

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church



Traditional Latin Rite
Parish of the
Archdiocese of Denver



Served by the
Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter
Fraternitas Sacerdotalis Sancti Petri

Sunday, January 23, 2022
Third Sunday after Epiphany

Mass Times

Sunday
Low Mass: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m.,
9:30 a.m., 1p.m.
High Mass: 11 a.m.

Mon-Thu, Sat 8:30 a.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Mass at the Carmel at 6:30 a.m. every day
(address on page 2)

Confession Times

30 minutes before each Mass

Also on Saturdays:
8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Vespers and Compline

Sunday
Vespers are at 5 p.m. with Compline
immediately following

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
First Friday
All day

Contact Information

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Pastor

Rev. Matthew J. McCarthy, FSSP

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Rev. Daniel Nolan, FSSP
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Rev. Daniel Kluge
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Homebound:

Any parishioner confined to home who would like to receive the sacraments or the bulletin, please contact the parish office.

N.B. Please make checks for the collection basket payable to OLMC Catholic Church. For Mass intention requests, please contact the parish office.

Please pray for the sick:

Joseph Albi, Zabrina Hajde, Jane Augustine, Maria Williamson, David Williamson, Grace, Ruth-Anne Olson, Laura Scannell

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Bob Zwiezen, Elizabeth Escobar, Andrew Davala, Jon Huser, Allan Johnston, John Mulligan, Michael Weir, Julie McCune

OLMC Prayer Email Line: For parishioners to request prayers, contact Jane Brennan at jmbrennan555@gmail.com

Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 23

Third Sunday After Epiphany

6:30 am Fr. James Jackson, FSSP by Jule Salazar
8:00 am Intention of Fr. Kluge
9:30 am Engagement of Anthony Morley & Mary Salazar
by Jule Salazar
11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo
1:00 pm Intention of Fr. Nolan

Monday, January 24

St. Timothy, Bishop & Martyr

8:30 am Fr. James Jackson, FSSP by Jule Salazar

Tuesday, January 25

The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

8:30 am Archbishop Aquila by Fr. McCarthy

Wednesday, January 26

St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr

8:30 am For an End to Abortion by Fr. McCarthy

Thursday, January 27

St. John Chrysostom, Bishop

8:30 am Fr. James Jackson, FSSP by Jule Salazar

Friday, January 28

St. Peter Nolasco, Confessor

8:30 am OLMC Volunteers by Fr. McCarthy
7:00 pm Fr. James Jackson, FSSP by Jule Salazar

Saturday, January 29

St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor

8:30 am Pope Francis by Fr. McCarthy

Sunday, January 30

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

6:30 am Kathleen Morkes by William Morkes
8:00 am Intention of Fr. Nolan
9:30 am Fr. James Jackson, FSSP by Jule Salazar
11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo
1:00 pm Intention of Fr. McCarthy

Private Mass Intentions and Liturgical Information

Fr. Nolan's Private Intentions

24th Kathleen Morkes by William Morkes
25th Fr. James Jackson, FSSP by Jule Salazar
26th Fr. James Jackson, FSSP by Jule Salazar
27th Kathleen Morkes by William Morkes
29th Fr. James Jackson, FSSP by Jule Salazar

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers this Sunday are for Daniel Orcutt +, donated by Mary Baker.

The intentions for the Masses at the Monastery are separate intentions from those of OLMC.

The Carmelite Monastery is Located at 6138 S. Gallup St. in Littleton, 80120.

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Dear Parishioners,

From St. Francis de Sales' *Introduction to the Devout Life*:
Part IV, Chapter 1: That We Must Disregard the Censures of the
Worldlings

As soon as the children of this world perceive that you desire to follow a devout life they will discharge arrows of mockery and detraction against you without number. The most malicious will attribute your change to hypocrisy, bigotry, and artifice. They will say that, being frowned upon and rejected by the world, you fly for refuge to God. Your friends will make a thousand remonstrances, which they imagine to be very wise and charitable. They will tell you that you will fall into some melancholy humor; that you will lose your credit in the world, and make yourself insupportable; you will grow old before your time; your domestic affairs will suffer; you must live in the world like one in the world; salvation may be had without so many mysteries; and a thousand similar impertinencies.

