



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

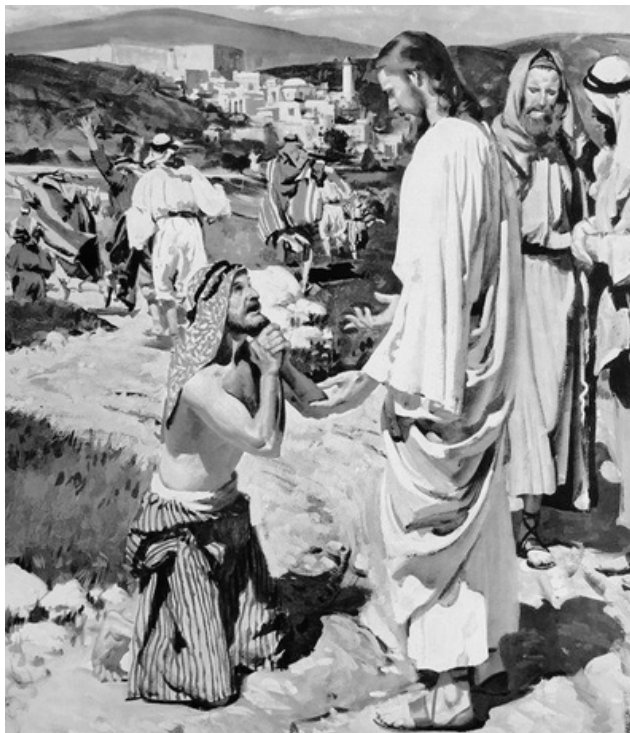
DAILY MASS
8:30 AM MON - SAT
Also 7:00 PM FRI

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

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 23, 2026



*Unus autem ex illis, ut vidit quia mundatus est,
regressus est cum magna voce magnificans Deum (Lk 17:15)*

From the Press

On SSPX Episcopal Consecrations (Roberto de Mattei, *Rorate Caeli*)

A fundamental point must be clarified at the outset: one must not confuse the term *state of necessity* with the *grave crisis* the Church is passing through today. This crisis is an undeniable historical and sociological datum...

The historical fact of a *crisis* in the Church does not coincide... with the juridical and moral category of *state of necessity*. These are two distinct notions... The state of necessity presupposes an exceptional situation but is not identical with it. It is an institution

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of moral theology and law developed to govern extraordinary situations in which the ordinary observance of the law appears to conflict with the good which the law itself intends to protect. The ecclesial crisis may certainly constitute the context within which the problem of the state of necessity arises, but between the historical situation and the moral and juridical judgment there exists a further step, one requiring prudence and a rigorous evaluation of the facts...

A first characteristic of the state of necessity is its essentially exceptional and provisional character. It arises to respond to a concrete and temporally delimited situation. It cannot be transformed into a permanent condition, nor constitute an ordinary regime of government or ecclesial life. If the necessity were to become permanent, it would cease to be a genuine "exception"...

A historical crisis may extend over decades; the state of necessity, by contrast, concerns specific acts, performed in precise circumstances, in order to confront a concrete and immediate danger. The crisis constitutes the context; the state of necessity is the prudential judgment which can, in rigorously delimited cases, justify or excuse a particular course of conduct.

There is, finally, an inviolable limit upon which both moral theology and canon law insist. The state of necessity can never justify an intrinsically evil act. The principle formulated by Saint Paul and constantly reaffirmed by the Magisterium of the Church applies here: evil may never be done so that good may come of it — *non sunt facienda mala ut veniant bona* (Rom 3:8). Certain acts, by reason of their very moral object, remain always illicit, regardless of circumstances and historical context.

It is precisely on this point that the theological and canonical debate is focused. The act performed on the basis of the state of necessity cannot contradict principles of divine law or norms which, by their nature, admit of no derogation. Now, episcopal consecrations performed without a mandate and against the will of the Pope have, as their objective end, the creation of a reality independent of the Roman Pontiff and of the bishops in communion with him. But this is intrinsically illicit, whatever historical circumstances may be adduced to justify the gesture.

