

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

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First Sunday of Advent ~ December 01, 2019

Parish Center Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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Director of Music: Bianca Remlinger
Pre-School Director: Maureen Arnott



Our Lady of the New Advent

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm (Español), and 5 pm

Saturday: 8:15 am and 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

Monday to Friday 8:15 am

Reconciliation/Confession Saturday 3:30 -4:30 pm

Baptisms / Bautismos

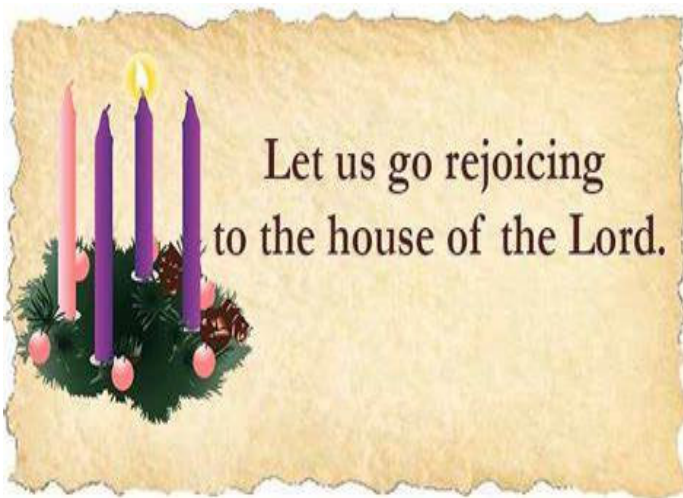
Call parish at least two months in advance.

Llame a la parroquia a lo menos dos meses antes.

Weddings / Bodas

Call parish at least six months in advance.

Llame a la parroquia a lo menos seis meses antes.



Mission Statement

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish is a Christ-centered community in the Roman Catholic tradition. We try to share the Good News of salvation with others. As a diverse community, we value and respect individual differences. As God's people, we gather in the Spirit to pray, to celebrate the sacraments, to teach, to learn, to console, to rejoice, to minister and to renew our faith with one another.

Notes from the Pastor

There have been a great number of ways to determine when a new yearly cycle begins, and our familiar Gregorian calendar is certainly not the only method by which the passage of time can be measured. For convenience, most of the world has chosen to count its days and years according to this Western system, but other systems such as the older Julian calendar, the Jewish calendar, and the Mayan calendar also exist. Some of these yearly cycles operate simultaneously. For example, businesses run on a Fiscal Year; astrologers mark the beginning of a new cycle at the Vernal Equinox sometime in late March, and the Roman Catholic Church has its unique "Liturgical Year." This

Sunday, the first of December, we enter a new cycle of the Church Calendar which always begins with the First Sunday of Advent approximately four weeks before Christmas. I believe most practicing Catholics understand that this is the season during which we anticipate the coming of the Infant Jesus on December 25th, but it is easy for the more profound meanings of the Advent season to become obscured by the prevailing commercial culture which insists on putting up Christmas trees and lights the moment that Halloween's plastic pumpkins and fake spider webs go back into storage. Within the spiritual culture of the Church, we prefer to begin the season in a more solemn way, recognizing the need to prepare ourselves inwardly for the advent of the Christ Child. Expectation, waiting and a cautious hope were characteristic of the Jewish world into which Jesus was born. The Israelites of the Old Testament never ceased yearning for a Messiah or Deliverer and the salvation that he would bring. And while for Christian believers Jesus Christ is certainly that promised Savior, the Holy Redeemer, we yet retain the same yearning that Jesus' ancestors had. After all, the reign of goodness and mercy and justice and universal love that Jesus ushered into the world is both, and at the same time, here and yet to come. So, as we wait in joyful hope during the next four weeks to celebrate once again the birth of Jesus, as we light one by one the candles of our Advent wreath, and as we put up our manger scene and move the Wise Men slowly toward Bethlehem, we also prepare ourselves through penance and prayer to receive Christ into our hearts. Jesus' birth into the world, into human history, is nothing if he is not born anew within each one of us. Lodged in our hearts, Jesus can carry on the sacred mission he began so long ago, bringing his message of hope and love and redemption to new generations. And when we carry Christ within us, we will most assuredly be ready for that final phase of salvation history when Christ will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead.