Dear Philothea! what is all this but foolish and empty babbling? These people are not interested in your health or affairs. "If you had been of the world," says our blessed Saviour, "the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, therefore the world hateth you." (St. John xv. 19). We have seen gentlemen and ladies pass the whole night, nay, many nights, together at chess or cards; and can there be any attention more absurd, stupid, or gloomy, than that of gamblers? And yet worldlings say not a word, nor do friends ever trouble themselves about them; but should they spend an hour in meditation, or rise in the morning a little earlier than ordinary to prepare themselves for communion, every one would run to the physician to cure them of hypochondriacal humors and vapors. These persons can pass thirty nights in dancing without experiencing any inconvenience; but for watching only one Christmas night every one coughs, and complains that he is sick the next morning. Who sees not that the world is an unjust judge, gracious and favorable to its own children, but harsh and rigorous towards the children of God?

We can never please the world unless we lose ourselves together with the world; it is so whimsical that it is impossible to satisfy it. "John came neither eating nor drinking," says our Saviour, "and you say he hath a devil. The Son of Man is come eating and drinking, and you say: Behold a man that is a glutton, and a drinker of wine." St. Luke vii. 33. It is true, Philothea, that if, through condescension, we consent to laugh, play, or dance with the world, the world will be scandalized at us; and if we do not it will accuse us of hypocrisy or melancholy. If we dress gayly, the world will say that we do so for some evil end; if we neglect our dress, it will impute it either to meanness or avarice. Our mirth will be termed dissoluteness, and our mortification sullenness; and as the world thus looks upon us with an evil eye, we can never be agreeable to it. It aggravates our imperfections, publishing them as sins; it makes our venial sins mortal, and our frailties sins of malice. Charity is benevolent and kind, says St. Paul, but the world is malicious; charity thinks no evil, whereas, the world, on the contrary, always thinks evil, and when it cannot condemn our actions it will accuse our intentions. So that whether the sheep have horns or not, whether they be white or black, the wolf will not hesitate to devour them, if he can.

Whatever we do, the world will wage war against us. If we remain long at confession, it will wonder how we can have so much to say; if we stay but a short time, it will say, we have not confessed all our sins. It will observe all our motions, and for one word of anger that we utter it will protest that our temper is insupportable; the care of our affairs will be called covetousness, and our meekness, folly. But as for the children of the world, their anger is called generosity; their avarice, economy; their familiarities, honorable entertainments: spiders always spoil the work of the bees.

Let us turn a deaf ear to this blind world, Philothea; let it cry as long as it pleases, like an owl, to disturb the birds of the day. Let us be constant in our designs, and invariable in our resolutions. Our perseverance will demonstrate whether we have, in good earnest, sacrificed ourselves to God and dedicated ourselves to a devout life. Comets and planets appear to be almost of an equal light; but as comets are only certain fiery exhalations which pass away, and after a short time disappear, whereas planets remain in perpetual brightness; so hypocrisy and true virtue have a great resemblance in their external appearance, but they are easily distinguished from each other; because hypocrisy cannot long subsist, but is quickly dissipated like smoke, whereas true virtue is always firm and constant.

It contributes highly to the security of devotion, at the beginning, to suffer reproaches and calumny on its account, since we thus avoid the dangers of pride and vanity, which may be compared to the midwives of Egypt, who had been ordered by the cruel Pharaoh to kill the male children of the Israelites on the very day of their birth. As we are crucified to the world, the world ought to be crucified to us; since worldlings look upon us as foolish, let us regard them in the same light.

Thus far St. Francis de Sales.

If there was no pleasing the world in the Church of St. Francis' day, much less so in our own! But there are still some, it seems, who think this is "too extreme" and who would propose a sort of middle ground in between surrender to the world and a life of devotion. They say, "You can't live in complete isolation from the world!" and therefore throw themselves and their children into all the same worldly schools, activities, and pastimes as anyone else, so long as they keep the minimum requirements of the faith. But like that worldly attitude St. Francis writes against above, this voice is not to be trusted. The Catholic worldling says, rightly, that one cannot simply escape from the world; but he does barely anything to offset its pull. In doing so, he both underestimates the evils of today's world as well as overestimates his ability, and especially that of his children, to mix amongst these evils unaffected.

