



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.

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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

Trinity Sunday

June 15, 2025



Vale, Pater. Gratias tibi agimus!

From Fr. Krager

The painting above is titled "The Parents of a Celebrant after his First Mass" by José Alcázar Tejedor. We can notice three different uses of contrast in the piece. First, there is the contrast of color. The priest, his ministers, and the servers, are all decked out in vibrant reds, golds, and whites, complimented by the flower arrangements on the altar. Opposite these bright colors, the parents and the crowd of laity behind them is wearing dark blacks and browns. The mother's black dress especially contrasts with the brilliant, ornate chasuble. Second, there is the contrast of detail. The flowers at the top left and the laity at the bottom right are depicted with just a few brush strokes and little detail, looking like they were lifted from an impressionist painting.

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As we move inwards, though, the picture gains more clarity and detail, until we get to the priest and his mother, whose features and expressions are delicately portrayed.

Third, there is a contrast in emotions. I have been told that this is the scene of the first Mass of a priest who has volunteered to go to the missions, and so this scene serves as his farewell to family and homeland. The mother has, perhaps, intended to receive her son's first blessing, but in the painting, has given herself over to her emotions, sinking into his arms. Whether those emotions are of sadness or joy is ambiguous. It is probably both. In response, the young priest smiles and seems to be speaking softly to his mother. The old ministers look on solemnly, likely unmoved because they have seen this scene so many times with other young priests and their families. The altar boys have a look of curiosity as they peek over shoulders to get a better view of the unfolding drama. Maybe they themselves are considering the priesthood and want to better understand what this state in life entails.

I chose this painting because this is my last bulletin column here at OLMC. I will be departing soon. The painting's juxtaposition of sorrow and joy seems a fitting subject for the occasion. This is a time of sorrow because I am leaving a place that has become my home and all of you who have become my family. But it is also a time of joy as I reflect on the many experiences I had here. Living with Fathers McCarthy and Nolan, visiting you in your homes, baptizing and burying, teaching the converts and the co-op children, leading the youth group, taking the boys to the seminary, working with the Legion of Mary as they work with the elderly and the incarcerated, all of these and more form joyful memories that I will cherish forever.

We ought to rejoice at the good times rather than lose heart when they come to an end. Everything on this side of eternity is passing and temporary. Painful goodbyes serve to remind us of this and keep our eyes trained on Heaven where we will, God willing, be reunited. The more sorrowful the goodbyes, the more joyful those reunions will be.

Dearly beloved parishioners, I will miss you all much more than you know. I am grateful to you, and especially to our patient pastor, Father McCarthy. I beg you to keep me in your prayers and forgive me for all of my many shortcomings and failures. Be assured of my prayers for you. By the way, I love to receive Christmas cards and see your beautiful families grow from year to year. Please feel free to send one off to me.

"Behold I command thee, take courage, and be strong. Fear not and be not dismayed: because the Lord thy God is with thee in all things whatsoever thou shalt go to."
Joshua 1:9

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, JUNE 15

Trinity Sunday

6:30 am Madden Family by Rooney Family
8:00 am For an End to Abortion
9:30 am Brianne Jaskulski by Maguire Family
11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo
1:00 pm OLMC Volunteers
5:00 pm Vespers and Compline

MONDAY, JUNE 16

Feria

8:30 am Jeanne Pierson by Mary McGuire

TUESDAY, JUNE 17

St. Gregory Barbarigo, Bishop

8:30 am James T. Drain by Ken Drain

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

St. Ephraem Syrus, Deacon and Doctor

8:30 am Christa Gibson by Sarah Gibson

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

Corpus Christi

8:30 am Rooney Family
7:00 pm (High Mass) Craig Bennet Heithoff+
by Kristi Kloenne

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

Feria

8:30 am Bernadette Filipczak+ by John Filipczak Jr.
7:00 pm David Family by Margarita David

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Confessor

8:30 am Gill Mahaffy and Family by Anna and Shane Coffey

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

Second Sunday After Pentecost

6:30 am Timothy Hall Kelley+ by Julie Smith
8:00 am Pope Leo XIV
9:30 am Kathi Thurlow by Anna and Shane Coffey
11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo
1:00 pm Mark Finken+ by Bob and Stacie Weber
5:00 pm Vespers and Compline

----- Fr. McCarthy's Private Intentions

16 Jacqueline Latta+ by Anthony and Mary Ann Dixon

Fr. Krager's Private Intentions

17 Celebrant's Intention
18 Janet Pfister Cole and Family by Mary McGuire
19 Mary Idone+ by Madelyn Leonardi
20 Fr. Michael Carcerano by Margarita David
21 Leonard Finken+ by Bob and Stacie Weber

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Hall Kitchen Renovation will continue for a couple more weeks. The kitchen is completely inaccessible during this time.

