



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

Fifth Sunday after Easter

May 10, 2026



*Ascendo ad Patrem meum et Patrem vestrum,
Deum meum et Deum vestrum*

From Fr. Loftus

May: The Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Catholic Church observes May in honor of Mary, calling the faithful to honor her with greater fervor through prayer, meditation on her mysteries, acts of reparation, and imitation of her virtues. By drawing closer to Mary, we are led more securely to her Divine Son, Jesus Christ.

Seeking to sanctify the natural beauty and renewal of springtime, dedicating May to Our Lady gained widespread momentum in the 18th century through the Jesuits who encouraged the faithful, especially young people, to consecrate the month to Mary as a powerful means of advancing in holiness and resisting worldly temptations. The devotion spread rapidly and received formal encouragement from the Holy See. Popes have repeatedly promoted Marian prayer during May, with particular emphasis on the Rosary.

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Theologically, May is a fitting season for such devotion. As the natural world renews itself after winter, the Church turns with renewed confidence to Mary, the New Eve and Mediatrix of Grace. Devotion to her during this month fosters growth in the virtues she perfectly embodied: profound humility, spotless purity, steadfast faith, hope, and burning charity. It also strengthens our union with Christ, who entrusted us to her care from the Cross.

St. Alphonsus Liguori (1696–1787), Doctor of the Church and founder of the Redemptorists, stands as one of the foremost authorities on true devotion to Mary. In his classic treatise *The Glories of Mary*, compiled from the teachings of the Church Fathers and Doctors, St. Alphonsus demonstrates that it is God’s explicit will that we receive all graces through the hands of the Blessed Virgin. He presents Mary as the Refuge of Sinners, our most powerful Advocate, and a Mother whose mercy knows no limits. Even the most hardened sinners find hope and pardon at her feet. St. Alphonsus insists that true servants of Mary cannot be lost. Her intercession is so efficacious that those who persevere in devotion to her receive the grace of final perseverance. He invites us to speak to Our Lady with childlike confidence, confiding every need, sorrow, and temptation. He particularly recommends invoking her name against impurity and other dangers, noting its power to dispel evil thoughts and strengthen the will.

A central pillar of May devotions is the Holy Rosary. The Church has long urged the faithful to pray the Rosary daily during this month. Pope Leo XIII, through multiple encyclicals, highlighted its unique power to draw souls closer to Christ through Mary. During May, families and individuals are encouraged to pray the Rosary together or individually with renewed attention and fervor. This practice obtains abundant graces for the Church, for souls in purgatory, and for the conversion of sinners.

Other great Marian saints reinforce these truths. St. Bernard of Clairvaux assures us in the Memorare that no one who fled to Mary’s protection was ever left unaided. St. Louis de Montfort, in *True Devotion to Mary*, teaches that consecration to the Blessed Virgin is among the most perfect and secure ways of belonging entirely to Jesus Christ.

Practical ways to live this devotion include:

- Praying the daily Rosary with attention.
- Establishing a simple home altar with an image of Mary, fresh flowers when possible, and a candle.
- Reading a short daily selection from a book on Our Lady, such as *The Glories of Mary*.
- Offering small sacrifices and acts of charity in honor of Mary.

In our busy and often secular age, the Month of Mary calls us back to one of the most important devotions for our union with Christ and growth in the spiritual life. May this devotion to Our Lady during this month strengthen our families and parish community in faith, hope, and charity. Through the intercession of the Immaculate Virgin, may we grow in union with her Divine Son and persevere in the life of grace until we reach the eternal joys of heaven.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, MAY 10

Fifth Sunday after Easter

6:30 am Anthony and Laura May
8:00 am FSSP and Preservation of the TLM
9:30 am Peter Doran+
11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo
1:00 pm Charlene Geek by Kristin Prewitt
5:00 pm Solemn Vespers and Compline

MONDAY, MAY 11

St. Philip and James, Apostles

8:30 am FSSP by Reilly family

TUESDAY, MAY 12

Ss. Nereus, Achilleus, Domitilla Virgin, & Pancras, Martyrs

8:30 am John+ by Laurel Sanchez

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

Vigil of Ascension

8:30 am Joseph Salinas by Faustina Blackwood

THURSDAY, MAY 14

Ascension of the Lord

8:30 am Darrell Countryman+ by Michael Reilly
12:00 pm Zoey Zacek by Allen and Judith Murphy
7:00 pm (High Mass) Pro Populo

