



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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A parish of the Archdiocese of Denver, CO served by the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter (FSSP) dedicated to the Traditional Latin Mass and Sacraments according to the 1962 Missal of Pope St. John XXIII.

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

January 12, 2025

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SUNDAY LOW MASS
6:30 AM | 8:00 AM | 9:30 AM | 1:00 PM

SUNDAY HIGH MASS
11:00 AM

DAILY MASS
8:30 AM MON - SAT
Also 7:00 PM FRI

CONFESSIONS
30 MINUTES BEFORE EACH MASS
SAT: 8 - 9:30 AM
SAT: 3 - 4 PM

DAILY MASS
6:30 AM SUN - SAT
Carmelite Monastery
6138 S. Gallup St. Littleton, CO 80120



*Exsultat gáudio pater Iusti,
gaúdeat Pater tuus et Mater tua
et exsúltet quae génuit te.*

From Fr. Nolan

Dear Parishioners,

It is with sadness that I write my final bulletin entry, but also with confidence in the divine will of God. I know that He has a plan for me moving forward, just like He had a plan moving me here 7 years ago in Jan 2018. Since then, I have made so many friends and so many memories that this community feels like it has become a permanent part of me. All of you have played a part in shaping who I am today.

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In preparing to leave, I thought of all the days leading up to this one and how they seemed to just blend together - day after day, week after week - until the one moment I thought would never arrive is finally here.

I cannot help but recognize the parallel this makes to the day of our death, which will arrive much in the same manner. It seems so distant now, but one day it will certainly be here. I mention this not to be unnecessarily morbid, but rather to encourage life and vibrancy! Precisely because we know that our days are numbered, we should be filled with zeal to do our very best.

Which is why I am so very happy to have done all the work that this parish required of me for these past seven years. What do I have to show for it? Nothing but all the confessions I've heard, all the Masses I have said, the Baptisms, the weddings, and the funerals. All the classes, the conferences, the meetings, the events - they have all been worth it! I don't regret for a moment any of the times I had to drop everything to answer a sick call, or sit beside someone in their final moments. Who could ask for a better resume when seeking entrance into heaven?

I am especially grateful for the opportunity to share my love for the saints through my daily homilies - for there are no better friends and no greater friendships than those we find among the saints.

But my greatest happiness, in looking back, is the formation of your dear children. Preparing them for the sacrament of confession, teaching them to say their daily prayers, preparing them to receive Our Lord in Holy Communion, has been my greatest joy. One of God's most precious treasures is children, and so for entrusting them to me, I thank you all from the depths of my heart.

It seems fitting that my departure falls on the Feast of the Holy Family, that time when the Christ Child was separated from His parents to be about His Father's work. Though they were reunited after just 3 days, they eventually had to part ways again, permanently in this life. Of course they would meet again in heaven, but that did not lessen the pain of loss they felt. And so it will be for us. We look forward to the joys of heaven, even though we still feel sadness here below.

I express my gratitude to all of you, I ask for your prayers, and I most humbly ask forgiveness and pardon of any whom I may have offended or injured in any way. Of all the things we can do in this life, a willingness to both give and receive forgiveness is among the most important.

I won't forget you, parishioners of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. God bless you all!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

6:30 am Voughn and Voughn Jr. Mercado+
by Beunellah Maestas
8:00 am FSSP and Preservation of the TLM
9:30 am Sherry Ohotnicky+
11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo
1:00 pm Bill and Sheryl Temaat Family
5:00 pm Vespers and Compline

MONDAY, JANUARY 13

The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ

8:30 am Wong Family by Ann Walsh

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor

8:30 am Elsa Dorida Gutierrez Lopez+ by Kevin McCarty

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

St. Paul the First Hermit, Confessor

8:30 am Rob Proctor+ by Jeff Monroe

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

St. Marcellus I, Pope and Martyr

8:30 am Thomas Feist+ by Brett Ammerman and Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

St. Anthony, Abbot

8:30 am Voughn and Voughn Jr. Mercado+
by Beunellah Maestas
7:00 pm Lance Williams by Jessica Morton

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

Saturday of Our Lady

8:30 am Helen M. Monares by Jennifer Filipi

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

Second Sunday after Epiphany


6:30 am Jim and Maryellen Murray by Thomas McDonough
8:00 am Michael Young and Family by Cassandra Pippin
9:30 am Gillaine Warne+ by Jule Salazar
11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo
1:00 pm Celebrant's Intention
5:00 pm Vespers and Compline

ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Sacraments 2025 - LAST DAY to register is today! If you have a child in the 3rd grade of religion class in school, they are eligible to receive First Holy Communion/Confirmation in 2025. For more info, please go to olmcfssp.org > sacraments > first holy communion/confirmation. Classes will be Sundays at 2:15pm beginning on Jan 26.

Legion of Mary: All are welcome to join our meetings held Mondays at 6pm and Thursdays after the 8:30am Mass. Please join us at either meeting once a week. The Legion is a sign of the Blessed Mother Mary's maternal love for the world and a means of enlisting all her children in the Church's Evangelizing work.

