

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, March 20, 2022
Third Sunday of Lent

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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Hours: Monday - Friday
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Website: www.olmcfssp.org

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Priests

Pastor

Rev. Matthew J. McCarthy, FSSP

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Rev. Daniel Nolan, FSSP
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Rev. Daniel Kluge
asst.pastor2@olmcfssp.org

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:

Jane Augustine, Maria Williamson, David Williamson, Grace, Ruth-Anne Olson, Laura Scannell, Tomas Stubblefield, Gabriel Garcia

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Allan Johnston, John Mulligan, Michael Weir, Julie McCune, Robert Blair, Jacobus Semp, Joseph Pascarell, Rosemarie Webb

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

Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 20

Third Sunday of Lent

6:30 am Marie McCarty by Kevin McCarty
8:00 am Intention of Fr. McCarthy
9:30 am Special Intention by Richard & Gae Quicker
11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo
1:00 pm Intention of Fr. Nolan

Monday, March 21

Feria of Lent

8:30 am Anna & Kara Lewis by Laurie Lewis

Tuesday, March 22

Feria of Lent

8:30 am Eric Talley+ by OLMC

Wednesday, March 23

Feria of Lent

8:30 am Leah Talley & Family by OLMC

Thursday, March 24

Feria of Lent

8:30 am Peter Greve+ by Reinie & Barbara Greve

Friday, March 25

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 am (High Mass) Jake Wood+ by Kathleen Brown
7:00 pm Fr. Kluge Private Intention

Saturday, March 26

Feria of Lent

8:30 am Richard Karsky+
by Lisa Di Lorenzo/Karsky Children

Sunday, March 27

Fourth Sunday of Lent

6:30 am Richard Karsky+
by Lisa Di Lorenzo/Karsky Children
8:00 am Intention of Fr. Kluge
9:30 am Mildred Karsky+
by Stephanie Emerson/Karsky Children
11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo
1:00 pm FSSP/Preservation of the TLM by OLMC

Private Mass Intentions and Liturgical Information

Altar Flowers

There are no altar flowers during Lent, except for feast days.

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.

Parish Organizations

Altar & Rosary Society:

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Knights of Columbus Council #13205:

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OLMC Ushers and Safety Team:

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From the Press

The VP brings us up to speed on Russia-Ukraine

Smirky Kamala is neither competent nor does she understand the job... [she] shocked people when she was asked on the syndicated "Morning Hustle" program recently to explain the Ukraine conflict "in layman's terms for people who don't understand what's going on and how this can directly affect the people of the United States." "So, Ukraine is a country in Europe," Harris began, speaking slowly as if to preschoolers on Sesame Street. "It exists next to another country called Russia," she continued. "Russia is a bigger country. Russia is a powerful country. Russia decided to invade a smaller country called Ukraine. So, basically, that's wrong, and it goes against everything that we stand for." One blogger's comment: We are doomed!

On the Consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart

On March 25, the Solemnity of the Annunciation, Pope Francis... will consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary... The pope's announcement sent shockwaves through the Church, as the consecration of Russia is one of modern Catholicism's most controversial topics. The announcement also raises more questions than it answers, including whether the Consecration has already occurred and what happens when (if) it is performed properly... [Our Lady revealed at Fatima:] ... 'I will come to ask for the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart... If they listen to my requests, Russia will be converted and there will be peace. If not, she will scatter her errors through the world... In the end my Immaculate Heart will triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me and it will be converted...' Lucia would continue to receive apparitions, including one in 1929 in which Our Lady repeated her request to have Russia consecrated to her Immaculate Heart... What might seem like a simple request has turned into a decades-long controversy. Over the years there have been various papal consecrations... two in particular stand out. In 1952 Pope Pius XII consecrated Russia to the Immaculate Heart, but he did not request anything of the world's bishops... In 1984, Pope John Paul II performed a Consecration of the whole world to the Immaculate Heart and asked all the bishops to join him in "spiritual union"... he did not name Russia specifically in his Consecration... In 2000 the Vatican sought to quell the controversy by announcing that the 1984 Consecration did fulfill Our Lady's request, stating "Sister Lucia personally confirmed that this solemn and universal act of consecration [the 1984 act] corresponded to what Our Lady wished." This statement, however, did not satisfy many of the devotees of Fatima, who said the Consecration was not done properly... Now with Pope Francis's announcement that he will consecrate Russia and Ukraine, new questions arise. For example, if the Vatican determined that the 1984 Consecration fulfilled Our Lady of Fatima's request, why is there need for another Consecration? Beyond this are other questions that need to be addressed... For example, what does it mean when Our Lady said that if the Consecration doesn't happen, then Russia "will scatter her errors through the world, provoking wars and persecutions of the Church?" What are Russia's "errors?" The most obvious answer, given the context of the times in which the apparitions appeared, is Soviet Communism... when I asked on social media what these "errors" were, I received a diverse number of answers, ranging from the legalization of abortion to the schismatic nature of the Russian Orthodox Church. One thing is clear: Our Lady did not detail what the errors were, and we are left to speculate... Another question is whether the Consecration must be applied to Russia only. In the 1984 Consecration John Paul II did not mention Russia by name, likely for political reasons since this was the height of the Cold War and such a mention could have inflamed the situation... Pope Francis is mentioning Russia by name, but he's also including Ukraine... [P]rivate revelation... is not intended as a public message to which we are all bound for our salvation. The apparitions of Fatima took place in a specific time and place, and for a specific - and limited - reason. The work of salvation history will not be stopped if Our Lady's requests are not fulfilled, although it will surely be helped if they are... Because of the ambiguous nature of any revelation, we should also be careful not to apply near-magical qualities to such revelations. Some Catholics assert that if the Consecration occurs as it is supposed to, then all of Russia will quickly convert to Catholicism and all wars and conflicts around the world will cease. God doesn't work like that. Even when He sent His Son, it took three centuries for the Roman Empire to be converted, and the rest of the world was relatively untouched by Christianity for centuries... When we read about the "errors of Russia" and that Russia will be "converted" and "there will be peace," we should remember [first century] Jewish misunderstandings [about the Messiah]. It's quite possible that the fall of the Soviet Union in 1991 and the reemergence, albeit only partial, of Christianity in Russia was the fulfillment of the Consecration performed in 1984. That might not be the results we were hoping for, but most first century Jews were disappointed in Jesus as well... The status of the Consecration is ultimately not vital to our salvation. We are obliged to follow and accept all public revelation, which means we must live a sacramental and prayerful life, follow the Church's teachings on faith and morals, and care for the poor and needy. Surely that's what Our Lady requests more than anything.

