MARCH 15, 2020  ~  THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Parish Center Hours
Monday to Friday:  9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Religious Education Office:  (650) 368-8237
Mt. Carmel School Office:  (650) 366-6127
Mt. Carmel Pre-School:  (650) 366-6587

Parish Staff
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Administrative Assistant:  Ivette Meléndez
Director of Religious Ed.:  Magdalena Hernández
Youth Confirmation:  Judy Draper
Director of Music:  Bianca Remlinger
Pre-School Director:  Maureen Arnott

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

During the next three Sundays, the Third, Fourth and Fifth (and final) Sunday of Lent, Catholic parishes around the world that are privileged to have within their congregations new adult converts, will be celebrating special Rites of the Church called Scrutinies. The process by which adults come into the Catholic Church is called RCIA, short for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This is generally a 9-month program during which the converts learn to pray, study the Bible, discuss the history and the important teachings of the Church, and reflect on the course of their lives together with their teachers and others in the RCIA process. Along the way certain moments in their progress are marked by celebrations at Mass. The first of these, the Rite of Welcome, allows the larger community to acknowledge those who are embracing our faith. The second is the Rite of Sending and Election during which the Elect (or Chosen Ones), now firm in their decision to be baptized, are sent to the Bishop at the Cathedral to be prayed over. After that, the Elect enter into their final period of preparation (coinciding with the Church season of Lent), a period called Purification and Enlightenment. At each of the final three Sundays of Lent, at whichever community Mass the Elect attend, the priest will call the group forward to the altar along with their sponsors. In a very solemn moment, the entire assembly will pray for them, asking God to protect and to heal them in the weeks ahead. The Elect are encouraged in their introspection and in their sense of repentance with the recognition that this intense degree of soul-searching can be extremely challenging. It is no wonder that these Rites are called Scrutinies, for they ask the Elect to shine a piercing light into their very depths in order to root out sin and its causes. The Ritual includes a Prayer of Exorcism, asking that these Elect might be freed from the power of the Evil One and protected on their journey of faith. It also calls for the priest to lay his hands on each of the candidates, a solemn act of calling down the Spirit of Jesus to be with them and to watch over them. While the Scrutinies are intended for and focused on those who are to be baptized at the Easter Vigil, these rituals are also for the benefit of everyone in the parish assembly, life-long Catholics as well as new ones. After all, is there anyone who does not need to examine his or her conscience? Is there anyone whose faith is so secure that he or she does not need heart-felt conversion and renewal? It is tremendously inspiring to witness people who have been drawn to become part of this great faith of ours, the faith founded on the Apostle Peter by Jesus Christ himself. And it reminds those of us born into the Catholic faith of the wonderful gift which our God has given us. Fr. Ulysses

Notas del Párroco

Durante los próximos tres domingos, el tercer, cuarto y quinto (y final) domingo de Cuaresma, parroquias católicas de todo el mundo que tienen el privilegio de tener dentro de sus congregaciones nuevos conversos adultos, estarán celebrando ritos especiales de la Iglesia llamados escrutinios. El proceso por el cual los adultos entran en la Iglesia católica está llamada RICA, corto para el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos. Esto es generalmente un programa de 9 meses durante el cual los conversos aprenden a orar, estudiar la Biblia, hablar de la historia y las enseñanzas de la Iglesia, y reflexionar sobre el curso de sus vidas junto con sus catequistas y otros en el proceso de RICA. En el proceso, ciertos momentos están marcados por varios ritos especiales en la misa. El primero de ellos, el Rito de Bienvenida, permite la comunidad a reconocer los que están adoptando nuestra fe. El segundo es el Rito de Envío y Elección durante el cual los elegidos, ahora mas firmes en su decisión de ser bautizados, se envían al obispo en la catedral para que se ore por ellos. Después de eso, los elegidos entran en su período final de preparación (durante la temporada de Cuaresma), un período llamado Purificación e Iluminación. En cada uno de los tres últimos domingos de Cuaresma, en la Misa principal de la parroquia, el cura le llamará al grupo al altar junto con sus padrinos. En un momento muy solemne, toda la comunidad ore por ellos, pidiendo a Dios su protección y su curación en las próximas semanas. Los elegidos se les anima en su introspección y en su sentido de arrepentimiento con el reconocimiento de que este intenso grado de introspección puede ser extremadamente difícil. No nos debe sorprender que estos ritos se llaman escrutinios, porque piden de los elegidos que examinen su consciencia de una manera profunda con el fin de erradicar el pecado y sus causas. El ritual incluye una oración de exorcismo, pidiendo que estos elegidos podrían ser liberados del poder del Maligno, y protegidos en su camino de fe. En el rito, el sacerdote impone las manos sobre cada uno de los candidatos, un acto solemne para que descienda sobre ellos el Espíritu Santo. Mientras que los escrutinios son para y se concentraron en los que van a ser bautizados en la Vigilia de Pascua, estos rituales son también para el beneficio de todos los miembros de la asamblea parroquial, para los católicos de toda la vida, así como para los nuevos. Después de todo, ¿hay alguien que no necesite examinar su consciencia? ¿Hay alguien cuya fe es tan seguro que él o ella no necesita renovación y conversión? Es algo inspirador ver a estas personas que han sido atraídos a formar parte de nuestra fe católica, la fe fundada en el apóstol san Pedro por el propio Jesucristo. Y recuerda a nosotros que fuimos nacidos en la fe católica el maravilloso don que nuestro buen Dios nos ha dado. Padre Ulysses
**THE 2020 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL.**
Our assessment for this year is $78,484, or 20% of our last year’s income. To date, we have received $12,440. Please consider what you might do to help us meet our obligation by the end of the year. Thank you very much!

