another. Sometimes the love of another helps us grow, sometimes it is rejection that teaches us what we must learn. Success and failure can both be paths to growth; it all depends on our attitude. Francis de Sales, a great spiritual guide, counseled the path of charitable giving rather than the dominant model of his 16th-century day and age, which was penance and more penance. Choose charity along with a healthy self discipline that avoids extremes. Grow by helping others rather than diminishing yourself.

TODAY’S READINGS: Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14; Mark 3:20-21 (316). “Open our hearts, O Lord.”

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