



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 AM until the line is gone.
SAT: 3 - 4 PM

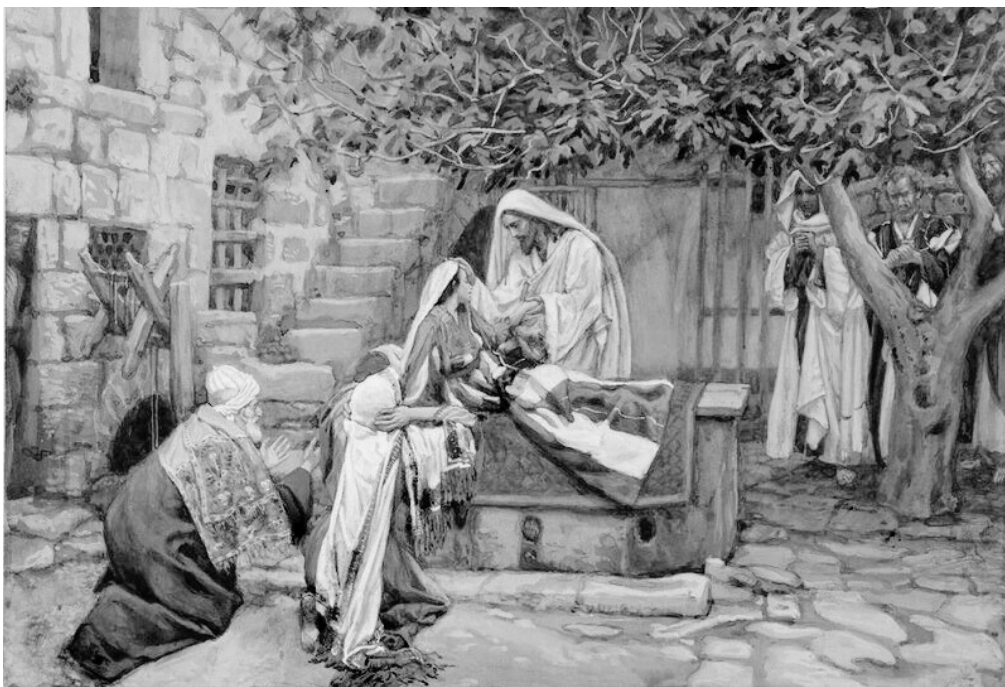
DAILY MASS

6:30 AM SUN - SAT

Carmelite Monastery
6138 S. Gallup St. Littleton, CO 80120

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

November 16, 2025



*Et cum eiecta esset turba, intravit et tenuit manum eius.
Et surrexit puella.*

From the Press

On the Quiet Conversion of England (Mark Haas, Catholic Exchange)

Across the long sweep of history, institutions and empires have risen in splendor and fallen into dust. The mighty kingdoms of Egypt, with their vast pyramids and divine pharaohs, once seemed eternal - yet today they stand silent, their gods forgotten, and their temples crumbling beneath desert sands. The Roman Empire, whose legions conquered the known world, has long since vanished; its marble palaces reduced to ruins, its emperors remembered only in stone. The grand dynasties of China, once ruling with celestial authority, came and went with the centuries, each proclaiming permanence, yet none

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enduring forever. History is littered with the relics of powers that believed they could not fall.

And yet, through it all, the Catholic Church remains. When the Roman Empire collapsed, it was the Church which preserved learning, tended the sick, and baptized the tribes who would shape Europe. When kings and empires came and went, when revolutions toppled thrones and redrew maps, the Church continued to preach the same Gospel, celebrate the same sacraments, and worship the same Lord. The Church's endurance is not that of a worldly institution clinging to survival, but of a divine Body animated by the Spirit of Christ - the same Church He promised would stand firm when He said, "The gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Now even the Church of England - born of rebellion and royal decree - seems to waver in its identity, its pews emptying while Catholic churches quietly fill once more. History, it seems, has a sense of irony. The very institution which broke from Rome now looks on as England's spiritual heart beats again in Catholic rhythm. Empires have risen, and empires have fallen. Nations have come and gone. But the Catholic Church - the Bride of Christ, universal and eternal - still stands, proclaiming the same truth to every generation: kingdoms pass away, but Christ and His Church endure forever.

