



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

Second Sunday after Easter Good Shepherd Sunday April 19, 2026



Ego sum pastor bonus: et cognosco meas, et cognoscunt me meæ.

From Fr. Stack

This Sunday, we hear our Lord refer to Himself as the “Good Shepherd”. It serves as a reminder of the reason for which He came—namely, we needed a Good Shepherd to keep us from straying, to lead us on the right path, and ultimately to lay down His life for us, so that we could be spared from the jaws of the ancient wolf. Perhaps this is why it has always been one of the most popular ways in which our Lord has been depicted in Christian art.

Very often, the image of Christ the Good Shepherd shows our Lord carrying a sheep draped across His shoulders, legs dangling in front. Some will say it is because, at times, the shepherd had to break the leg of a sheep who continued to wander away from the flock, so that it would learn not to do so. The shepherd would quickly bind what he

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wounded, but it meant that the sheep could not walk for a while and must be carried. Others may suggest that the sheep was ill, or tired, or any number of other reasons for which it may need assistance while the flock was on the move.

Regardless of the reason, the image of the sheep across the shoulders of our Lord, with legs dangling in front, reminded me of a liturgical garment that we see worn by the Pope and by Metropolitan Archbishops: the pallium. It is a garment with a longstanding tradition in the Church; it is even suggested that St. Justin Martyr was wearing a pallium when he died, though it could be because the pallium was also worn by Roman philosophers at that time. The exact origins of the pallium, and therefore its use in the Latin Church, are not known with certainty. Some suggest that it has its origins in the ephod worn by the High Priest, but this has been disproved. Others suggest that it has its origins in the Omophorion of the Eastern rites of Christianity, which is possible, though it differs in appearance. That being said, the aesthetic of the pallium in the Latin Church has changed quite a bit over the centuries.

These days, the pallium is a circular wool band of about two inches in width and white in color that sits upon the shoulders with a pendant hanging down in front and in back. The pendants are also made of white wool, are about two inches wide, but have black silk covering the bottom portion. Interestingly, the wool has traditionally come from two lambs that are led from the site of St. Paul's martyrdom to the Basilica of St. John Lateran on the Feast of St. Agnes whereupon they are solemnly blessed before being presented to the Pope.

Therefore, the very custom by which the wool is gathered for the making of the pallium reminds us of these two pillars of the Roman Church—Sts. Peter and Paul—who imitated the Good Shepherd in laying down their lives for the flock. Peter, as the Vicar of Christ, served as the Supreme Shepherd of the Universal Church, whereas Paul, as Bishop, served as the shepherd of a local See. Thus, even in the preparations for making the pallium, one sees the imagery of sheep and shepherd and the role of the bishop in union with the Pope to shepherd well the flock entrusted to his care.

Receiving the pallium is a significant moment in the life of an archbishop. It yokes him to the Good Shepherd, to His Vicar on earth, and to all who have been called to service as good shepherds throughout the ages back to St. Peter and St. Paul. That it is donned as a liturgical vestment as an archbishop or pope prepares to go to the altar to offer Holy Mass is most fitting; for it is a reminder that to be a good shepherd is to lay down one's life for the flock, which is precisely what the Good Shepherd did on the altar of Calvary.

This June, Archbishop Golka will travel to Rome to receive the pallium from Pope Leo XIV. Let us pray that both of these men would wear it well and be the good shepherds we need them to be.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

Second Sunday after Easter

6:30 am Cystal Hamm

by Raymond and Christopher Gallegos

8:00 am Abbe Charles Outlier+ by Claire Pinto

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

11:00 am (Solemn High Mass) Pro Populo

1:00 pm Mary Beth VanGelder+ by Emma Hecker

5:00 pm Solemn Vespers and Compline

MONDAY, APRIL 20

Feria in Paschaltide

8:30 am In Reparation for Desecration of the Eucharist

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

St. Anselm, Bishop, Confessor, Doctor of the Church

8:30 am Joyce Doherty+ by Joe and Sheryl Hunt

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

Ss. Soter & Calus, Popes & Martyrs

8:30 am John Martinez+ by Bruce Muhe

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

Feria in Paschaltide

8:30 am Jane Brennan by Donna Monroe

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Martyr

8:30 am Guy Smith by Anne-Marie King

7:00 pm David Laurel

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

St. Mark, Evangelist

8:30 am (High Mass) Geraldine Dowd+ by Peter Dowd

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

Third Sunday after Easter

6:30 am Georgianne Martinez+ by Barbara Ceurvels

8:00 am Jorge Valdez Ortiz+ by Valdes Family

9:30 am Bella Villasista+ by Michael and Michelle Felipe

11:00 am (Solemn High Mass) Pro Populo

1:00 pm Richard Shaw by Brett Ammerman Family

5:30 pm Solemn Vespers and Compline

Fr. McCarthy's Private Intentions

20 John+

21 Michelle Duppington+ by Claire Pinto

22 Andrew and Meredith Klotz by Kristin Prewitt

23 Jane Brennan by Milly Ritter

25 Barry Klotz by Kristin Prewitt

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Archbishop's Catholic Appeal is a way to give to parishes, schools, seminarians and Catholic charities in the Denver diocese. Learn more at archden.org/givetoday.

