



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

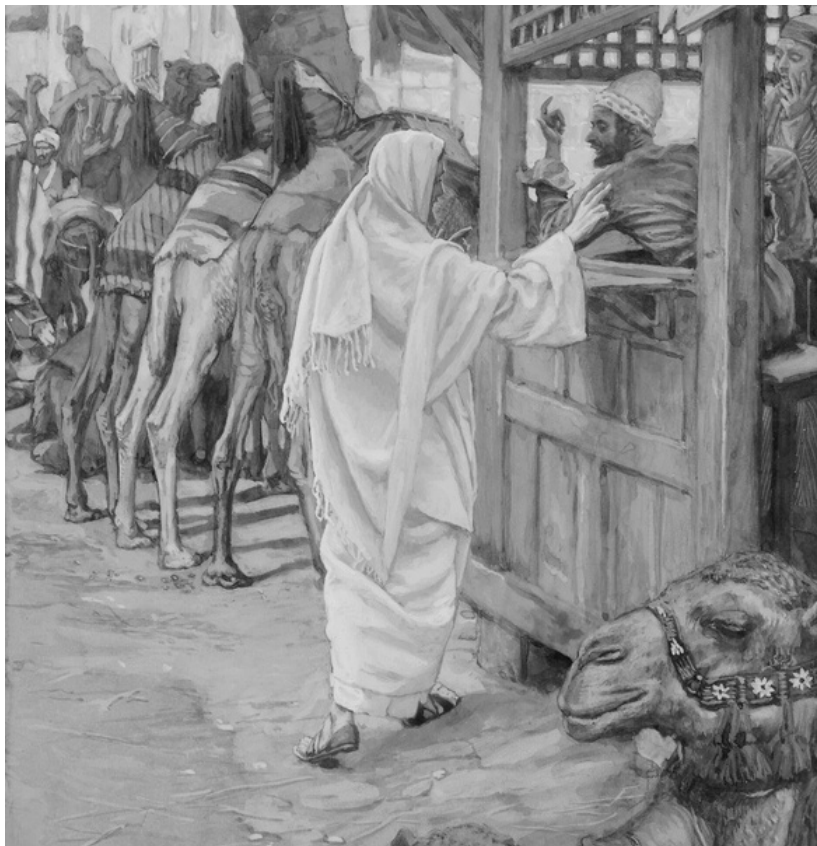
DAILY MASS
8:30 AM MON - SAT
Also 7:00 PM FRI

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

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 20, 2026



*Cum transiret inde Jesus, vidit hominem sedentem in telonio,
Matthaeum nomine. Et ait illi: Séquere me. (Mt 9:9)*

From the Press

[Legitimate Objection to Papal Comments](#) (Patrick Delaney, Lifesite)

Cardinal Raymond Burke addressed tensions surrounding the papal office while affirming its enduring divine foundation... Cardinal Burke addressed the delicate question of confusion that can arise among the faithful due to certain statements made by the Pope, the successor of St. Peter.

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the cardinal observed: “There’s been a fair amount of contention around certain statements and actions of the Roman Pontiff... and some people became confused because they objected... to some statement which the Pope made or some action which he did, which they could do.”

Though the Pope occupies a divinely instituted office... Cardinal Burke explained how he remains a mere man. “And sometimes the pope speaks as a man... And if the Pope makes a spontaneous remark to some reporter... this is not the doctrine of the faith. And one could legitimately object to something which the Pope said.”

Historically, Burke recalled, popes exercised greater caution in their public words. “In the past, popes were very hesitant to speak. They spoke very little because they didn’t want the faithful to be in any way confused with regard to what might be their own personal opinions and what they, as head of the Apostolic College, would proclaim.”

Such distinctions remain vital... he emphasized. “This is so important for us today that even if we object to something that a particular pope may have said and done - this isn’t the first time this has happened in [Church] history.”

The authority of papal statements depends on multiple factors including what is said, the pope’s intention, the context, and how the statement relates to the Church’s established teaching.

An informal setting, such as a remark to a reporter, naturally indicates that the pope is answering questions pastorally, personally, or prudentially and certainly not formally defining doctrine.

Thus, as affirmed by Cardinal Burke, the faithful are generally not bound to give the assent of divine faith or definitive assent to an off-the-cuff comment to a reporter, though they should receive it respectfully and with charity interpret it, as far as reason allows, in continuity with Catholic doctrine.

In cases where such remarks from a Pope objectively contradict established Catholic teaching, the faithful may legitimately recognize the contradiction and, when necessary, express a respectful public objection or a request for clarification. This is the case because like all the faithful, the Pope remains subject to Divine Revelation, is not an arbitrary ruler but a servant to the Word of God and guardian of fidelity to the Church’s received faith.

Yet, Cardinal Burke went on to affirm that any necessary private or public objection to remarks made by the Pope must never undermine reverence for the office itself. “We must never, ever lose respect for the office of St. Peter, the office conferred by Christ himself. Christ willed this. It’s divinely willed for the life of the Church that there be St. Peter as that firm, principal foundation of the unity of the Church.”

Burke underscores that this foundation has endured since the time of Christ throughout the centuries, “even if there were popes who did not fulfill their ministry in a worthy way. Nevertheless, the office of the Vicar of Christ on Earth stands and will always stand in the Catholic Church.”

