

# *Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish at Our Lady of Loreto Church*



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## MASS SCHEDULE

### LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:00, 10:00, and 11:30 a.m.

### DAILY MASS

Monday through Thursday 7:00 a.m.

### HOLY DAY MASSES

Vigil: 6:00 p.m.  
Holyday: 7:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. or by appointment.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To schedule a baptism please call 508-753-5001.

### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor at least a year in advance. A program of preparation is required for all couples planning to marry in the church. To schedule a wedding please call 508-753-5001.

### ILLNESS

Arrangements can be made to have Holy Communion brought to those who are homebound due to illness, age, or impairment of any kind or to celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing and Reconciliation with them. Please call 508-753-5001.

### PARISH REGISTRATION

To become a registered member of the parish, please call 508-753-5001 or register on-line at [www.mtcarmel.ws](http://www.mtcarmel.ws).

## MINISTERIAL STAFF

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**Joseph Bellino**, Property Committee Chair

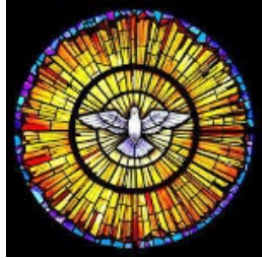
**Joan Venincasa, John DaSilva,**

**Sanghee Kim** - Music

**Mary DiSilvestro**, Sacristan

**John Oliver**, Hospitality Ministry

**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish at Our Lady of Loreto Church  
PRAYER FOR PARISH SPIRITUAL RENEWAL**



Lord God, You love us with an everlasting love, and You choose us to share Your love with others. We ask that You rekindle in our hearts a new spirit of faith, of prayer and of reconciliation. Inspire us to search out and find ways of bringing one another closer to You. We pray for all who form our parish community, that we remain faithful to Your teaching, that we remain steadfast in our prayer, both personal and communal, that together with You and the Holy Spirit, our parish may be renewed and transformed. All this we ask in the name of Jesus and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Please cut out and pray daily.**

**DIVINE MERCY PARISH MISSION**

**Monday, March 19 –Wednesday, March 21, 2018**

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish at  
Our Lady of Loreto Church

Featured Speaker: Fr. Dan Cambra, MIC, Director of the Marian Evangelization Team is a member of the Mother of Mercy Province of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Schedule of events (topics vary daily)

**MONDAY, MARCH 19**

7:00 pm: Divine Mercy Presentation

**TUESDAY, MARCH 20**

7:00 pm: Divine Mercy Presentation

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21**

7:00 pm: Divine Mercy Presentation

For more information please contact Maria Sciannameo at 508-842-7604 or visit [www.thedivinemercy.org/events](http://www.thedivinemercy.org/events)

**INSTALLATION OF DEFIBRILLATOR**

A defibrillator has been installed on the wall to the right of the confessional to assist us in an emergency of someone suffering from cardiac arrest. We pray that we will never have to use it, but it is there if necessary. We are grateful to the Sons of Italy for this wonderful gift given in honor of Gene and Julie DeFeudis. Several of our parishioners went through an extensive training this week with the American Red Cross through the Worcester Fire Department in the use of the defibrillator and in providing first aid. Many thanks to all who volunteered to be trained!

**CHANGE IN CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Beginning this Tuesday and continuing during Lent, confessions will be heard from 3:30 to 5:00 pm and no longer in the evening.

**Lenten Schedule for the Week of  
February 26**

**Monday, February 26**

7:00 am - Mass

**Tuesday, February 27**

7:00 am - Mass

3:30 - 5:00 pm - Confessions

**Wednesday, February 28**

7:00 am - Mass

**Thursday, March 1**

7:00 am - Mass

**Friday, March 2**

7:00 am - Communion Service

6:30 pm - Stations of the Cross and Benediction

**Saturday, March 3**

3:00 pm - Confessions

*Lenten Prayer*

*Lord God, you call us to repentance and self-denial.*

*While we can choose our penances,  
so many of our brothers and sisters  
have not the basic needs of life.*

*Teach us humility in our works of penance,  
so that our fast may be a victory over egotism  
and self-indulgence,  
through Jesus, the Christ, our Lord.*