The Archbishop's Appeal - From Archbishop Golka: *One truth has always guided me: Everything we have is a gift from God... When we recognize this, our response is prayer and gratitude... The Archbishop's Catholic Appeal... is an invitation to put our faith into action, sharing God's gifts with others and bringing Christ's love to those most in need. I ask all members of our parish communities to commit to this year's appeal... I humbly ask for your prayers for our archdiocese, as you can be assured of mine for you and your families.* To make a gift, visit archden.org/givetoday or call 303-867-0614.

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.

Girls' Summer Camp Registration is now open! Camp will be July 27-30 at Mullen High School for OLMC parishioners ages 7-18, run by the Slaves of the Immaculate Heart. Camp begins each day with Mass. Activities include catechism, arts and crafts, music, and outdoor games. Space is limited! Direct questions about registration and payment to msc.girlscamp@olmcfssp.org



Today - Burrito Breakfast after all morning Masses. Hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

Today - Violin Recital by Fr. Loftus. Solemn Vespers at 5:00 P.M.; light reception at 5:45 P.M.; concert at 6:30 P.M. in the Parish Hall. Fr. Joseph Loftus, violin; David Hughes, piano. The program will include works by Beethoven and Dvořák. Free and open to the public. Please invite your family & friends!

This Sat Apr 25 - Planned Parenthood Prayer Vigil: Join us for our monthly parish prayer vigil starting at 10:15am. The abortuary is located at 7155 E 38th Ave. in Denver.

Next Sun - Parish Spring Outing: Join us for the parish picnic with the FSSP Seminarians at Gallup Park, 2:15-5:15pm. Sign-up via Flocknote. Food, Beverages & Activities provided by the parish. Sign-up closes Sun, 4/19.

Sun May 24 - Make Pentecost Great Again - Pentecost is the second most important feast of the entire liturgical year. This year, various parish groups are coming together to celebrate this blessed day and give glory to God. Put our communal OLMC Pentecost celebration on your calendar and join us!

- After the 1pm Mass in the social hall and parish grounds.
- All are invited and encouraged to attend. Wear red.
- Potluck-style food, Irish folkloric dance performances, live music, decorating of a maypole made by our own FNE scouts and more.
- All recent converts are invited to wear white, as was traditionally worn on Pentecost Sunday, also known as Whitsunday, or White Sunday. Please help us welcome our new converts!
- More details to come. Reach out to Rebecca Miller with ideas or inquiries at RebMill@protonmail.com

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OLMC Father Daughter Dance

Sat, Apr 25 - from 6-8:30pm. The event is open to all ages and will include games, crafts, prizes, and refreshments. All excess proceeds will go to Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To RSVP scan code or email angie.flees@gmail.com or call/text 720-936-5315 Angie Flees.



Sun, Apr 26 - Sodality Spring Bake Sale: The Sodality of the BVM will be hosting a bake sale after all Masses in the parish hall. Proceeds of the sale will help cover travel expenses for the annual Sodality Discernment Retreat this June.

Sat, May 2 - May Crowning Potluck: Join fellow parishioners for a Marian Breakfast Potluck and Lemonade Bar hosted by the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary, in the parish hall after the 8:30 AM Mass & Procession. Bring a dish to share in honor of Our Lady — all are welcome! Sign up via Flocknote or QR code.



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, Maria Lonardo.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of

Tony Morley, Susan Martin, Joyce Doherty, Keith Hoyt, Loye Bussey, Mary Spreier, Bill Bowling, Br Ignatius Maria.

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
II Sunday after Easter	Main Altar	Gary Leibl+ By Felipe Prado
	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Michael Dean Schafer By Coffey Family

Electronic Giving via Faith Direct





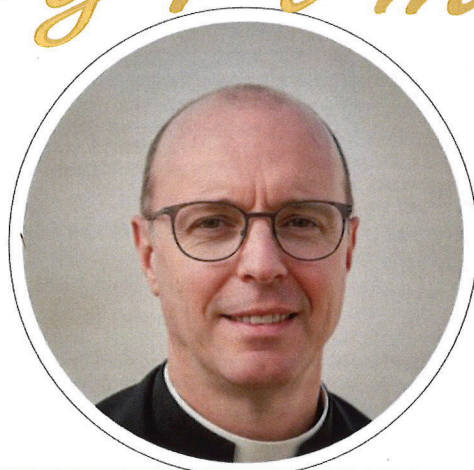
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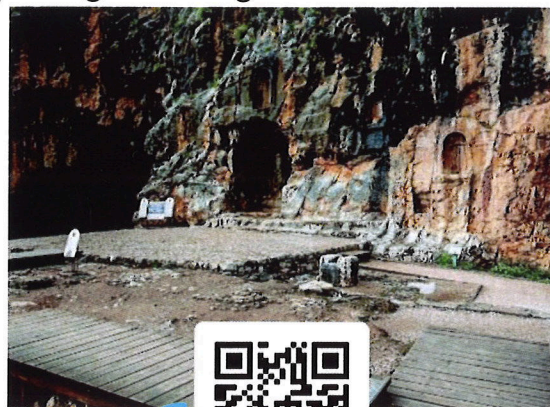
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Pilgrimage



Fr. Matthew McCarthy
Tour Leader

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