The true problem, therefore, does not consist in establishing whether or not a crisis exists in the Church — whose existence is evident to all. The decisive question is another: whether, in the presence of a crisis however grave, it is morally and juridically licit to perform an act that constitutes a violation of the hierarchical constitution of the Church, as divinely instituted by Jesus Christ — an act which in effect refuses the primacy of jurisdiction of the Roman Pontiff and introduces a practice that finds no precedent in the two-thousand-year tradition of the Church.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

6:30 am Kenneth Fraser by Barbara Ceurvels

8:00 am Makayla Grace Heirty by Rick Mudd

9:30 am John and Jule Lane by Jule Lane

11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo

1:00 pm Beau Collyer by Jake and Anna Jennings

5:00 pm Solemn Vespers & Compline

MONDAY, AUGUST 24

St. Bartholomew, Apostle

8:30 am Din Tran+ by Michael & Michelle Felipe

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

St. Louis IX, King and Confessor

8:30 am Din Tran+ by Michael & Michelle Felipe

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

Feria

8:30 am Camila & Elisa by The Gonzalez Family

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

St. Joseph Calasance, Confessor

8:30 am Veronica Trinity Teresa Salazar by Jule Salazar

7:00 pm Adoration & Benediction

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

St. Augustine, Bishop, Confessor, and Doctor

8:30 am Kenneth Fraser+ by Barbara Ceurvels

7:00 pm No Mass

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

The Beheading of St. John the Baptist

8:30 am Virginia Peterson by Christopher & Shari Nearing

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

6:30 am Jaeger Family by Halazon Family

8:00 am Madden Family by Rooney Family

9:30 am Shane & Anna Coffey

11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo

1:00 pm Din Tran+ by Michael & Michelle Felipe

5:00 pm Solemn Vespers & Compline

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr Loftus, Fr Dalimata, & Fr Ramirez will be away Aug 24 - 28 attending the FSSP Provincial Plenary Session in NY.

Fr McCarthy will be on his own 8/24-28: please be nice.

This Fri, Aug 28 there will not be a 7pm Mass.

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 below the knees.

Catholic Inquiry Classes: For those interested in learning about becoming Catholic, classes will be taught by Fr. Ramirez and will begin Sat, Sept 19 at 10:00am in the St. Elijah room in the parish basement. Classes will continue every Saturday through February 2027. If you are a non-Catholic or away from the Church, you are strongly encouraged to attend. See the Flocknote for the link to register or visit: olmcfssp.org/welcome/becoming-catholic/

Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a group for parish girls ages 6-18. The Sodality promotes prayer, spiritual formation community service, and fellowship under the mantle of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We meet for Mass, breakfast, prayer, virtue talks, and lessons in traditional homemaking skills/handicrafts once a month. Meetings begin Sat, Sept 19. Registration is required. Space is limited! Scan the QR code to register or email: olmcsodality@gmail.com.



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

Aug 29 - Women's Self-Defense Workshop: Learn to assess risks to your safety, understand the law, and react appropriately to keep yourself safe. Instruction by a certified RAD instructor and parishioner, Jen Anselmi. 9am - 12pm in the St. Albert room. Women only, age 18 and up. For more information and to register go to: stjosephjobboard.com/workshop-rad-defense.

Aug 29 & Aug 30 - St. Peter's Drama Troupe Presents "Murder in the Alps", a comedy. Join us for showings at 6pm in the parish hall. Tea and light snacks will be provided in collaboration with the Leisure and Culture group.

Sept 13 - 12th Annual Nun Run/Charity Race for the Denver Sisters of Life: The race includes a 1/2 marathon, 5k and a 1-mile Family Fun Walk in deKoevend Park, Centennial. We are blessed to conclude the morning with an outdoor Mass at 11:00am in the park. Visit <https://www.nunrunsistersoflife.com>.

