



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

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2026



Dicit ei Iesus: Vade, filius tuus vivit.

Crédidit homo sermóni, quem dixit ei Iesus, et ibat. (Jn 4:50)

From the Press

On the Silent Revolution in the Church (Bishop Robert Mutsaerts, *Rorate*)

The Catholic Church has experienced, over two thousand years, virtually everything which can befall an institution: bad popes, corrupt bishops, heresies, schisms, revolutions, persecutions, decadent monasteries, dissolute clergy, and theologians so determined to be original that ultimately only they themselves understood what they meant.

And yet the Church endures... The Church survived because one peculiar phenomenon kept recurring: after the smoke, the quarreling, and the intellectual acrobatics, Catholic orthodoxy proved to have extraordinary staying power... Catholicism has a fairly simple litmus test: continuity. Hence the importance of Tradition, of the inherited deposit of faith.

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This does not mean that nothing may ever change. The liturgy has developed, canon law has changed, ecclesiastical disciplines have been modified, and theological formulations have been refined. An oak tree looks different after five hundred years than when it was an acorn. But when that acorn suddenly produces a tulip, "development" is no longer the right word. That is where the problem of the current ecclesial crisis lies. For there is no spectacular storming of the Vatican. At first, the doctrine remains unchanged. The modern ecclesial formula runs roughly as follows: "The doctrine does not change, of course, but our pastoral approach must change." That sounds reassuring, until the pastoral practice communicates, over the course of years, precisely the opposite of the doctrine which is supposedly intact... Anyone who objects is readily assigned the curious role of Pharisee. The innovator possesses love; the orthodox Catholic apparently possesses only the law book. That is rhetorically very convenient.

The same problem became visible with *Fiducia Supplicans* [which] formally and explicitly maintains Catholic marriage doctrine. It even states that homosexual unions may not be confused with marriage, and that [blessings] may not [resemble] marriage. At the same time, it permits same-sex couples to be blessed spontaneously. One would have to be extraordinarily naive to believe that symbolic acts carry no message.

One day after the document's publication, the American Jesuit James Martin blessed a homosexual married couple in New York, with the press present. Formally, one could say: no marriage was performed. In practice, half the world saw two men who live as a couple receiving a blessing together from a Catholic priest. (1)

And there the curious distinction reappears: "What you see is not what we mean." That is, over time, a difficult pastoral strategy. The sacramental language of the Church consists precisely of visible signs. When we have been taught for years that gestures carry meaning, we cannot suddenly insist that a church blessing is to be understood only through the footnotes of a Roman document.

And that is precisely what illustrates the new ecclesial style of governance. First, one creates the expectation. Then one organizes the practice. Then one asks Rome to regularize the reality that has in the meantime come into existence. The question is not "What does the Church permit?" but "What can we do now so that the Church will find it difficult to reverse later?" That is not synodality. That is *fait accompli* theology...

First it is said that a doctrine is being misunderstood. Then that the terminology is "hurtful." Next that no one wishes to change the doctrine, but that "pastoral space" is needed. Local experiments then arise. The experiments become practice. The practice creates expectations. The expectations become "lived reality." And finally, those who defend the original doctrine are asked why they cling so rigidly to a formulation that has by now been superseded. That is the silent revolution...

The Church possesses only one genuinely revolutionary product: the Gospel. And that product is unfortunately not adaptable to the marketing department. Christianity did not begin because twelve apostles decided to align themselves more closely with the Roman spirit of the age. They proclaimed something which their contemporaries sometimes found beautiful, sometimes insane, and sometimes offensive. For this they were not invited to the synodal dialogue table. They were killed for it.

1. At a recent deanery meeting, the problem of how to deal with a magisterium of suggestion was raised.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

6:30 am Priests & Staff of OLMC by Brad Farr

8:00 am FSSP & Preservation of the TLM

9:30 am Bella & Yvonne Allensworth

11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo

1:00 pm Thomas E. Crum+ by Joshua Comstock

5:00 pm Solemn Vespers & Compline

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12

Feria

8:30 am Perez Family by Lucy Perez

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

St. Edward the Confessor, King

8:30 am The Watkins Family by Roseann Watkins

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr

8:30 am Michelle Burns by Edward Burns

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

St. Teresa of Avila, Virgin

8:30 am Ryan & Romana Watkins by Roseann Watkins

7:00 pm Adoration & Benediction

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

St. Hedwig, Widow

8:30 am Augustus Ide by Roseann Watkins

7:00 pm Scott Allensworth & Amy Allen

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

8:30 am Maghee Fleischer by Fleischer Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

6:30 am John Allensworth+

8:00 am Kristina and Tom Martinez+

9:30 am Roseann Watkins by S. Watkins

11:00 am (High Mass) Pro Populo

1:00 pm Erika Hasse

5:00 pm Solemn Vespers & Compline

Fr McCarthy's Private Intentions

12 Kerin Peel+ By Laurie Condor

13 Dennis Elkins+ by Jennifer Gordon

14 Catherine Elder+ by Jennifer Gordon

15 Alexis McCarty & Baby by Kevin McCarty

17 John Tuttle by Mom & Dad

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr Dalimata will be away until Oct 14 inclusive.