The devout family will see these great dangers and then defend their children, not by a sort of paranoid and unrealistic isolation, but by anchoring the heart of the family firmly on prayer, on the saints, on the faith. This family responds to the necessity of living in an ever more faithless world by digging down deeper into faith and tradition—not to escape the world entirely, but to be so well-grounded that no worldly threats or allurements can pull them away. You can tell this sort of family because their children will be cognizant of the dangers and evils of the world—but not afraid of them, for their faith is deeper than any threats the world can conjure up.

Announcement from Fr. McCarthy

Dear Parishioners,

I wish to update you regarding the proposed parish school at OLMC. Upon my arrival five months ago, I began evaluating a number of parish initiatives, including the establishment of a parish school. As many of you know, this work was started a few years ago by Father Jackson and upon his departure, Father Kluge graciously led this effort. After spending several months evaluating multiple factors related to establishing a parish school, I have decided to not move forward with this initiative. While I understand that some of you will be disappointed by my decision, please know it was made after extensive deliberation followed by consultation with my superiors. This process has highlighted the need for a strategic plan to support the recent growth of the parish. I ask for your continued prayers, specifically for the grace to sustainably care for the current and future needs of you, my parishioners.

Any comments, observations or feedback may be sent to school@olmcfssp.org

Fr Matthew McCarthy, FSSP

Parish Classes & Events Happening Today 1.23.22

Sacramental Prep Classes for Confession!

If your child is receiving the sacrament of First Confession, then today they will begin to attend weekly classes until February 27. The classes will be held in the St. Albert basement room after the 1pm Mass.

Altar and Rosary Society Altar Flower Donation Drive

If you would like to provide flowers in honor of a special occasion or in remembrance of a dearly departed, please stop by the ARS table in the hall after any of the first four Masses. Only cash and personal checks will be accepted. Thank you for helping to make our altar beautiful.

Announcements & Upcoming Events:

Accommodation Needed

Fr Thomas Sofatzis, FSSP, has a good friend from Australia (single, about 40 years old, IT professor) who is traveling across the US and is looking for a place to stay in Denver for a few days mid to late Feb. Fr Sofatzis can personally vouch for his good character. If you are able to help, please contact the parish office. May God reward you.

New Book for the Tuesday Morning Book Club!

On Tuesday, January 25, the Tuesday morning book club will begin a new book "Why a Catholic Cannot Become a Freemason" by John Salza. The book club meets every Tuesday morning in the parish library following the 8:30am Mass. All are welcome.

Upcoming/Current Sacramental Prep Classes

Sacramental prep classes are set up into two block schedules.

First Confession: If your child is receiving the sacrament of First Confession, then they will go to classes from January 23-February 27.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation: If they are receiving First Communion and/or Confirmation, they will go to classes from March 6 onwards.

If they are receiving Confession + Communion and/or Confirmation, they will go to all of the classes.

The classes will be held weekly at 2:15pm every Sunday. Confirmation and First Holy Communion will be conferred at 10:30 am on May 7, 2022, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel.

Ladies of Carmel Gathering

You are invited to the Ladies of Carmel Christmas celebration! The gathering will take place January 29th at 6:30pm in the parish hall/ If you would like to participate in a white elephant exchange, please bring a gift (\$5-\$10)! Non separating babies are welcome, as are appetizers to share, or beverage of choice.

Please RSVP to: melyssajmj@gmail.com

Camp Mater Dei

Camp Mater Dei is a traditional Catholic girls' camp for ages 13-16. This year the camp will be held near Colorado Springs, sponsored by the FSSP apostolate there. An FSSP priest is the chaplain. The camp will take place Jun 29 - Jul 8. To register and find more information please visit the web site: <http://www.campmaterdei.weebly.com>. Places are filled very quickly. Anyone interested may speak with Fr McCarthy for further information.