Happy Fathers' Day! May God reward you for all that you do to support and sanctify your families.

Fr. Krager will be away at the FNE camp in NM Mon-Sat of this week, inclusive.

Fr. Krager's Last Sunday at OLMC will be next Sun, Jun 22. He will be in the hall after the 1pm Mass to say goodbye to the parishioners.

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for donating their May Burrito Breakfast proceeds to the kitchen remodel. They raised \$2,310.73.

This Thu, Jun 19 - Feast of Corpus Christi: High Mass at the Carmelite Monastery at 6:30am and at OLMC at 7pm (in lieu of Adoration) followed by a Eucharistic procession.

Novena to Ss. Peter and Paul begins this Fri, Jun 20. There are novena cards outside the parish office and in the vestibule.

Next Sun, Jun 22 - The 11am High Mass will be the External Solemnity of Corpus Christi.

Next Sun, Jun 22 - Burrito Breakfast after all morning Masses hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Cold beverages will also be available. Funds will go towards the OLMC Morning Star Girls' Camp.

Fri, Jun 27 - Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: High Mass at the Carmelite Monastery at 6:30am and at OLMC at 7pm.

Sacred Heart Enthronement: The Legion of Mary invites you and your family to enthrone your home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Enthronement brings countless graces and blessings. Stop by the Legion of Mary table after Sunday Masses for more details & a free kit.

Sat, Jun 28 - Wedding Invitation: Jon Gossman and Mary Woodward would like to invite the parishioners of OLMC to their wedding at 1pm. They would be delighted to share the celebration of this sacrament with their parish family!

Sat, Jul 5 - Confraternity of Christian Mothers invites all women of the parish to a lecture and discussion of the social teaching encyclicals of Leo XIII and Pius XII with Fr. McCarthy at 9:30am in the St. Albert room. The book being referenced is *Reclaiming Catholic Social Teaching* by Anthony Esolen. Bring your questions and something to share for brunch! Childcare provided.

Mon-Fri, Aug 11-15 - Children's Chant Camp: Registration is now open for children ages 7-14. Camp will be 8:30a-3:00pm each day and include Mass, the Divine Office, classes, and games outdoors. The camp will culminate in the choristers' singing for a High Mass on the feast of the Assumption of Our Lady. Cost is \$120/child and \$60/child for the third child and after, and includes all materials, breakfast each day, and t-shirt. Register by filling out the paperwork found on Flocknote and emailing it to David Hughes at music.director@olmcfssp.org. Registration packets are also available outside the parish office. Registration deadline is Monday, July 28.

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Morning Star Girls' Camp

Mon-Thu, July 28-31 - for OLMC parishioners ages 7-18, run by the Slaves of the Immaculate Heart, Still River, MA. Camp begins each day with Mass. Activities include catechism, arts & crafts, music & outdoor games. Space is limited. Register at the parish office or Flocknote. There will be a table in the parish hall next Sun, Jun 22 for in-person registration.

Fri-Sat, Aug 22-23 - Return to Tradition Women's Conference: Registration is now open! The conference is over half full; please sign up soon to reserve you spot as space is limited. Visit restoretradition.com for more info and to register.

Appropriate Dress: Please show respect for Our Divine Lord and fellow parishioners at Mass. Men should be in collared shirts (no T-shirts with graphics etc.) and long pants. Ladies should be in opaque clothing coming up to the neckline front and back, covering the torso and shoulders/upper arms, skirts coming down to at least the knees.

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 Filipeczak, Cristina Vigil, Maria McKinley, Rebecca Noël Moser, Joanne Leary, Ronald Rider, Susan Martin, Nicholas Trandem.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of
Mary Robles, William Luetticke, Elvie Proto, Kim Poletto, Fr. Salgado FSSP, Michael Anderson, Fr. James B. Doran.

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

Sanctuary Flower Intentions		
Feast		Intention
Trinity Sunday	Main Altar	Ron Thaler+ & Larry Hall+ by Eric and Terrie Thaler
	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Bill and Marge Suvada+ by Tamara Lewis
Corpus Christi	Main Altar	Lewis Family by Tamara Lewis

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Women's Conference

\$125 Registration

\$39 Livestream (click here)



A RETURN TO TRADITION 4th ANNUAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH
5612 SOUTH HICKORY STREET, LITTLETON, COLORADO

August 22-23, 2025

Our Keynote Speaker:

Mother Miriam of the Lamb of God, O.S.B.
Host of the radio program *Mother Miriam Live!*



Jesse Romero
Catholic Lay
Evangelist



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