~Proclaiming All Your Wonders



**PARTNERS IN CHARITY**

The Diocesan Partners in Charity Appeal has begun. Many of you have already received a letter and pledge form from the Chancery. Our sign is up and soon you will receive a letter from Monsignor Pedone. "In-pew" weekend will take place here in our parish the weekend of March 10th & 11th. Our goal is the same as last year—\$50,000, which we exceeded last year, thanks to so many generous parishioners and friends. The theme this year is "**Faith in Action-Loving God by Serving Others**". Once a year, we commit ourselves to helping the needy throughout central Massachusetts. This is that time.

**Ministry Assignments for Mar. 3-4**

**Mar. 3 @ 4 pm**

Lector - Jim Buffone

Ministers - Tom Lavin & Nancy Gurgone

**Mar. 4 @ 8 am**

Lector - Chris Cook

Ministers - Sr. Linda & Sr. Roberta

**Mar. 4 @ 10 am**

Lector - Vera Novick

Ministers - Helen Aromando & Lynne Ciociolo

**Mar.4 @ 11:30 am**

Lector - Pat Solitro

Ministers - Laurie Matosky & Santina MacGregor

Please arrange for a substitute if you cannot fulfill your assignment. Thank you for the good work that you do!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Mark Latino who joined catechumens and candidates from 41 different parishes in the diocese at St. Paul's Cathedral on Sunday, March 18 for the Rite of Election. Mark looks forward to being baptized, confirmed and receiving the Eucharist for the first time here at Loreto at the Easter Vigil on March 31. Please keep Mark in your prayers during this period of his final preparation for the sacraments.

**FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY**

Friday, March 2, 2018

4:00-6:30 PM

Mount Carmel Parish Center  
Mulberry Street



MENU:

- Fish (Haddock) and Chips—\$15.00
- Baked Haddock with Rice Pilaf—\$15.00
- Fish Chowder—\$5.00

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets are available in the Parish Office or by e-mail Joan at joan\_dargenis@yahoo.com

**This Week in Our Parish**

- Mon., Feb. 26 - 9 am-3 pm - UMass Care Mobile
- Tues., Feb. 27- 10 am-2 pm - Golden Years Gathering  
7 pm - Knights of Columbus
- Fri. Mar. 1 - 6:30 pm - Stations of the Cross and Benediction
- Sun., Mar. 4 - Religious Education classes  
8:30 - 11 am: Pre-K - Grade 4  
11 am - 12:15 pm - Grades 5-10



***PREPARING FOR AND CELEBRATING THE SCRUTINIES***

*We, the baptized, are a welcoming and supportive community. On the first Sunday of Lent we celebrated the Rite of Sending for our Catechumen, Mark Latino. On the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent, we, together with the Mark, the elect, will participate in rites called the Scrutinies. To "scrutinize" means to take a careful look at something. For us it means Healing any weakness or sin, Strengthening what is good, and "holding fast to Christ". We look at our life to see where change and growth are needed. In order to change and grow, we need to recognize and name the temptations with which we struggle -- the things that get in the way of our relationships -- and pray for God to strengthen us. Some of these faults and attitudes are subtle and tough to dislodge, but we know we can with God's help and the prayerful support of our community. The community **does not** scrutinize the catechumens; the catechumens scrutinize their own lives and allow God to scrutinize them and to heal them. Mark has experienced acceptance, affirmation and trust within our parish community. While we are praying for him, he will be praying for us. Scrutinies are proclamations of hope and trust of God's help, healing, and power. They are a promise of us as a community to live together in the power of the Holy Spirit. Scrutinies strengthen us in Christ, who is the way, the truth and the life.*

Let's continue to pray for Mark as he continues his journey into the Catholic Church, and for one another as we continue our own journey through this season of Lent.