THP Prayer Intentions: There is box in the parish hall collecting intentions for the upcoming three hearts pilgrimage. Intentions must be submitted by this Wed, Oct 14.

Bosco Ministries Mexico Mission Trip: Ready to Lead? You are called to be an extraordinary leader. Here is the formation adventure you need to become that. Join FSSP priests and seminarians on a Mission trip in Mexico for an experience of prayer, labor and service that will form you into the saintly leader Christ is calling you to be. Learn more and apply at boscoministries.org/mexico-mission-trip.

Hibernia Music Group: Open Bluegrass Jam and Fiddle Tune Session Second Saturdays at OLMC. We'll be playing traditional bluegrass songs, and American and Irish fiddle tunes. Beginners welcome. If you know the basics of your instrument - how to strum it, pick it, or bow it, and can change between basic chords or notes on your instrument you should do fine. We are a slow player jam. Contact Solomon for more details [#720.288.9158](tel:720.288.9158)

Carmel Rookies Chess Club: Those of all ages are invited to come play the game and compete against one another! Meeting times are on 4th Sundays of the month from 12:30-2:15pm. Contact Rick Mudd at rdm3rdm3@gmail.com to get signed up.

L.I.G.H.T Nights - Living In Grace and Holiness Together: Join us for engaging conversations about prayer, meditations for time spent with the Blessed Sacrament, and priestly guidance to answer your questions every Thursday at 6:15pm in the parish hall followed by Eucharistic Adoration in the church at 7:00pm.

This Tue, Oct 13 - OLMC Young Adults Theology on Tap: Join the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Young Adults Group, ages 18 to 35, at 6:30pm in the parish hall for a Theology on Tap talk from Fr. Loftus. Wine and beer will be provided for those over 21. Feel free to bring a snack to share.

This Tue, Oct 13 - Colorado Catholic Business Network: Join us for our next lunch-and-learn from 11:30am-1pm in the parish hall. Register at: coloradocatholics.betterworld.org/events.

This Sat, Oct 17 - ARS Jumble Sale: One man's junk is another man's treasure! Come shop gently used items to help raise funds to keep our altar beautiful. Parishioner only sale on Friday, October 16 from 8:00pm-9:30pm. Sale open to the community Saturday, October 17th from 9:30am-3:00pm. Questions: Email ars@olmcfssp.org.

Sat, Oct 24 - OLMC Christ the King Oktoberfest: Join us as we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King with a farm to table dinner, dancing, live music, hayrides and more at the Brown Family Farm in Greeley at 3pm. Tickets are required. See the Flocknote to sign up.

Sun, Nov 1 - All Saints' Day Party: Save the date for our annual All Saints' Day Party! The All Saints Party will be held after the 1pm Mass. Please email Elle Grandy at justcallmeelle@protonmail.com to sign up to host a trunk for the Trunk or Treat, volunteer, or with any questions.

Sun, Nov 8 - OLMC Autumn Markers' 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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary performs spiritual works of mercy for those in nursing homes, prison, shelters and accompanies those seeking to return to and/or discover the Catholic Church. COME SERVE OUR LADY! Legion Meeting Times: **Mondays at 6pm or Thursdays at 9:15am in the St. Elijah room.** Contact: Paul Campagna campagna@earthlink.net

Sat, Nov 21 - Please join the ladies of the ARS to pray the Holy Rosary in the St. Elijah room after the 8:30am Mass every third Saturday. Afterwards, enjoy fellowship and refreshments, followed by our monthly meeting. All women of the parish are warmly welcomed!

PARISH CALENDAR

Scan the code to the right or visit our website for a full list of upcoming events at: olmcfssp.org/calendar/



DAILY PRAYER LINE REQUESTS

Contact the parish office.

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 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
XX Sunday after Pentecost	Main Altar	Increase in Religious Vocations & Souls in Purgatory
	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Michael A Lawrenzano+ by The Talley Family

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