Rome's Reaction to Christian Persecution (*Fr Perricone, Crisis*)

Cardinal Parolin tells us that these Islamic religious persecutions are misinterpreted. They are merely "social tensions." But as Mr. Jackson concluded, "the same Vatican that can detect 'microaggressions' against the environment cannot recognize a genocide against its own flock. When the blood of martyrs cries from the ground, Rome hears only 'the cry of the earth.'"

On Repentance (*Sermon on Rorate Caeli*)

To make a valid confession, in addition to being contrite and wishing to amend, we must accuse ourselves of our sins to a priest, indicating the species or kind of sins, their number, and any relevant surrounding circumstances. To further make our confessions profitable, St Francis de Sales advised we avoid generic confessions like "I have not loved God as much as I should; I have not prayed with as much devotion as I should..." because such a confession does not characterize the conscience, since, according to St Francis de Sales, "Every saint in heaven and every man on earth might say the same thing if they went to confession." Instead, we should be specific and exact, saying what our sins or imperfections are and what motivated them. In this way, we not only help our confessor know how to counsel and help us, but we also equip ourselves with the knowledge of how to reform and improve. Only that which is concrete and well-defined can be worked on and improved upon.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

6:30 am JoAnn Ice+ by JoLene DeNardo

8:00 am For an End to Abortion

9:30 am Talley Family by Michael and Megan Dowd

11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo

1:00 pm Celebrant's Intention

5:00 pm Solemn Vespers and Compline

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17

St. Gregory the Wonderworker, *Bishop and Confessor*

8:30 am Jake Hardin III+

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

The Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter and Paul

8:30 am Alex Thurston by Cassandra Pippin

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, *Widow*

8:30 am Delphine and Dorsey Reichard+
by Paul & Marla Kloepper

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

St. Felix of Valois, *Confessor*

8:30 am Delphine and Dorsey Reichard+
by Paul and Marla Kloepper

7:00 pm Adoration and Benediction

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 am Michelle Zender by Victoria Woods

7:00 pm Rita and Tom Sullivan Family by Mary Hoffman

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

St. Cecilia, *Virgin and Martyr*

8:30 am Mother Abbess Cecilia, OSB

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Twenty-fourth and Last Sunday after Pentecost

6:30 am Celebrant's Intention

8:00 am Paul Barrett+ by Susan Barrett

9:30 am Mr Patrick Heffernan+

11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo

1:00 pm Mary Ammerman by Brett & Maria Ammerman

5:00 pm Solemn Vespers and Compline

----- Fr. Stack's Private Intentions

17 Charles Renne+ by Maguire Family

18 A Soul of St. Anthony's Choice by Michael & Megan Dowd

19 Ambrose Pippin by Brett & Maria Ammerman

20 Mary Hofbauer+ by Lucy Arnold

21 Daniel Pulse by Eileen Pulse

22 Lela Jackson+ by Richard Michel

23 Nathaniel Schust by Eileen Pulse

Fr. Dalimata's Private Intentions

17 Robert E. Dalton+

18 A Soul of St. Anthony's Choice by Michael & Megan Dowd

19 Gerald Mooney+

20 Kelly Callahan by Victoria Woods

22 Celebrant's Intention

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr. Stack will be out of town this week Nov 17-24, inclusive.

Lost and Found Please check the table in the parish hall to collect any lost property

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest: Are you ready to spread some holiday cheer? Show us your creativity by designing an 11x17 poster! Open to students in Grades K-8. Pick up an entry sheet in the parish hall and return by Dec 7 to be in the running for some amazing prizes.

Knights of Columbus Essay Contest: The KofC is hosting a contest for students in grades 8-12. All entries due no later than Sun, Nov 30. All essays must be submitted by emailing Matt Perkins at jmattperkins@gmail.com with the name, grade level, and contact information included (including parents' names and phone number). Each grade winner will be forwarded to the next level. Parish winners will receive a cash prize of \$300 for 1st, \$200 for 2nd, & \$100 for 3rd place.