Saint Teresa Jesus Association (STJA): Have you been discerning Carmelite Spirituality? If so, come visit the STJA on the 2nd Saturday of the month in the St. Teresa Room after the 8:30 am Mass. (9:30am-1:00pm)

This Tue, Jan 14 - St. Joseph Business Club Lunch and Learn networking event from 11:30am-1pm in the parish hall. This month's topic is *Practical Cybersecurity for Small Business*. Sign up via QR code or Flocknote. Cost is \$10 at the door. 

This Fri, Jan 17 - Mary's Budding Flowers is a parish group for women expecting and in early motherhood. Join us at 9:30am in the parish hall. You are encouraged to bring a friend and dish to share. Toddlers and babies are welcome. Direct questions to Angela at angeladelcarmen@protonmail.com.

Next Sun, Jan 19 - Altar Flower Donation Drive: If you would like to provide flowers for a special intention, please stop by the ARS table in the hall after all Masses. Thank you for helping to make our altar beautiful.

Next Sun, Jan 19 - Burrito Breakfast: The Knights of Columbus will be selling burritos after all morning Masses.


Next Sun, Jan 19 - Baby Bottle Drive: The K of C is holding a baby bottle drive to help support Knights' Charities, such as the ASAP (Aid and Support After Pregnancy). If you would like to help, pick up a bottle in the parish hall and take it home to fill it with loose change. Bottles must be returned by Feb 16. Contact James Cook with questions: 720-341-1798, jamescook1295@gmail.com


Sat, Jan 25 - Leisure and Culture Game Night from 6-9pm in the parish hall for adults 21+, to connect adults from all walks of life in an enriching environment. Come in your Sunday best or teatime attire. Contact Hope Hecker (h2jcxavier@gmail.com) with any questions.

Sun, Jan 26 - Society of Masses for the Dead: Please stop by the social hall after all Masses to learn more or enroll your deceased loved ones into the Society. The 8:30am First Friday Mass each month (starting Feb 7) will be offered for those who are enrolled. A book of Catholic prayers for the dying, compiled by four parishioners with a forward by Father McCarthy, titled *Running to Christ* will also be available for purchase.


ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Group Cathedral Tour

This Sat, Jan 18 - from 6-9pm, ages 13-17. Join Fr Krager and an OLMC parishioner who works at the Cathedral for a tour of the mother church of our diocese. There will also be a meal and a spiritual talk. Sign up using the QR code or on Flocknote. Contact Fr Krager with any questions. 

Sun, Feb 9 - OLMC Blood Drive organized by the K of C. Be the hero someone needs this year. Join us at our upcoming blood drive and make a difference in your community. Visit donors.vitalant.org and use blood drive code 10055655 or simply scan the QR code below. Appointments are recommended, but walk-ins are always welcome! 

May 26-Jun 5 - Pilgrimage to Poland & Prague: Join Fr. Neal Nichols, FSSP, on a pilgrimage to the magnificent lands of Poland and the Czech Republic. Travel to the sites so dear to Pope John Paul II, his hometown and the See of Krakow. Come to know better the story of Divine Mercy and the mission of Sr. Faustina to spread the message of mercy and redemption for the world. Travel through the Slavic lands of Moravia and Bohemia taking in the sacred sites of the cities of Brno and Prague. Encounter the "Little King" known to the world as the Infant of Prague and return home with the grace of peace of the many blessings of this pilgrimage. Go to www.syversentouring.com/2025-poland-and-prague.

OLMC Online Parish Calendar is available via the website or the code to the right. Please check there for upcoming events. 

DAILY PRAYER LINE REQUESTS

Contact Jane Brennan: jmbrennan555@gmail.com

Please Pray for the Sick

David Williamson, Jamie Jimenez, Jacob Jaxson, Indigo Williamson, Jeff McBride, Shannon Coffey, Miriam Halazon, John Filipczak, Laurie Lewis, Cristina Vigil, Maria McKinley, Rebecca Noël Moser, Joanne Leary, Steve Berning.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of


Lance Martin, Marc Munoz, Jack Lappan, Earl Ammerman, Mary Robles, William Luetticke, Elvie Proto, Kim Poletto.

HOMEBOUND

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

The Poinsettias will remain on the altar until the Commemoration of the Lord's Baptism (Jan 13).

Electronic Giving via Faith Direct 



You are cordially invited to participate in the OLMC
Altar and Rosary Society's
Annual Altar Flower Donation Drive
Sunday, January 19, 2025
in the parish hall after all Masses
(or until all slots are filled)

This is your opportunity to make a donation toward the purchase of flowers to beautify the high altar, side altars, and the Our Lady of Guadalupe alcove on specific Sundays and Feast days throughout the year. These donations will be publicized in the weekly parish bulletin with the intention and the name(s) of the donors, as well as on the Altar Flower posters in the hallway between the church and hall.

Particular days have assigned numbers of vases:

2 Vases High Altar - \$50 (2nd and 3rd class feasts, i.e., most Sundays)

4 Vases High Altar - \$80 (1st class feasts)

1 Vase weekly at Our Lady of Guadalupe alcove - \$30

2 Vases at Sacred Heart Altar on First Fridays - \$30

Some special sponsorships are also available including the Advent wreath, May Crowning processional bier, and roses used in children's processions.

The Solemnities of Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost are parish-wide collections taken up before the feast and are not collected at this time.

Please bring cash, check or credit card. Payment must be made at time of sign up.