**COLD AND FLU SEASON**



The flu has affected many people, not only in our area but throughout the country, causing several deaths. The flu and colds can be often spread by touch. To lessen the risk of catching the flu, I suggest that during the Sign of Peace, you simply nod or wave to the persons around you rather than shake hands. At the end of Mass, I and the deacons will simply nod or wave to you instead of a handshake until this season of cold and flu passes. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

Monsignor Pedone

Financial Stewardship

For the week ending February 18, 2018



Income

Offertory	\$3,340.00
Ash Wednesday	1,420.00
Rental Income	725.00
Offertory—Mail	388.00
Funeral Stipends	300.00
Church in Latin America	219.00
Memorial Donations	200.00
Donation	100.00
Fuel	99.00
Candles	99.00
Maintenance	98.00
Catholic Free Press	78.00
Mass Stipends	70.00
First Offering	29.00
New Years	19.00
Home Missions	10.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,194.00</b>

Expenses

Snow Plowing, Cleaning and Sanding	\$3,521.00
Italian Class Instructor	1,000.00
Supplies	517.86
Rectory—Food & Household (January)	261.94
Repairs & Maintenance	248.78
Funeral Stipends	50.00
Mass Coverage	50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,649.58</b>

Upcoming Events

- Mar. 2 - 4-6:30 pm - Friday Night FISH FRY** -at Mt. Carmel Center, Mulberry St. Tickets are Available in the parish office.
- Mar. 17 - Annual Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference**, Assumption College. Adult tickets \$45 until Feb. 28, afterwards \$60; Student tickets always \$30. For further information, a brochure or to register, call Sara Smillie at 508-929-4345.
- Mar. 17-21 - Lenten Mission** at Our Lady of Loreto Church featuring Fr. Dan Cambra from the National Shrine of Divine Mercy.
- Mar. 24 - 6 pm - Lenten Parish Supper** sponsored by the Mt. Carmel Knights of Columbus.

**WINTER WEATHER POLICY**

For the sake of safety, when Worcester schools cancel or delay class, morning Mass is canceled.

Please listen to WTAG or WSRS for no school announcements. Cancellations are also posted on Channel 7 TV.

Knights of Columbus  
“The Family Fully Alive” Program

Families need to set aside a definite time for formal prayer together in order to have prayer infuse everything they do. Family members must build their life around God rather than fit God into their busy schedule. It is necessary to develop a rhythm because life is shaped by rhythms: the rhythm of heartbeat and breathing, the rhythm of day and night, of meals, of weeks, and so on. The theme for the month of March is:

**FAMILY DIFFICULTIES**

Catholic families today face many challenges. The world tells families that they can simply walk away from such situations. However, this escapism is not the Christian way. As St. John Paul II often reminded people, the Christian way of suffering begins with hope and the firm conviction that “God’s strength is always far more powerful than your difficulties.” The Lord will help families carry their crosses to the very end.

Open conversation unites family members and may lead them to discover the source of their pain and struggles. It may be painful to face problems, especially those that have no easy solution, but families must do so with honesty and love. The wounds of families can be transformed into points of intimacy with God. Suffering need not be only negative; through faith it can be transformed into great love. Consider these questions:

1. What are our family’s struggles? How might we work together as a family to heal these areas of hurt or confusion, without fleeing from challenges, shutting anyone out or giving in to despair?
2. What difference does it make to view suffering in light of the cross of Christ?
3. How can we as a family better rely on God’s strength in times of difficulty?

(Fourth of a 12 part series.)

**LENTEN PARISH SUPPER**

On **Saturday March 24, 2018** Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Lenten supper downstairs in the parish hall at 6pm. There will be appetizers and a main course featuring lasagna from Volturno in Worcester. Entertainment will be provided by Joe Cariglia. Tickets are \$25pp- tables of 10 \$250. Only 200 tickets will be sold. See Nino Giamei or Richard Trubiano for tickets. Checks for tickets can also be left in the parish office. Proceeds will benefit the works of our parish Knights of Columbus.

# MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 24, 2018 - 3:00 p.m.—Confessions

Saturday, February 24, 2018—4:00 p.m.

**Mr. and Mrs. Steven Giorgio** (20th Anniversary) and **Frank, Frances and Stephen** by Family  
**Harold and Estelle Richmond** by Chester and Marcia DiLeo

Sunday, February 25, 2018—8:00 a.m.