Prompt: The office of the papacy was established by Jesus Christ nearly 2,000 years ago when He chose St. Peter to lead His Church on earth. In an essay of 500-750 words, out of the 267 popes that have led the Catholic Church, who are your three favorite popes and why? Entrants will be judged on grammar, style, and how clearly they present the theme in a way that showcases creativity, imagination and overall development of the topic.

FSSP Christmas Card Novena: Enroll yourself and your loved ones in the FSSP Christmas Mass Novena from Dec 17-25 and receive a beautiful set of Christmas cards. There are enrollment envelopes available outside the parish office or you can enroll by visiting fssp.com/ccm-p. Enroll by Dec 1.

This Sat, Nov 22 - Prayer Vigil: Please join us to pray at Planned Parenthood starting at 10:15 am. The facility is located at 7155 E 38th Ave. in Denver

Today and next Sun, Nov 23 - Federation of North American Explorers (FNE) will be holding their annual Mystic Monk Coffee fundraiser after all Masses. This year they're also selling St. Andrew Novena kits. If you would like to place an order outside of those days, please contact Carl at carl.bunderson@gmail.com.

Thu, Nov 27 - Thanksgiving Feast: All parishioners and friends are invited to celebrate Thanksgiving at the parish with a potluck dinner from 2-5pm. **OLMC will provide Turkeys for those willing to cook them.** Sign up via the QR code or the Flocknote to bring a dish to share. More info on the sign-up.



Sun, Nov 30 and Dec 7 - ARS Advent Candle Sale in the parish hall after all Masses. The ARS will also be accepting donations for a new set of Solemn Mass vestments as well as entries for a draw to win the BVM/Child statue which formerly adorned the high altar. You must be 18 or older and a registered parishioner to enter. Drawing will take place at the Lessons and Carols on Dec 14. You must be present to win.

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4th Annual Advent Evening

Sat, Dec 13 - Our annual Advent evening of spiritual reflection and merriment for women is returning! Interested in hosting a table? We are currently filling hostess spots. You can sign up via QR code or Flocknote to host More details about attending will come soon!



Sat, Dec 6 - Rorate Mass at 6am OLMC. The 'Rorate' Mass is the Saturday Mass of the BVM in Advent, sung before dawn by candlelight recalling the darkness which shrouded the earth before the Incarnation, well worth making the effort to attend.

Sat, Dec 6 - Rorate Mass at 6am at the Carmelite Monastery.

Sat, Dec 6 - Confraternity of Christian Mothers invites women of the parish to a talk and brunch at 9:30am after Mass in the St. Albert room. Childcare provided.

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, Cristina Vigil, Maria McKinley, Rebecca Noël Moser, Joanne Leary, Ronald Rider, Robert Tancredi, Pat Bergman, Mac McCord.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of
Michael Anderson, Fr. James B. Doran, John & Eugenia Casbergue, Ronald & Dorothy Seybert, Blake Bratcher, James Hamm, Tony Morley, Susan Martin, Joyce Doherty.

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
Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost	Main Altar	Deceased Members of Kata Family+ by Ellen Auger
	Our Lady of Guadalupe	In honor of the BVM by Matthew Dvornak

Electronic Giving via Faith Direct



Altar & Rosary Advent Candles



Purchase candles for Advent!

Where: Altar & Rosary Table
(hall after Mass)

When: Nov. 30 (Sunday)

Payments: Cash or Credit Card



Our Lady's Statue



Registered Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel can enter to take home the former High Altar statue. Must be 18 years or old to submit your name.

Must be present at Lessons and Carols on Dec 14 for the drawing

Solemn Mass Vestment Donation



Please consider making a donation towards the purchase of new vestments for Solemn Mass.

Where: Social Hall after Mass

When: Nov. 30 & Dec 7 (Sundays)

Donations: Cash or Credit Card



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, PRAY FOR US!