Sept 21-26 OLMC Young Adult Pilgrimage to the Beatification of Fulton Sheen. Fr Loftus will be leading the trip to St. Louis, MO which will also feature visits to the FSSP seminary, the Abbey of Our Lady of Ephesus, and more! For more information email young.adults@olmcfssp.org.

Sep 27 - Annual Parish Picnic at deKoevend Park in Centennial after the 1pm Mass. Mark your calendars! More details to come.

Nov 8 - OLMC Autumn Makers' Market: Now taking vendors for our Autumn Makers' Market this November. Vendor fee \$25 per table. Contact the parish secretary at secretary@olmcfssp.org to reserve your spot.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Teresa of Jesus Association

Have you been discerning Carmelite Spirituality? If so, come and visit the St Teresa of Jesus Association (STJA) meetings on the 2nd Saturday of the month after the 8:30am Mass in the library in the parish basement. We are currently studying St John of the Cross. All are welcome.

Oct 15-17 - Three Hearts Pilgrimage: Join the OLMC chapter in Oklahoma with pilgrims from across the U.S for a two day, 35-mile penitential walk. Register soon as space is limited! Limited transportation is available from OLMC. For more information or to sign up, visit olmcthreehearts.com to register or contact Chapter Leader, Carl Cushnie at cdcushnie4@gmail.com.

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

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK
Contact the parish secretary to have your name published in the bulletin: secretary@olmcfssp.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, Art Maestas, Karin Layman, Barbara McCarthy, David Beckel, Cindy Arellano, Shiloh & Riley Garza

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, Mary Machado, Paul Enockson, Joan Anselmi, John Miller, John Baker, Kevin Smith

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
XIII Sunday after Pentecost	Main Altar	OLMC Volunteers
	Our Lady of Guadalupe	OLMC Priests

Electronic Giving
(ParishSoft Giving)





THREE HEARTS PILGRIMAGE

*A sacrificial walk of reparation defending the sanctity of life
and the traditional family - pursuing that which is Good, True, and Beautiful!*

Join us along with thousands of other Catholics from across the country for a two-day, 35-mile penitential walk offering our physical and spiritual sacrifices for the defense of the traditional family and the sanctity of life - pursuing that which is Good, True, and Beautiful!

The Three Hearts Pilgrimage to the Benedictine monastery, *Our Lady of Clear Creek Abbey* in Oklahoma, was originally established by a group of young boys from the St. John Bosco Institute in the spirit of brotherhood as the next generation of leaders soldiering for Christ. Word of this "American Chartres" by the Institute's adventurous pilgrims spread quickly. In 2020, the pilgrimage was granted an official blessing by Cardinal Raymond Leo Burke and participating pilgrims received a plenary indulgence for their sacrifices. Visit our website to read Cardinal Burke's message and to register for the upcoming walk **October 15th - 17th, 2026**.

TICKETS ARE LIMITED!! REGISTER NOW: threeheartspilgrimage.org

Quick Facts

- Duration of Pilgrimage: **Thursday, October 15th, 2026 - Saturday, October 17th, 2026**
- The pilgrimage is a two-day 35 mile walk, ending with a pontifical high mass at Clear Creek Abbey
- We walk in reparation for offenses committed against our Holy Mother Church, in defense of the traditional family, and for the sanctity of life. The **Three Hearts Pilgrimage** is modeled after France's Chartres pilgrimage.
- Camping experience: Pilgrims camp overnight along the way; larger packs and gear will be shuttled to each campsite.
- Clergy and Religious accommodations for camping, daily mass, and meals (Not required to attend all three days).
- Can't Attend? For those who cannot attend, visit our website for the Three Hearts spiritual pilgrimage and join us in daily prayers during the event.
- Sponsor a Priest: The pilgrimage invites clergy and religious to attend at no cost to them. Please reach out to us if you are interested in sponsoring a Religious and Clergy ticket info@threeheartspilgrimage.org (we are a non-profit registered 501c3 organization).

Contact Email: info@threeheartspilgrimage.org