For what it's worth, I think the message of Fatima is - in part - about *living a sacramental and prayerful life, following the Church's teachings on faith and morals, and care for the poor and needy.* And doing penance for our sins. To the degree that we do this, we do influence world affairs. But I also think that Fatima is about the Consecration (whether the March 25 consecration be it or not) and Russia's spectacular conversion. I recall those who wish to minimize the events of the Exodus - in particular the crossing of the Yam Suph - and look for natural or naturalistic explanations. As one Hebrew scholar observed of the "Red Sea Crossing" - *it's not about the wind getting glory, it's about God getting glory.* *Mea sententia humili,* the same applies here: sometimes God does work like that: the conversion of 100 million Russian Orthodox to Catholicism would be a miracle incomparably greater than the parting of the Yam Suph or the sun dancing in the sky. It's not about the wind - or the sun - getting glory: it's about God getting glory; it's about God's Mother getting glory.

Parish Classes & Events Happening Today 3.20.22

Sacramental Prep Classes

Classes for children receiving First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation will be held from March 6-May 1.

Classes are held every Sunday at 2:15pm in the basement of the parish hall. The sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion will be conferred at 10:30am on May 7, 2022, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel.

To Register: www.olmcfssp.org/sacraments/holy-communion/

Creation Study Group

March 20, 12:30 - 2:00, (OLMC upstairs conference room). **Were Adam and Eve real people?** Does it matter? Discover what Genesis, Jesus and the rest of New Testament writers have to say

Announcements & Upcoming Events:

Collection for the FSSP Seminary in Denton, NE

On Sunday March 27, there will be a collection to support Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary forming future priests for the FSSP. This Sunday, March 20, the ushers will have donation envelopes available. These envelopes are addressed and prepaid, so you may mail them directly. Alternatively, you may bring them to OLMC next Sunday. Please make checks payable to *The Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter*, not OLMC.

Weekly Stations of the Cross During Lent

There are weekly Stations of the Cross held at OLMC at 6pm on Friday's for the duration of Lent. Beforehand, there will be parish wide potlucks each week. Read below for more information.

Weekly Lenten Potluck

Please join us on Fridays weekly during Lent for our soup dinners. Bring a pot of your favorite meatless soup to share. We'll begin at 4:45, before Stations of the Cross. All are welcome!

Visiting Our Lady of Fatima Statue

Until March 21st, the traveling statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be at our parish in the sanctuary for all to visit.

4th Saturday of the Month Prayer Vigil

Please join us for our monthly parish prayer vigil on the **4th Saturday of each month** for about 45 minutes starting at 10:15 AM, at the Planned Parenthood facility located at 7155 E. 38th Ave. in Denver. Our next prayer vigil will be on **March 26**. We will meet directly across the street from the main entrance, and prayer booklets will be provided.

Ladies of Carmel Gathering

The gathering will take place **March 26th** at 6:30 pm in the parish hall. Father Kluge will be giving us a Lenten talk! Non separating babies are welcome, as are appetizers to share, or beverage of choice. Please RSVP to: melyssajmj@gmail.com

Clearing Out the Lost & Found on March 28

The lost and found will be cleared out on March 28! There are several pieces of clothing and other items waiting to be picked up. The lost & found bin is located in the hallway next to the elevators. If you believe you may be missing something, please take a look before Monday, the 28th.

Recruiting for the Usher Program

To be an usher at OLMC is to serve the parish as a friendly welcoming host, a humble servant, and strong guardian who prayerfully fosters peace and order.

The OLMC Ushers Program is seeking confirmed Catholic men, 18 years or older, who are registered and active in the parish, and willing and able to develop skills and knowledge regarding the safety, wellbeing, and comfort of fellow parishioners.

To learn more and potentially join us, contact head usher, Peter Doran, pdldoran@hotmail.com, 303-503-8608