**John Kris** (3rd Anniversary) by Mom, Aldona

Sunday, February 25, 2018 - 10:00 a.m.

**Michael Viapano** (First Anniversary) by Wife

Sunday, February 25, 2018 - 11:30 a.m.

**The Soul of Maria Lilette Ann Vasquez**  
**Riccardo Mustica and Joey Arcuri** (Month's Mind) by Family

Monday, February 26, 2018—7:00 a.m.

**Parishioners Intentions**

Tuesday, February 27, 2018 -- 7:00 a.m.

**Salerno Marco and Cafaro Vincenza** by Son and Family

Wednesday, February 28, 2018—7:00 a.m.

**The Sick of the Parish**

Thursday, March 1, 2018—7:00 a.m.

**Parishioners Intentions**

Saturday, March 3, 2018 - 3:00 p.m.—Confessions

Saturday, March 3, 2018—4:00 p.m.

**Robert Reynolds** (Birthday) by Rose Smith

Sunday, March 4, 2018—8:00 a.m.

**The People of the Parish**

Sunday, March 4, 2018—10:00 a.m.

**Palladino Martino** by Friends and Family  
**Carmella Indelia** by Carmine and Esther Lonardo

Sunday, March 4, 2018—11:30 a.m.

**Emelia Garofoli** (10th Anniversary) by Family



**Please pray for the sick of our parish:** Francis Caffone, Susan Stomski, Donna Grasseschi, Lori Blackwell, Carmella Szklarz, Matteo Fiore, Patrick Loconto, Eleanor Lupisella, Butch Rano, Mary O'Connor, Christopher Collazo, Paula Mari, Sim Simone, Cathy Coffey, Mildred Bassan, Vincent Pusateri, Sylvia Pusateri, Debbie Caffone, Joseph Lapomardo, Joseph Ginskus, Philip Powers, Marcia DiLeo, Virginia Czubrynski, Karen Remian, Chester DiLeo, Sandra Powers, Robert Mazzola, Jennifer Bodinizzo, Martin Laine, Antoinette Raddi, Accurzio & Loretta Sclafani, Robert Bacon, Susan Cardinal, Belinda Sahagun, Thelma Ortiz, Caryl Masiello, Cynthia Pedone, Roland Dionne, Maxwell Mitchell, Louis Naple, Carol Youngstrom, Richard Patrone, Sue Cozzolino, Carol & Frank Iaconi, Anthony DeAngelis, Frank Corridori, Reverend Charles Armev and Anthony & Paul Locantore. May the Lord give them strength, courage and healing.

**THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY LAMPS ARE DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF:**

**Vera Sbrogna**  
by husband, Gus



**UMass Memorial Ronald McDonald Care Mobile**

**Are You Uninsured?**

**Do You Need Medical or Dental Services?**

**If Yes, Come See Us in the parking lot of Our Lady of Loreto Parish on Monday, February 26 from 9 am - 3 pm**

**We offer preventive dental and health care services including: dental health care and Worcester Public Schools Dental Screening, physical exams, sports physicals, immunizations, outreach and more.**

**We provide medical and dental care for children and families even if they have no insurance or are unable to pay.**

**To make an appointment, call 508-334-6073**

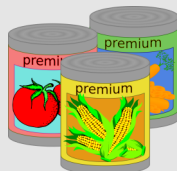
**Free flu shots without an appointment are available.**

**For more information, contact: Nardy Vega at 508-341-9416**

**Sponsored by UMass Memorial**

## PARISH FOOD PANTRY

Through your generosity, we are able to help families in our local area with food. Please drop off food items in the church vestibule or at the parish center. Your donations make a big difference to someone who is hungry. Many thanks!



*Pray...Pray...Pray...*

**CHOIR**

The choir is looking for new members, Rehearsals are currently Mondays from 6-7 PM. Right now the choir sings the 4 pm Mass the last Saturday of the month. We are hoping to add more Masses to that schedule in the future. We are currently preparing for Holy Week and Easter. We need voices to learn the Hallelujah Chorus.