Fr. Ulysses



Notas del Párroco

Hay una gran cantidad de formas de determinar cuándo comienza un nuevo ciclo anual, y nuestro familiar calendario gregoriano ciertamente no es el único método por el cual se puede medir el paso del tiempo. Por conveniencia, la mayor parte del mundo ha elegido contar sus días y años de acuerdo con este sistema occidental, pero también existen otros sistemas como el antiguo calendario juliano, el calendario judío y el calendario maya. Algunos de estos ciclos anuales operan simultáneamente. Por ejemplo, las empresas se ejecutan en un año fiscal; Los astrólogos marcan el comienzo de un nuevo ciclo en el Equinoccio Vernal en algún momento a fines de marzo, y la Iglesia Católica Romana tiene su "Año Litúrgico" único. Este domingo, el primero de diciembre, entramos en un nuevo ciclo del Calendario de la Iglesia que siempre comienza con el primer domingo de Adviento aproximadamente cuatro semanas antes de Navidad. Creo que la mayoría de los católicos practicantes entienden que esta es la temporada durante la cual anticipamos la llegada del Niño Jesús el 25 de diciembre, pero es fácil que los significados más profundos de la temporada de Adviento se oscurezcan por la cultura comercial prevaleciente que insiste en poner y enciende árboles de Navidad e ilumina el momento en que las calabazas de plástico de Halloween y las falsas telas de araña vuelven a almacenarse. Dentro de la cultura espiritual de la Iglesia, preferimos comenzar la temporada de una manera más solemne, reconociendo la necesidad de prepararnos internamente para el advenimiento del Niño Jesús. La expectativa, la espera y una cautelosa esperanza eran características del mundo judío en el que nació Jesús. Los israelitas del Antiguo Testamento nunca dejaron de anhelar un Mesías o un Libertador y la salvación que él traería. Y mientras que para los creyentes cristianos Jesucristo es ciertamente el Salvador prometido, el Santo Redentor, aún conservamos el mismo anhelo que tenían los antepasados de Jesús. Después de todo, el reinado de la bondad, la misericordia, la justicia y el amor universal que Jesús introdujo en el mundo es a la vez, y al mismo tiempo, aquí y aún por venir. Entonces, mientras esperamos con gozosa esperanza durante las próximas cuatro semanas para celebrar una vez más el nacimiento de Jesús, mientras encendemos una por una las velas de nuestra corona de Adviento, y mientras colocamos nuestra escena del pesebre y movemos a los Sabios lentamente hacia Belén, también nos preparamos a través de la penitencia y la oración para recibir a Cristo en nuestros corazones. El nacimiento de Jesús en el mundo, en la historia humana, no es nada si no nace de nuevo dentro de cada uno de nosotros. Alojado en nuestros corazones, Jesús puede llevar a cabo la misión sagrada que comenzó hace tanto tiempo, llevando su mensaje de esperanza, amor y redención a las nuevas generaciones. Y cuando llevamos a Cristo dentro de nosotros, seguramente estaremos listos para esa fase final de la historia de salvación cuando Cristo vendrá nuevamente en gloria para juzgar a los vivos y a los muertos. *Padre Ulises*

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2019

Our assessment for this year is **\$78,542.98**. This Archdiocesan tax supports all those many offices, ministries and charities that individual parishes alone cannot cover. These include the Marriage Tribunal, support of retired priests and nuns, and financial help to our Catholic Schools. As of this week, we still need **\$6,452** to finish. Please consider what you might do to help us meet our obligation by the end of the year. **Thank you!**



Women's Club—Christmas Party

Wed. December 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the Small Hall
Bring a wrapped gift of approximately \$15 value for our annual FUN Gift exchange!

FOOD, DESSERT, DRINKS & FUN!

A great evening of fellowship. \$20



Retiro de Adviento

Sabado 7 de Diciembre 8:30 a.m. a las 2:00 p.m.
en el Salon Grande con Padre Aramburo

Todos Invitados!