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Today’s Second Collection is for our Liturgy Fund.

Next Week’s Second Collection will be for our Catholic Relief Services.

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**Good Grief**
The loss of every loved one creates many changes, challenges and pain. “Good Grief”, an ongoing support group, meets first and third Thursday at the Parish Center, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

We care. We share. Do come.

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**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, God reward your generosity.

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If someone in your family is homebound, lives nearby and is unable to attend Mass, but would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact Julie O’Leary at (650) 361-8681. Communion ministers are needed to bring the Eucharist to homebound parishioners. Please call Julie O’Leary if you would like to participate in this worthy ministry.

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Congratulations to our Catechumens (those who will receive Baptism) and our Candidates (those who will receive Confirmation and/or First Communion) at Easter time. On Sunday, March 1st, they participated in the Rite of Sending in our church, and later in the afternoon, they joined others at St. Mary’s Cathedral in San Francisco for the Rite of Election with Archbishop Cordileone. We also thank the sponsors and leaders of our RCIA and RCIC programs.

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Our St. Vincent de Paul Society is requesting donations of used eye glasses which will be given to the homeless. There will be a basket in the vestibule of the church where they can be put. Thank you for your help.

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*NEW EYES*
glasses for those in need
Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 14, 2020
5:00 PM  Huan Phan †

Sunday, March 15, 2020
8:00 AM  Antonino Pitarresi †
10:00 AM  Winnie Buckley †
12:00 PM  Evelyn Sofia Castillo †
5:00 PM  Pro Populo

Monday, March 16, 2020
8:15 AM  Mario Kucich (Intentions)

Tuesday, March 17, 2020
8:15 AM  Diana Calvelli †

Wednesday, March 18, 2020
8:15 AM  Gino Fanucchi †

Thursday, March 19, 2020
8:15 AM  Souls in Purgatory †

Friday, March 20, 2020
8:15 AM  Deceased of the Ledesma family †

Saturday, March 21, 2020
8:15 AM  Paul Territo †

THIS WEEK AT MT. CARMEl

Sunday, March 15, 2020
CCD Classes  8:30 AM  School
RCIA  9:00 AM  Chapel
Children’s Liturgy  10:00 AM  Church

Monday, March 16, 2020
Grupo Carismático (Mesa Directiva) 7:00 PM  Old Chapel

Tuesday, March 17, 2020
Men’s Basketball  8:30 PM  Large Hall

Wednesday, March 18, 2020
CCD Classes  6:30 PM  School
Bible Study  7:00 PM  Old Chapel
Grupo Carismático  7:00 PM  Large Hall

Thursday, March 19, 2020
Good Grief  6:00 PM  Old Chapel
CCD Classes  6:30 PM  School
SVdP Meeting  7:00 PM  Parish Center

“Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink.”  Exodus 17:3-7
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**Welcome Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

**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:** ___

**Rosary Makers Group**

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Rosary Makers Group meets every Friday from 10:00 a.m. to Noon in the Parish Center. We are always looking for new people who'd like to join us in making rosary. Training and materials provided.
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