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

6:30 am Jennifer Morelli+ by Madelyn Leonardi

8:00 am Annalisa Hamm by Dani Lindholm

9:30 am Jenna Ton

11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo

1:00 pm Margaret Pascoe Muir by The Comstock Family

5:00 pm Solemn Vespers & Compline

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

8:30 am (High Mass) Matthew So by The So Family

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

St. Thomas of Villanova, Bishop & Confessor

8:30 am Gordon "Bob" Farr+ by Brad Farr

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Ember Wednesday

8:30 am Edna Romanowski+ by Mary Romanowski

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Feria

8:30 am John Romanowski+ by Mary Romanowski

7:00 pm Adoration & Benediction

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Ember Friday

8:30 am (High Mass) Rob Proctor+ by Jeff & Donna
Monroe

7:00 pm Geraldine Anderson+ by Brad Farr

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Ember Saturday

8:30 am (High Mass) Patricia Jambor+ by Bruno Jambor

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

6:30 am Family of Brad Farr by Brad Farr

8:00 am Allura So by The So Family

9:30 am Jonny and Rachel Ralphs by The Aust Family

11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo

1:00 pm Holy Souls in Purgatory by Brad Farr

5:00 pm Solemn Vespers & Compline

Fr Ramirez’s Private Intentions

21 Tim & Kris Gray by Kevin Mallory

22 Wilfred Magnan+ by Wendy Rhodes

23 Joan Anselmi+ by Barbara Ceurvels

26 Jaiden Dittfach by Joseph Yohannan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr Loftus will be away Sep 21 - 25 inclusive.

Catholic Inquiry Classes: For those interested in learning about becoming Catholic, classes will be taught by Fr Ramirez and will begin Sat, Sep 19 at 10:00am in the St. Albert 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/

First Confession Classes: Children who are in the 2nd grade level of religion class (homeschooling or standard school) may receive first confession. Fr Dalimata will offer 3 class sessions starting in October with final testing and first confession to take place early November. Register at: olmcfssp.org/sacraments/confession/

Today - Knights of Columbus Burrito Sale: Visit the Knights in the parish hall after all Masses to purchase breakfast burritos.

Today - Bethlehem Handicrafts: The Bannoura Family will be here after all Masses in the parish hall with hand-carved olive wood gifts from the Holy Land.

Mon, Sep 21 - Feast of St. Matthew: High Mass at OLMC at 8:30am.

Sep 25-26 - Ember Friday & Ember Saturday: High Masses at OLMC at 8:30am.

Sep 26 - 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.

Oct 3 - OLMC Youth Group: Youth ages 13-18 are invited to join Fr Loftus for games, food and a talk at Ketring park from 10am-12pm. Meet in the parish hall at 10am to walk to the park together. Register for Youth Group at: olmcfssp.org/st-john-boscas-youth-group/. See the Flocknote to RSVP for this meeting.

Oct 3 - Feast of St. Therese of the Child Jesus: There will be a high Mass at the Carmelite Monastery at 6:30am with distribution of blessed roses immediately following Mass. 6138 S. Gallup St, Littleton, 80120.

Oct 3 - Confraternity of Christian Mothers: Please join us in the church for 8:30 am Mass followed by enrollment for new CCM members. Enrollment will take place at the altar rail at the front of the church. Following enrollment, we will meet in the St. Albert Room for a talk by Mary Morley, who will speak about her vision for a new ministry, House of Gold's Mother's Support Group. Bring a potluck brunch item to share; childcare will be available during the meeting.

Oct 4 - Annual Parish Picnic with the visiting FSSP Seminarians at Sterne Park in Centennial after the 1pm Mass. PLEASE NOTE the new location and date. See the flyer in the Flocknote for maps, directions and more information.

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. For more information or to sign up, visit olmcthreehearts.com to register or contact Chapter Leader, Carl Cushnie at cdcushnie4@gmail.com. Registration closes for the Three Hearts Pilgrimage on September 25th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar & Rosary Society

Sep 29 - Join us for a special event for the woman of the parish! A beautiful evening of discovering the Sacred Tradition of caring for the altar and a spiritual talk from our pastor, Fr McCarthy in the parish hall. Light refreshments will be served.

Oct 24 - Mark your Calendars for the OLMC Christ the King Oktoberfest - more details to come!

Nov 8 - OLMC Autumn Makers' Market: Come and shop after all Masses in the parish hall. This year's autumn market features handcrafted items made by OLMC parishioners from over 25 vendors. See you there!

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, Toni Beaulieu

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, Richard Baker, Kevin Smith, Mary Therese Anton, Samuel Conder

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
XVII Sunday after Pentecost	Main Altar	Megan Renee & Cyndee by Renee Pifer
	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Lawrence, Dorothy, William & Kathleen Darity by Thomas Keller

Electronic Giving
(ParishSoft Giving)



Altar & Rosary Society



Discover the Sacred Tradition of Caring for the Altar

*A special event for all women in the parish.
Join us for a spiritual talk by Fr. McCarthy
& learn about the Altar & Rosary Society*

When: Tuesday, September 29, 6 - 7 pm

Where: Parish Hall

Light Refreshments will be served

**For questions, email
ars@olmcfssp.org**