FRIDAY, MAY 15

St. John Baptist de la Salle, Confessor

8:30 am Alvin Steidel+ by Michael Reilly
7:00 pm Bryan and Britty Klotz by Kristin Prewitt

SATURDAY, MAY 16

St. Ubald, Bishop

8:30 am Fred Halazon Sr.+ by Halazon Family

SUNDAY, MAY 17

Sunday after the Ascension

6:30 am John La Breche+
8:00 am Esther Garcia Javier by Valdes Family
9:30 am Stephanie Beaulieu by Beaulieu Family
11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo
1:00 pm Priests of OLMC by Mary Juran
5:00 pm Solemn Vespers and Compline

Fr. Stack’s Private Intentions

11 Patrick T. Dolan+ by Dani Lindholm
12 Constance Androlevich+ by John Filipczak
13 John Sr., Mary, and Bernadette Filipczak
by John Filipczak
16 John+

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Mothers' Day to all mothers, grandmothers, greatgrandmothers, godmothers, and spiritual mothers. May God reward and bless you.

Pentecost Altar Flowers: Donation envelopes are in the church vestibule and office. Please return by May 22. The 8am Mass on Pentecost Sunday will be offered for the donors' intentions.

Mass Intention Requests can again be submitted. A new program allows submitting requests online and for a specific date. Intentions can still be submitted in person at the parish office. There is a limit of 6 intentions per household per year. That number may increase or decrease as needed. Please see the Flocknote for more info or see the website tab for link.

This Tue, May 12 - Colorado Catholic Business Network invites you to join them for their next lunch-and-learn from 11:30am-1pm featuring Dustin Jewell on *The Stewardship of Risk: Creating Value by Saying "Yes"*. Sign up via Flocknote or QR code.



This Tue, May 12 - Theology Tap: Join OLMC Young Adult Group, ages 18-35, at 6:30pm in the parish hall. Fr. Loftus will speak about the virtue of modesty. Wine and beer will be provided for those over 21. Feel free to bring a snack to share.

This Thu, May 14 - Ascension Day is not a Day of Obligation in this diocese. Masses will be at 8:30am, 12pm, and 7pm (High Mass).

Next Sun, May 17 - Burrito Breakfast after all morning Masses hosted by the K of C. Proceeds will go towards the OLMC Girls' Summer Camp in July.

Tue, May 19 - Men's Group will continue a series of talks on Pope Leo XIII's social encyclicals starting with a 6:00pm rosary & a discussion on *Libertas Praestantissimum*.

Sat, May 23 - Vigil of Pentecost at 10am is an abridged version of the Easter vigil: the liturgy starts with six prophecies (rather than twelve), then the blessing of the Baptismal Water, the Litany of Saints and then the vigil Mass proper. This vigil was a casualty of the liturgical reforms begun under Pope Pius XII in the 1950s. This year, we will be welcoming 15 converts at the vigil.

Sun, May 24 - Pentecost Sunday: There will not be a 1pm Mass.

Sun, May 24 - Make Pentecost Great Again: Pentecost is the second most important feast of the liturgical year. Please join the various parish groups coordinating to celebrate this blessed day and give glory to God.

- After the 11am Mass in the social hall and parish grounds.
- All are invited and encouraged to attend. Wear red.
- Potluck-style food, Irish 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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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



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 Filipczak, Cristina Vigil, Maria McKinley, Rebecca Noël Moser, Joanne Leary, Ronald Rider, Robert Tancredi, Pat Bergman, Maria Lonardo, Theresa Dalimata, Joan Anselmi.

Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of

Joyce Doherty, Keith Hoyt, Loye Bussey, Mary Spreier, Bill Bowling, Br Ignatius Maria, Jim Lake, Patrick T. Dolan.

HOMEBOUND

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

MONTHLY COLLECTION - April:

Offertory: \$130,000.43

Capital: \$2,245.28

Poor Box: \$1,344.00

Sanctuary Flower Intentions		
Feast		Intention
V Sunday after Easter	Main Altar	Steven Christopher Valerio By Steve and Agnes Valerio
	Our Lady of Guadalupe	All Mothers in Our Family By John, Jule, & Jackson Lane
Ascension Thursday	Main Altar	Judy Shaw By Richard Shaw

Electronic Giving via Faith Direct



Rosary Diagram



3 Hail Marys
 10 Hail Marys
 Apostles Creed
 Glory Be
 Glory Be
 Hail Holy Queen
 Our Father
 Our Father
 Our Father

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