Jackets and Coats for the Homeless

Our Mount Carmel Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is once again collecting winter jackets and coats for their needy clients. They especially would like to receive larger sizes such as X, XL and XXL. There will be a barrel in the vestibule of the church for new or gently used coats and jackets. **Thank you!**



Today's 2nd Collection:

For our Parish Maintenance & Improvement.



This collection helps us to maintain our church and other parish facilities in good condition, to do the repairs and upgrades that are needed, and to cover the gardening needs of the Parish.

The second collection next week will be for our Religious Education Programs.

ELECTRONIC DONATIONS

VANCOPAYMENTS.COM is an agency created to facilitate the process of donations, if you wish to make your donations to the Church electronically or by Credit Card, please see our website,

www.mountcarmel.org

press **Donate** and follow the easy instructions.
Thank You.



Inquire now!

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School

Admissions 650-366-6127; schoolinfo@mountcarmel.org

- ♦ Schedule a school tour Tues. & Fri. at 9 a.m.
- ♦ See classes in session, meet principal & teachers,
- ♦ Learn about curriculum, enrichment programs
- ♦ OLMC School offers a full range of education from Pre-School, Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten, to First - Eighth Grade
- ♦ Financial Assistance available to families





Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 30, 2019

5:00 PM Souls in Purgatory †

Sunday, December 01, 2019

8:00 AM Gene and Loraine Kitzke †

10:00 AM Ivan Dei Rossi †

12:00 PM Concepcion Alvarez (B'day Int.)

5:00 PM Pro Populo

Monday, December 02, 2019

8:15 AM Thomas Mussio †

Tuesday, December 03, 2019

8:15 AM Alison Huber †

Wednesday, December 04, 2019

8:15 AM Thien To †

Thursday, December 05, 2019

8:15 AM Matthew Smith †

Friday, December 06, 2019

8:15 AM Irio Rigali †

Saturday, December 07, 2019

8:15 AM Shirley Schwoerer (health Int.)

THIS WEEK AT MT. CARMEL

Sunday, December 01, 2019

RCIA 9:00 to 10:00 AM Chapel

Children's Liturgy 10:00 AM Church

Monday, December 02, 2019

Grupo Carismático (Mesa Directiva) 7:00 PM Old Chapel

Tuesday, December 03, 2019

Grupo Guadalupano 7:00 PM Parish Center

Padre Parents' Meeting 7:00 PM Small Hall

Men's Basketball 8:30 PM Large Hall

Wednesday, December 04, 2019

CCD Classes 6:30 PM School

Women's Club 6:30 PM Small Hall

Bible Study 7:00 PM Old Chapel

Grupo Carismático 7:00 PM Large Hall

Thursday, December 05, 2019

Good Grief 6:00 PM Old Chapel

CCD Classes 6:30 PM School

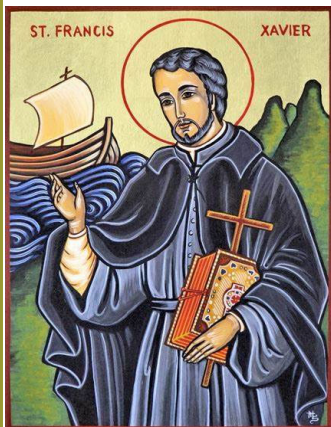
Saturday, December 07, 2019

Retiro de Adviento 8:30 AM All Facilities



Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: First Sunday of Advent
Monday: of the First Week of Advent
Tuesday: St. Francis Xavier
Wednesday: St. John Damascene
Thursday: of the First Week of Advent
Friday: St. Nicholas
Saturday: St. Ambrose



Our Good Grief Ministry

Good Grief will meet only on the First and Third Thursdays of every month. Meetings are in the Parish Center from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Welcome Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Registration Form

The following confidential information will be entered in our parish data system. It is only for the purpose of knowing and serving you better.

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ zip: _____

Telephone: _____

e-mail: _____

Others in your household: _____

Number of adults over 18 years of age: _____

Number of children under 18 years of age: _____

Would you like a parishioner number in order to register your donations? _____

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