Come join the wonderful group of parishioners already participating in this ensemble. If you have any questions, feel free to contact director Josef Konkol at [Konkoljosef@yahoo.com](mailto:Konkoljosef@yahoo.com)

**MOUNT CARMEL GOLDEN YEARS CLUB**

February 2018

February 27, 2018

10:00 A.M.	Socializing
10:30 AM	Paper Sale
12:00 NOON	Lunch – Followed by Social.

WINTER WEATHER REMINDER: IF SCHOOLS ARE DELAYED OR CANCELLED, THERE IS NO GOLDEN YEARS MEETING

ALL DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK WOULD BE GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED AND APPRECIATED

**NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME**

**18TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN CATHOLIC MEN’S CONFERENCE**

18th Annual Diocesan Catholic Men’s Conference at Assumption College Men (of all ages, including teens and college students) are invited to this important annual Conference, scheduled for Assumption College on Saturday, March 17. Visit the conference website at [www.firstmensconf.org](http://www.firstmensconf.org) for information and to purchase tickets online and elsewhere. Come and hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: Marcellino D’Ambrosio, Father David Cavanagh, Robert Rogers, Ryan Tremblay, and Elvis Grbac. Bishops and priests will hear confessions. Bishop McManus will offer the Conference Mass. For a Conference brochure, further information or registration, call Sara Smillie at 508-929-4345. Adult tickets are \$45 until February 28, afterwards \$60. Student tickets are always \$30.

**PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND AND PRAGUE**

Our Lady of Czestochowa Church in Worcester is sponsoring a pilgrimage to Poland and Prague in July 16-31, 2018, with Fr. Richard Polek, in the footsteps of St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Faustina Kowlaska and St. John Paul II.

The all-inclusive cost, with three meals a day is \$3,290. Detailed itinerary can be requested in the parish office at 34 Ward Street, Worcester, MA 508-577-5959 or found online at: [www.olcworcester.com](http://www.olcworcester.com). For more information or to register please call Christine at 508-865-9390.

**How about making a Cursillo weekend?**

Cursillo or “short course in Christianity” is an uplifting and educational experience, facilitated by a team of lay-people and clergy who deliver organized talks and discussions, that include the witness of their own lives, their struggles and triumphs in Christ. The weekend is full of laughter, prayer, great music, wonderful meals and so much more.

**Upcoming: Men’s - June 14-17, 2018**  
**Women’s - May 3-6, 2018**  
**October 25-28, 2018**

All weekends are held at the Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center in Putnam, CT. For more information, please contact Carolyn Galgano @ 508-847-7005 or [angels-3cma@gmail.com](mailto:angels-3cma@gmail.com), Joan Laracy @ 774-239-2474 or [joanlaracy@yahoo.com](mailto:joanlaracy@yahoo.com), or Elizabeth Santley @ 508-304-8871 or [esantley@yahoo.com](mailto:esantley@yahoo.com). Applications are available in the vestibule if the church.

**Enrich your Lent by Volunteering**

Would like to make a difference in this world and in your own life? Would you consider saying “yes” to Jesus by spending time with hospice patients? Can you spare one or two hours a week volunteering with patients at the end of life? **Notre Dame Hospice** is looking for kind, compassionate people to provide companionship to hospice patients by sharing stories and experiences, reading, praying or just sitting quietly holding their hand. Pet therapy also brings joy to our patients if you happen to have a dog. If interested, please contact Debbie Karalus at 508-852-5505 or email [dkaralus@notredamehealthcare.org](mailto:dkaralus@notredamehealthcare.org).  
 What a great way to be Christ to others!

**Volunteer Opportunities at Mercy Center**

While adult students are being tutored in the HiSet program, volunteers are needed to play with their children and engage in activities. The need is Monday through Thursday, anywhere from 9am-2pm. Contact Rose Gage, Coordinator of Volunteer Services, at [rgage@ccworc.org](mailto:rgage@ccworc.org) or at 508-860-2211.

**2ND SUNDAY OF LENT**

“Here I am!” he answered.” (Genesis 22:11) It is easy to say, “Here I am, Lord,” when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say “Here I am, Lord,” when a neighbor needs our help, when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it’s not convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

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